

Drought Information Statement for Central Alabama

Valid November 26, 2025

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- This product will be updated only if drought conditions change significantly.
- Please see all currently available products at <https://drought.gov/drought-information-statements>.
- Please visit <https://www.weather.gov/bmx/DroughtInformationStatement> for previous statements.



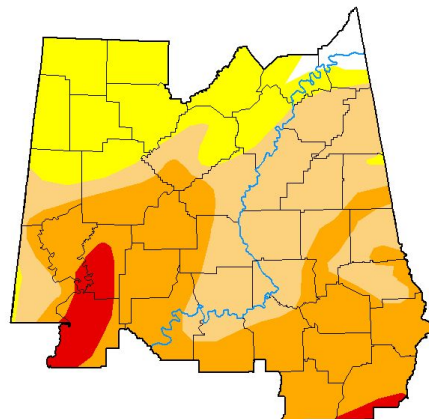


U.S. Drought Monitor

Link to the [latest U.S. Drought Monitor](#) for central Alabama

- Drought intensity and Extent
 - D4 Exceptional Drought: None.
 - D3 Extreme Drought: Areas are still located in parts of the southwest with a new area now in southern Barbour County.
 - D2 and D1 Severe and Moderate Drought: Covers most of the area along and south of I-20 that is not covered in higher drought categories.
 - D0 Abnormally Dry: The northern tier of counties has had the most rain during this dry spell but is still abnormally dry in most locations.

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November 25, 2025
(Released Wednesday, Nov. 26, 2025)
Valid 7 a.m. EST

	Drought Conditions (Percent Area)					
	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	1.82	23.38	32.59	37.64	4.56	0.00
Last Week 11-18-2025	1.82	23.38	32.59	38.26	3.95	0.00
3 Months Ago 08-26-2025	84.52	14.03	1.45	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year 01-01-2025	20.54	46.48	27.17	5.81	0.00	0.00
Start of Water Year 09-30-2024	0.24	48.37	31.68	17.41	2.30	0.00
One Year Ago 11-26-2024	0.00	39.88	45.98	11.29	2.85	0.00

Intensity

None	D2 Severe Drought
D0 Abnormally Dry	D3 Extreme Drought
D1 Moderate Drought	D4 Exceptional Drought

The Drought Monitor focuses on broad-scale conditions. Local conditions may vary. For more information on the Drought Monitor, go to <https://droughtmonitor.unl.edu/About.aspx>

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Image Caption: U.S. Drought Monitor valid November 25, 2025.



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Recent Change in Drought Intensity

Link to the latest [4-week change map](#) for central Alabama

- Four Week Drought Monitor Class Change.
 - Drought Worsened: Very little change with a few patches scattered about.
 - No Change: Covers most of the area.
 - Drought Improved: Mainly in the southwestern counties where some previous week rainfall improved conditions.

