



Drought Information Statement for Southeast Georgia and Southeast South Carolina

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- Please visit <https://www.weather.gov/chs/DroughtInformationStatement> for previous statements.
- Please visit <https://www.drought.gov/drought-status-updates> for regional drought status updates.

- Recent rainfall continues to be well below normal
- Drought conditions have worsened with severe drought across southeast SC and severe to extreme drought across southeast GA
- Widespread significant rainfall is not likely over the next 7 days
- The long term outlook through March is for below normal rainfall
- Drought conditions are expected to persist through the spring



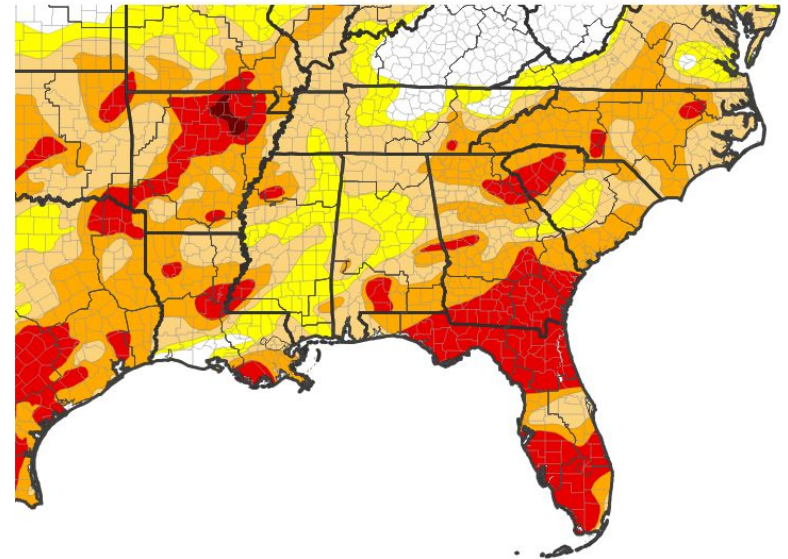


U.S. Drought Monitor

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

- Drought intensity and Extent
 - **D4 (Exceptional Drought):**
 - None
 - **D3 (Extreme Drought):**
 - GA: Bryan, Chatham, Evans, Liberty, Long, McIntosh, Tattnall
 - SC: None
 - **D2 (Severe Drought):**
 - GA: Bryan, Bulloch, Candler, Chatham, Effingham, Evans, Jenkins, Screven, Tattnall
 - SC: Allendale, Beaufort, Berkeley, Charleston, Colleton, Dorchester, Hampton, Jasper
 - **D1 (Moderate Drought):**
 - GA: Jenkins, Screven
 - SC: Allendale, Berkeley, Colleton, Dorchester
 - **D0: (Abnormally Dry):**
 - None

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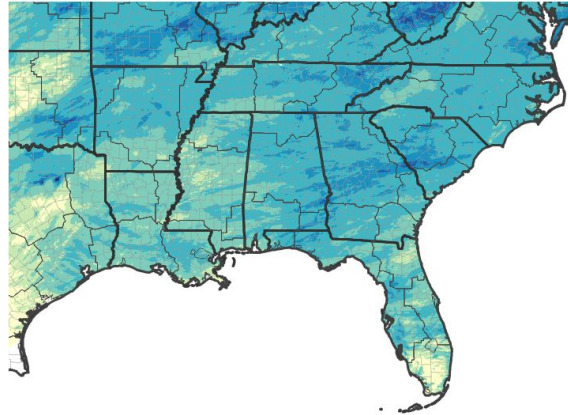




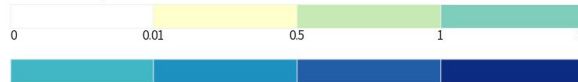
Precipitation

- Very dry conditions continued over the last 30 days
- On a percent of normal basis, rainfall was better in February than previous months
- A small sliver of the region actually received above normal rainfall

30-Day Precipitation Accumulations (Inches)

