

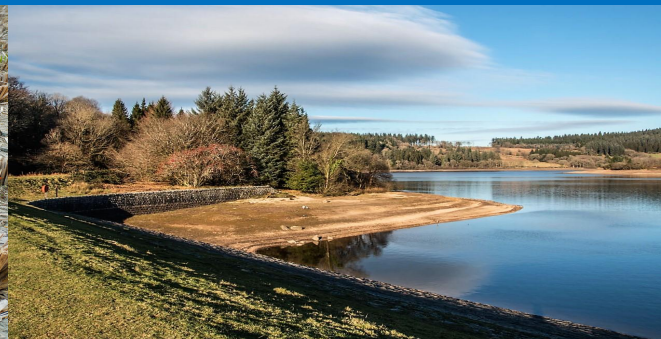
Drought Information Statement for South Florida

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- This will be the last product update until Severe Drought returns to South Florida.
- Please see all currently available products at <https://drought.gov/drought-information-statements>.
- Please visit <https://www.weather.gov/mfl/DroughtInformationStatement> for previous statements.

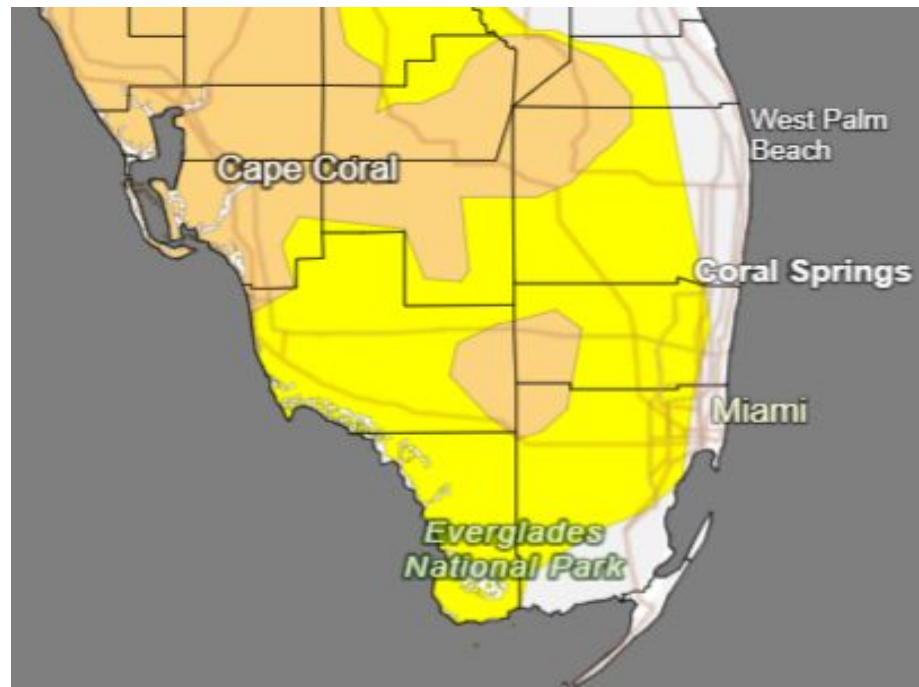




U.S. Drought Monitor

Link to the [latest U.S. Drought Monitor](#) for South Florida

- Drought Returns To South Florida
- Drought intensity and Extent
 - D1 (Moderate Drought): Glades, Hendry, portions of the western Everglades, and around Lake Okeechobee.
 - D0 (Abnormally Dry): Rest of South Florida except for east coastal areas.



U.S. Drought Monitor



U.S. Drought Monitor valid 10AM EDT November 19th, 2025.





