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HSA OFFICE:
Grand Rapids, MI

MONTHLY REPORT OF RIVER AND FLOOD CONDITIONS

REPORT FOR
(MONTH & YEAR):
June 2024

TO: NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE (W/OS31)
 HYDROMETEOROLOGICAL INFO CENTER 1325 EAST-WEST
 HIGHWAY, RM 13468 SILVER SPRING, MD 20910

DATE:
July 18th, 2024

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When no flooding occurs, include miscellaneous river conditions, such as significant rises, record low stages, ice conditions, snow cover, droughts, and hydrologic products issued (WSOM E-41).

An **X** inside this box indicates that no flooding occurred within this hydrologic service area.

Summary

June got off to a fairly normal start with a few days of light rainfall. However there were several large storm systems that moved through the latter half of the month beginning on the 17th. That event caused minor flooding in the Kalamazoo area and brought the Jackson gauge on the Grand River to briefly above flood stage. The month ended as one of the top ten rainiest June on record for multiple climate sites. River flows at the end of the month were well above normal with multiple rivers having readings over two hundred percent of normal.

Flood Conditions

While the month began with near normal flows, the month ended as one of the top 10 rainiest June on record for Ludington, Muskegon, Kalamazoo and Jackson. Grand Rapids, Lansing, Muskegon and Kalamazoo were all above normal with Kalamazoo being over 3 inches above normal.

The first half of the month was fairly quiet. That changed when rainfall on the 17th, brought urban and small stream flooding and prompted a flood warning to be issued for the Kalamazoo area. Flood advisories were issued for the Lansing and Jackson area as well. However, only the Jackson gauge forecast point on the Grand River went above flood stage.

Following the rain event on the 17th, a dry period brought flows back down allowing the river systems to recover. Several rain events occurred towards the end of the month. Storms on the 25th and the 29th had rain rates of 1.5 to 3 inches. These occurred through southwest Michigan, especially along the I 94 corridor. This prompted flood advisories to be issued. While these caused several gauges to go to action stage

none reached flood stage. Areas in central Michigan north of Lansing ended as the driest regions and began the month of July in a D0 drought status. However overall Lower Michigan for June ended with river flows well above normal especially the Red River and the Kalamazoo.

Flood Stage Report

Jackson River forecast point on the Grand River briefly went ahead minor flood stage. Thus, the NWS Form E-3 “Flood Stage Report” was issued

