



Drought Information Statement for Central Indiana

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 - Please visit <https://www.weather.gov/IND/DroughtInformationStatement> for previous statements.
 - Please visit <https://www.drought.gov/drought-status-updates> for regional drought status updates.
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- Extreme Drought (D3) continues over almost 10 percent of Indiana
 - Abnormally Dry (D0) conditions expand across the south, little to change elsewhere in the last 4 weeks



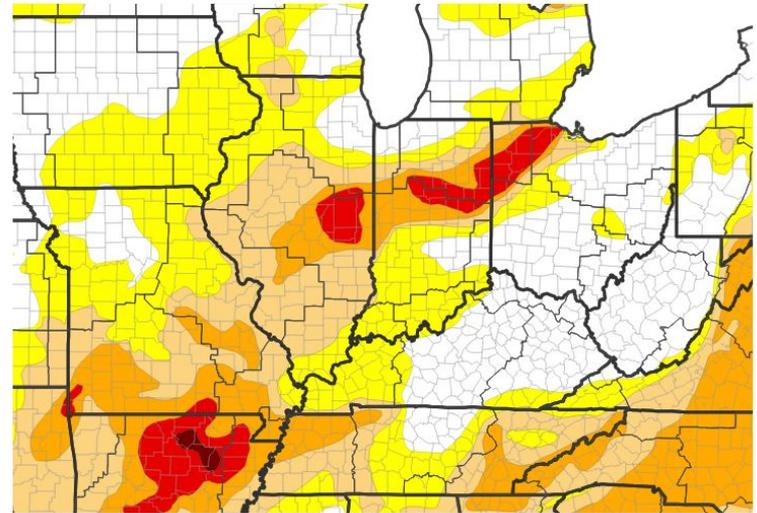


U.S. Drought Monitor

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

- Drought intensity and Extent
 - **D3 (Extreme Drought):** Carroll, Clinton, Delaware, Howard, Madison, Randolph, Tipton
 - **D2 (Severe Drought):** Boone, Fountain, Hamilton, Montgomery, Parke, Tippecanoe, Vermillion, Vigo, Warren
 - **D1 (Moderate Drought):** Hancock, Henry, Knox
 - **D0: (Abnormally Dry):** Bartholomew, Brown, Clay, Daviess, Greene, Hendricks, Jackson, Jennings, Lawrence, Marion, Martin, Monroe, Morgan, Owen, Putnam, Rush, Sullivan

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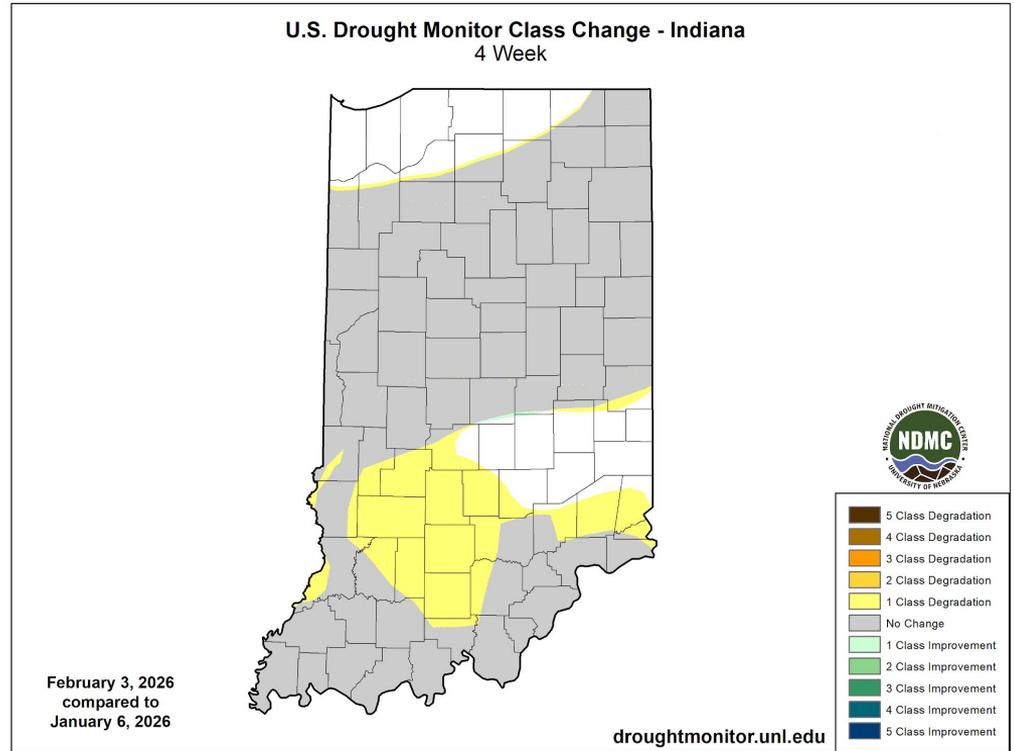




