

Drought Information Statement for Central and Northeast Wisconsin

Valid November 9, 2023

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- This product will be updated December 4, 2023 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/grb/DroughtInformationStatement for previous statements.







Link to the <u>latest U.S. Drought Monitor</u> for the Midwest

Drought Intensity and Extent

- D2 (Severe Drought):
 - Northwest Langlade, northeast Lincoln, much of Oneida, far western Vilas and southwest Waushara counties.
- D1 (Moderate Drought))
 - Door County and portions of northcentral and central Wisconsin.
- D0 (Abnormally Dry)
 - Yellow shaded area on the map.

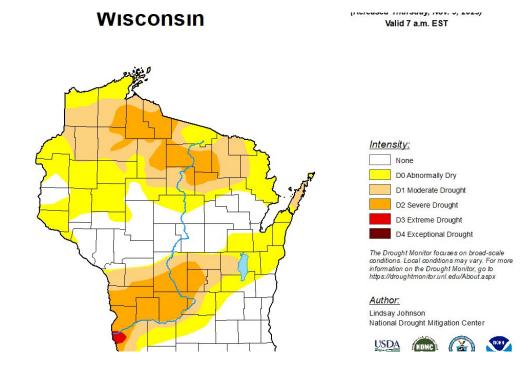


Image Caption: U.S. Drought Monitor valid 8 am EDT November 9th





Recent Change in Drought Intensity

Link to the latest 4-week change map for Midwest

Four Week Drought Monitor Class Change

- Improving Drought: Improvement in drought conditions were noted across much of the area.
- No change in drought conditions were noted across the far north and far northeast Wisconsin (shaded gray on the map).
- Recent rainfall has brought some improvement in drought conditions across portions of central and north-central Wisconsin.

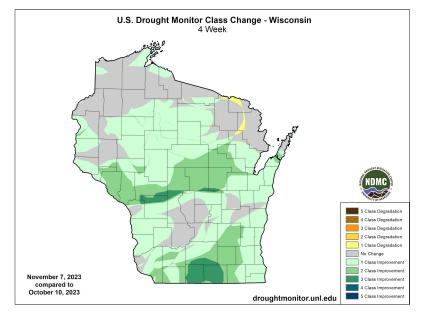
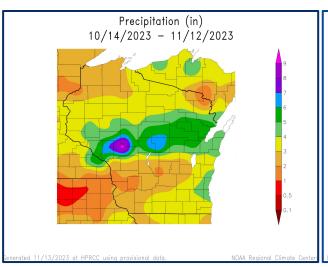


Image Caption: U.S. Drought Monitor 4-week change map valid 8am EDT October 31st.



 The highest precipitation totals during the past month occurred across central into northeast Wisconsin.
 Rainfall totals of 3 to 6 inches were noted between Oct 24-26 across central Wisconsin.



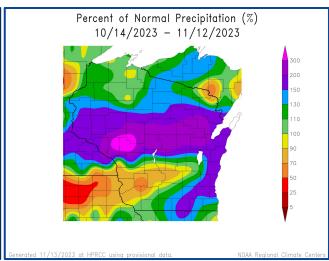


Image Captions: Left - Precipitation Amount for Wisconsin Right - Percent of Normal Precipitation for Wisconsin Data Courtesy High Plains Regional Climate Center. Data over the past 30 days ending November 8, 2023



 Below normal temperatures were noted across north-central Wisconsin, otherwise the rest of the region experienced temperatures at or a few degrees above normal during the past month.

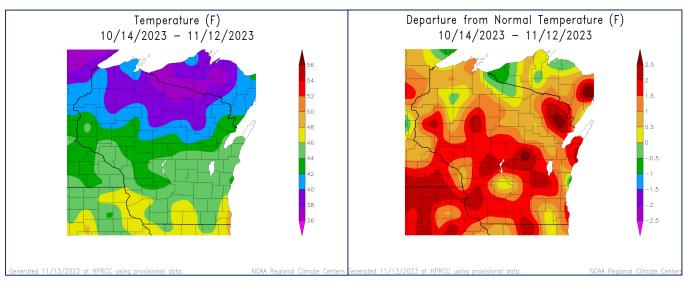


Image Captions:

Left - Average Temperature for Wisconsin
Right - Departure from Normal Temperature for Wisconsin
Data Courtesy High Plains Regional Climate Center.
Data over the past 30 days ending November 8, 2023



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

Hydrologic Impacts

• The recent heavy rain has improved soil moisture across much of the area and replenished rivers and lakes.

Agricultural Impacts

Crop damage was noted to corn and soybeans, especially after the second heat wave in early September across portions of central and east-central Wisconsin. The recent heavy rains came to late for farmers and now is impacting harvesting operations.

Fire Hazard Impacts

• Recent rainfall and cooler temperatures have brought a reduced risk of wildfires.

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

River levels have return to normal levels, with the locally heavy rain in October bringing river levels into the above normal category across central Wisconsin.

