

# Drought Information Statement for Southern Wisconsin

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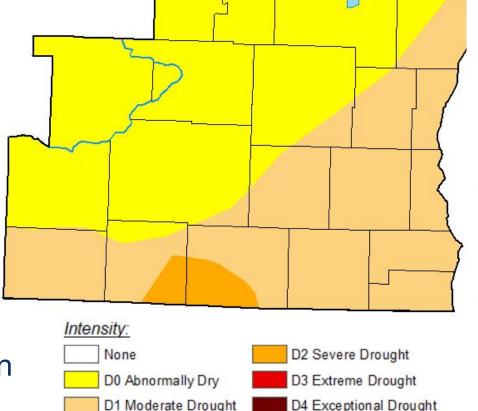




# Wisconsin Drought Update

- Conditions improved one category over the past week across much of southwest and south-central Wisconsin
- Severe drought continues across far southeast Green and southwest Rock counties
- Moderate drought continues across southeast and parts of south-central Wisconsin

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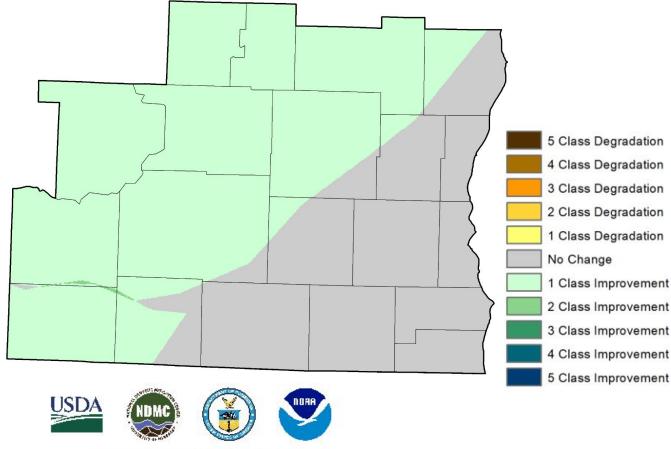


November 5, 2024

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1 Week Drought Class Change Nov 5 compared to Oct 29



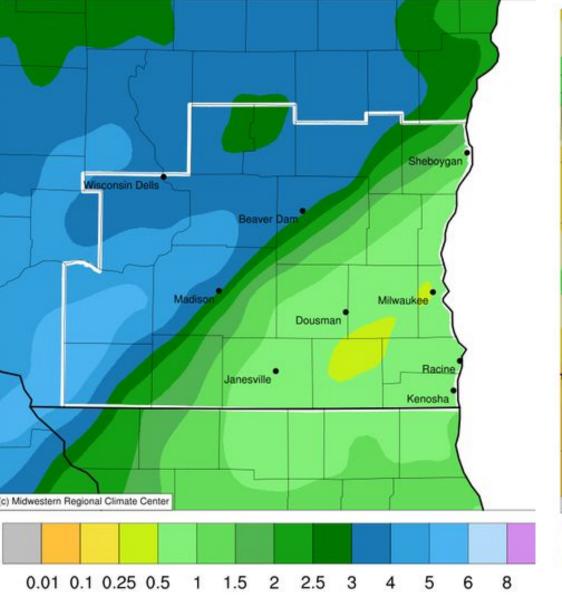


## **Precipitation**

- Rainfall over the past 7 days ending November 5 was 3 to 6 inches from Darlington to Madison to Fond du Lac and areas to the north and west. This alleviated deficits over the past 2 months.
- Rainfall deficits over the past 3 months are 2 to 6 inches in the moderate and severe drought areas.

