



Drought Information Statement for Central Indiana

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- This product will be updated by March 31, 2025 or soon if drought conditions change significantly.
- Please see all currently available products at <https://drought.gov/drought-information-statements>.
- Please visit <https://www.weather.gov/ind/DroughtInformationStatement> for previous statements.
- Please visit <https://www.drought.gov/drought-status-updates/> for regional drought status updates.

- Moderate Drought (D1) returns to parts of central and northern Indiana
- Southern Indiana remains wet



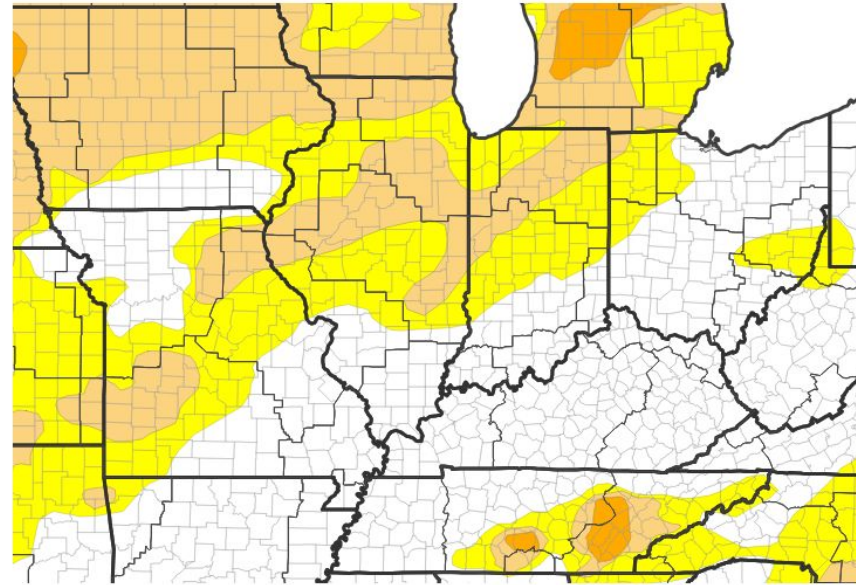


U.S. Drought Monitor

Link to the [latest U.S. Drought Monitor](#) for central Indiana

- Drought intensity and Extent
 - **D1 (Moderate Drought):** Carroll, Clinton, Fountain, Parke, Tippecanoe, Vermillion, Warren
 - **D0: (Abnormally Dry):** Boone, Clay, Delaware, Hamilton, Hancock, Hendricks, Henry, Howard, Johnson, Madison, Marion, Montgomery, Morgan, Owen, Putnam, Randolph, Rush, Shelby, Sullivan, Tipton, Vigo

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Source(s): NDMC, NOAA, USDA; image courtesy of Drought.gov

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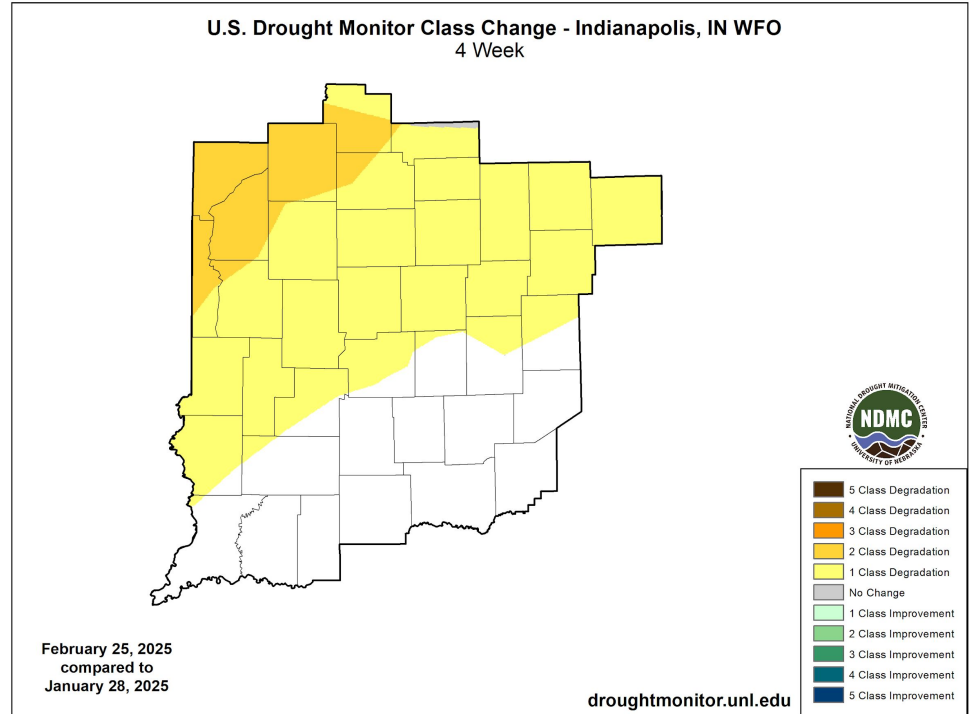




