

# Drought Information Statement for Wyoming and Livingston Counties

Valid November 30, 2023

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- This product will be updated by Dec 15, 2023 or sooner if drought conditions change significantly.
- Please see all currently available products at <a href="https://drought.gov/drought-information-statements">https://drought.gov/drought-information-statements</a>.



Link to the latest U.S. Drought Monitor

- Drought intensity and Extent
  - D2 (Severe Drought): Eastern Wyoming County and western Livingston County
  - D1 (Moderate Drought): Genesee, Orleans, Monroe, and portions of Livingston, Wyoming, and Allegany Counties
  - D0: (Abnormally Dry): The rest of Western NY and northern Jefferson County

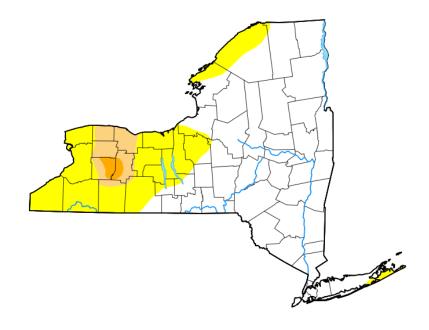


Image Caption: U.S. Drought Monitor valid 8am EDT November 30th 2023.



## Recent Change in Drought Intensity

Link to the latest 4-week change map

- One Week Drought Monitor Class Change
  - Drought Worsened: Northern Jefferson County
  - No Change: Across the remainder of Western and North Central NY

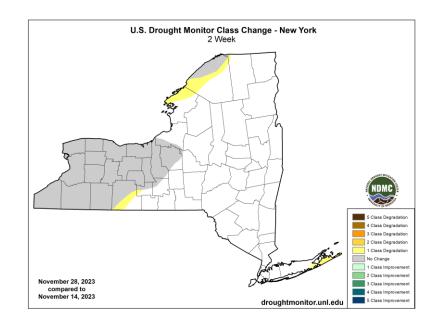
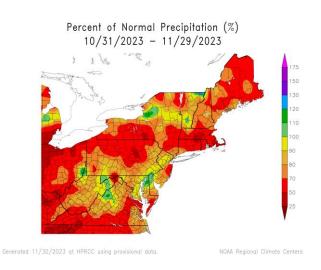


Image Caption: U.S. Drought Monitor 2-week change map valid Nov 30, 2023.





- Driest conditions during the past 30 days were across most of Western NY and northern Jefferson County. The wettest areas were east of Lake Ontario
- November is typically a wet time of year due to lake effect precipitation.



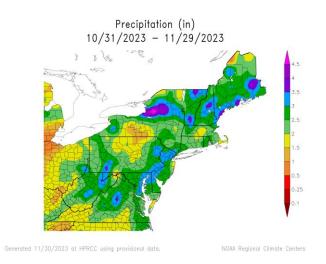


Image Captions: Left - 30 day Precipitation percent of norma] Right - 30 day precipitation totals for the NE US Data Courtesy Northeast Regional Climate Center.



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

## **Hydrologic Impacts**

 Numerous wells have dried up in Wyoming County, with approximately 100 of 665 households in the town of Bethany reporting that they have no well water. Sporadic dried up wells elsewhere in the D2 areas in Wyoming and Livingston counties.

#### **Agricultural Impacts**

There are no known impacts at this time

## **Fire Hazard Impacts**

There are no known impacts at this time

#### Other Impacts

There are no known impacts at this time

#### **Mitigation Actions**

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





## **Hydrologic Conditions and Impacts**

Explanation - Percentile classes			
Low	<=5	6-9	10-24
Extreme hydrologic drought	Severe hydrologic drought	Moderate hydrologic drought	Below normal

Hednesday, November 29, 2023

 Well below normal 7day USGS streamflow across the Genesee River and Buffalo Creeks Basins

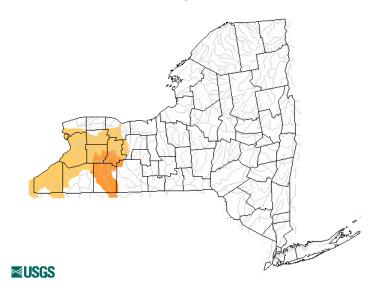


Image Caption: USGS 7 day average streamflow HUC map valid 11/30/2023





# Seven Day Precipitation Forecast

- A series of low pressure systems will move across the area Friday through Monday, bringing multiple chances for widespread synoptic precipitation. The predominant precipitation type during this time will be rain, with frozen precipitation possible at times. Rainfall amounts will average around an inch.
- Colder weather for Tuesday through Thursday. A chance for some generally light snow showers, but otherwise mainly dry weather and below normal preicpitaiton expected during this time.

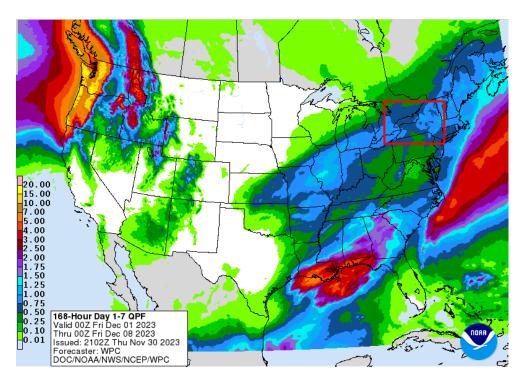


Image Caption: Weather Prediction Center <u>7-day precipitation forecast</u> valid Friday December 1<sup>st</sup> to Thursday December 7<sup>th</sup>



The latest monthly and seasonal outlooks can be found on the CPC homepage

- Long range outlook favors
  peristence where drought
  conditions would continue where
  they are already occurring.
- There are lower chances that it will either be wetter or drier than normal, which could lead to improvement or degregation in the drought conditions.

#### guided by short- and long-range datistical and dynamical forecasts Use caution for applications that can be affected by short lived events "Ongoing" drought areas are based on the U.S. Drought Monitor areas (intensities of D1 to D4) NOTE: The tan areas imply at least a 1-category improvement in the Drought Monitor intensity levels by the end of the period, although drought will remain. The green areas imply drought removal by the end of the period (D0 or none). Drought persists NOAA/NWS/NCEP Climate Prediction Center Drought remains, but improves Drought removal likely Drought development likely No drought https://go.usa.gov/3eZ73

U.S. Seasonal Drought Outlook Valid for November 16, 2023 - February 29, 2024

**Drought Tendency During the Valid Period** 

Image Caption:

Climate Prediction Center Monthly Drought Outlook Released November 16, 2023 valid through February 29 2024

#### Links to the latest:

Climate Prediction Center Monthly Drought Outlook Climate Prediction Center Seasonal Drought Outlook



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