Monthly Climate Summary for the Florida Panhandle & Big Bend, Southwest Georgia, and Southeast Alabama

Valid for October 2026

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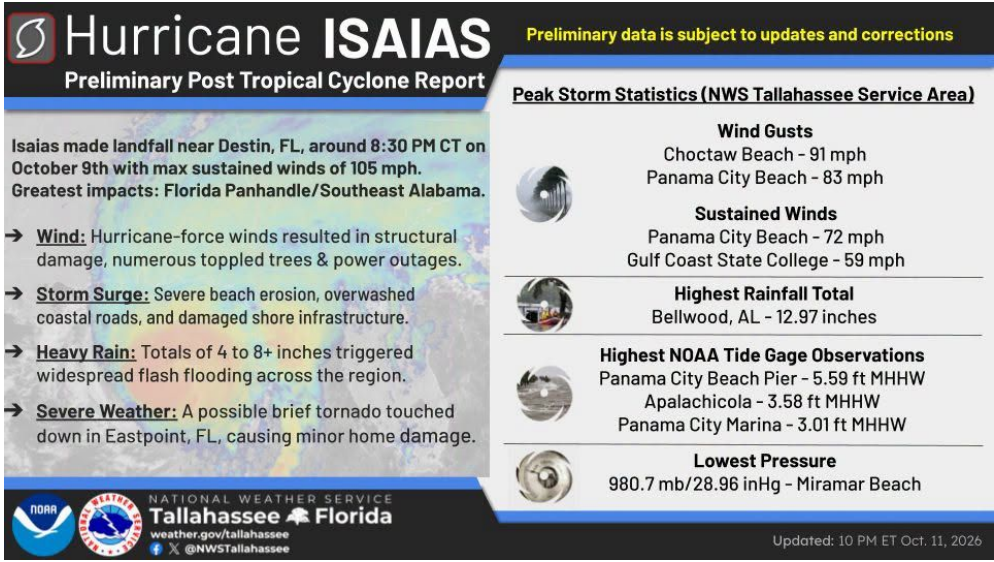





General Overview

Hurricane Isaias, dry remainder of month

- Hurricane Isaias made landfall near Destin, FL on the 9th with max sustained winds of 105 mph.
- Various wind, rain, beach impacts.
- Explicit hurricane-force gusts in Bay & Walton County, FL.
- Hardest hit locations were the FL Panhandle and SE AL.
- EF-0 survey confirmed tornado in Eastpoint, FL from outer rainband.
- No rain after the 10th for the remainder of month.



Preliminary Post Tropical Cyclone Report - Hurricane Isaias

October 2026 Temperatures

Warmer than normal

- Tallahassee (TLH):
  - average monthly mean - 71.60° (**+1.3°**)
  - highest/lowest temp - 91°/42°
- Apalachicola (AAF):
  - average monthly mean - 72.20° (**+0.7°**)
  - highest/lowest temp - 89°/50°
- Panama City NW (ECP):
  - average monthly mean - 70.80° (**+0.8°**)
  - highest/lowest temp - 90°/45°
- Marianna (MAI):
  - average monthly mean - 69.90° (**+0.4°**)
  - highest/lowest temp - 91°/43°
- Valdosta (VLD):
  - average monthly mean - 70.60° (**+2.0°**)
  - highest/lowest temp - 90°/44°
- Albany (ABY) *missing data - ongoing FAA issue*:
  - average monthly mean - 70.80° (**+1.9°**)
  - highest/lowest temp - 91°/43°
- Dothan (DHN):
  - average monthly mean - 69.00° (**+0.1°**)
  - highest/lowest temp - 91°/43°