River Conditions

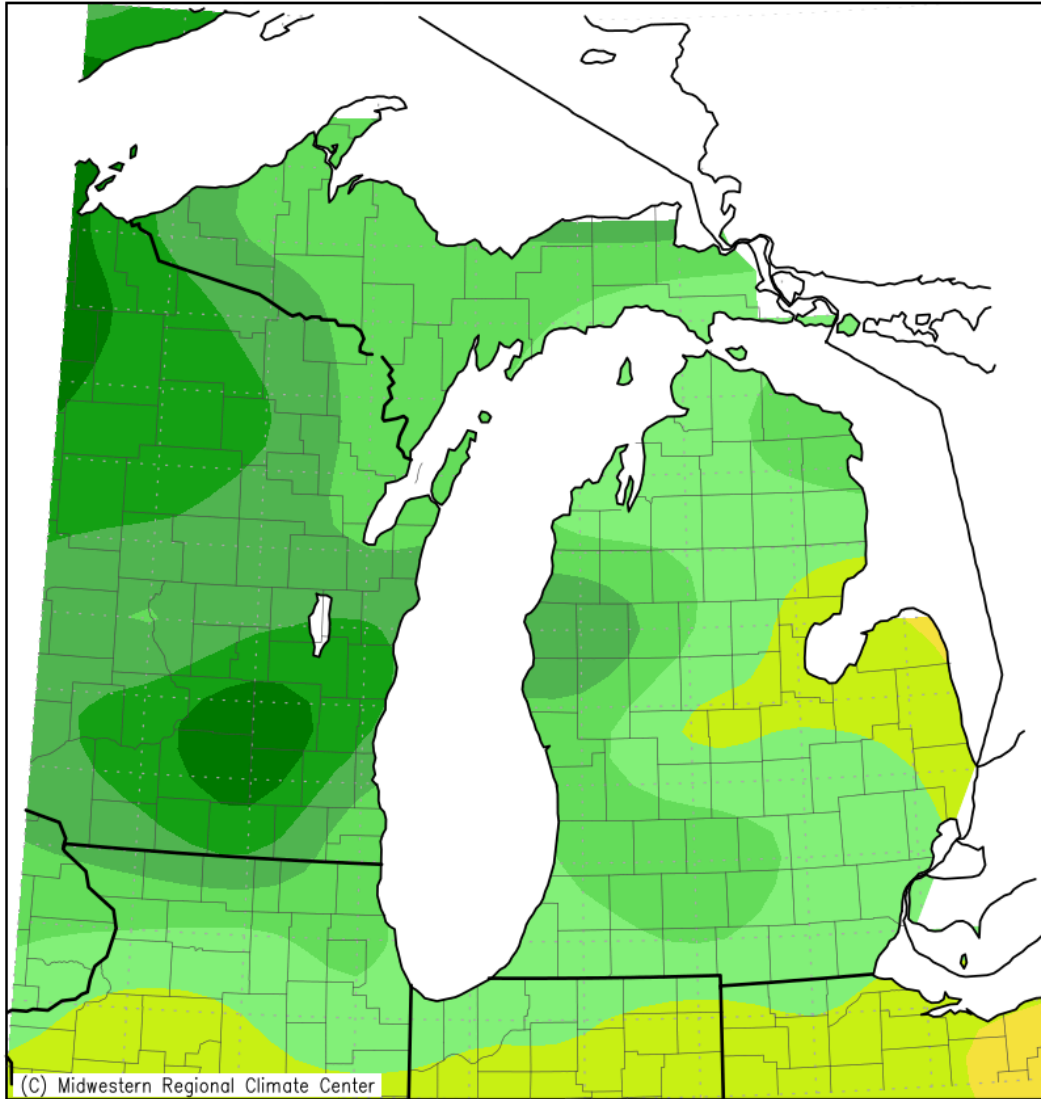
The end of May percentage of normal flow for selected rivers is listed below:

| <u>Location</u> | <u>River</u> | <u>% of Normal</u> |
|-----------------|----------------|--------------------|
| Scottville | Pere Marquette | 144 |
| Whitehall | White | 120 |
| Evert | Muskegon | 127 |
| Mt. Pleasant | Chippewa | 138 |
| Lansing | Grand | 232 |
| Grand Rapids | Grand | 115 |
| East Lansing | Red Cedar | 274 |
| Hastings | Thornapple | 163 |
| Battle Creek | Battle Creek | 208 |
| Battle Creek | Kalamazoo | 282 |

General Hydrologic Information

June precipitation amounts for Grand Rapids, Lansing, and Muskegon Michigan were 4.85, 4.92 and 5.04 inches, respectively (Figure 1). Monthly departures were +0.91, +1.16 and +1.99 inches respectively. Percent of mean precipitation for June 2024 is shown in Figure 2. Temperatures for the month of June were above normal at Grand Rapids, Lansing and Muskegon. The monthly average temperature departures for these sites were +1.6, +2.0 and +2.8 Fahrenheit, respectively. For the three main climate sites it was warmer than 85% of Past Junes on record.

