



Drought Information Statement for Southeast Georgia and Southeast South Carolina

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- This product will be updated October 2, 2026 or sooner if drought conditions change significantly.
 - Please see all currently available products at <https://drought.gov/drought-information-statements>.
 - 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.
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- Over the last 3 months, drought has improved significantly across southeast GA and southeast SC with over 50% reduction in Extreme Drought (D3) or worse conditions
 - Daily thunderstorm activity over the next week will continue to provide at least local drought relief
 - October-November is expected to bring above normal rainfall to the area
 - The seasonal drought outlook features widespread improvement across all of southeast GA and southeast SC



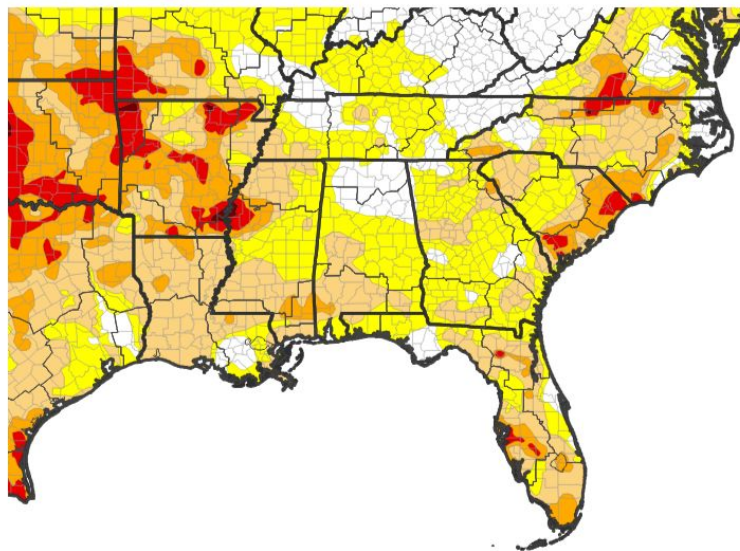


U.S. Drought Monitor

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

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

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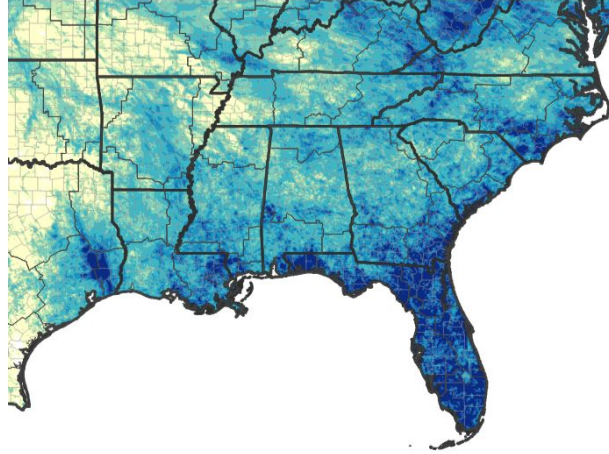
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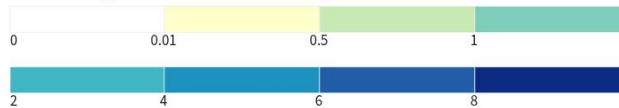
Precipitation

- The last 30 days brought a mixture of above normal and below normal rainfall to southeast GA and southeast SC, as is typical in a summertime thunderstorm pattern

30-Day Precipitation Accumulations (Inches)

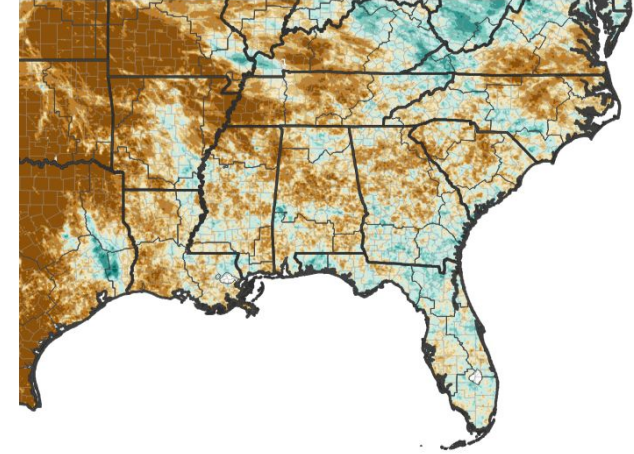


Inches of Precipitation

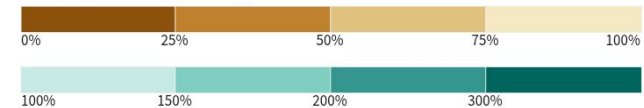


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30-Day Percent of Normal Precipitation



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

- On September 1st, Hampton County Emergency Management reported between 60 and 75 wells have gone dry over the last few months.

Agricultural Impacts

- On September 1st, Hampton County Emergency Management reported some farmers in the county have stopped irrigating crops to conserve water and some will lose crops as a result.