Recent Change in Drought Intensity

Link to the latest [4-week change map](#) for Central Indiana

- Four Week Drought Monitor Class Change.
 - Drought Worsened: Portions of southern Indiana saw a one class degradation
 - No Change: Most of Indiana
 - Drought Improved: None

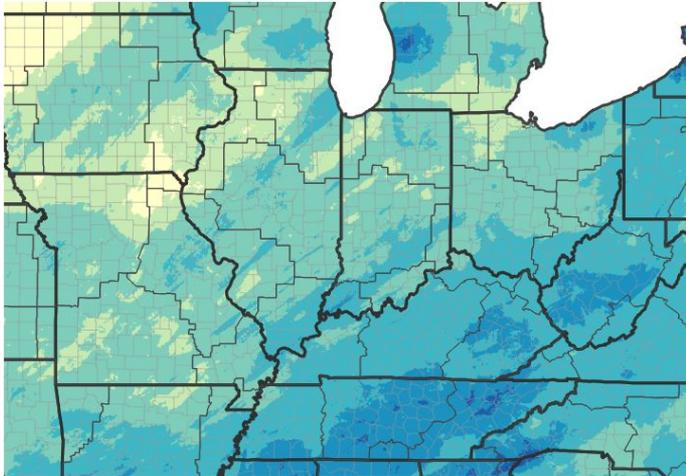




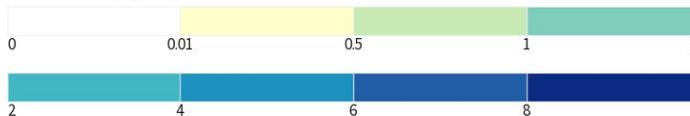
Precipitation

- Most of the state has seen 25 to 75% of normal precipitation

30-Day Precipitation Accumulations (Inches)

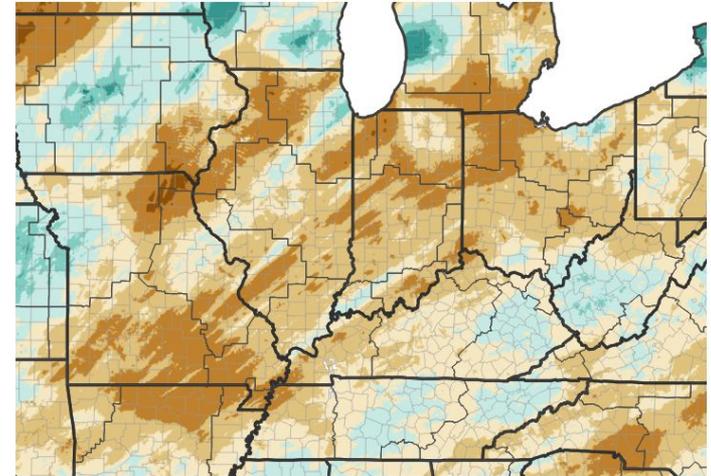


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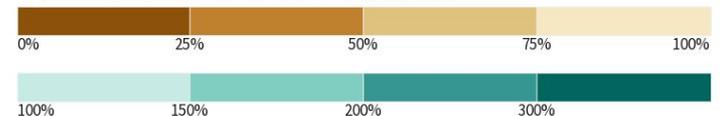


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image courtesy of Drought.gov

