



Drought Information Statement for Northern IN, Southern MI, Northwest OH

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 - Please visit <https://www.weather.gov/iwx/DroughtInformationStatement> for previous statements.
 - Please visit <https://www.drought.gov/drought-status-updates> for regional drought status updates.
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- Moderate drought conditions are present along the US 24 corridor in northwest Ohio through west-central Indiana
 - Abnormally dry conditions are present in a broad area of northern Indiana, extending into far southwest Michigan
 - Little to no rain is expected through September 19

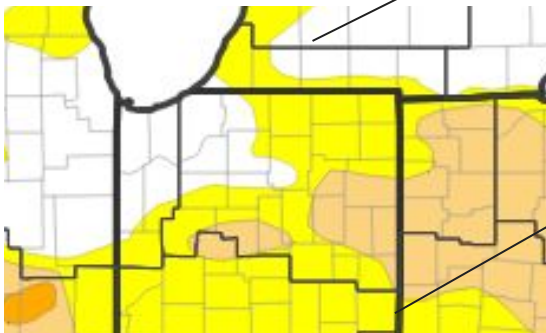




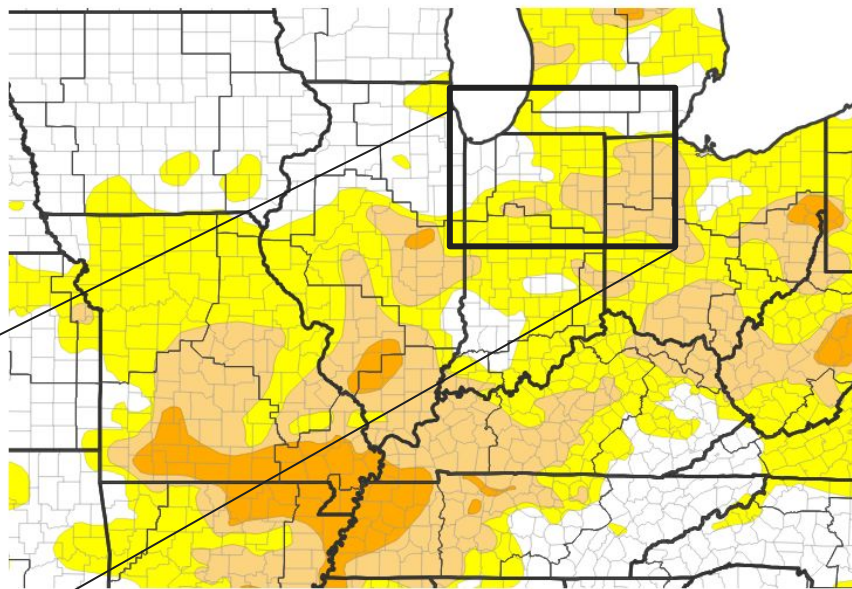
U.S. Drought Monitor

Link to the [latest U.S. Drought Monitor](#) for northern Indiana, southern Michigan, and northwest Ohio

- Drought intensity and Extent
 - **D1 (Moderate Drought):**
 - Indiana: Adams, Allen, Cass, Huntington, Jay, Miami, Wabash, Wells, White, and Whitley counties
 - Ohio: Allen, Defiance, Fulton, Henry, Paulding, Putnam, Williams, and Van Wert counties
 - **D0 (Abnormally Dry):** A broad area from southwest Michigan through northern Indiana