Precipitation

- Rainfall observed with the departure and percent of normal since October 1, 2025

The following table gives the rainfall from October 1, 2025 to September 19th, 2025:

Airports:	Observed Rainfall	Dep fm Normal	Percent of Normal
Palm Beach Intl	9.84	+1.32	109%
Naples Municipal	3.87	-1.04	77%
Ft Lauderdale-Hollywood Intl	6.16	-3.77	62%
Miami Intl	3.65	-6.44	36%

Secondary Observation Sites

Moore Haven (Glades)	2.89	-1.03	74%
Opa Locka (Miami-Dade)	4.19	-5.48	43%
HomeStead (Miami-Dade)	5.27	-2.09	72%
Hialeah (Miami-Dade)	3.05	-7.94	28%
Palm Beach Gardens (Palm Beach)	8.90	+0.29	100%
North Miami Beach (Miami-Dade)	0.69	-9.70	7%
Devils Garden (Hendry)	6.05	+1.20	125%
Tamiami Airport (Miami-Dade)	5.60	-0.90	86%

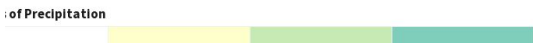
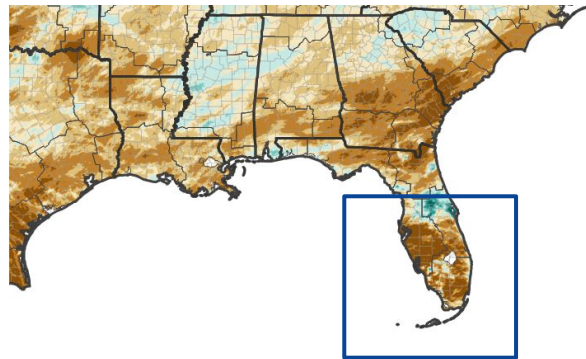
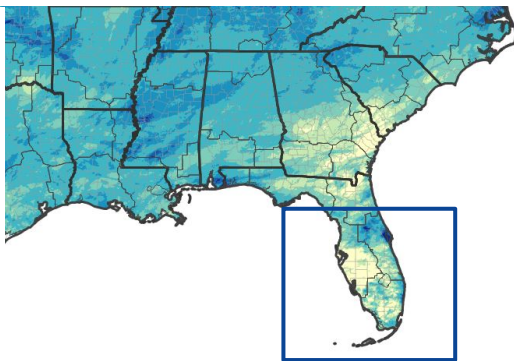


Image Captions:
Left - Precipitation Amount for [area]
Right - Percent of Normal Precipitation for [area]
Data Courtesy High Plains Regional Climate Center.
Data over the past 30 days ending November 19th, 2025





Summary of Impacts

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

Hydrologic Impacts

- **Lake Okeechobee level currently at 13.77 FT which is -1.16 FT below normal of 14.93 FT**
Locks on Lake Okeechobee are opened but could be closed at anytime due to the water level being close to the shortage critical line.
Fisheating Creek is at 1 ft which is -1.55 feet below the normal level of 2.55 ft for this time of year.
- The underground level water conservation area 1 in Interior Palm Beach County is at 16.88 feet and it should be at 17.50 feet which is **-0.62 feet** below normal for this time of year.
- The Underground level water conservation area 2 in Interior Broward County is at 13.73 feet and its normal level is 12.18 feet which is **+1.55 feet** above normal for this time of year.
- The underground level water conservation area 3 in Interior Miami-Dade County is at 9.41 feet and its normal level is at 10.50 feet which is **-1.10 feet** below normal for this time of year.

Fire Hazard Impacts

- KBDI index is 400 to 450 over most of South Florida except for Palm Beach and Mainland Monroe Counties where it is 300 to 400 range. **This puts most of South Florida in a moderate risk of wildfires, except for the coastal areas of Palm Beach and mainland Monroe Counties where they are in a low risk of wildfires.**

Other Impacts

- Airboat tour companies are now saying that the water levels in western portions of the Everglades are getting low.





Agricultural Impacts

- Soil moisture over South Florida is running below normal.
- The area over Glades County is below 5 percentile.
- Rest of South Florida is in the 5 to 10 percentile range, except for extreme southern Everglades where it is in the 10 to 20 percentile range.

