



Drought Information Statement for Southeast Georgia and Southeast South Carolina

Valid October 3, 2026

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- This product will be updated October 23, 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.

- Rainfall was below normal over the last 30 days across all of southeast GA and southeast SC
- A widespread significant rainfall event is expected over the next week
- Above normal rainfall is anticipated for the October-December time period
- The seasonal drought outlook features widespread improvement across all of southeast GA and southeast SC for the fall and the beginning of winter



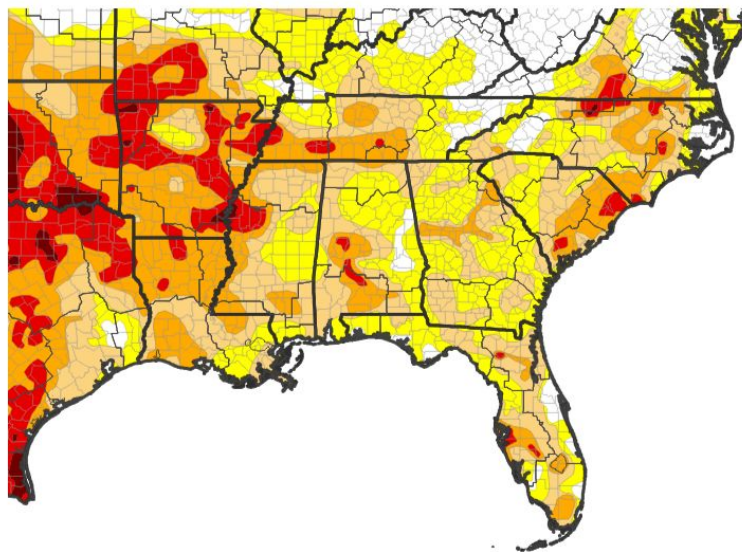


U.S. Drought Monitor

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: Colleton, Hampton, Jasper
 - **D2 (Severe Drought):**
 - GA: None
 - SC: 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, Candler, Chatham, Evans, Jenkins, Liberty, Long, McIntosh, Screven, Tattnall
 - SC: Beaufort, Jasper

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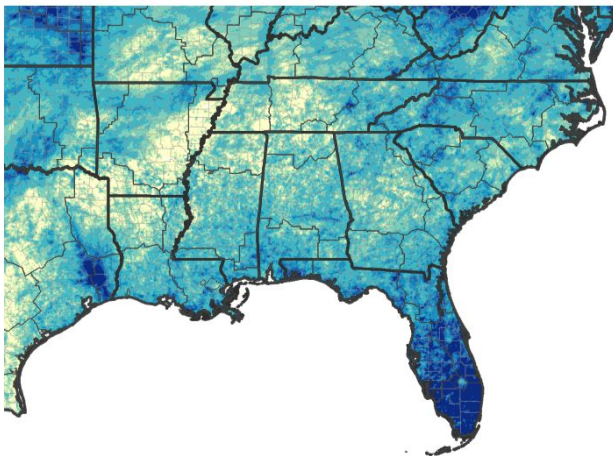
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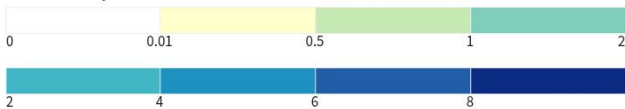
Precipitation

- The last 30 days brought widespread below normal rainfall to southeast GA and southeast SC

30-Day Precipitation Accumulations (Inches)



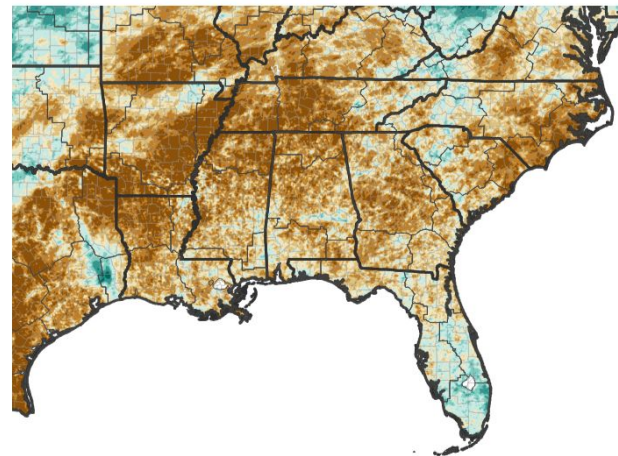
Inches of Precipitation



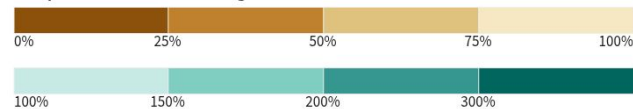
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30-Day Percent of Normal Precipitation