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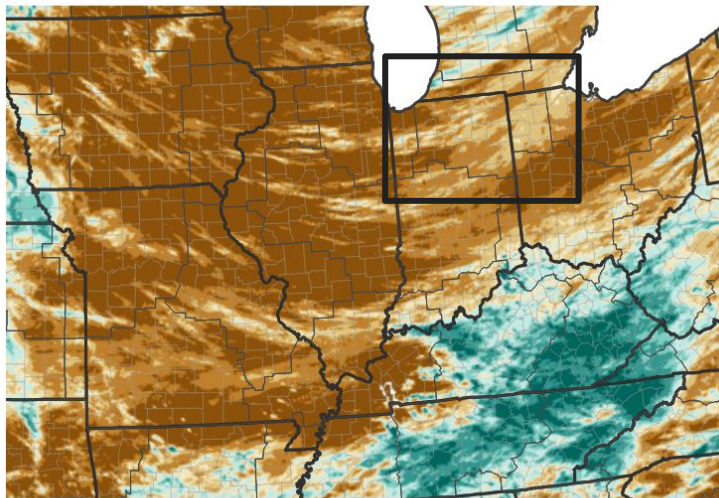




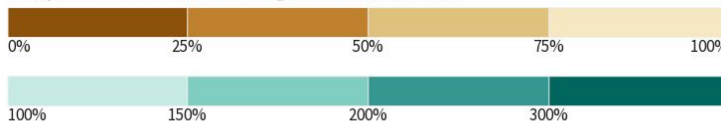
Precipitation

- 7-day and 30-day rainfall departures are 0% to 25% of normal in most areas. Drought conditions will continue to worsen.
- Far northwest Indiana received beneficial rain from thunderstorms within the past 30 days

7-Day Percent of Normal Precipitation



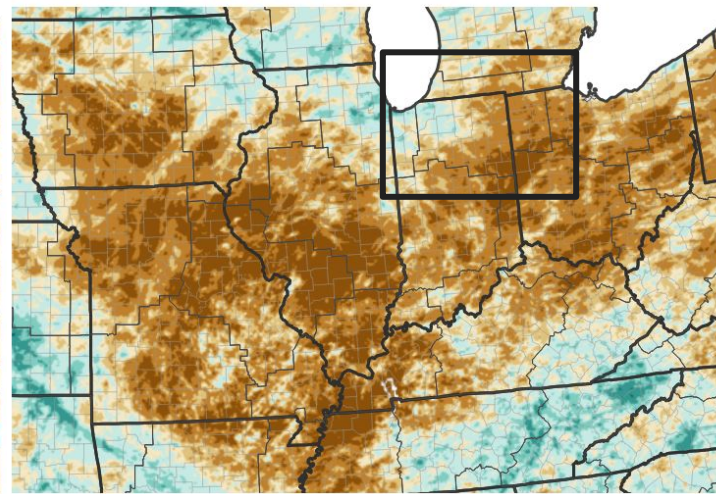
Precipitation Shown as a Percentage of Normal Conditions



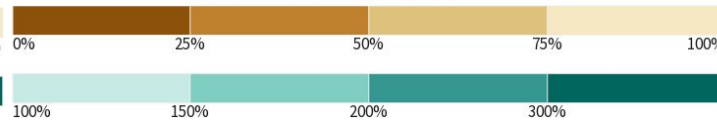
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30-Day Percent of Normal Precipitation



Precipitation Shown as a Percentage of Normal Conditions



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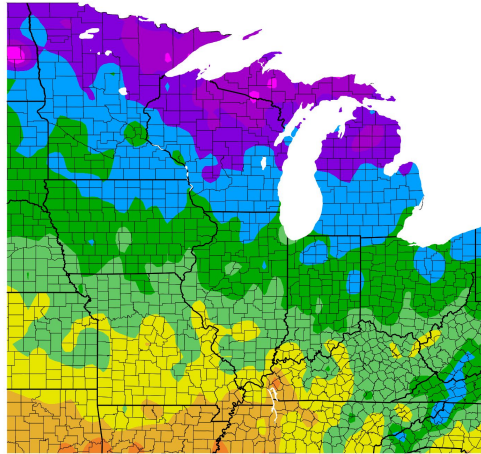