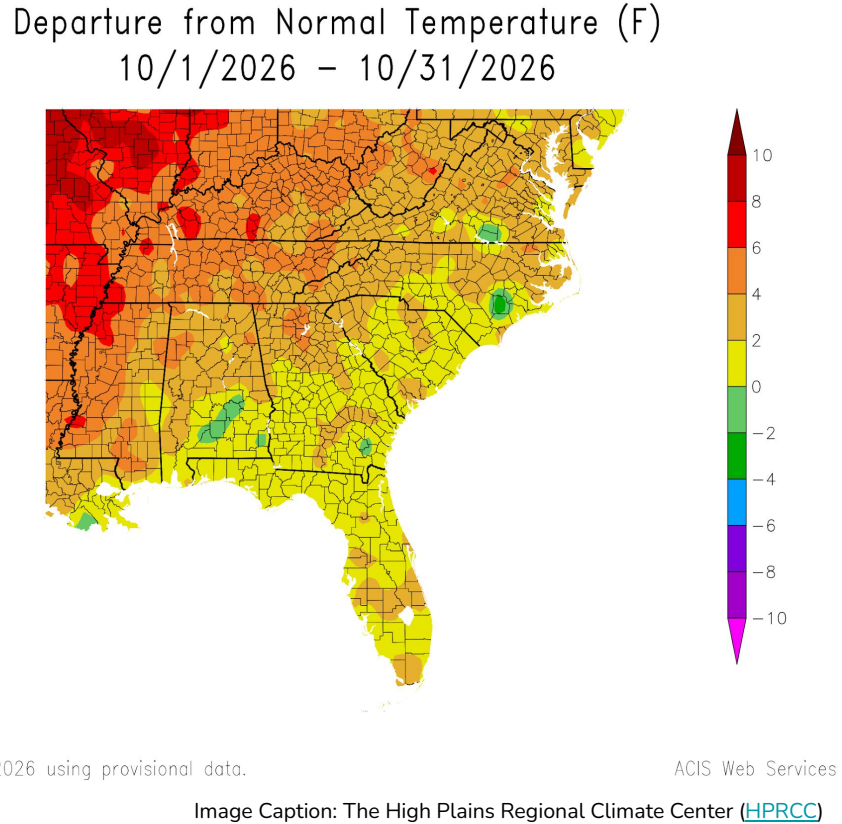


Image Caption: The High Plains Regional Climate Center (HPRCC)

October 2026 Precipitation

Wetter than normal

- Tallahassee (TLH):
  - monthly amount - 6.71 inches
  - 3.47 inches above normal
- Apalachicola (AAF):
  - monthly amount - 15.36 inches
  - 11.73 inches above normal
- Panama City NW (ECP):
  - monthly amount - 13.77 inches
  - 10.23 inches above normal
- Marianna (MAI):
  - monthly amount - 3.35 inches
  - 0.29 inches above normal
- Valdosta (VLD):
  - Monthly amount - 3.82 inches
  - 0.11 inches above normal
- Albany (ABY) *missing data - ongoing FAA issue*:
  - monthly amount - 0 inches
  - 2.30 inches below normal
- Dothan (DHN):
  - monthly amount - 4.23 inches
  - 1.53 inches above normal

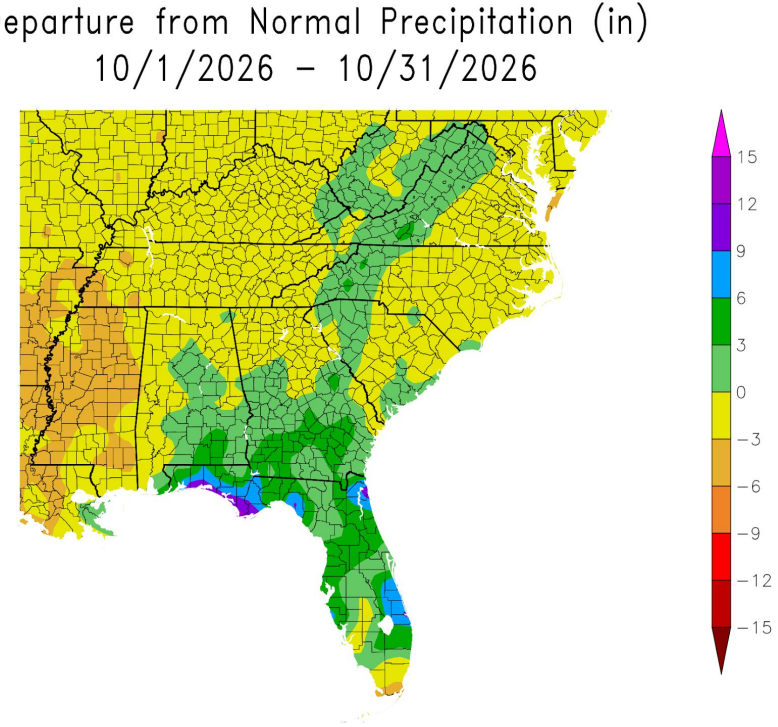


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Drought Monitor

Lingering abnormally dry conditions for parts of the Tri-State area.