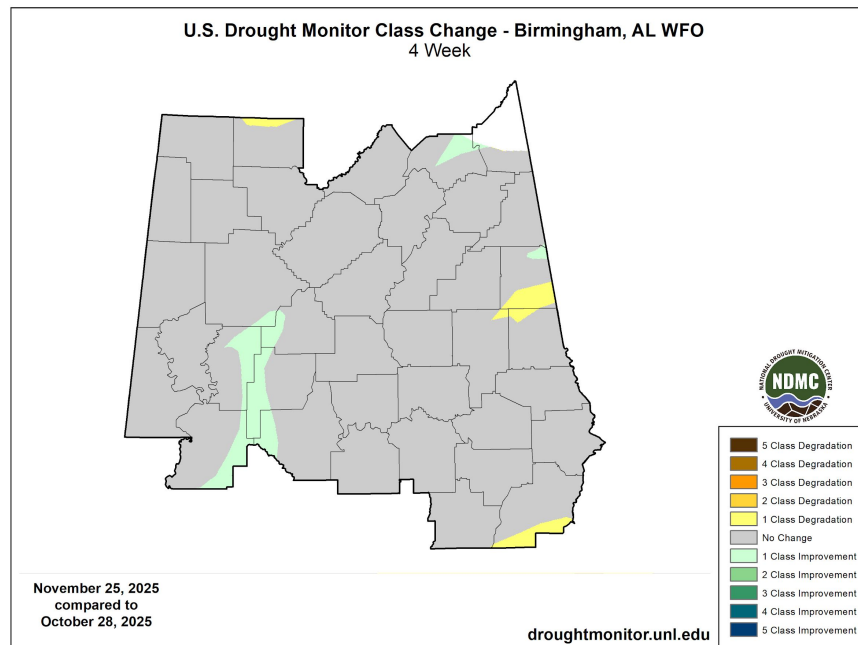


Image Caption: U.S. Drought Monitor 4-week change map valid November 25th, 2025



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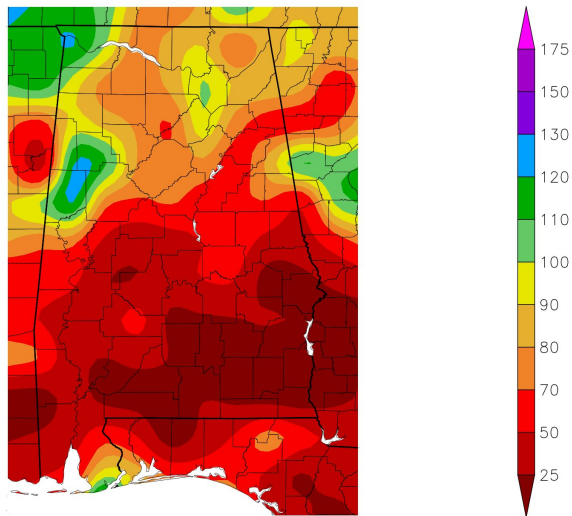


Precipitation

Last 30 days

- Dry conditions persist across much of the deep south over the past 30 days. Very dry conditions have set across the southeastern counties.
- Most central Alabama locations received below-average rainfall.
- November's average weekly rainfall should be around 1 inch.
- November typically marks the start of fall severe weather, with strong storm systems capable of heavy rainfall.

Percent of Normal Precipitation (%)
10/27/2025 – 11/25/2025



1/26/2025 using provisional data.

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Image Captions:

Map - [Departure from normal map for Alabama](#)
Data over the past 30 days ending Nov 25, 2025





Summary of Impacts

Links: See/submit [Condition Monitoring Observer Reports \(CMOR\)](#) and view the [Drought Impacts Reporter](#)

Hydrologic Impacts

- Streamflows have fluctuated greatly due to recent rainfall. Areas across the north have seen the most improvement while areas in the south and especially in the southeast are significantly below average.

Agricultural Impacts

- No updates from the USDA have been reported.

Fire Hazard Impacts

- A [Fire Danger Advisory](#) is in effect for the entire state.

Other Impacts

- None

Drought Mitigation Actions

- Please refer to your municipality and/or water provider for mitigation information.





Hydrologic Conditions and Impacts

- Streamflows are at or near normal across the northern half of the state but remain below across most of the southern half.
- Click the link to the right for a full map and legend to the image provided.

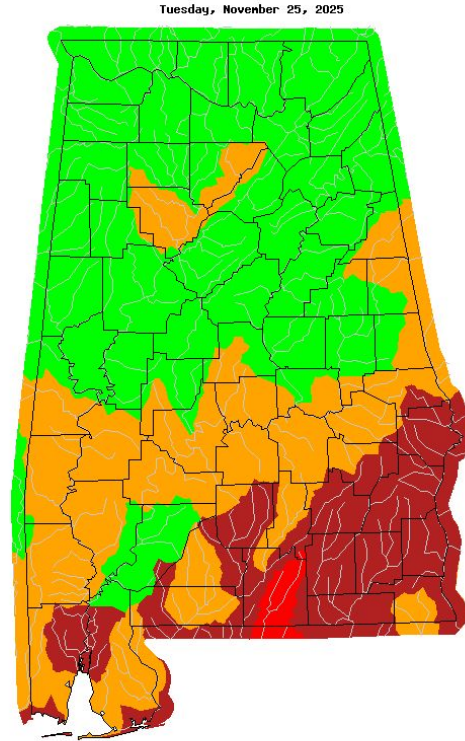


Figure Caption: [USGS 7 day streamflows for Alabama](#), valid Nov 25, 2025

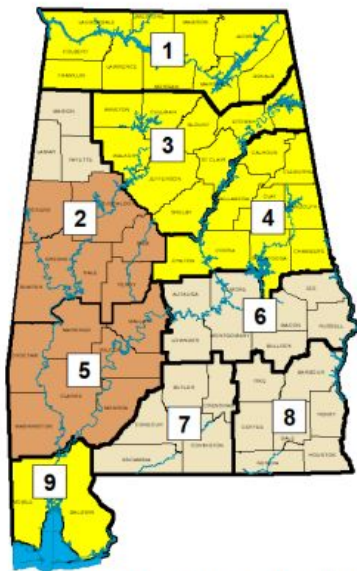




Fire Hazard Impacts

Link to [Alabama Forestry Commission](#)

- The Alabama drought declaration map has all of Alabama in either an advisory, watch or warning status.
- Click the link at the bottom of the page for more information.