Recent Change in Drought Intensity

Link to the latest [4-week change map](#) for central Indiana

- Four Week Drought Monitor Class Change
 - Two class degradation over northwestern counties
 - One class degradation over much of central Indiana

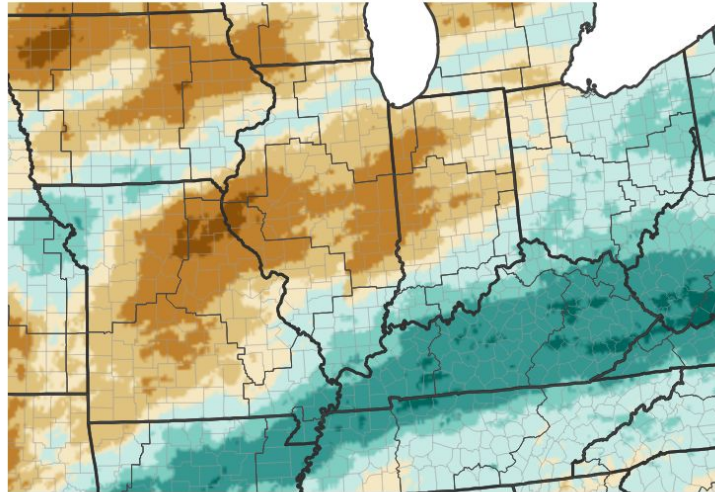




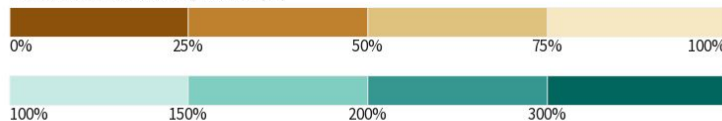
Precipitation

- Below normal precipitation (25 to 75%) was the rule across the northern two-thirds of the state the past 30 days
- Above normal precipitation of 150 to 200% was found along the Ohio River

30-Day Precipitation: Percent of PRISM Normal



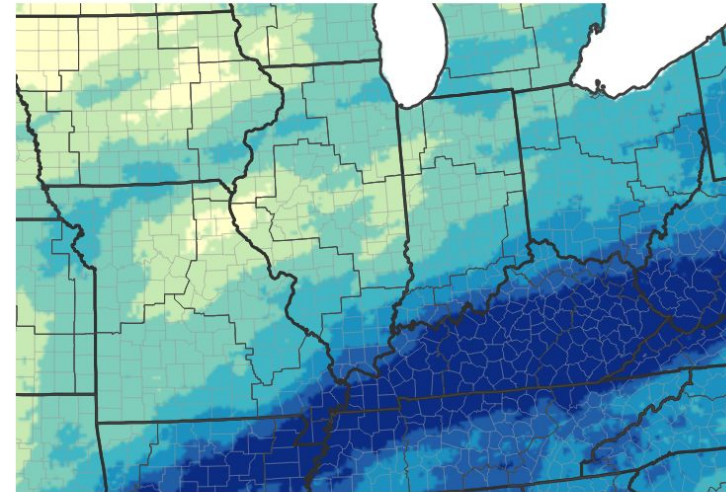
Percent of Normal Precipitation (%)



