



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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- Abnormally Dry (D0) conditions cover much of Indiana with a few pockets of Moderate Drought (D1)
 - Dry and hot weather in the current and extended forecast are likely to expand and worsen drought conditions





U.S. Drought Monitor

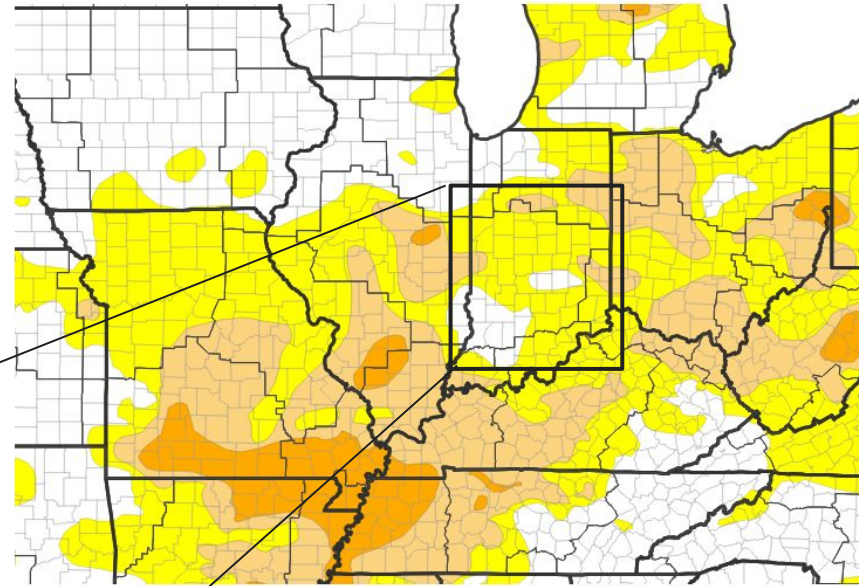
Link to the [latest U.S. Drought Monitor](#) for central Indiana

- Drought Intensity and Extent

- **D1 (Moderate Drought):** Carroll, Henry, Parke, Rush, Vermillion
- **D0: (Abnormally Dry):** Bartholomew, Boone, Brown, Clay, Clinton, Decatur, Delaware, Fountain, Hamilton, Hancock, Hendricks, Howard, Jackson, Jennings, Johnson, Lawrence, Madison, Marion, Monroe, Montgomery, Morgan, Owen, Putnam, Randolph, Shelby, Tippecanoe, Tipton, Vigo, Warren



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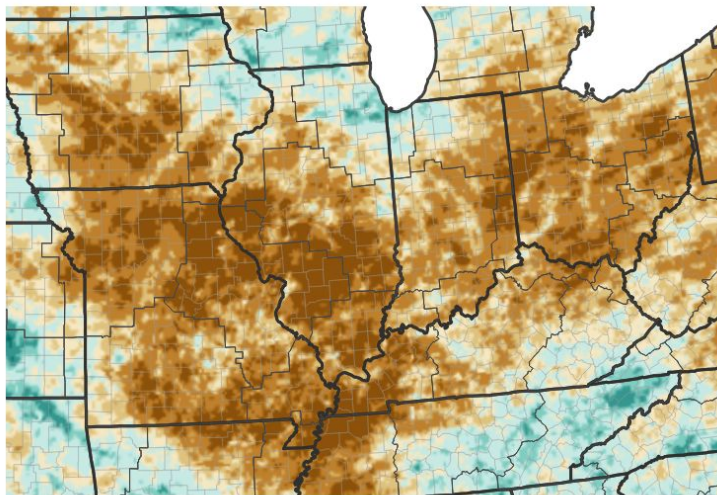




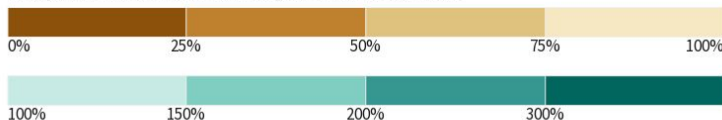
Precipitation

- Below normal precipitation of less than 50% over all but NW Indiana
- Near to just above normal precipitation over NW Indiana

