



Drought Information Statement for NW Oregon and SW Washington

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 - Please see all currently available products at <https://drought.gov/drought-information-statements>.
 - Please visit <https://www.weather.gov/pqr/DroughtInformationStatement> for previous statements.
 - Please visit <https://www.drought.gov/drought-status-updates> for regional drought status updates.
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- Washington State has declared a [drought emergency](#) for the entire state due to snowpack deficits.
 - 63.5% of Oregon is in Drought (D1-D4)



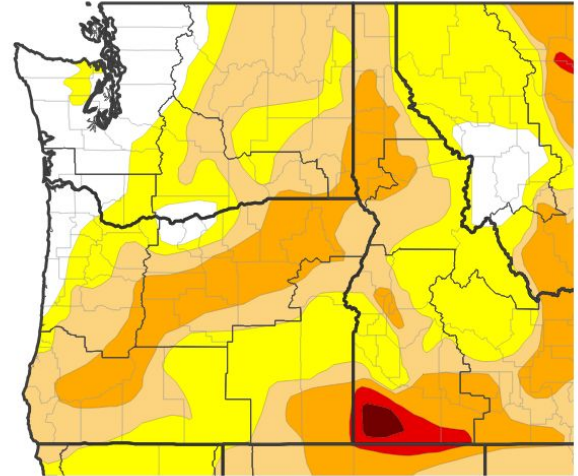


U.S. Drought Monitor

Link to the [latest U.S. Drought Monitor](#) for Northwest Oregon and Southwest Washington

- Drought intensity and Extent
 - **D2 (Severe Drought):**
Eastern portion of Linn and Lane Counties
 - **D1 (Moderate Drought):**
Portions of Clackamas, Marion, Benton, Linn, Lane Counties
 - **D0: (Abnormally Dry):**
Washington Counties: Skamania and Clark
Oregon Counties: Multnomah, Hood River, Washington, Clackamas, Marion, Yamhill, Polk, Benton, Linn, Lane

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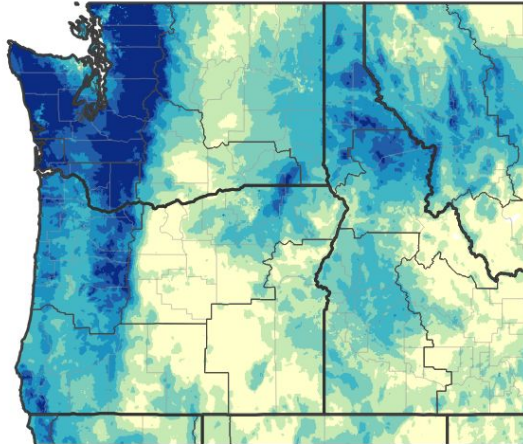


Precipitation

While there was over 5 inches of rain in SW Washington and NW Oregon, most of the area is lower than normal conditions.

The cascade crests and Portland Area had near normal precipitation conditions for the last month.

30-Day Precipitation Accumulations (Inches)

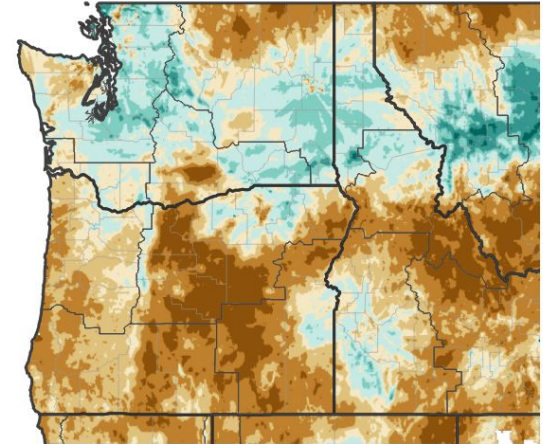


Inches of Precipitation



Source(s): National Weather Service Multi-Radar Multi-Sensor System; image courtesy of Drought.gov Last Updated: 04/13/26

30-Day Percent of Normal Precipitation



Precipitation Shown as a Percentage of Normal Conditions



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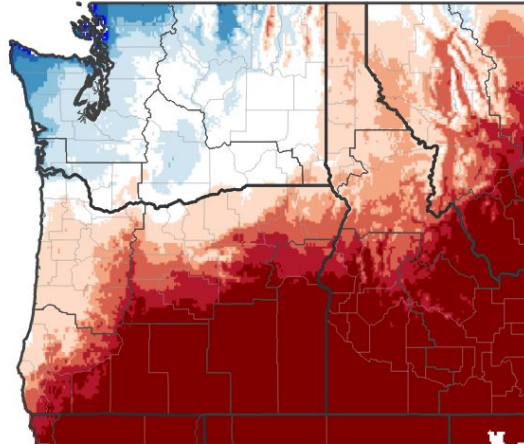




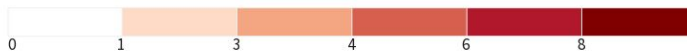
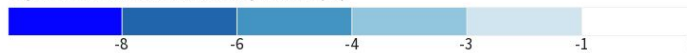
Temperature

While Washington has experienced cooler than normal temperatures west of the cascades this last month, warmer than normal temperatures continue in the state Oregon.