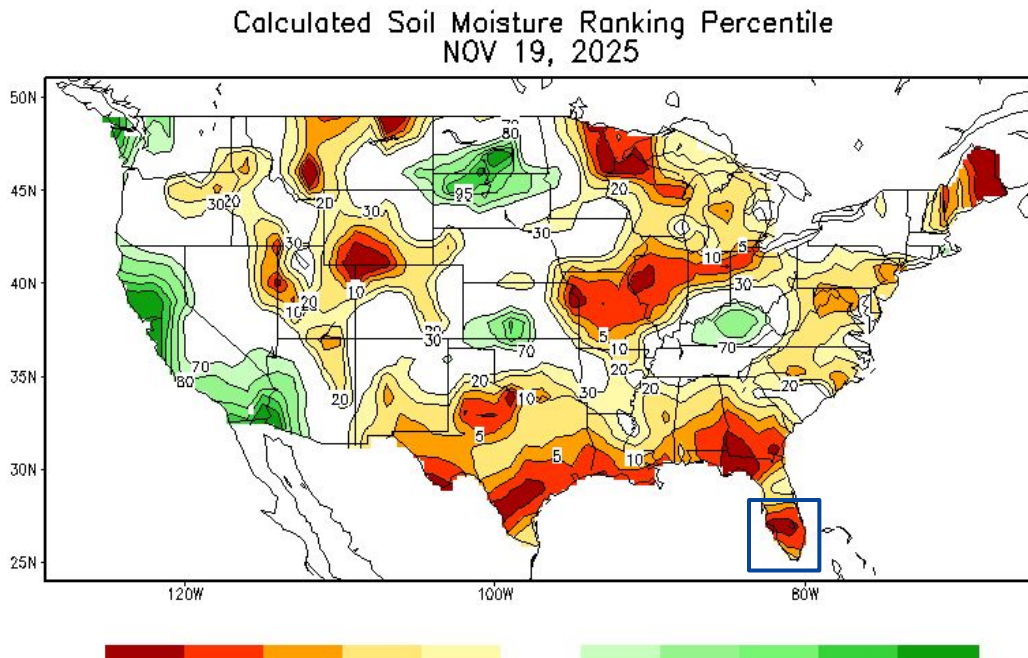


Image Captions:
CPC Calculated [Soil Moisture Ranking Percentile](#)
valid November 19th, 2025



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

- Currently there is no fire burns in effect for South Florida.
- South Florida has an equal chance of above and below normal wildfire for the month of December.

Latest FL Burn Ban map available [here](#).