30-Day Precipitation: Percent of PRISM Normal



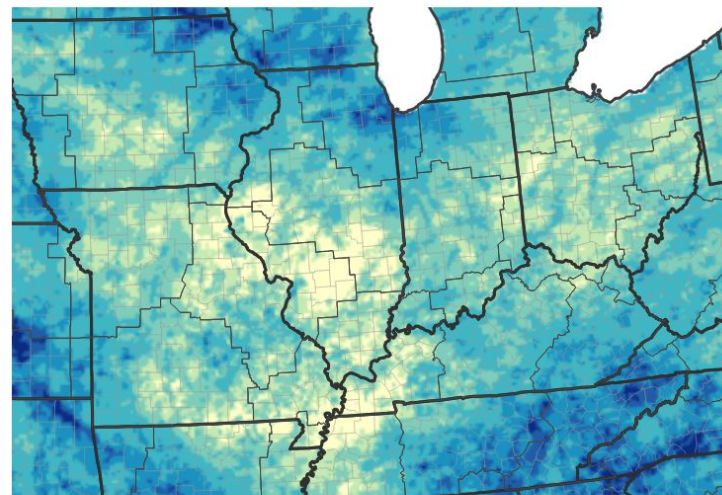
Precipitation Shown as a Percentage of Normal Conditions



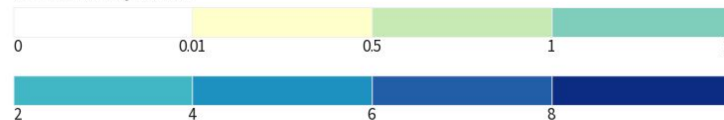
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NWPS 30-Day Precipitation Accumulations (inches)



Inches of Precipitation



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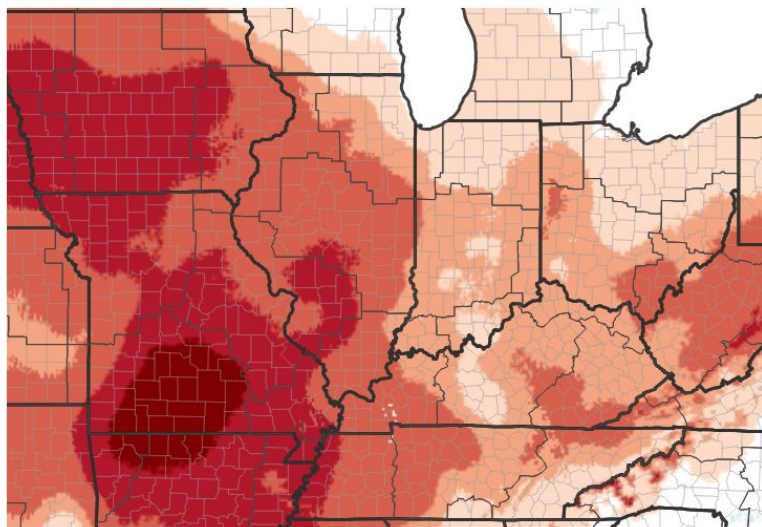




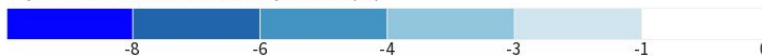
Temperature

- The 7 day temperature anomaly for max temperatures has been 1 to 4 degrees above normal for Indiana
- The 30 day anomaly shows max temperatures for most of the state 1 to 3 degrees above normal

7-Day Temperature Anomaly



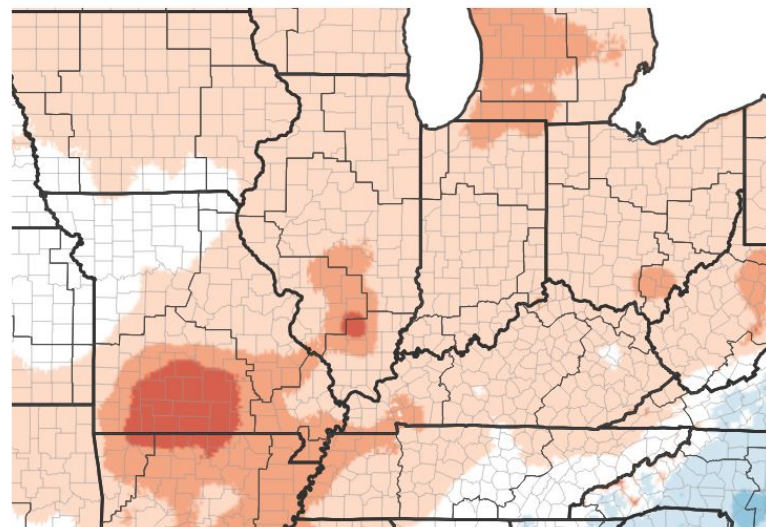
Departure from Normal Max Temperature (°F)



Source(s): NOAA's National Centers for Environmental Information; image courtesy of Drought.gov

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Summary of Impacts

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

Hydrologic Impacts

- Below normal streamflow over several basins per USGS
- Reports of small streams going dry, ponds at low levels