30-Day Percent of Normal Precipitation



Precipitation Shown as a Percentage of Normal Conditions



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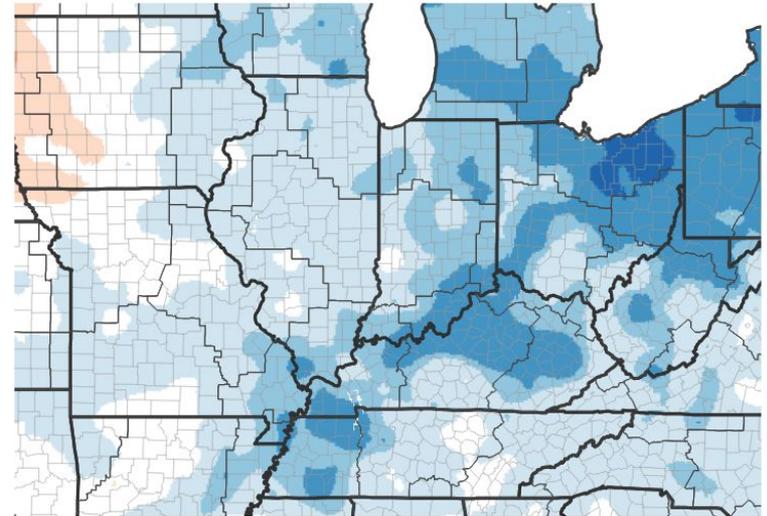




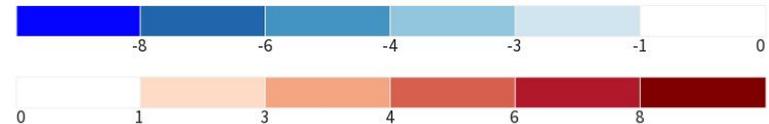
Temperature

- The 30 day max temperature anomaly is generally 1 to 3 degrees below normal over western Indiana and 3 to 5 degrees below normal over eastern Indiana

30-Day Temperature Anomaly



Departure from Normal Max Temperature (°F)



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Summary of Impacts

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

Hydrologic Impacts

- Streamflow less than the 10th percentile for many Indiana basins for this time of year
- Some dry ponds and streambeds

Agricultural Impacts

- There are no known impacts at this time

Fire Hazard Impacts

- There are no known impacts at this time

Other Impacts

- There are no known impacts at this time

Mitigation Actions

- There are no known impacts at this time





Hydrologic Conditions and Impacts

- All basins in the state but those along the Michigan border have below to much below normal 7 day average streamflow
- Most basins across central Indiana have streamflow below the 10th percentile for this time of year, and some individual gauges are showing the lowest streamflow recorded for this time of year

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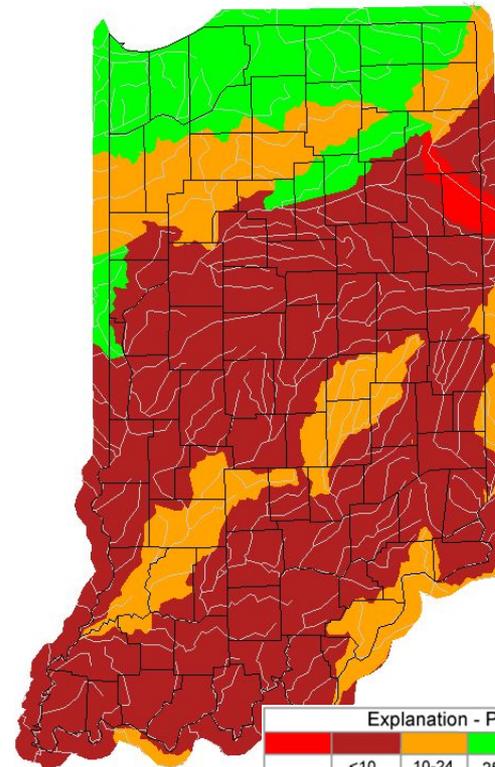