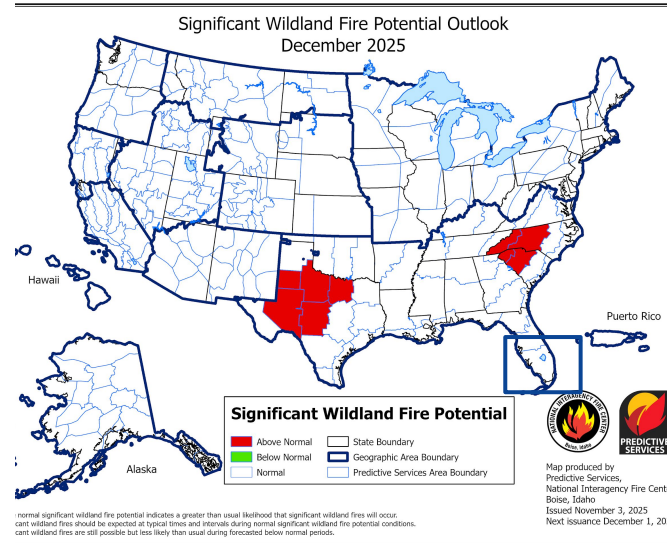
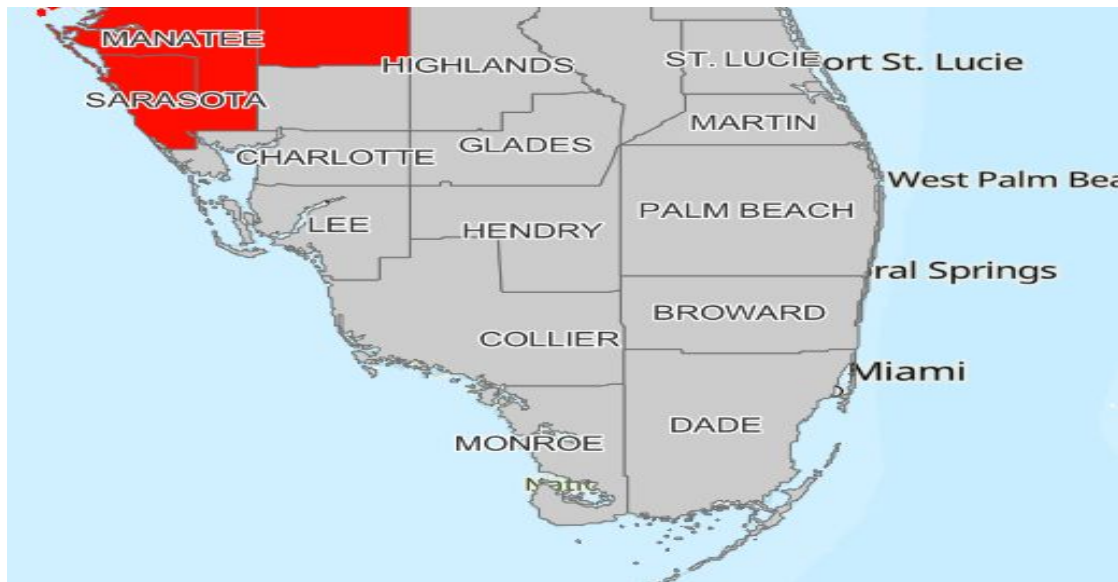


Image Caption: [Significant Wildland Fire Potential Monthly Outlook](#) for December 2025



Seven Day Precipitation Forecast

- South Florida should remain dry through Thanksgiving Day due to high pressure over the region.