Source(s): National Weather Service National Water Prediction Service; image courtesy of Drought.gov

Data Valid: 03/01/25

NWPS 30-Day Precipitation Accumulations (inches)



Inches of Precipitation



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Data Valid: 02/28/25





Summary of Impacts

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

Hydrologic Impacts

- Well below normal streamflow across much of northern Indiana and the Wabash basin
- Low pond and lake levels

Agricultural Impacts

- Below normal soil moisture across northern and central Indiana

Fire Hazard Impacts

- None reported

Other Impacts

- None reported

Mitigation Actions

- None reported





Hydrologic Conditions and Impacts

- Below to much below normal streamflow over northern Indiana and the Wabash valley, with near normal streamflow in the White and East Fork White basins

Sunday, March 02, 2025

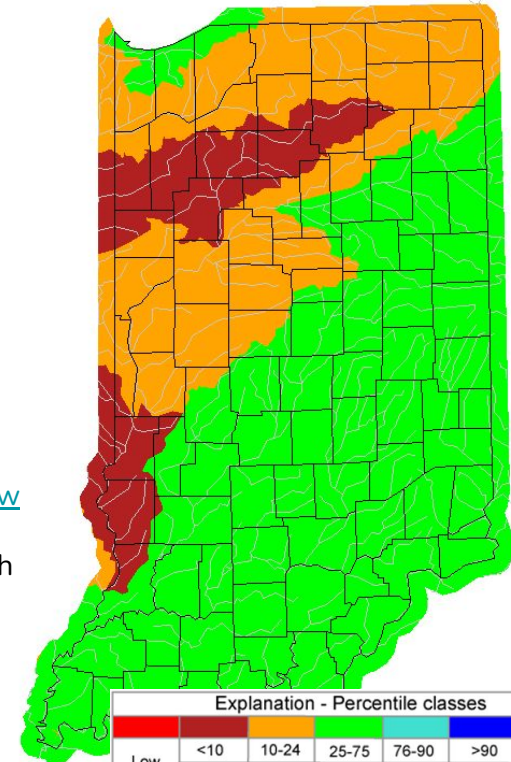


Image Caption:
[USGS 7 day average streamflow HUC map](#) for Indiana valid March 2, 2025