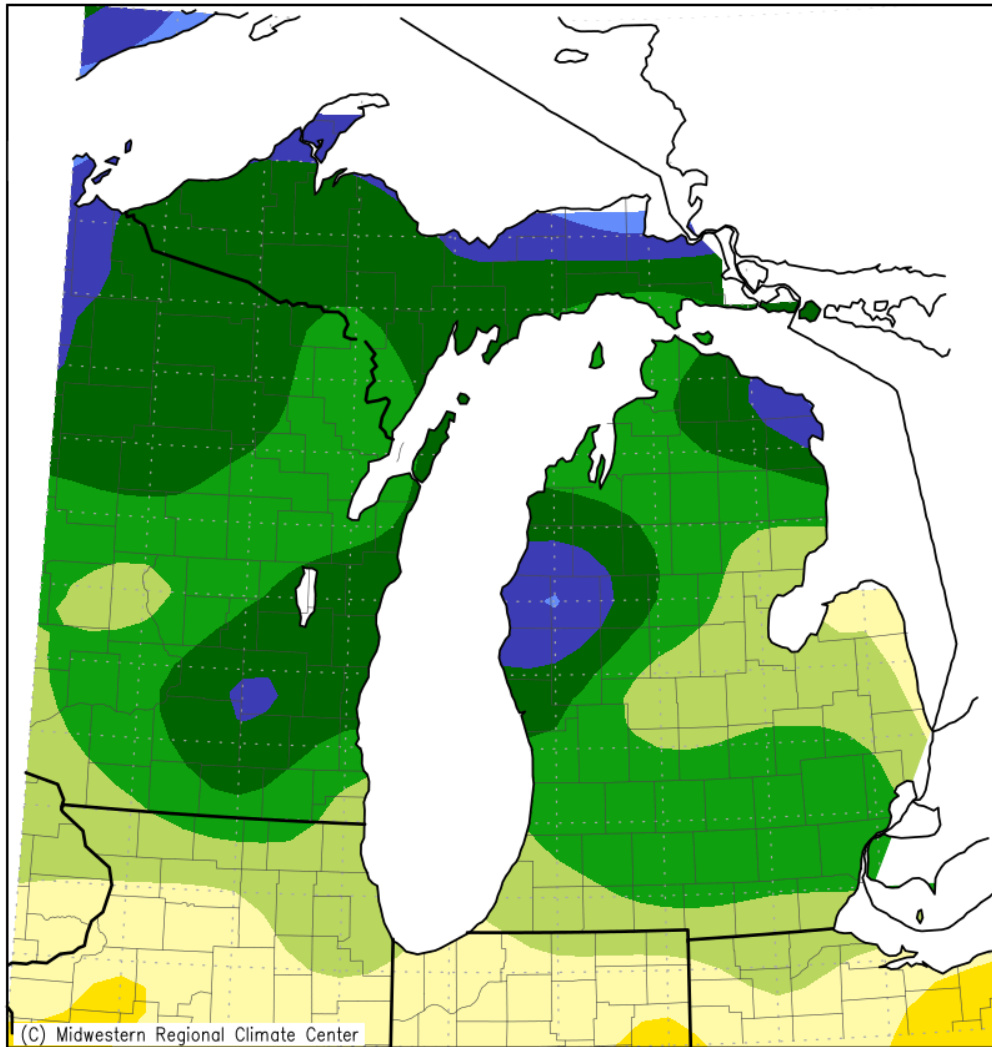
Accumulated Precipitation (in)
June 1, 2024 to June 30, 2024



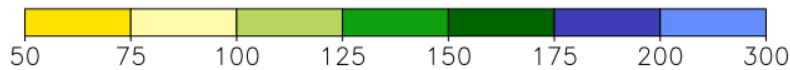
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Figure 1 June 2024 Monthly Precipitation Totals. Above normal precipitation across Lower Michigan.