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

- No known impacts at this time

Agricultural Impacts

- No known impacts at this time

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

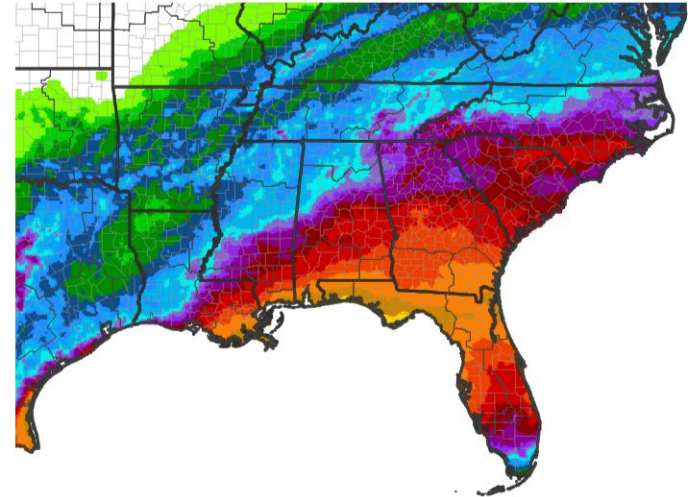




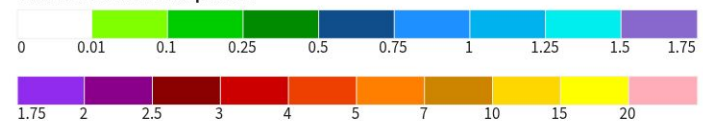
Seven Day Precipitation Forecast

- Widespread significant rainfall is expected across southeast GA and southeast SC over the next 7 days
- Widespread rain amounts of 2-4 inches are expected, with locally higher amounts possible
- Most of the rain is expected to impact the area Saturday (10/3) through Monday (10/5)

7-Day Quantitative Precipitation Forecast for October 2, 2026–October 9, 2026



Predicted Inches of Precipitation



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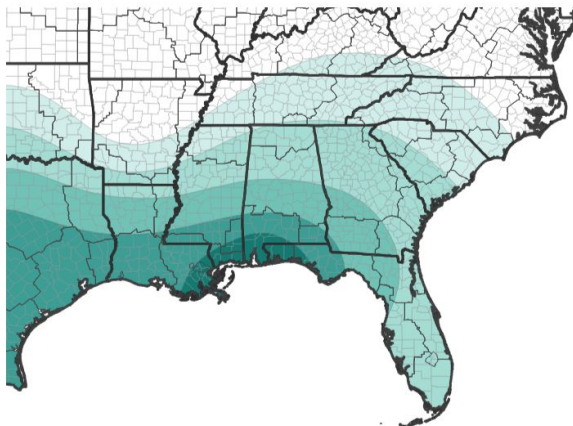


Long-Range Outlooks

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

- For the month of October, there is an increased chance of above normal rainfall
- The 3-month seasonal outlook for October-December suggests an increased chance of above normal rainfall for southeast GA and southeast SC as well

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



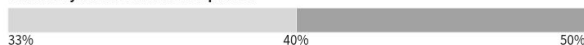
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Probability of Above-Normal Precipitation



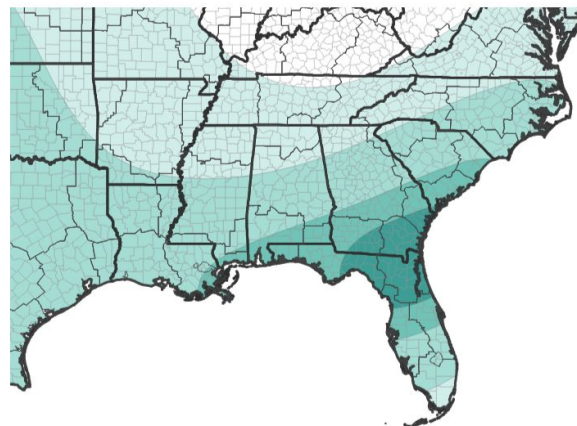
Probability of Near-Normal Precipitation



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Seasonal (3-Month) Precipitation Outlook for October 1, 2026–December 31, 2026



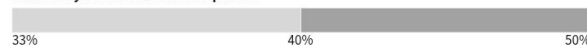
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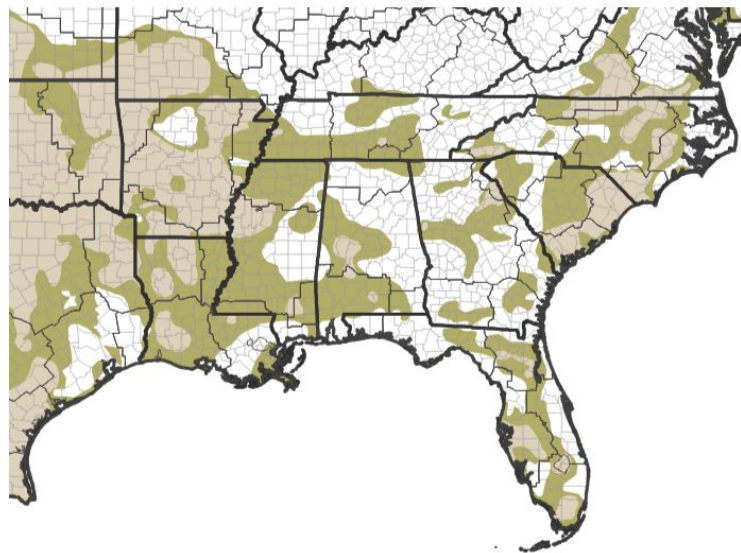


Drought Outlook

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- With above normal rainfall anticipated for the October-December time period, widespread drought improvement is expected to occur

Seasonal (3-Month) Drought Outlook for September 30, 2026–December 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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