- Continued drought improvement from early October rains fostered by Hurricane Isaias.
- Moderate (D1) Drought - parts of Lafayette County, FL.
- Abnormally Dry (D0) - parts of Coffee County, AL, SW GA, and SE FL Big Bend.
- Local drought page: https://www.weather.gov/tae/LocalDrought

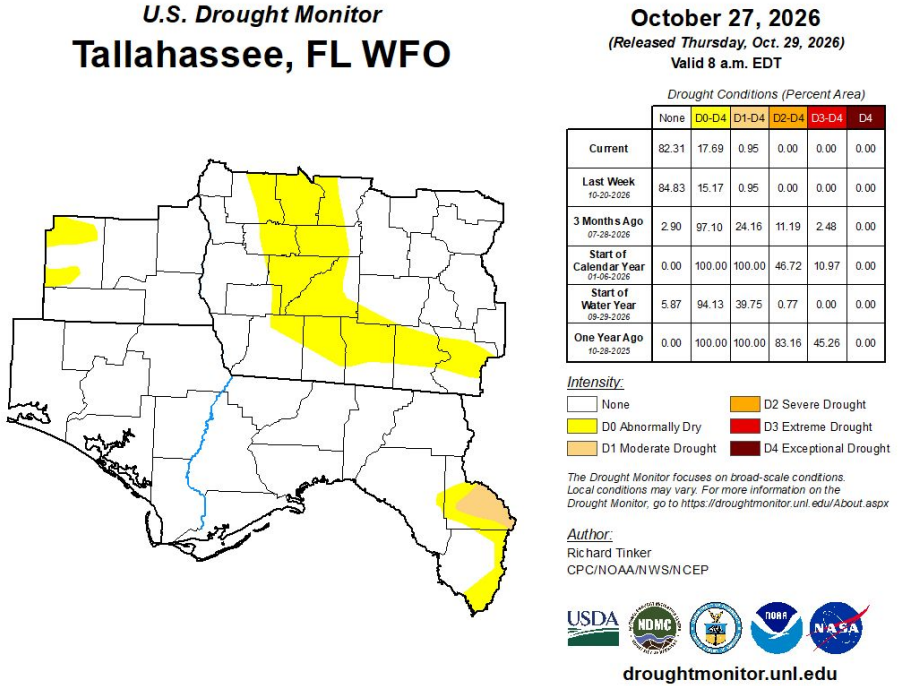


Image Caption: Weekly Local Drought Monitor valid August 27, 2026

Other Relevant Climate Data

Based on current 30-yr climatology (1991-2020)

- Tallahassee (TLH):
  - days of measurable rain - 7
  - max daily rainfall - 2.77 inches on 10/9
  - daily records (2)
  - highest wind gust - 52 mph, 9th
  - number of 90° days - 5
- Apalachicola (AAF):
  - days of measurable rain - 10
  - max daily rainfall - 7.49 inches on 10/5
  - daily records (4)
  - highest wind gust - 58 mph, 9th
  - number of 90° days - 0
- Albany (ABY) *missing data - ongoing FAA issue*:
  - days of measurable rain - 0
  - max daily rainfall - 0 inches on 10/31
  - daily records (0)
  - highest wind gust - *missing*
  - number of 90° days - 3
- Panama City NW (ECP):
  - days of measurable rain - 8
  - max daily rainfall - 5.44 inches on 10/5
  - highest wind gust - 77 mph, 9th
  - number of 90° days - 1
- Marianna (MAI):
  - days of measurable rain - 5
  - max daily rainfall - 2.43 inches on 10/5
  - highest wind gust - 36 mph, 17th
  - number of 90° days - 2
- Valdosta (VLD):
  - days of measurable rain - 7
  - max daily rainfall - 1.36 inches on 10/10
  - highest wind gust - 36 mph, 17th
  - number of 90° days - 3
- Dothan (DHN):
  - days of measurable rain - 4
  - max daily rainfall - 2.29 inches on 10/5
  - highest wind gust - 36 mph, 16th
  - number of 90° days - 1

Sources: National Center for Environmental Information, NOAA NOWData.

Monthly Tropical Recap

Two named storms in October 2026

- **Hurricane Isaias (9)**
  - First and only (major) hurricane of the season to date.
  - Latest forming first hurricane of the season on record on the 8th - tied with 1908.
  - Max sustained winds - 120 mph.
  - Min central pressure - 959 mb.
  - Made landfall near Destin, FL on the 9th - max sustained winds 105 mph.
  - Significant impacts to the FL Panhandle and Southern AL.