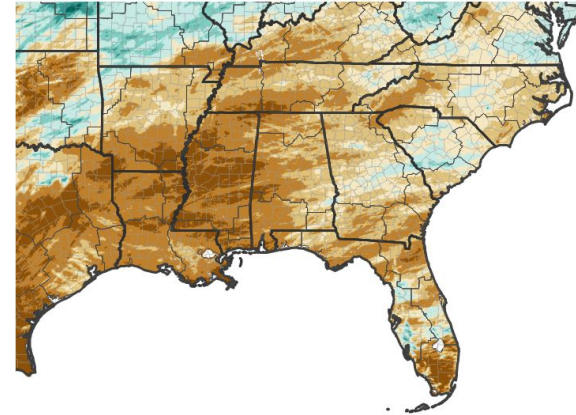


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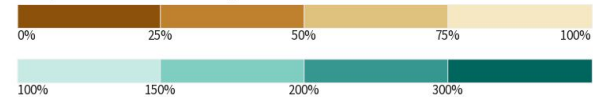


Source(s): National Weather Service Multi-Radar Multi-Sensor System; Last Updated: 03/07/26
image courtesy of Drought.gov

30-Day Percent of Normal Precipitation



Precipitation Shown as a Percentage of Normal Conditions



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Summary of Impacts

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

Hydrologic Impacts

- No impacts recently reported

Agricultural Impacts

- No impacts recently reported

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

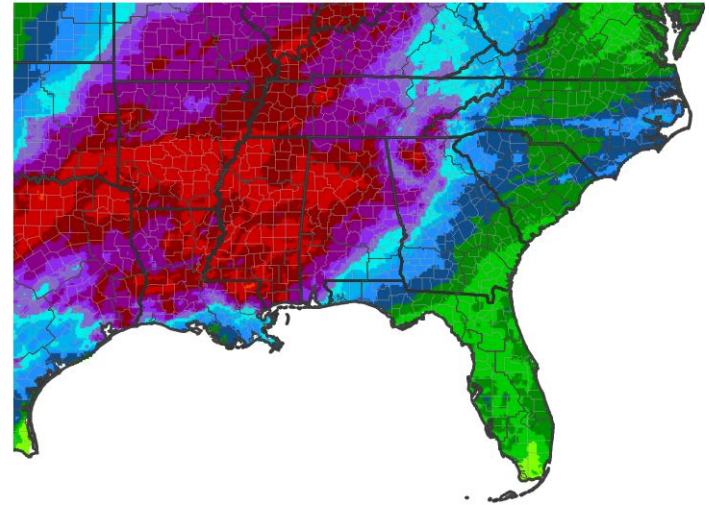




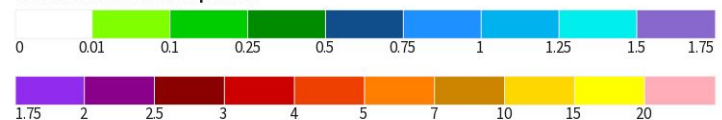
Seven Day Precipitation Forecast

- Scattered showers and a few thunderstorms will be possible each afternoon and evening over the next few days (3/8-3/10)
- A cold front is expected to move through late next week and could bring an increased chance of rain 3/12-3/13
- However, overall rainfall amounts over the next 7 days aren't expected to be significant

7-Day Quantitative Precipitation Forecast for March 7, 2026–March 14, 2026



Predicted Inches of Precipitation



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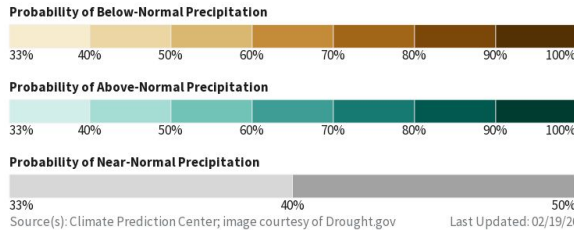
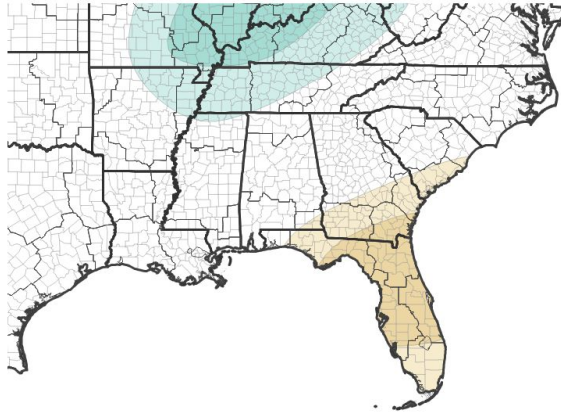