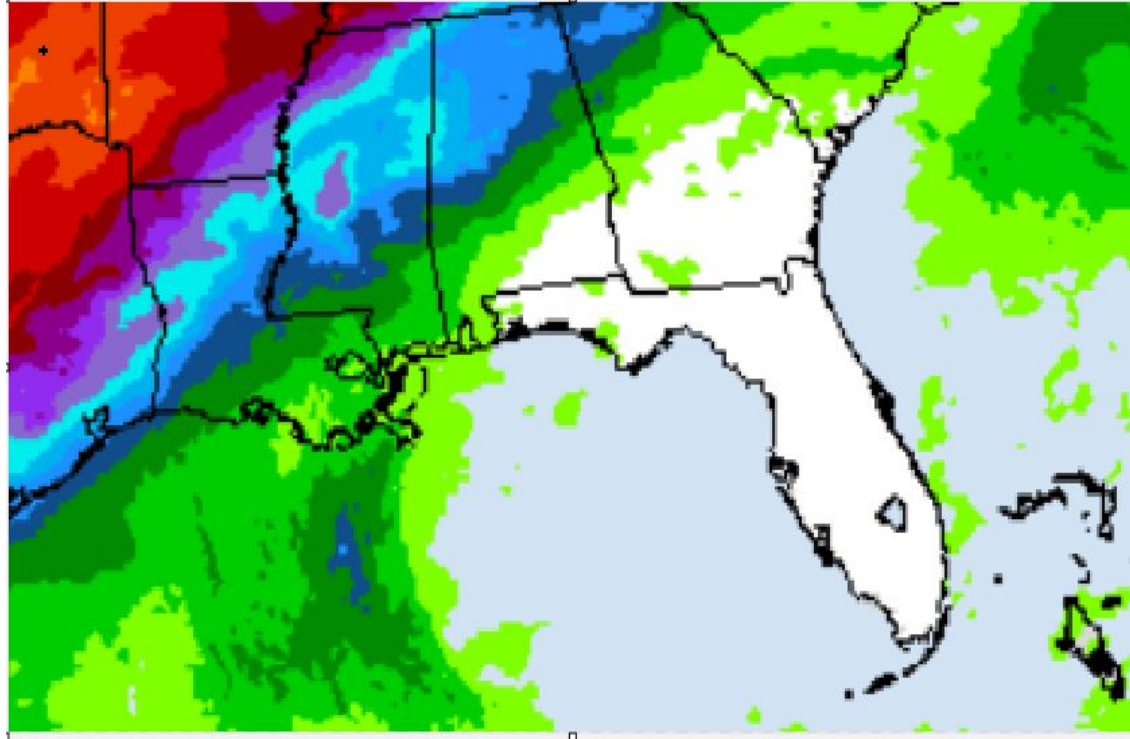


Image Caption: Weather Prediction Center [7-day precipitation forecast](#) valid Friday November 21th to Thursday November 27th 2025





Long-Range Outlooks

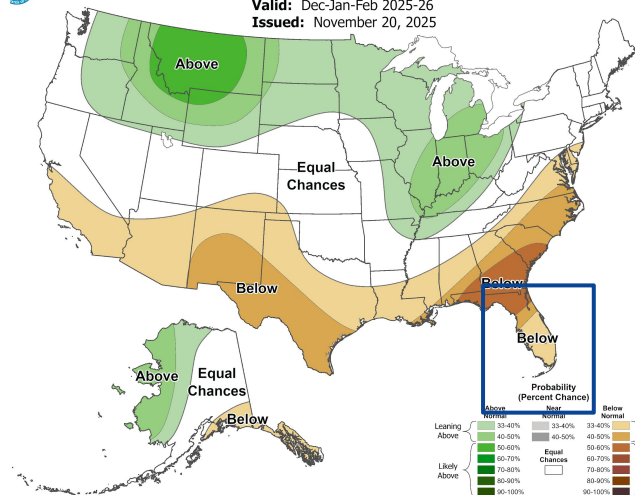
The latest monthly and seasonal outlooks can be found on the [CPC homepage](#)

- Climate Prediction Center is forecasting above normal temperatures for Dec 2025 -Feb 2026.
- Climate Prediction Center is forecasting below normal rainfall for Dec 2025 - Feb 2026.



Seasonal Precipitation Outlook

Valid: Dec-Jan-Feb 2025-26
Issued: November 20, 2025



Seasonal Temperature Outlook

Valid: Dec-Jan-Feb 2025-26
Issued: November 20, 2025

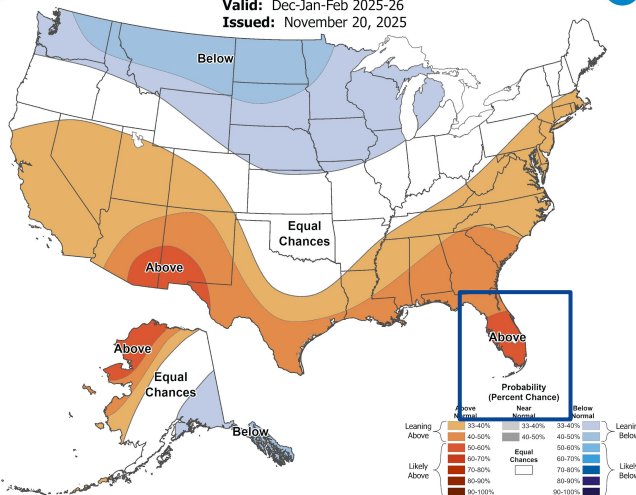


Image Captions:

Left - [Climate Prediction Center Monthly Temperature Outlook](#)

Right - [Climate Prediction Center Monthly Precipitation Outlook](#)

Valid DEC 2025 -FEB 2026



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