Agricultural Impacts

- Dry topsoil, cracks in ground
- Farm crops drying out quickly

Fire Hazard Impacts

- Some county burn bans

Other Impacts

- Plants, shrubs discolored and losing leaves

Mitigation Actions

- None reported



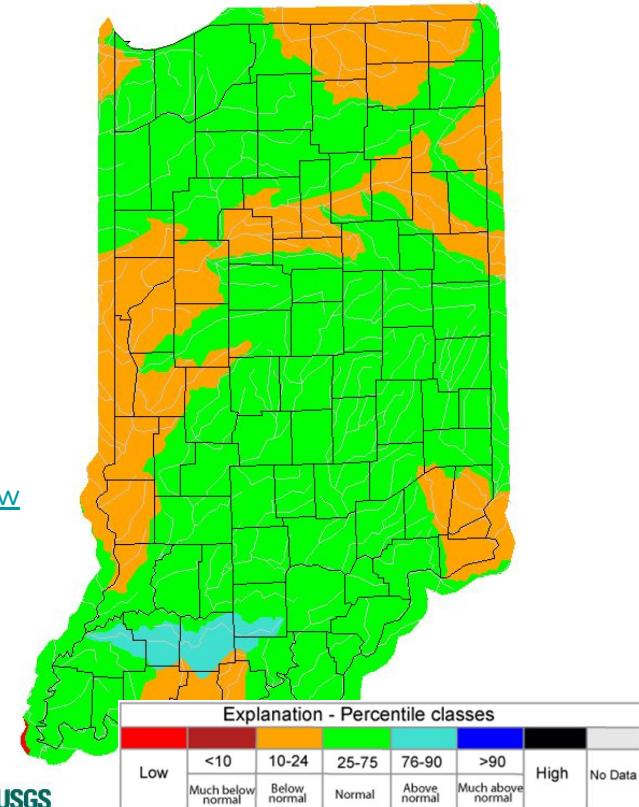


Hydrologic Conditions and Impacts

- Below normal streamflow across the Wabash basin as well as a few other basins in both northern and southern Indiana
- Normal streamflow showing up across much of Indiana, but this is likely on the low end of normal (near 25%)

Thursday, September 11, 2025

Image Caption:
[USGS 7 day average streamflow HUC map](#) for Indiana valid September 11, 2025

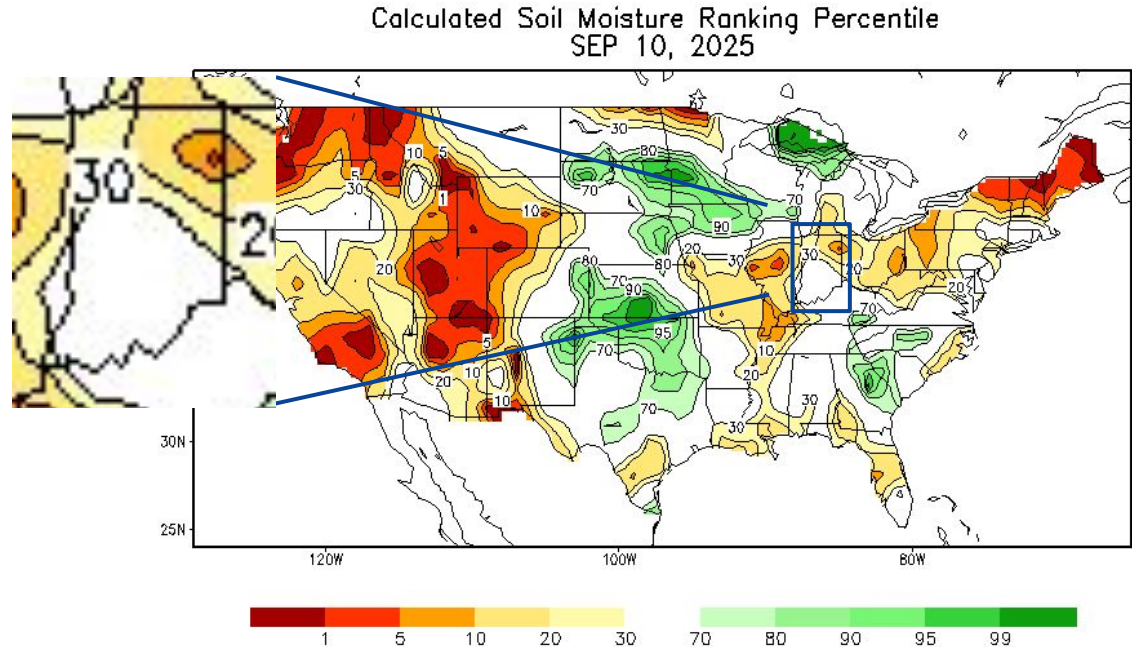




Agricultural Impacts

- Soil moisture is below normal across the northeastern half of Indiana
- Dry topsoil, cracks in ground
- Farm crops drying out quickly