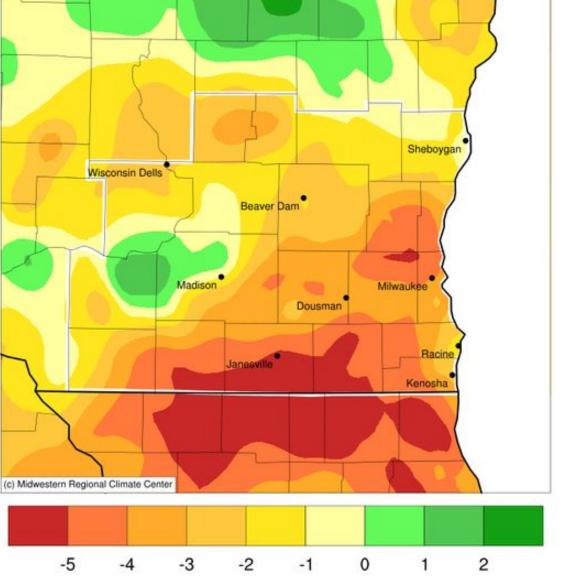
### Accumulated Precipitation (in)

October 30, 2024 to November 05, 2024



### Accumulated Precipitation (in): Departure from 1991-2020 Normals

August 05, 2024 to November 05, 2024



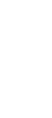


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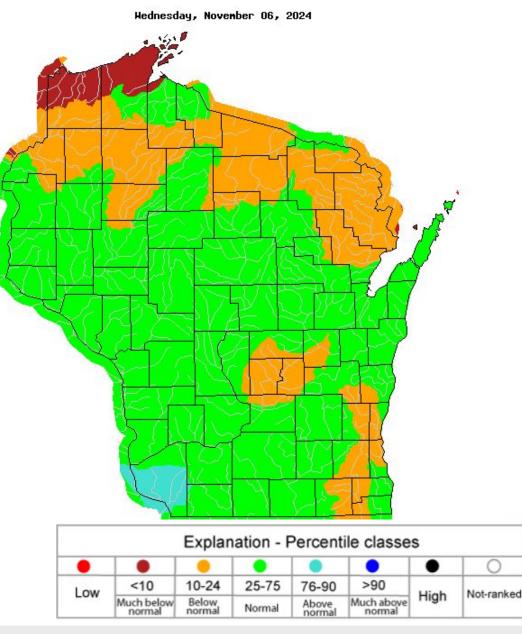
### **Current Conditions**

- Streamflow across southern Wisconsin is in the 10-75th percentile, the normal and below normal categories.
- Soil moisture is in the normal category, the 30-70th percentile across most of southern Wisconsin and the 70-80th percentile in part of south-central Wisconsin where some of the heaviest rain occurred.

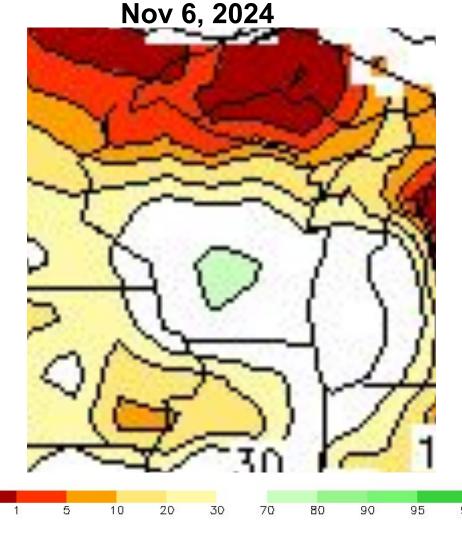


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### 28 Day Streamflow



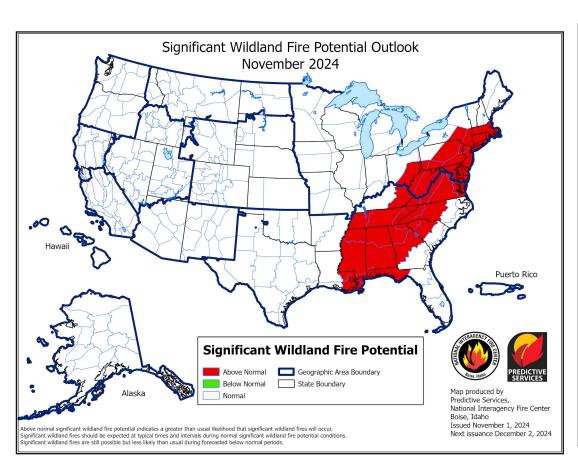
# CPC Calculated Soil Moisture Ranking Percentile