Legend
No Drought Declaration
Advisory
Watch
Warning
Emergency

Drought condition continue to spread across Alabama. Region 5 and a portion of Region 2 have been upgraded to a Warning and Regions 6 and 8 have been upgraded to a Watch. OWR will continue monitoring our water resources and update this Declaration as needed.

Water managers and public water system customers are encouraged to follow their local water system's recommendations regarding water use. All water users should make prudent decisions on their water use to protect available resources.

For further information, please visit our web site at water.alabama.gov and follow the links for Drought Planning and Management. You may also reach our office at (334) 242-5499, fax at (334) 242-0776, or e-mail at water@adeca.alabama.gov.

Image caption: [Alabama drought declaration map image](#)



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Seven Day Precipitation Forecast

- An average to above rainfall pattern is expected to set up across the area. While the heaviest rainfall should remain over Louisiana and Mississippi, some locations in central Alabama could receive in excess of 2 inches. With the recent heavy rainfall that occurred on the 25th, some drought improvement can be expected.

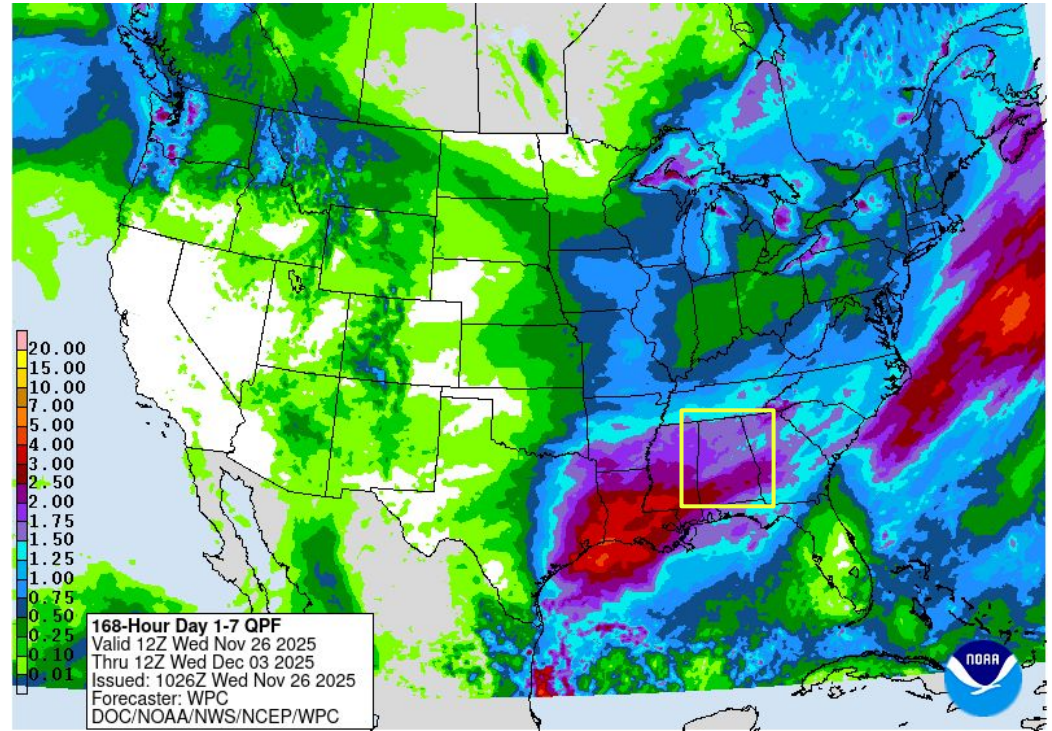


Image Caption: Weather Prediction Center [7-day precipitation forecast](#) valid through November 26th.