[Link to Latest Indiana Crop Report](#)





Fire Hazard Impacts

Link to [Wildfire Potential Outlooks from the National Interagency Coordination Center](#)

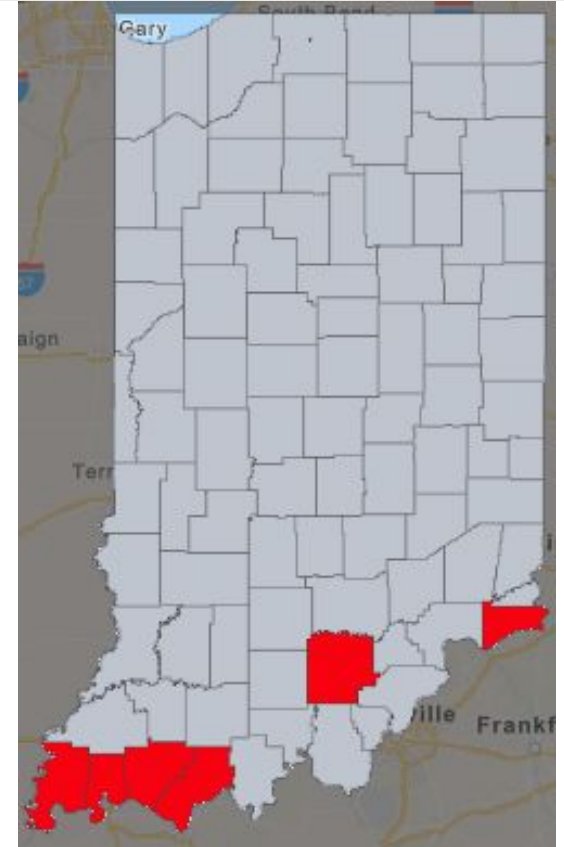
- County burn bans in place over some southern Indiana counties
- Conditions are becoming more conducive for brush fires

For the latest Indiana burn ban map, click [here](#).

County Burn Ban Status Legend



Image Caption: County Burn Ban Status Map from Indiana Department of Homeland Security valid September 12, 2025

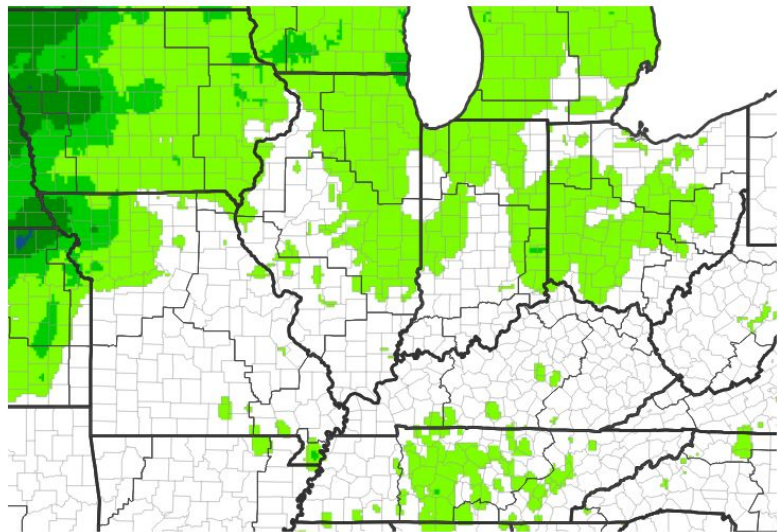




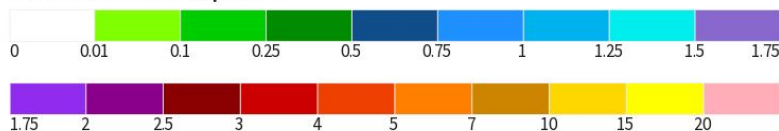
Seven Day Precipitation Forecast

- Little precipitation (less than a tenth of an inch) is expected through September 18th across Indiana

7-Day Quantitative Precipitation Forecast for September 11, 2025–September 18, 2025