Image Caption:
[USGS 7 day average streamflow HUC map](#) for Indiana

| 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 | | |

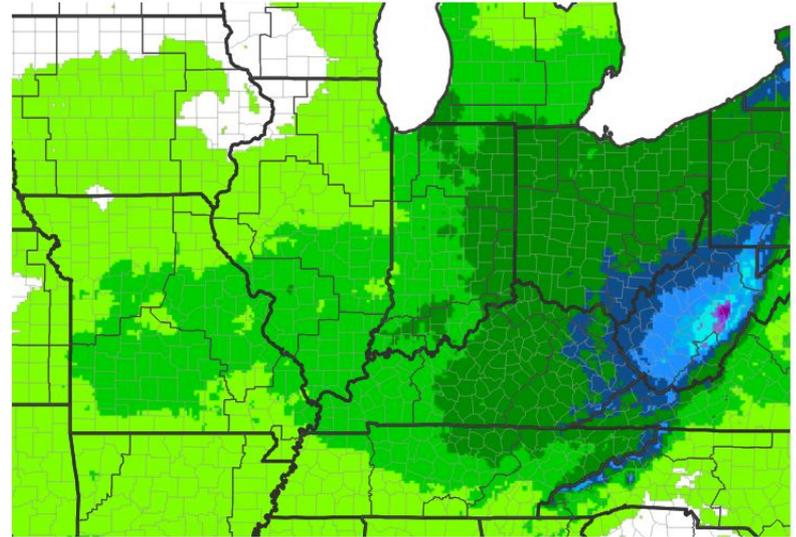




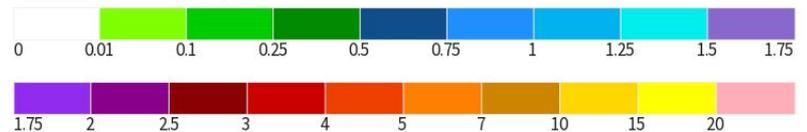
Seven Day Precipitation Forecast

- Significant precipitation is not in the forecast at this time for Indiana through February 13th
- Highest forecast precipitation amounts for the next 7 days are a quarter to half an inch over eastern Indiana

7-Day Quantitative Precipitation Forecast for February 6, 2026–February 13, 2026



Predicted Inches of Precipitation



Source(s): National Weather Service Weather Prediction Center; image courtesy of Drought.gov

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Long-Range Outlooks

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

- Cooler than normal temperatures and near normal precipitation are forecast for the month of February

Monthly Precipitation Outlook for February 1, 2026–February 28, 2026



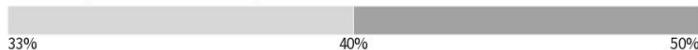
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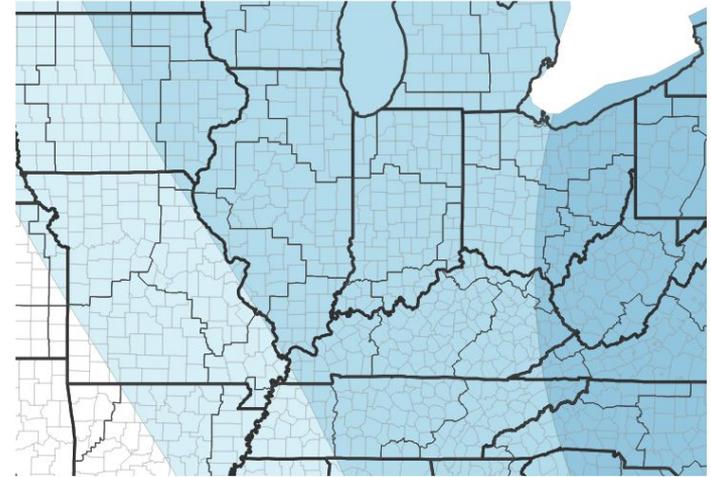
Probability of Near-Normal Precipitation



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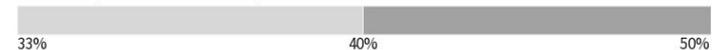
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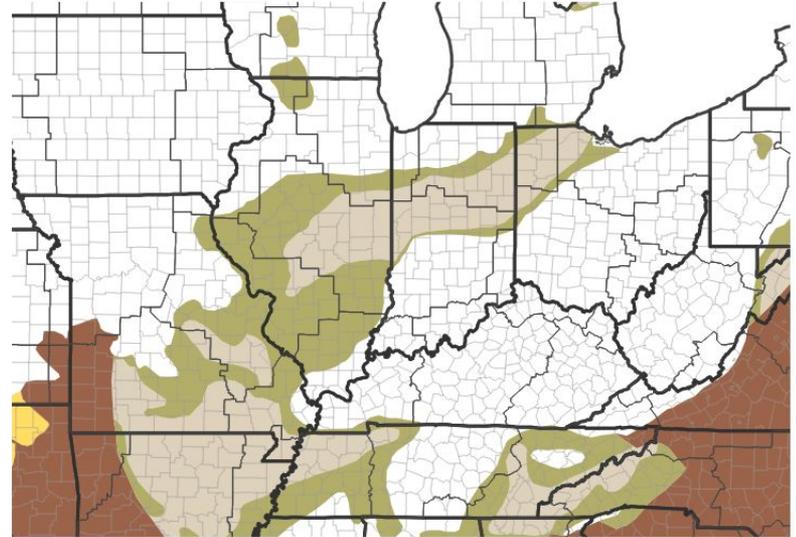


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- Drought is forecast to improve or come to an end over Indiana through April 30th

Seasonal (3-Month) Drought Outlook for January 31, 2026–April 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](#)