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

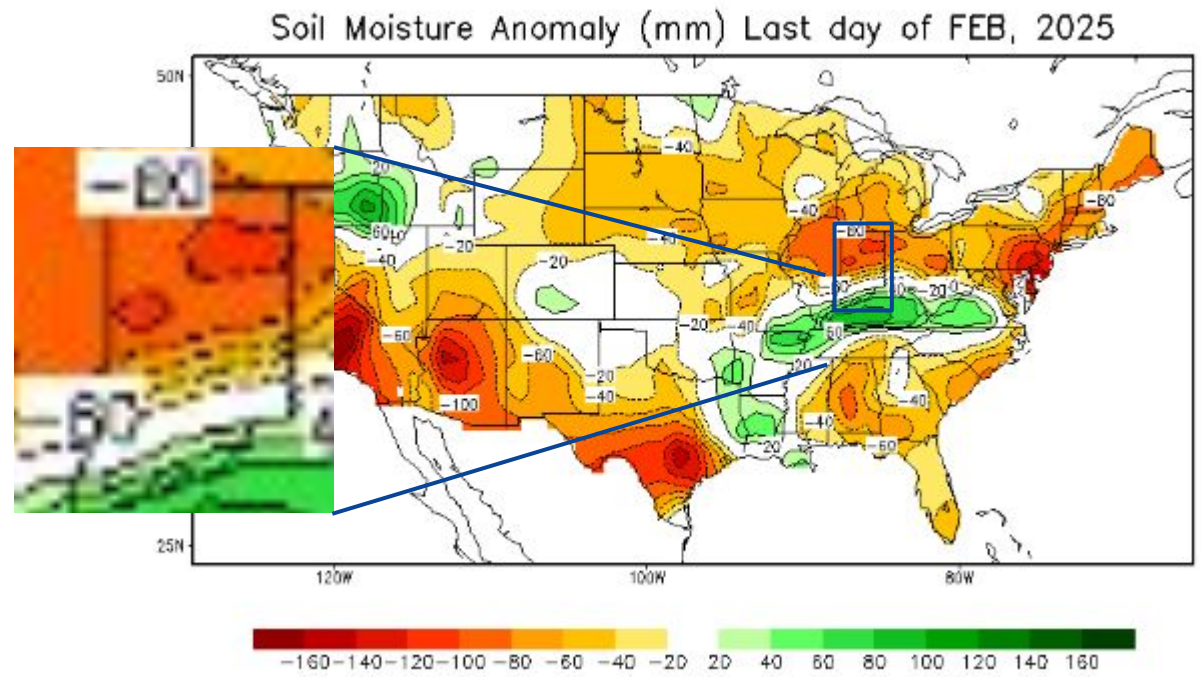




Agricultural Impacts

- Soil moisture is below normal across northern and central portions of the state, and above normal along the Ohio River

[Link to Latest Indiana Crop Report](#)

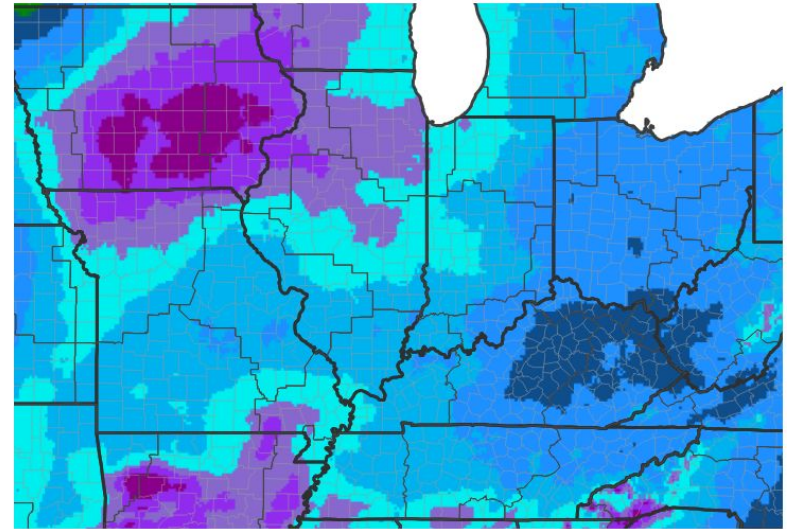




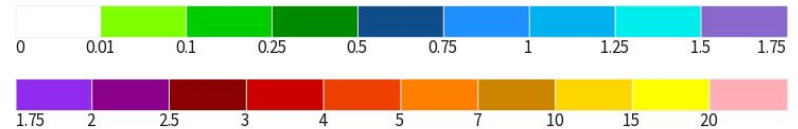
Seven Day Precipitation Forecast

- The seven day precipitation forecast shows 0.75 inches over southeastern Indiana to 1.5 across western and northwestern Indiana

7-Day Quantitative Precipitation Forecast for March 1, 2025–March 8, 2025



Predicted Inches of Precipitation



Source(s): National Weather Service Weather Prediction Center; image courtesy of Drought.gov