7-Day Temperature Anomaly



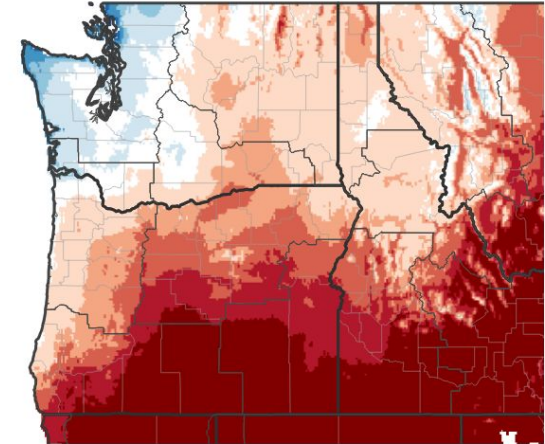
Departure from Normal Max Temperature (°F)



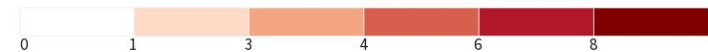
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30-Day Temperature Anomaly



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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 daily streamflow which can impact ecological, recreational, and water management activities

Agricultural Impacts

- There are no known impacts at this time

Fire Hazard Impacts

- There are no known impacts at this time

Mitigation Actions

- Please refer to your municipality and/or water provider for mitigation information.



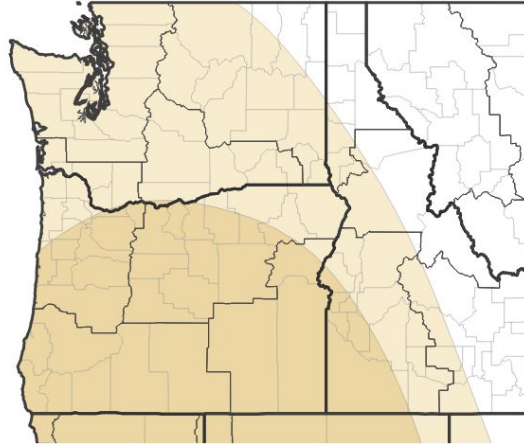


Long-Range Outlooks

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

Guidance shows a slight tendency for above normal temperatures and below normal precipitation for the next month.

Monthly Precipitation Outlook for April 1, 2026–April 30, 2026



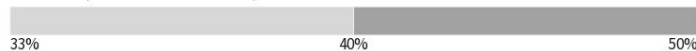
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Probability of Above-Normal Precipitation



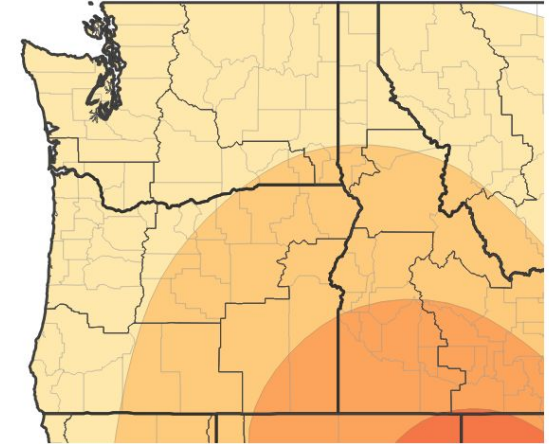
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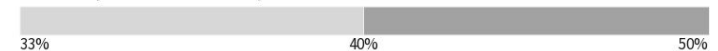
Probability of Below-Normal Temperatures



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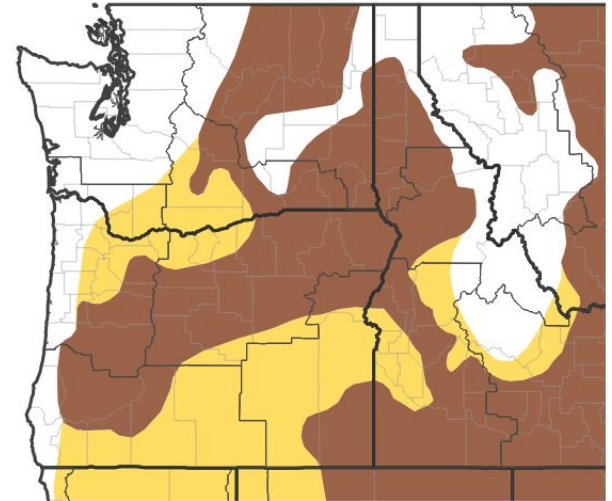


Drought Outlook

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- Drought is forecasted to persist or develop in east of the Coastal Range in Oregon
- Current D1 Drought seen in SW Washington and NW Oregon could worsen

Seasonal (3-Month) Drought Outlook for March 31, 2026–June 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](#)



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