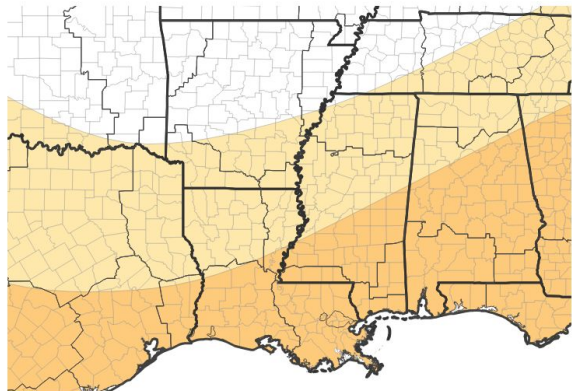


Long-Range Outlooks

The latest monthly and seasonal outlooks can be found on the [CPC homepage](#)

- The outlook for the month of December is calling for a mix of near average to slightly above average temperatures.
- Rainfall probabilities are calling for average to slightly below average chances of rainfall. This would allow for improvement across the north and west with some persistence in the southeast.

Monthly Temperature Outlook for December 1,
2025–December 31, 2025



Probability of Below-Normal Temperatures



Probability of Above-Normal Temperatures



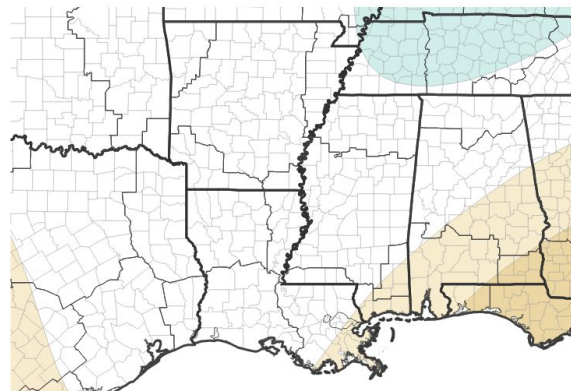
Probability of Near-Normal Temperatures



Source(s): Climate Prediction Center; image courtesy of Drought.gov

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Monthly Precipitation Outlook for December 1,
2025–December 31, 2025



Probability of Below-Normal Precipitation



Probability of Above-Normal Precipitation



Probability of Near-Normal Precipitation



Source(s): Climate Prediction Center; image courtesy of Drought.gov

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Image Captions:

Left - November Temperature Outlook.

Right - November Precipitation Outlook.



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Drought Outlook

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- While recent heavier rains will help the short term drought situation, the expected seasonal pattern continues to focus on drier than average conditions for central Alabama and the deep south in general.

U.S. Seasonal Drought Outlook

Drought Tendency During the Valid Period

Valid for November 1, 2025 - January 31, 2026

Released October 31, 2025

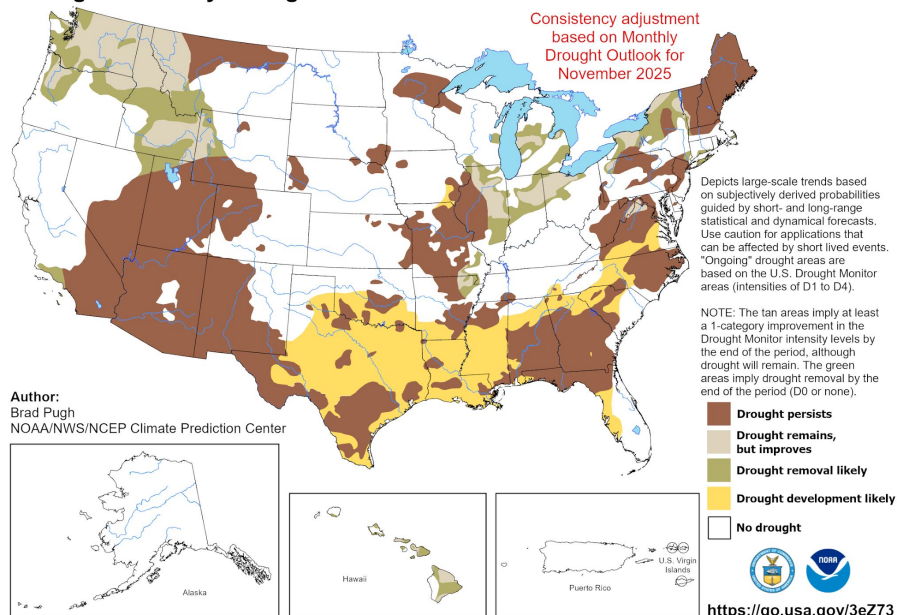


Image Caption:

CPC Seasonal Drought Outlook Released November 1, 2025 and valid now through January 2026.

Links to the latest:

[Climate Prediction Center Monthly Drought Outlook](#)

[Climate Prediction Center Seasonal Drought Outlook](#)



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