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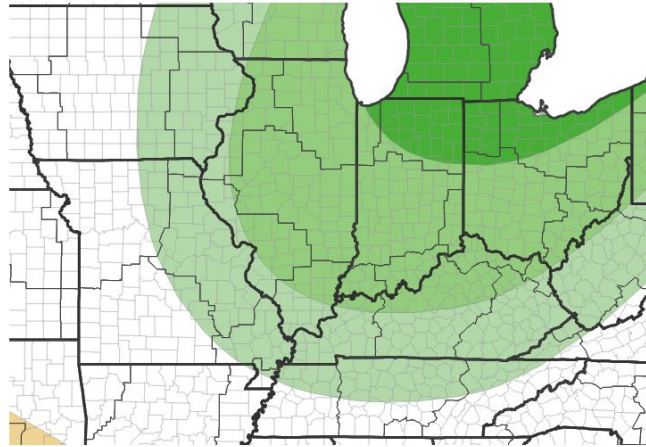


Long-Range Outlooks

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

- March outlooks show a strong signal for above normal precipitation with a lean toward above normal temperatures

Monthly Precipitation Outlook for March 1, 2025–March 31, 2025



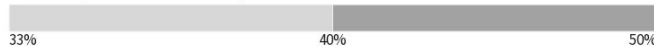
Probability of Below-Normal Precipitation



Probability of Above-Normal Precipitation



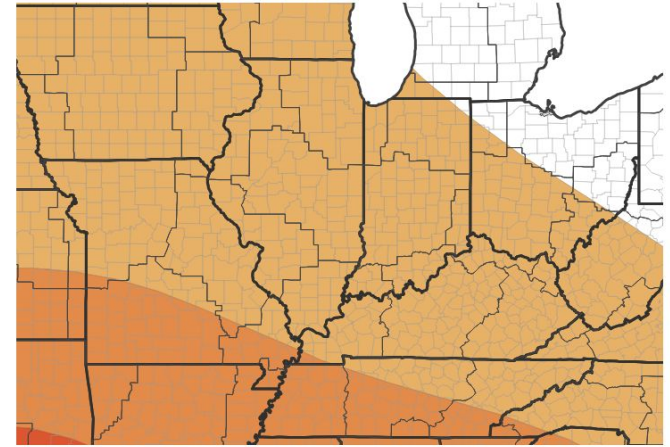
Probability of Near-Normal Precipitation



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Monthly Temperature Outlook for March 1, 2025–March 31, 2025



Probability of Below-Normal Temperatures



Probability of Above-Normal Temperatures



Probability of Near-Normal Temperatures



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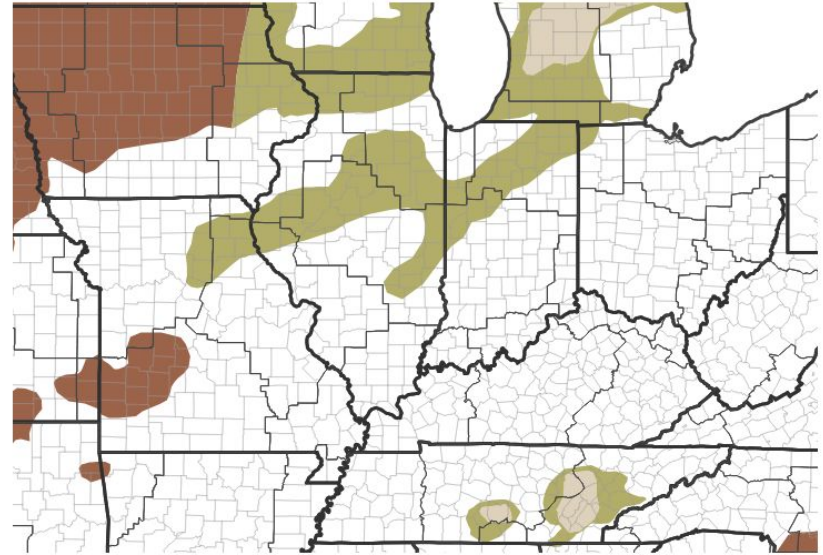


Drought Outlook

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- Drought from western to northeastern Indiana is expected to end during the month of March, leaving no drought in the state by the end of the month

1-Month Drought Outlook for March 1, 2025–March 31, 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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