Temperature

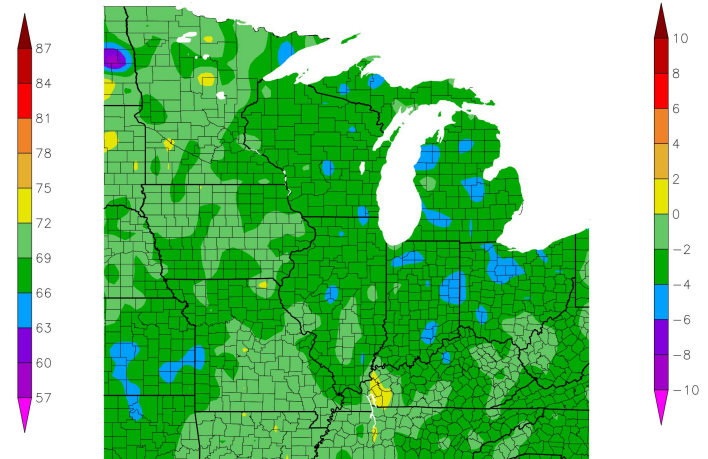
- Temperatures were about 2 to 4 degrees below normal for the 30-day period ending September 10th
- Cool, damp mornings (from dew) have provided temporary drought relief for some vegetation
- Above-normal temperatures (highs in the 90s) are expected in the coming week. This will worsen drought conditions.

Temperature (F)
8/12/2025 – 9/10/2025



Generated 9/11/2025 using provisional data.

Departure from Normal Temperature (F)
8/12/2025 – 9/10/2025



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Summary of Impacts

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

Hydrologic Impacts

- 28-day streamflows, according to USGS data, are in their 10th percentile or lower at some locations
- Pond levels are low and creeks have stopped flowing according to CoCoRaHS Condition Monitoring reports

Agricultural Impacts

- Local agriculture extension offices are reporting instances of crops going dormant despite late planting
- Pasture/range conditions are poor according to some agriculture extension offices

Fire Hazard Impacts

- There are no known impacts at this time

Other Impacts

- There are no known impacts at this time

Mitigation Actions

- None reported

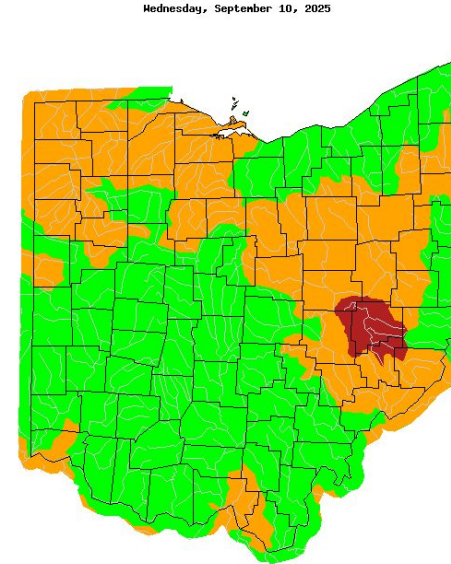
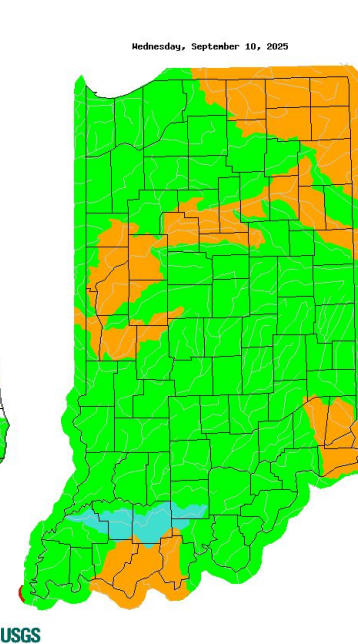
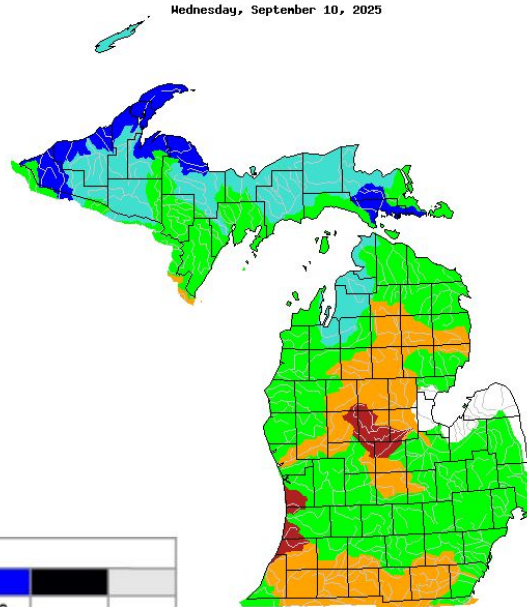




