



Drought Information Statement for Northern IN, Southern MI, Northwest OH

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- This product will be updated November 7, 2024 or sooner if drought conditions change significantly.
 - Please see all currently available products at <https://drought.gov/drought-information-statements>.
 - Please visit <https://www.weather.gov/iwx/DroughtInformationStatement> for previous statements.
 - Please visit <https://www.drought.gov/drought-status-updates> for regional drought status updates.
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- Extreme drought is present in Fulton County, OH, extending into neighboring counties
 - Severe Drought conditions are present in northwest Ohio, extending southwest through to Pulaski and White counties
 - Moderate Drought conditions are present in several Indiana counties and portions of far southern Michigan

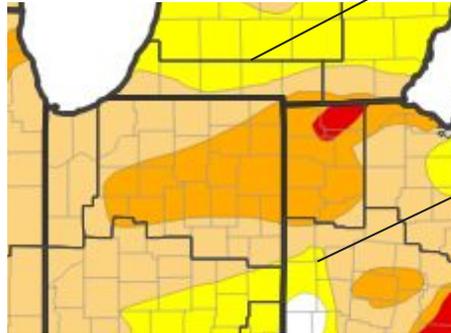




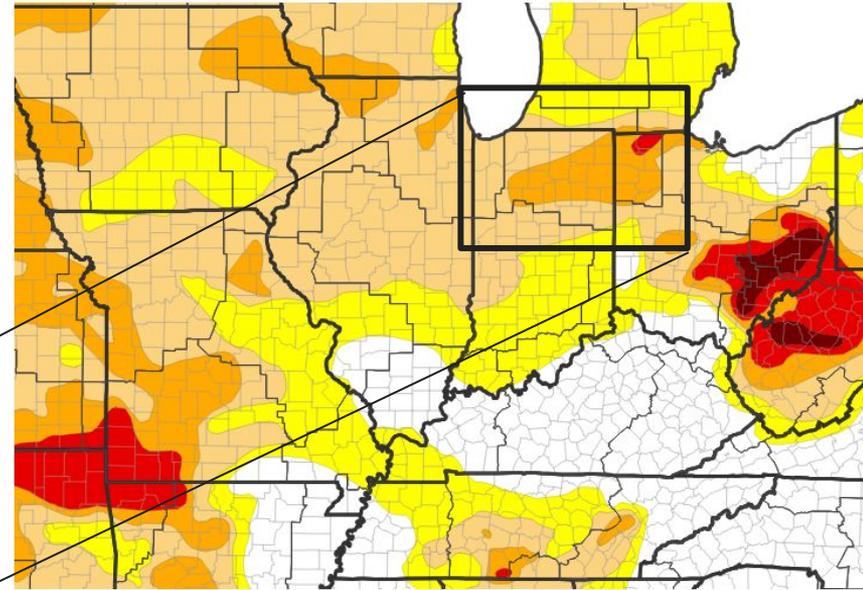
U.S. Drought Monitor

Link to the [latest U.S. Drought Monitor](#) for northern Indiana, southern Michigan, and northwest Ohio

- Drought intensity and Extent
 - **D3 (Extreme Drought)**: Fulton County, Ohio extending into neighboring counties
 - **D2 (Severe Drought)**: Northwest Ohio extending southwest through several Indiana counties
 - **D1 (Moderate Drought)**:
 - Several Indiana counties
 - Far southern Michigan
 - **D0: (Abnormally Dry)**: portions of southern Michigan (see below)



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

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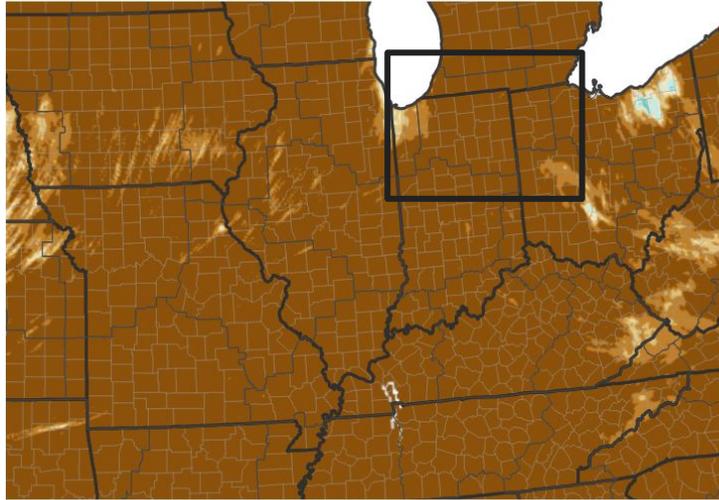




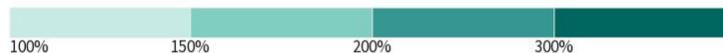
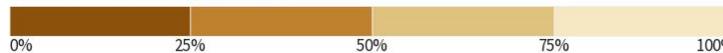
Precipitation

- Outside of the lake effect belt, no rain was recorded over the last 7 days
- 30-day rainfall continues to be well below normal