Fire Hazard Impacts

- No known impacts at this time

Other Impacts

- No known impacts at this time

Mitigation Actions

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

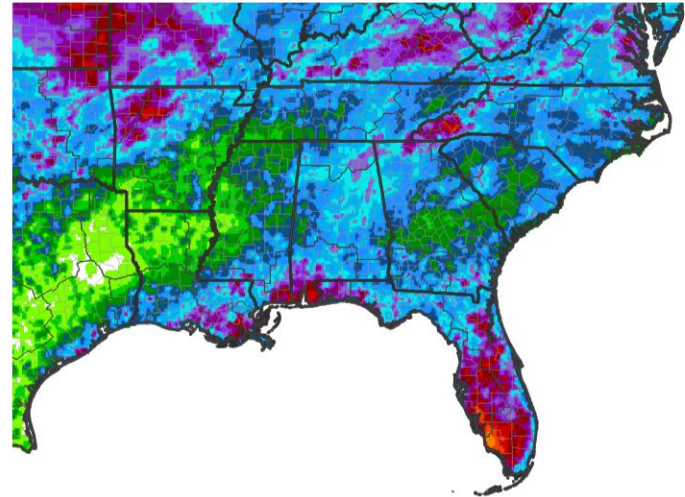




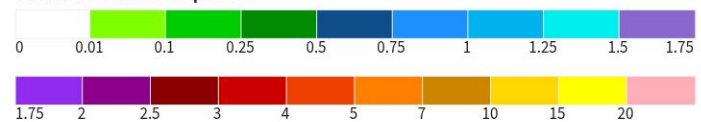
Seven Day Precipitation Forecast

- Daily summertime thunderstorm activity is expected across southeast GA and southeast SC over the next week
- Rainfall amounts will vary spatially but some isolated amounts of 2 inches or more can be expected while some isolated amounts of less than 1 inch can be expected as well

7-Day Quantitative Precipitation Forecast for September 10, 2026–September 17, 2026



Predicted Inches of Precipitation



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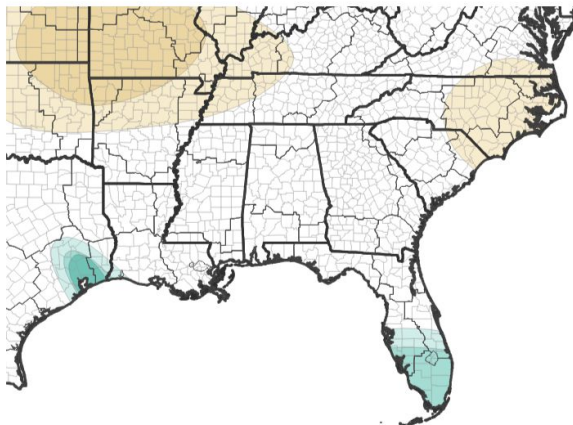


Long-Range Outlooks

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

- For the month of September, there are equal chances of seeing above normal, near normal, or below normal rainfall
- The 3-month seasonal outlook for September-November suggests an increased chance of above normal rainfall for southeast GA and southeast SC

Monthly Precipitation Outlook for September 1, 2026–September 30, 2026



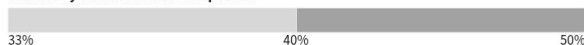
Probability of Below-Normal Precipitation



Probability of Above-Normal Precipitation



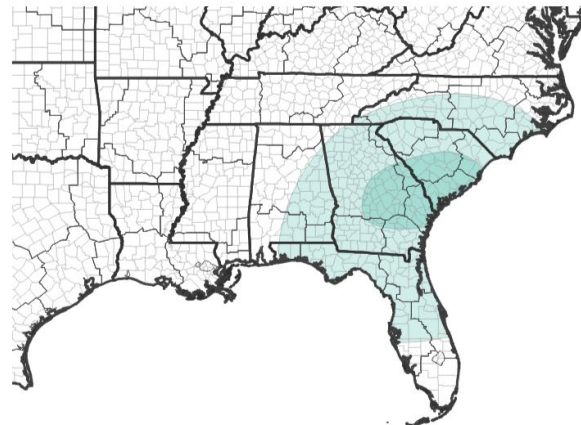
Probability of Near-Normal Precipitation



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Seasonal (3-Month) Precipitation Outlook for September 1, 2026–November 30, 2026



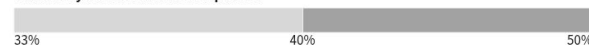
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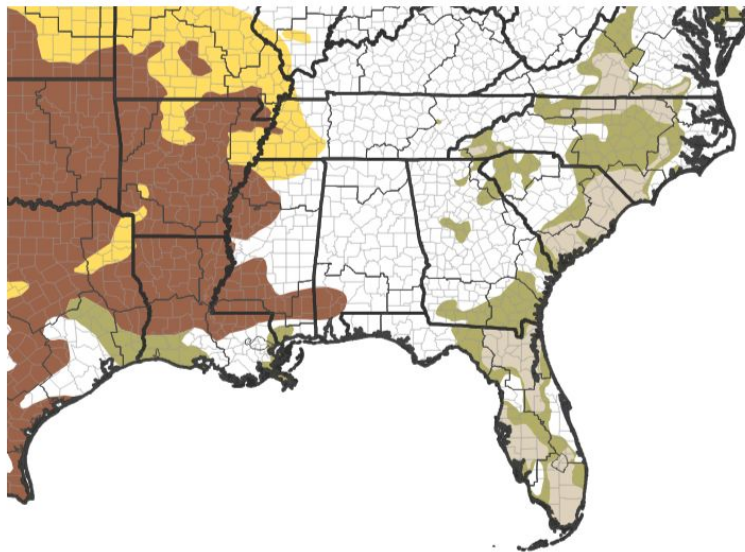


Drought Outlook

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- The seasonal drought outlook for September-November suggests drought improvement and even the ending of ongoing drought
- This is primarily due to an increased chance of above normal rainfall during this time period

Seasonal (3-Month) Drought Outlook for August 31, 2026–November 30, 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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