Hydrologic Conditions and Impacts

- Streamflows are “below normal”, reading only 10% to 24% of normal

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



USGS

Image Caption: USGS 7 day average streamflow HUC map valid April 9, 2025

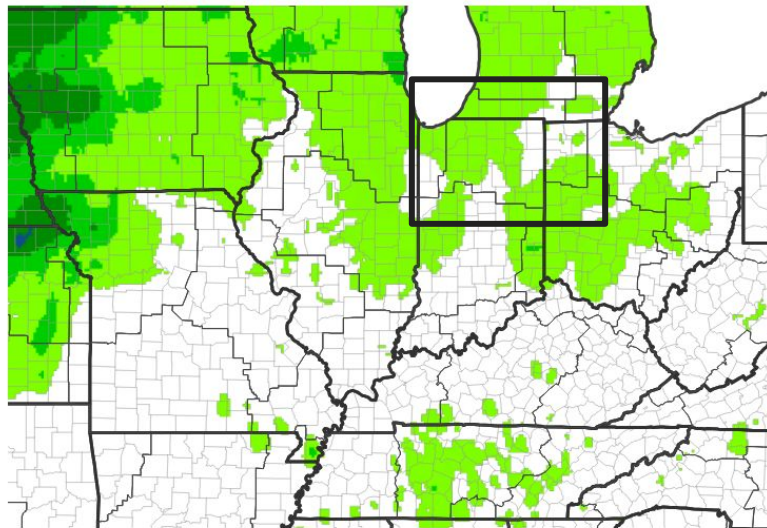




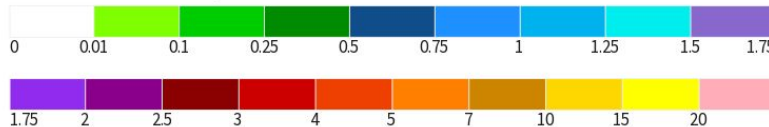
Seven Day Precipitation Forecast

- 7-day precipitation will be sparse, measuring less than 0.10". A weak disturbance passing through Saturday night will be the "best" chance for rain this week.
- A strong ridge of high pressure will move in over the weekend and linger well into next week (week of September 14)
- Temperatures will trend warmer as well, with highs in the 90s as early as Sunday and Monday
- Dry weather and warming temperatures will increase the concern for worsening drought

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

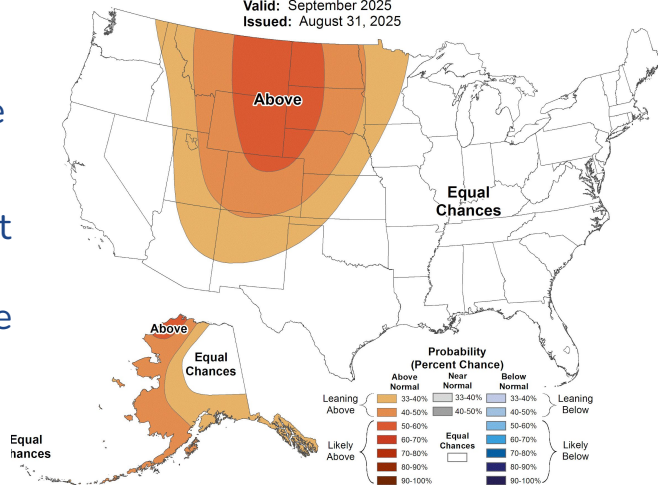
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- Released on 8/31 there are no clear signals to nudge the temperature or precipitation forecast above or below normal; thus, **equal chances** is the outlook
- Cool temperatures to start September will be offset by hot temperatures in the coming week