Link to Wildfire Potential Outlooks from the National Interagency Coordination Center

- Significant wildland fire potential outlook for November and December is normal
- DNR Fire Danger is low across southern Wisconsin



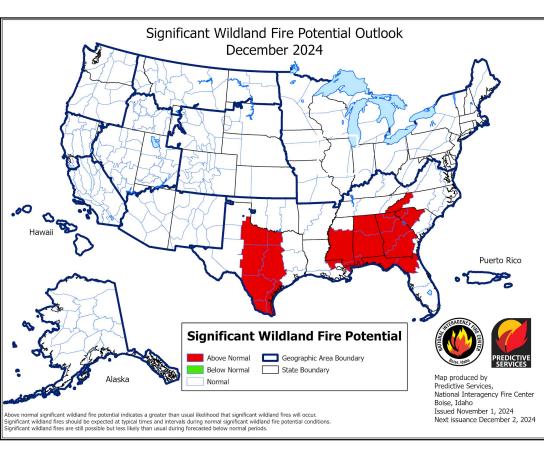


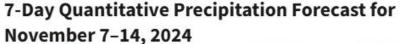
Image Caption: Significant Wildland Fire Potential Monthly Outlook

Latest WI DNR Fire Danger map available <u>here</u> and DNR Burn Restrictions available <u>here</u>.

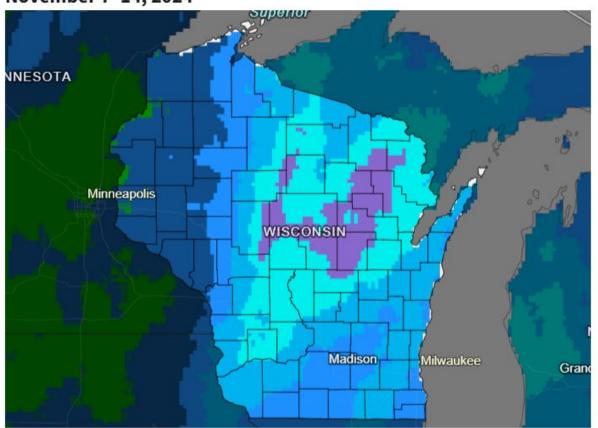




# 7 Day Precipitation Forecast











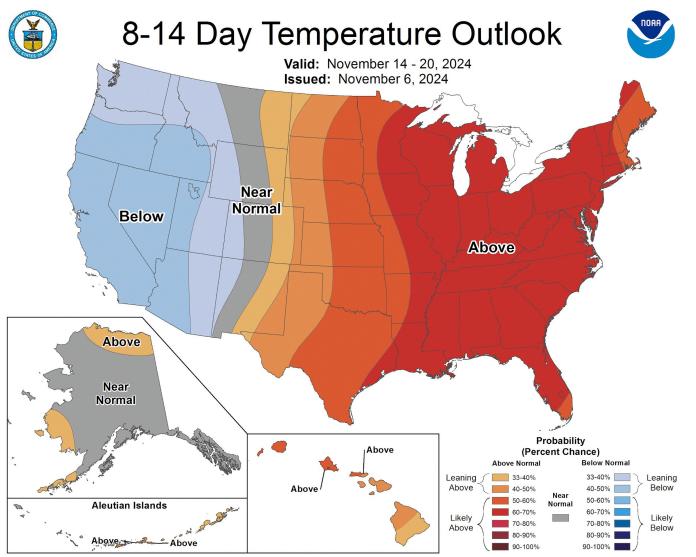
Source(s): National Weather Service Weather Prediction Center Last Updated: 11/07/24

