



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.
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- Severe to Extreme Drought (levels 2 and 3 of 4) persists along and south of US 24
 - Drought conditions improved in southwest Lower Michigan and northwest Indiana due to heavy Lake Effect snow earlier this week
 - A somewhat active weather pattern will provide at least a 20-40% chance of showers through early next week, with heavier rain possible next weekend
 - Year to date, Fort Wayne is experiencing its driest year on record



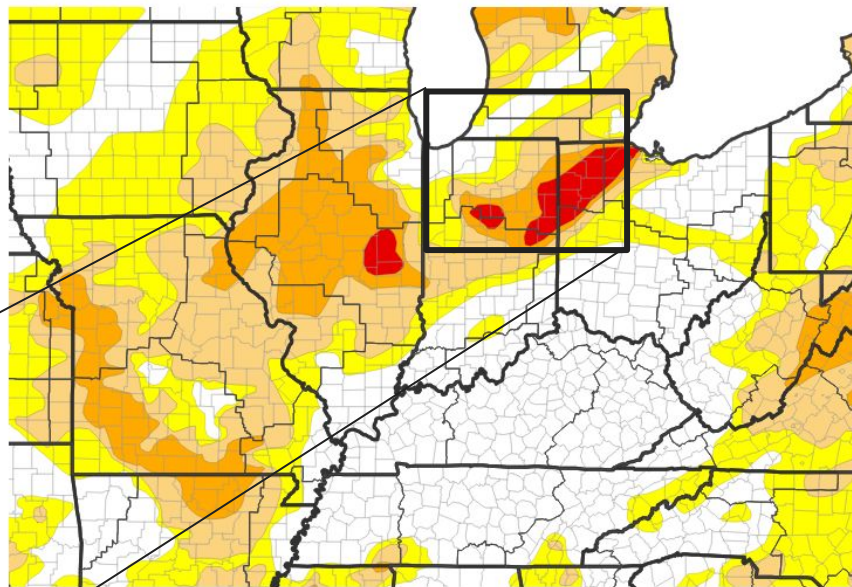


U.S. Drought Monitor

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

- Drought Intensity and Extent:
 - **D3 (Extreme Drought)** and **D2 (Severe Drought)**: All Indiana and Ohio counties along and south of US 24
 - **D1 (Moderate Drought)**: Southern Lower Michigan and north-central Indiana
 - **D0 (Abnormally Dry)**: Mainly in far north-central Indiana and southern Lower Michigan

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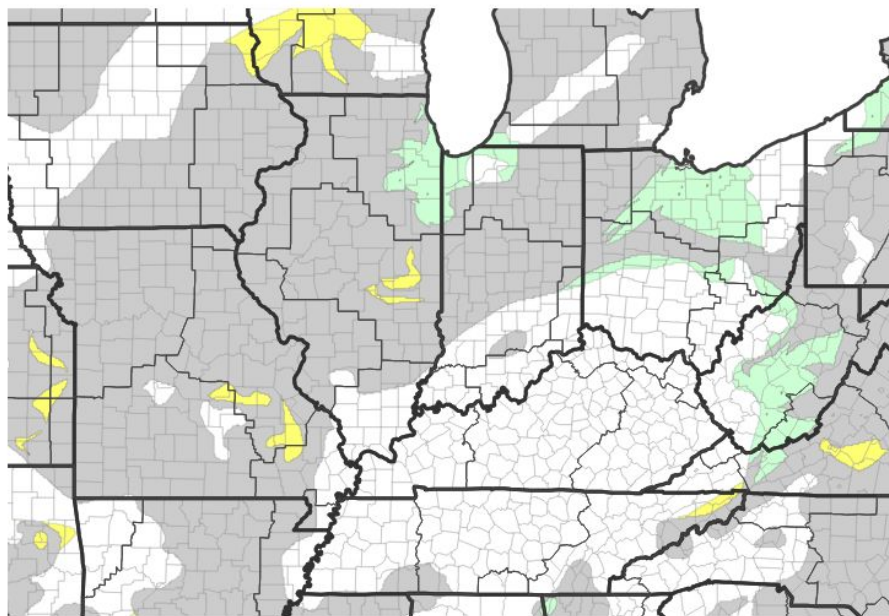