- **Subtropical Storm Josephine (10)**
  - Short-lived hybrid system off the Mid-Atlantic coast.
  - Max sustained winds - 65 mph
  - Min central pressure - 988 mb.

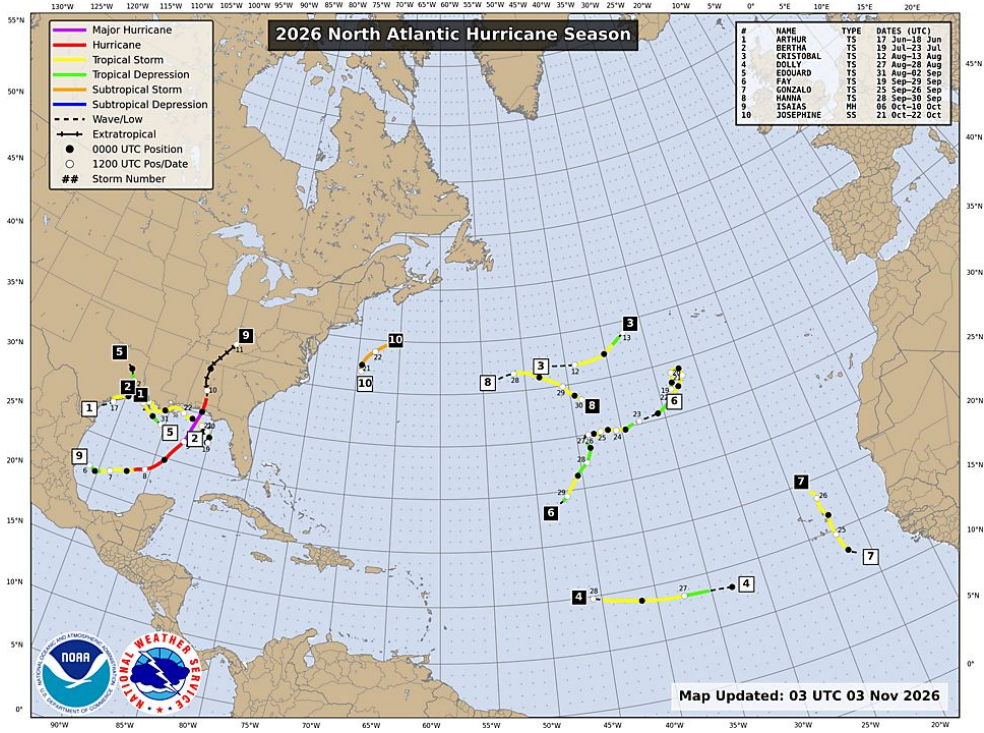


Chart image valid June - October 2026

November Normals

Based on current 30-yr climatology (1991-2020)

- Tallahassee (TLH):
  - mean monthly temp - 60.2°
  - high/low - 72.5°/48°
  - mean monthly rainfall - 3.1 inches
  - First freeze - November 27th
- Apalachicola (AAF):
  - mean monthly temp - 62.1°
  - high/low - 72.5°/51.7°
  - mean monthly rainfall - 3.74 inches
  - First freeze - December 15th
- Panama City NW (ECP):
  - mean monthly temp - 60.7°
  - high/low - 73.1°/48.4°
  - mean monthly rainfall - 4.2 inches
  - First freeze - November 25th
- Marianna (MAI):
  - mean monthly temp - 59.6°
  - high/low - 71.7°/47.4°
  - mean monthly rainfall - 3.67 inches
  - First freeze - November 24th
- Valdosta (VLD):
  - mean monthly temp - 59°
  - high/low - 71.4°/46.6°
  - mean monthly rainfall - 2.47 inches
  - First freeze - November 25th
- Albany (ABY):
  - mean monthly temp - 58.7°
  - high/low - 71.3°/46.2°
  - mean monthly rainfall - 2.94 inches
  - First freeze - November 19th
- Dothan (DHN):
  - mean monthly temp - 58.9°
  - high/low - 71.1°/46.7°
  - mean monthly rainfall - 3.91 inches
  - First freeze - November 28th

Sources: National Center for Environmental Information, NOAA NOWData.