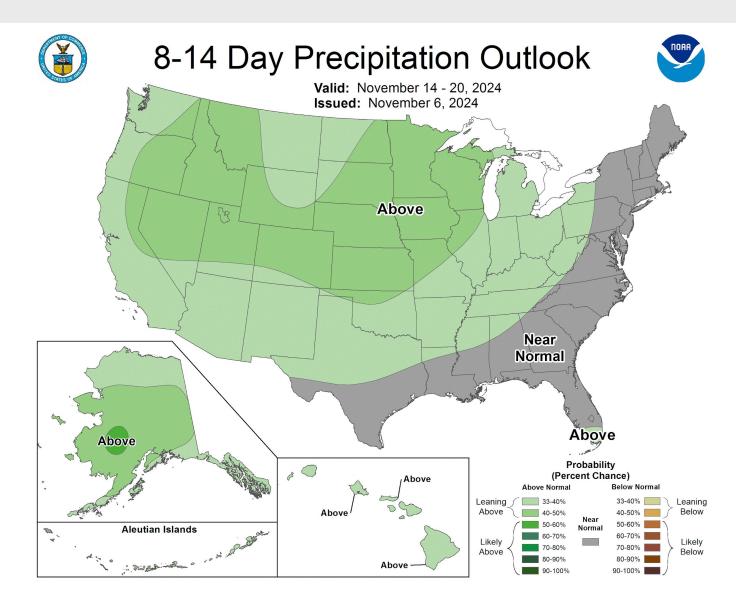
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- There is a chance for precipitation in southern Wisconsin this weekend and again during the middle part of next week.
- 7 Day precipitation totals may exceed 0.75 inches in southern Wisconsin. If this verifies, some drought improvement is possible. Average weekly precipitation this time of year is 0.5 inches.



# Week 2 Outlook



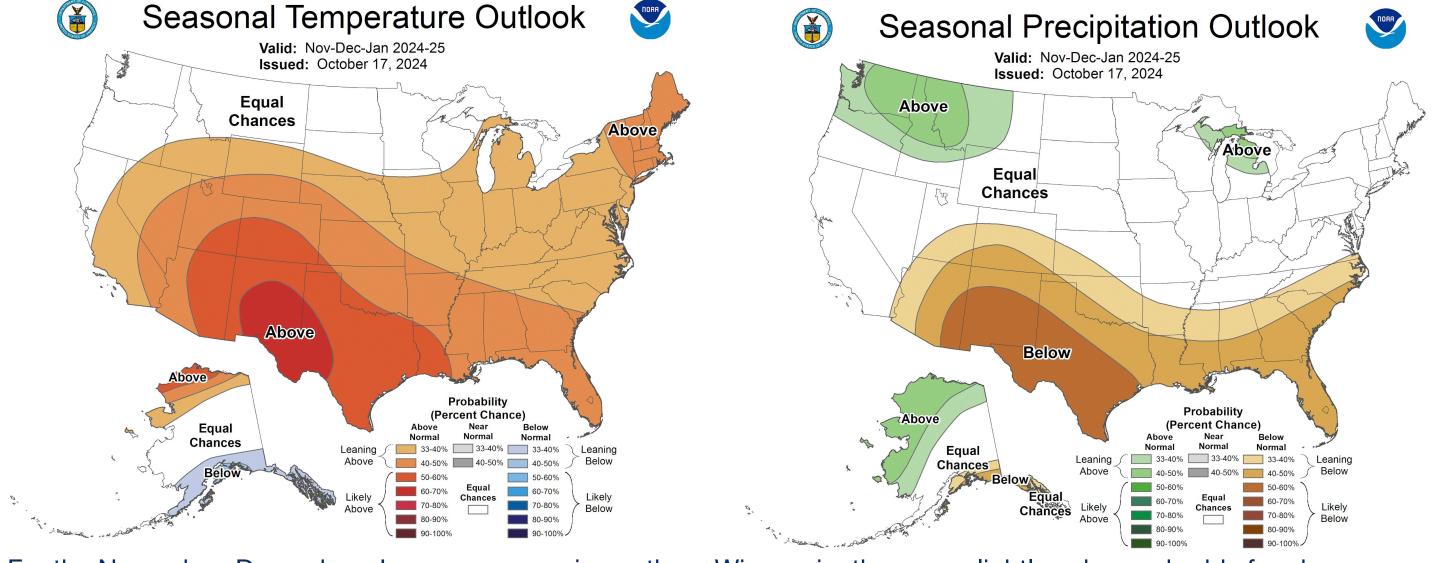


• For southern Wisconsin, there are enhanced odds for above average temperature and above average precipitation.