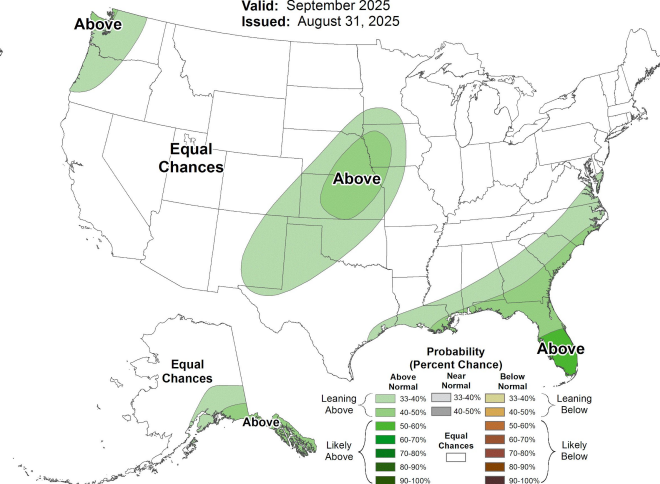
Monthly Temperature Outlook

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Monthly Precipitation Outlook

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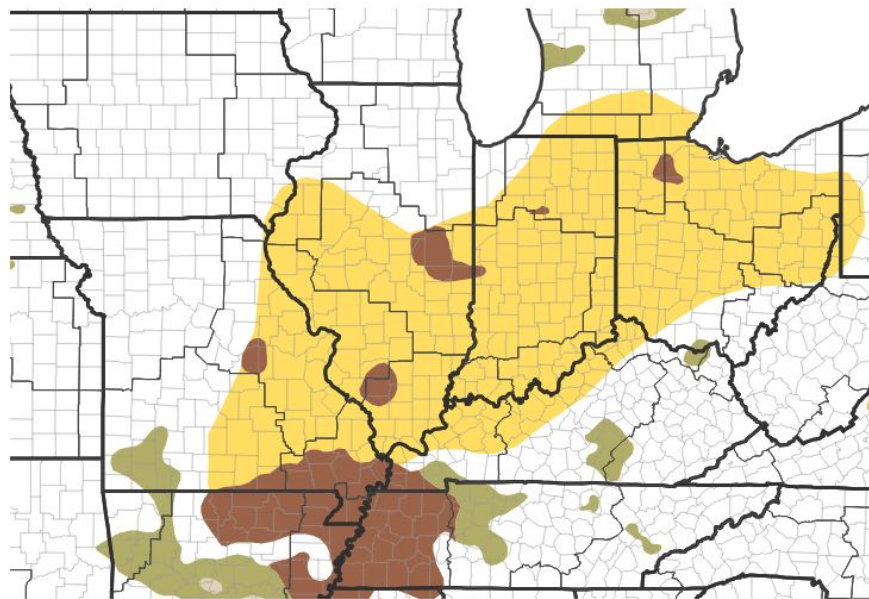


Drought Outlook

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- Drought conditions are anticipated to develop (or worsen) this month
- Precipitation departures:
 - As of this writing, Fort Wayne is nearly 10" below normal year to date, but is short only 0.80" so far this month
 - South Bend is short almost 4" year to date, and is about 1" below normal so far this month
- Note that September, October, and November are typically drier months for our area. Normal monthly precipitation is about 3" per month, compared to 4-4.5" in June, July, and August

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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