Long-Range Outlooks

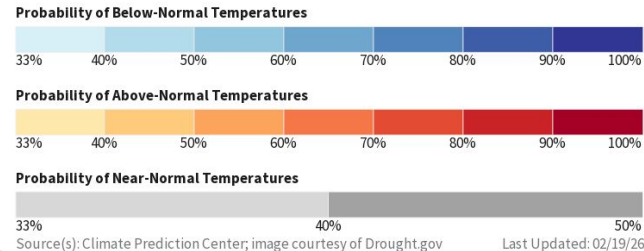
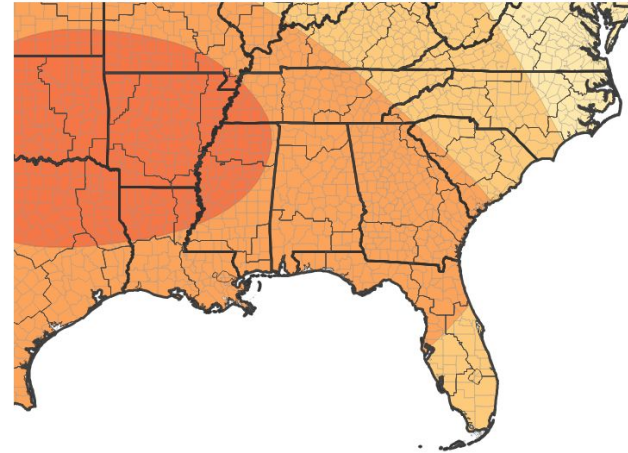
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- The monthly outlook for March continues to feature an increased chance of above normal temperatures and an increased chance of below normal rainfall

Monthly Precipitation Outlook for March 1, 2026–March 31, 2026



Monthly Temperature Outlook for March 1, 2026–March 31, 2026



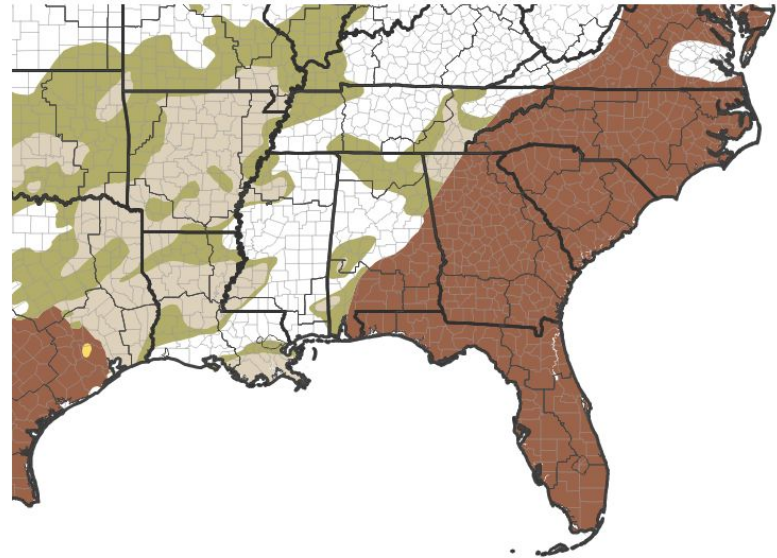


Drought Outlook

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- Drought conditions are expected to persist across southeast GA and southeast SC through May

Seasonal (3-Month) Drought Outlook for February 28, 2026–May 31, 2026



Drought Is Predicted To...



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Links to the latest:

[Climate Prediction Center Monthly Drought Outlook](#)

[Climate Prediction Center Seasonal Drought Outlook](#)



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