Recent Change in Drought Intensity

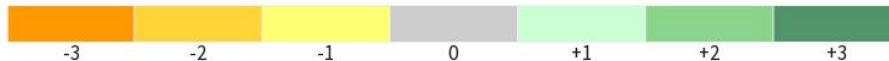
Link to the latest [1-week change map](#) for northern Indiana, southern Michigan, and northwest Ohio

- One Week Drought Monitor Class Change:
 - Following heavy lake effect snow, drought conditions improved for northwest Indiana and southwest Lower Michigan

U.S. Drought Monitor 1-Week Change Map



Drought Change Since Last Week



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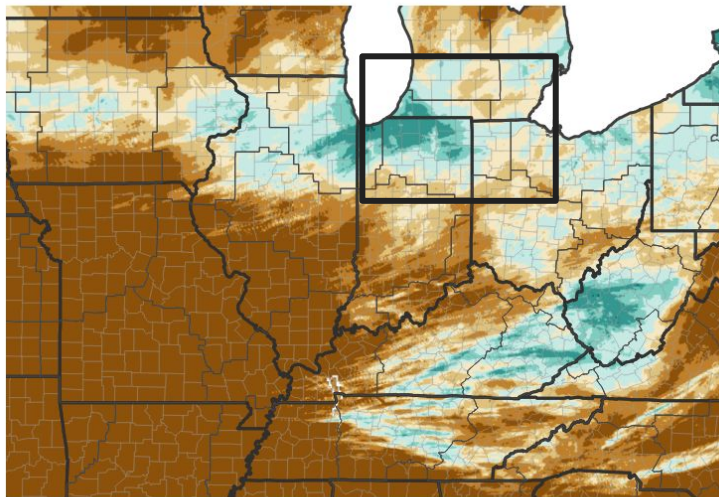




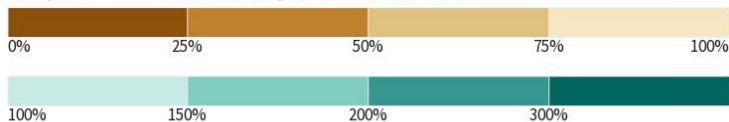
Precipitation

- In the past 7 days, lake effect snow provided beneficial (yet disruptive) precipitation
- 30-day precipitation was only about 100-150% of normal along the IN-MI border.
- The US 24 corridor continues to see 30-day deficits with only 25-50% of normal precipitation

7-Day Percent of Normal Precipitation



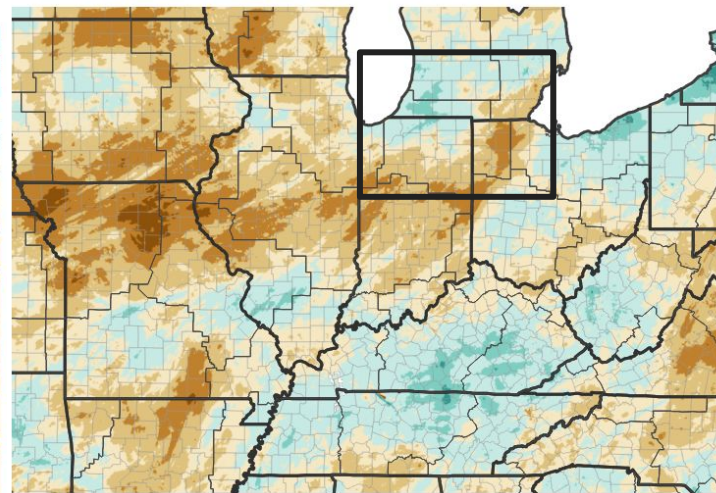
Precipitation Shown as a Percentage of Normal Conditions



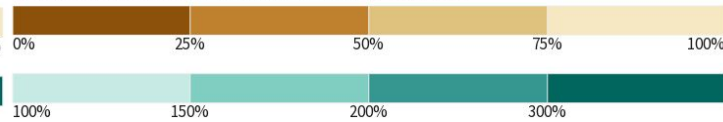
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Summary of Impacts

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

Hydrologic Impacts

- Streamflows, according to USGS data, continue to be below normal.