Accumulated Precipitation: Percent of Mean
June 1, 2024 to June 30, 2024



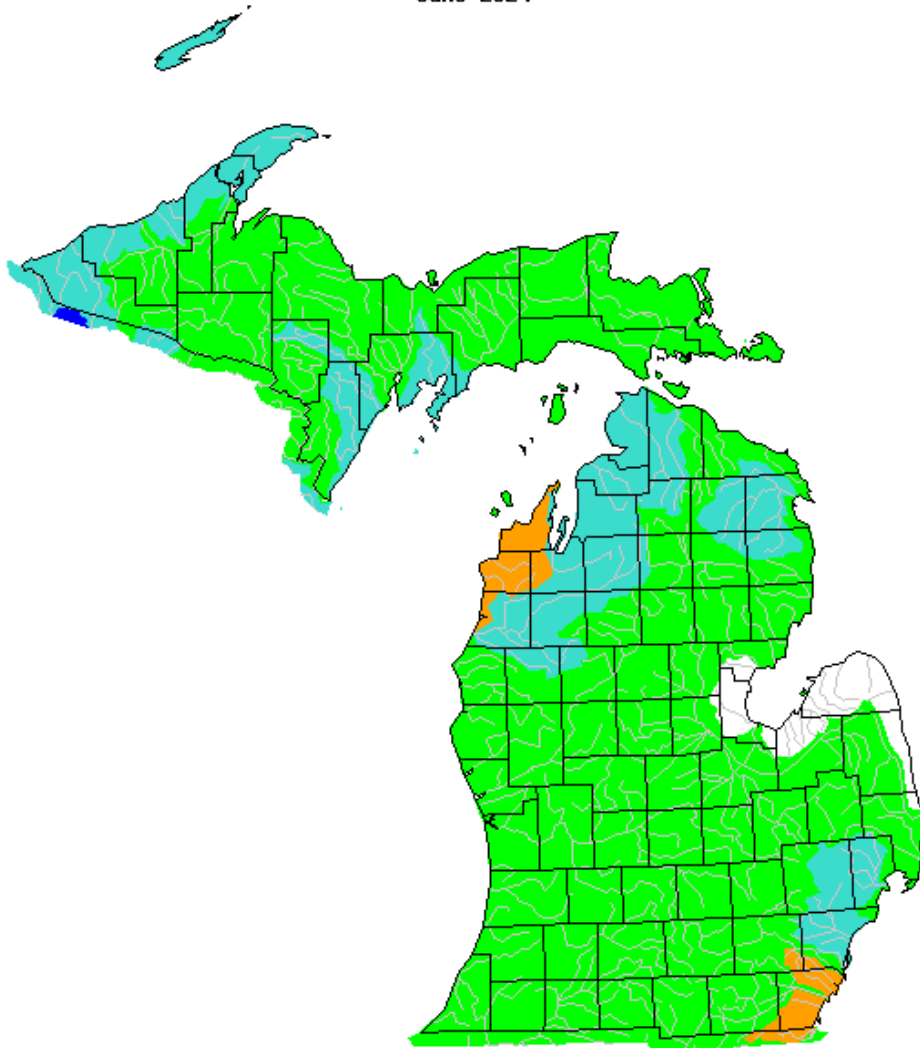
Mean period is 1991–2020.



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Figure 2. June 2024 Percent of Mean of Accumulated Precipitation. Precipitation was above normal across lower Michigan.

June 2024



| Explanation - Percentile classes | | | | | | | |
|----------------------------------|-------------------|--------------|--------|--------------|-------------------|------|---------|
| | | | | | | | |
| Low | <10 | 10-24 | 25-75 | 76-90 | >90 | High | No Data |
| | Much below normal | Below normal | Normal | Above normal | Much above normal | | |

Figure 3. USGS monthly streamflow for June, grouped by significant hydrologic units. The River basins across the region are normal.