# Nov - Dec - Jan Outlook

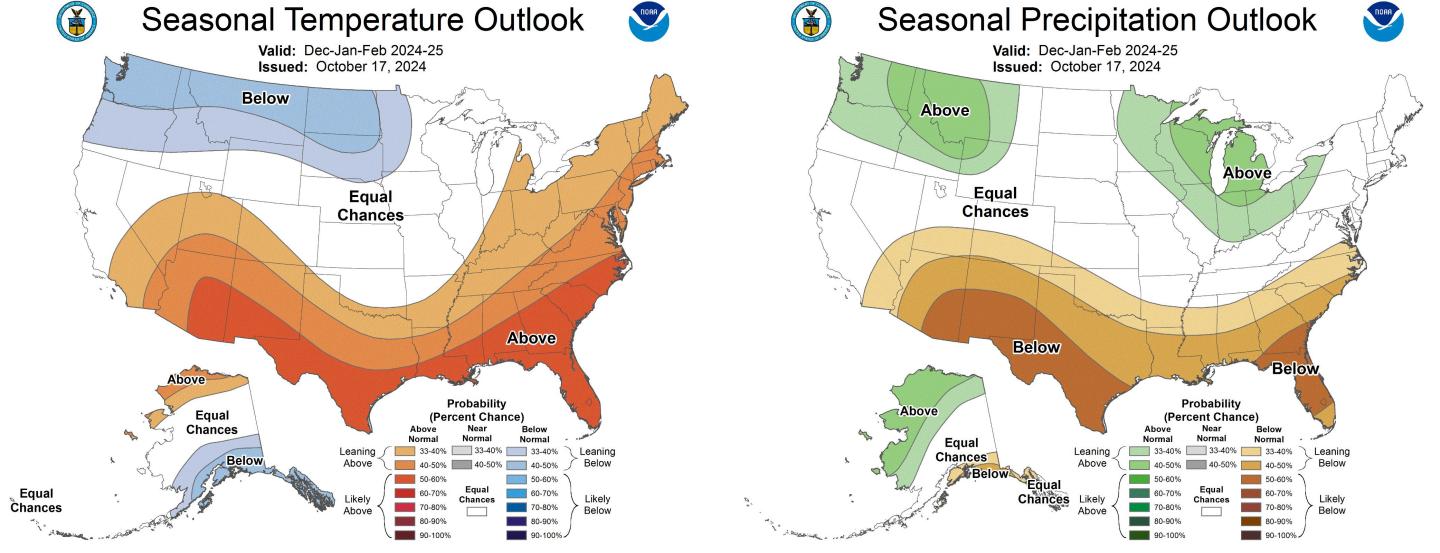


• For the November, December, January season, in southern Wisconsin, there are slightly enhanced odds for above average temperature and equal chances of above, near and below normal precipitation.





# Dec - Jan - Feb Outlook



• La Nina conditions are developing. During La Nina conditions in Wisconsin, winter can be highly variable. There is no signal one way or the other for temperatures during the December, January, February season, meaning there are equal chances for above, near and below average temperatures. There are slightly increased odds for above average precipitation.





The latest monthly and seasonal outlooks can be found on the <a href="CPC">CPC homepage</a>

 The drought outlook for mid November through January indicates drought is likely to improve or be removed across southern Wisconsin.

#### Links to the latest:

Climate Prediction Center Monthly Drought Outlook
Climate Prediction Center Seasonal Drought Outlook