Agricultural Impacts

- No known impacts at this time.

Fire Hazard Impacts

- In northern Indiana, all previous Indiana burn bans have been lifted ([Indiana Department of Homeland Security](#).)

Other Impacts

- No known impacts at this time.





Hydrologic Conditions and Impacts

- Streamflows are reading less than 10% of normal (red) in Indiana, along the Tippecanoe and Eel Rivers
- Streamflows are reading 10-24% of normal (orange) in northwest Ohio, northeast Indiana and southern Michigan

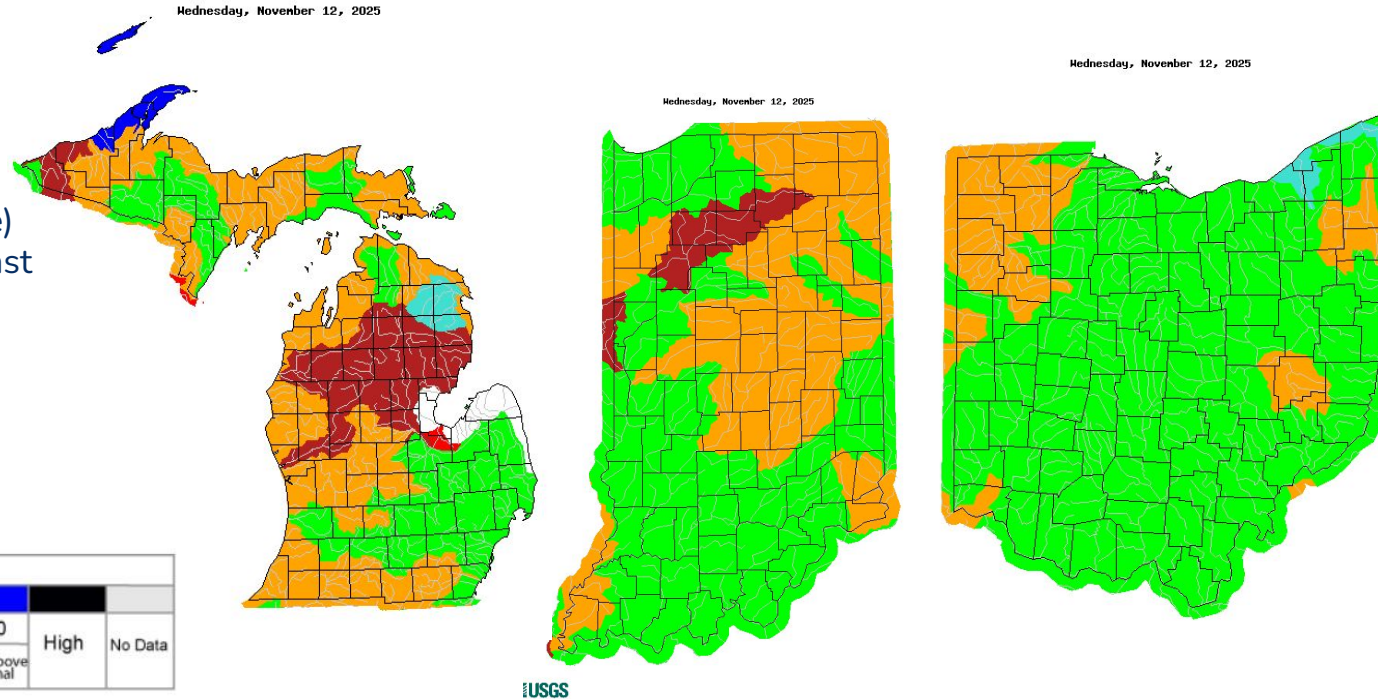


Image Caption: USGS 7 day average streamflow HUC map valid November 12

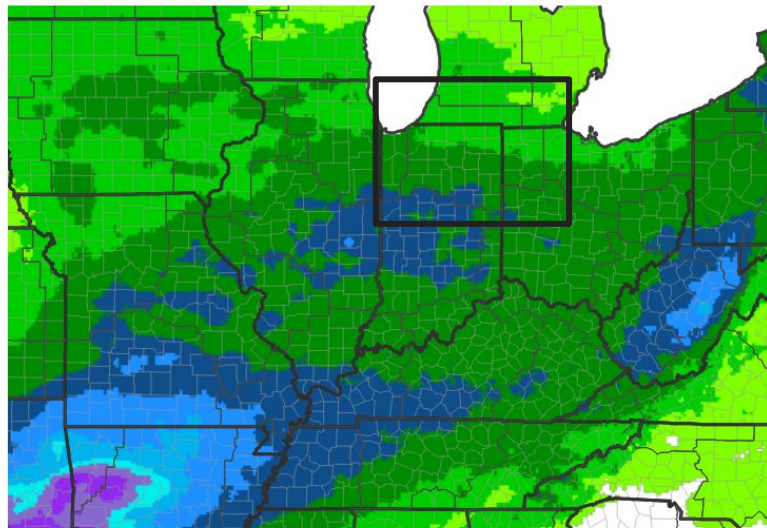




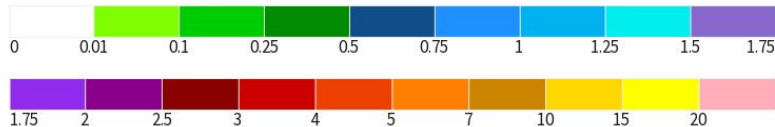
Seven Day Precipitation Forecast

- Two systems passing through, one Saturday and one Tuesday, will bring light rain (and possibly snow Tuesday) to the area amounting to generally less than 0.50"