Calculated Soil Moisture Ranking Percentile
JUN, 2024

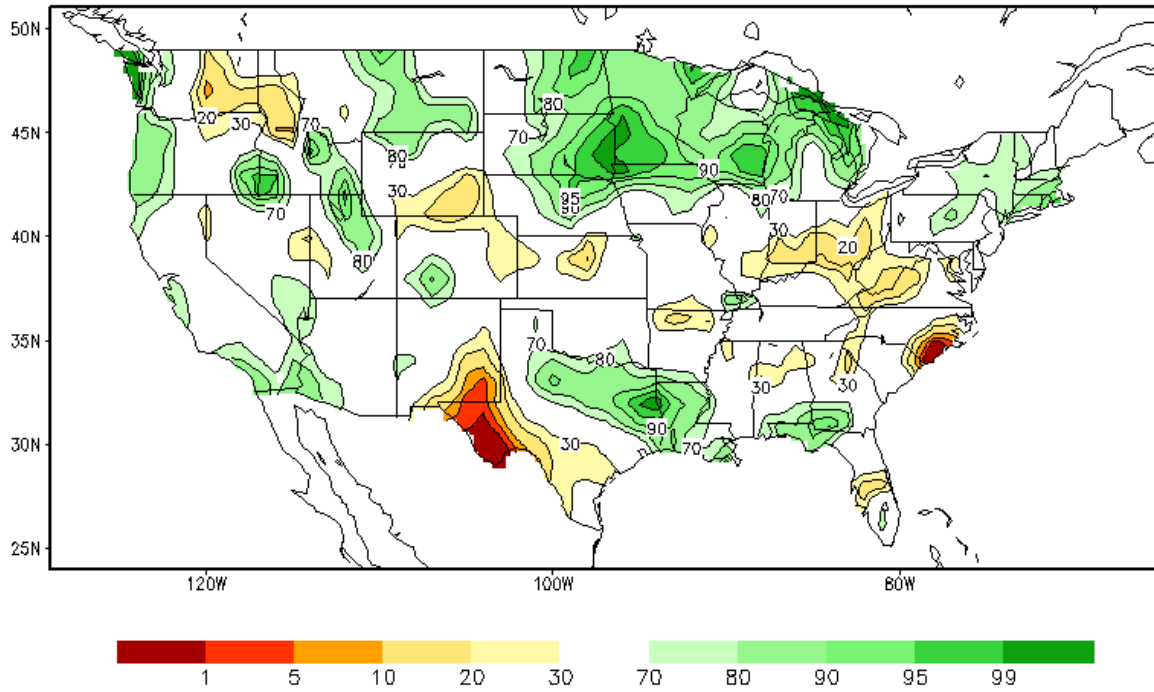


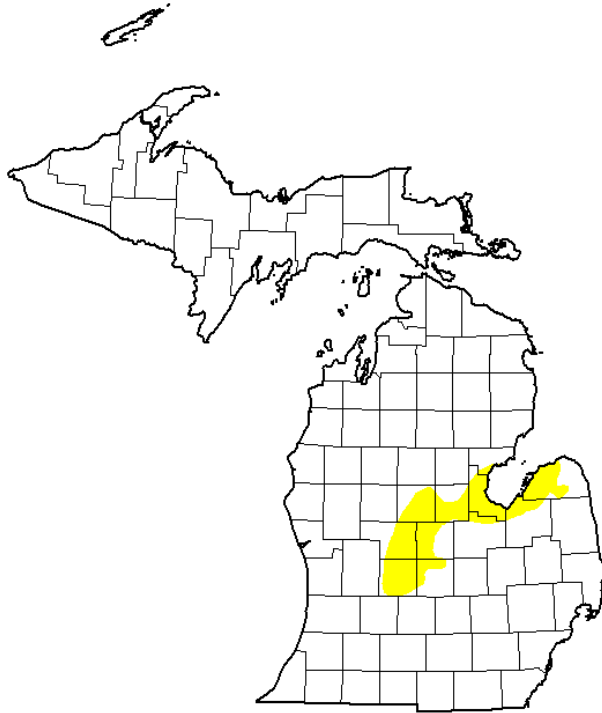
Figure 4. Calculated Soil Moisture Percentile for June, 2024. Soil moisture is Mostly normal with above normal soil moisture along the lakeshore.

U.S. Drought Monitor
Michigan

July 2, 2024

(Released Wednesday, Jul. 3, 2024)

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

| | None | D0-D4 | D1-D4 | D2-D4 | D3-D4 | D4 |
|---|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|
| Current | 94.29 | 5.71 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Last Week 06-25-2024 | 94.29 | 5.71 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 3 Months Ago 04-02-2024 | 27.44 | 72.56 | 21.00 | 3.16 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Start of Calendar Year 01-02-2024 | 41.22 | 58.78 | 6.70 | 1.20 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Start of Water Year 09-26-2023 | 65.01 | 34.99 | 4.96 | 1.31 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| One Year Ago 07-04-2023 | 14.71 | 85.29 | 50.79 | 6.92 | 0.00 | 0.00 |

Intensity:

- None
- D0 Abnormally Dry
- D1 Moderate Drought
- D2 Severe Drought
- D3 Extreme Drought
- D4 Exceptional Drought

The Drought Monitor focuses on broad-scale conditions. Local conditions may vary. For more information on the Drought Monitor, go to <https://droughtmonitor.unl.edu/About.aspx>

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Figure 5.U.S. Drought Monitor showing only a small D0, abnormally dry, region in Central Michigan. .

Hydrologic Products issued this month

- 31 Hydrologic Summaries (ARBRVAGRR)
- 2 Probabilistic Hydrologic Outlook (ARBESFGRR)
- 1 Event-driven Hydrologic Outlook (ARBESFGRR1)
- 6 Areal Flood Advisory Statements (ARBFLSGRR)
- 1 Flood Warning Statements (ARBFLWGRR)
- 0 Flood Watch Statements (ARBFFAGRR)
- 0 River Statements (ARBRVSGRR)

News Articles and Related Documentation