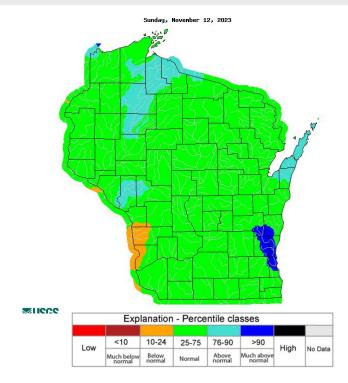
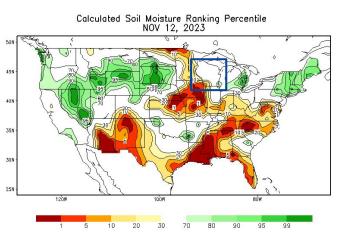


Image Caption: USGS 7 day average streamflow HUC map valid November 8, 2023





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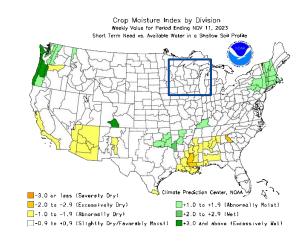


Image Captions:

Left: CPC Calculated Soil Moisture Ranking

Percentile valid November 7, 2023

Right: <u>Crop Moisture Index by Division</u>. Weekly value for period ending November 4, 2023





Link to Wildfire Potential Outlooks from the National Interagency Coordination Center.

- The potential for wildfires is expected to remain low.
- Cooler high temperatures also support the low risk of wildfires. Mild days with low humidity are not anticipated.

Wisconsin Fire Danger Map

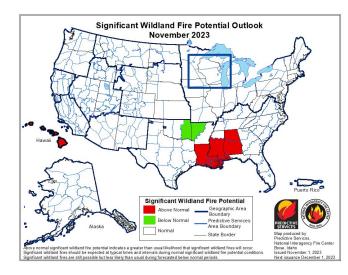


Image Caption: <u>Significant Wildland Fire</u>
Potential Monthly Outlook for November 2023



Seven Day Precipitation Forecast

- Several widespread rainfall amounts are expected through the end of October.
- Rainfall amounts over an inch are likely across central and east-central Wisconsin over the next 7 days.

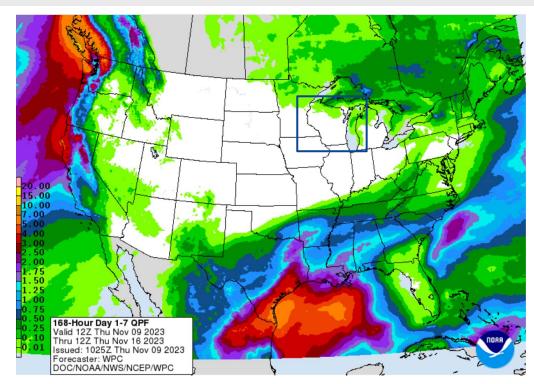


Image Caption: Weather Prediction Center <u>7-day precipitation forecast</u> valid Thursday Nov 9 through Thursday Nov 16



Long-Range Outlooks

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

- The climate models are indicating a nearly equal chance of above, below or near normal temperatures during November.
- There is a greater chance of above normal temperatures during the late fall into the middle of winter
- At Green Bay, a moderate to strong El Niño brings a greater likelihood of above normal temperatures during the winter, usually due to less severe arctic intrusions.
 Only 14% chance of below normal temperatures this winter.

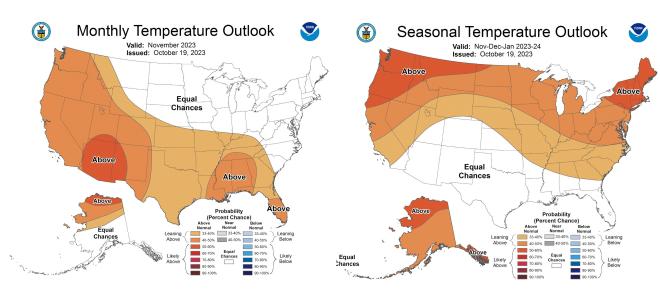


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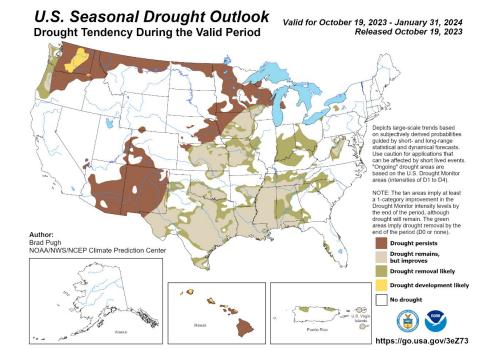
Left - <u>Climate Prediction Center Monthly Temperature Outlook.</u>
Right - <u>Climate Prediction Center Monthly Precipitation Outlook.</u>
Valid MM YYYY



Drought Outlook

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 Drought is expected to persist for much of the fall and possibly into the winter.



Climate Prediction Center Seasonal Drought Outlook Released on

October 19, 2023 valid for October 19, 2023 to January 31, 2024

Image Caption:

Links to the latest:

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