- Precipitation amounts will be greatest in central Indiana
- Additional rain, perhaps heavy at times, is possible next weekend (11/22-11/23)

7-Day Quantitative Precipitation Forecast for November 13, 2025–November 20, 2025



Predicted Inches of Precipitation



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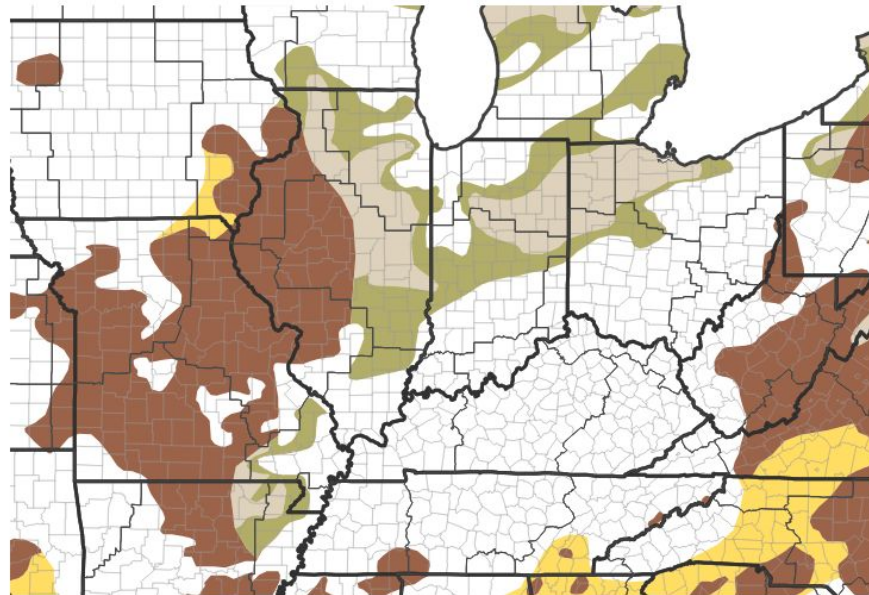


Drought Outlook

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

- Drought conditions are anticipated to improve this fall and winter, per the Climate Prediction Center
- Precipitation departures:
 - Fort Wayne is 13.5" below normal for the year. Through 11/13, this ranks as the driest on record (#2 driest is 1934 with 22.16" of precipitation)
 - South Bend is 5" below normal.

Seasonal (3-Month) Drought Outlook for October 31, 2025–January 31, 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](#)



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