Predicted Inches of Precipitation



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

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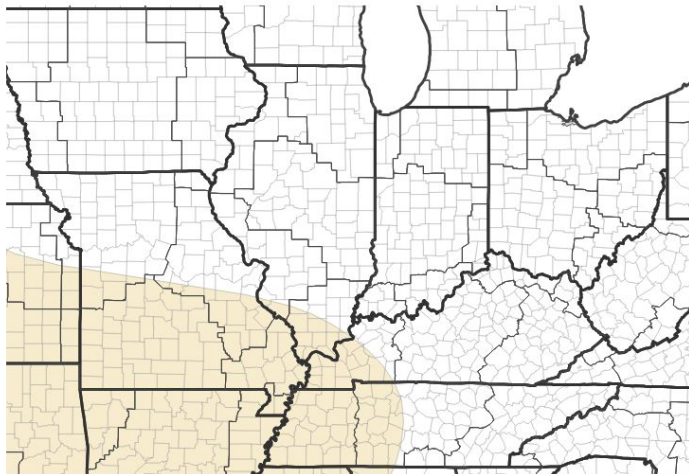


Long-Range Outlooks

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

- 3 month outlooks show equal chances of all outcomes for precipitation and midrange probabilities of above normal temperatures

Seasonal (3-Month) Precipitation Outlook for September 1, 2025–November 30, 2025



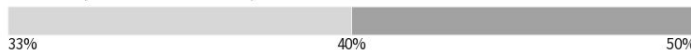
Probability of Below-Normal Precipitation



Probability of Above-Normal Precipitation



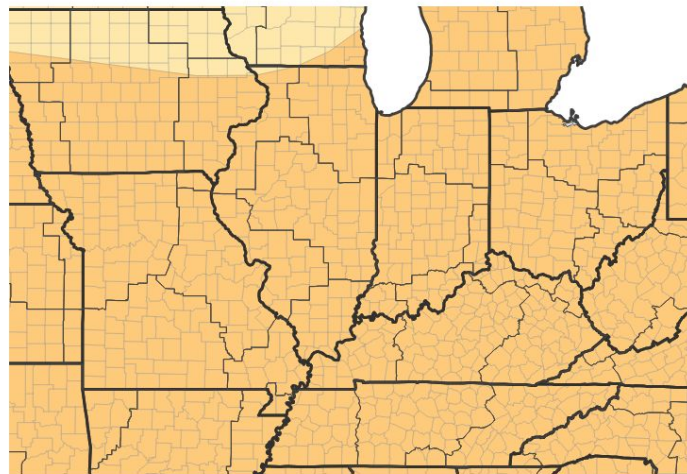
Probability of Near-Normal Precipitation



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Seasonal (3-Month) Temperature Outlook for September 1, 2025–November 30, 2025



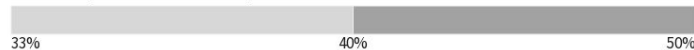
Probability of Below-Normal Temperatures



Probability of Above-Normal Temperatures



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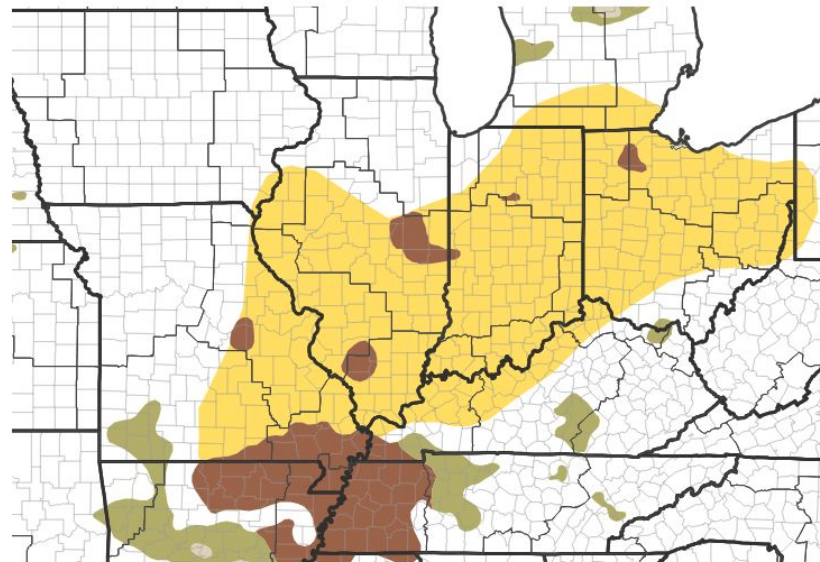


Drought Outlook

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- Drought is expected to develop and persist across all but northwest Indiana through the end of November

**Seasonal (3-Month) Drought Outlook for August 31,
2025–November 30, 2025**



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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