7-Day Percent of Normal Precipitation



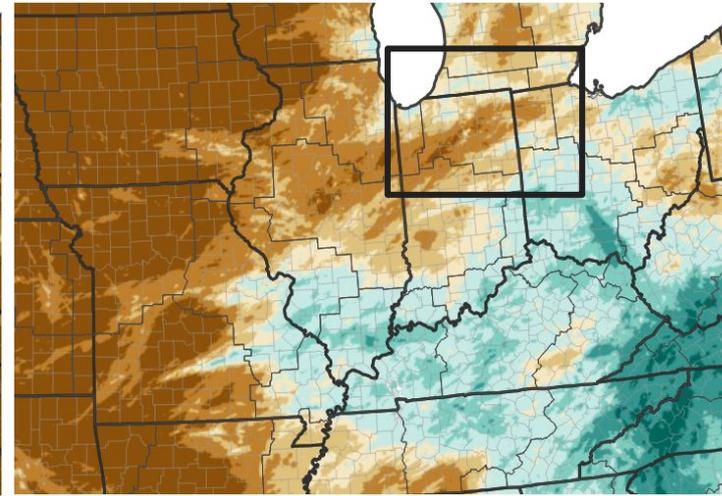
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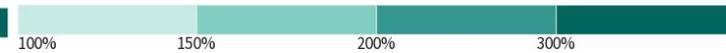
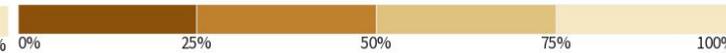
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Summary of Impacts

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

Hydrologic Impacts

- Some area wetlands are drying out. Pond and creek levels are low or very low. (County extension reports)

Agricultural Impacts

- Field fires and excessive dust. (Social media reports. County extension reports)
- Winter wheat struggling to germinate. ([USDA Indiana Crop Weather Report](#))

Fire Hazard Impacts

- Many Indiana counties are under burn bans. See the latest [IDHS Burn Ban Status Map](#).

Other Impacts

- There are no known impacts at this time

Mitigation Actions

- None reported





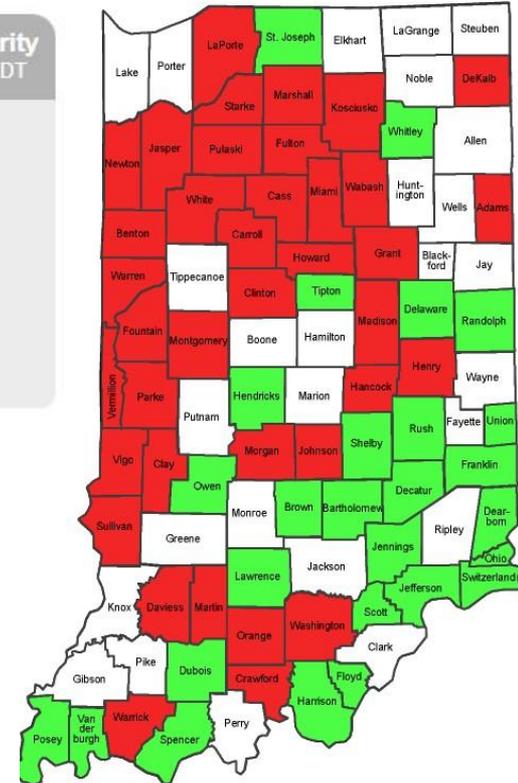
Fire Hazard Impacts

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

- Map on the right is as of 10/24. See the [latest map at here](#).
- Many Indiana counties are under a burn ban.
- Ohio and Michigan residents can contact local officials regarding any possible local restrictions.

Indiana Department of Homeland Security
Statewide Burn Ban Status for 10/24/2024 14:50 EDT

- County Burn Ban In Effect
- Local Area Burn Ban In Effect
- Previous Ban Lifted
- No Current Report

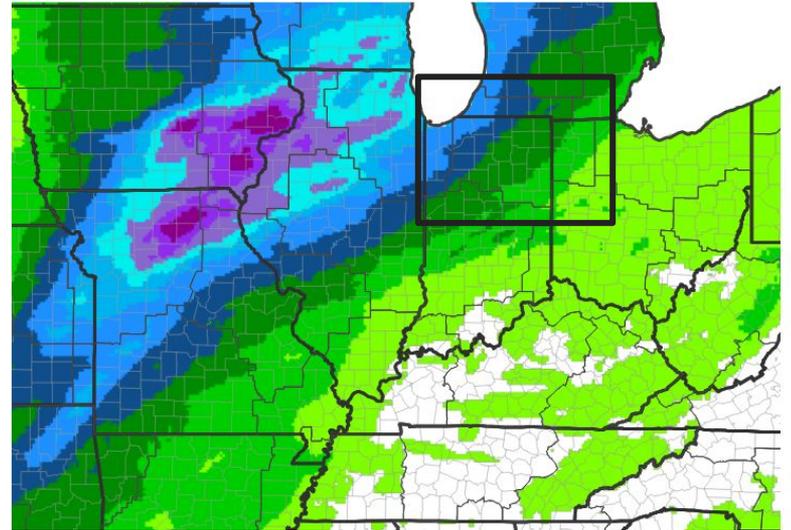




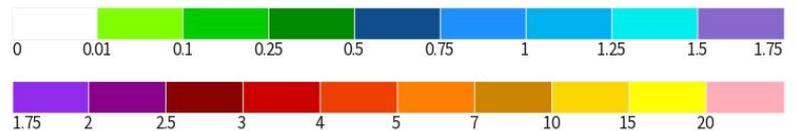
Seven Day Precipitation Forecast

- There is a chance of rain tonight through Friday morning (10/24-10/25)
- Rain totals will be greatest toward the Mississippi River, however
- Near or just after Halloween, a cold front *could* bring a soaking rain to the Midwest

7-Day Quantitative Precipitation Forecast for October 24, 2024-October 31, 2024



Predicted Inches of Precipitation



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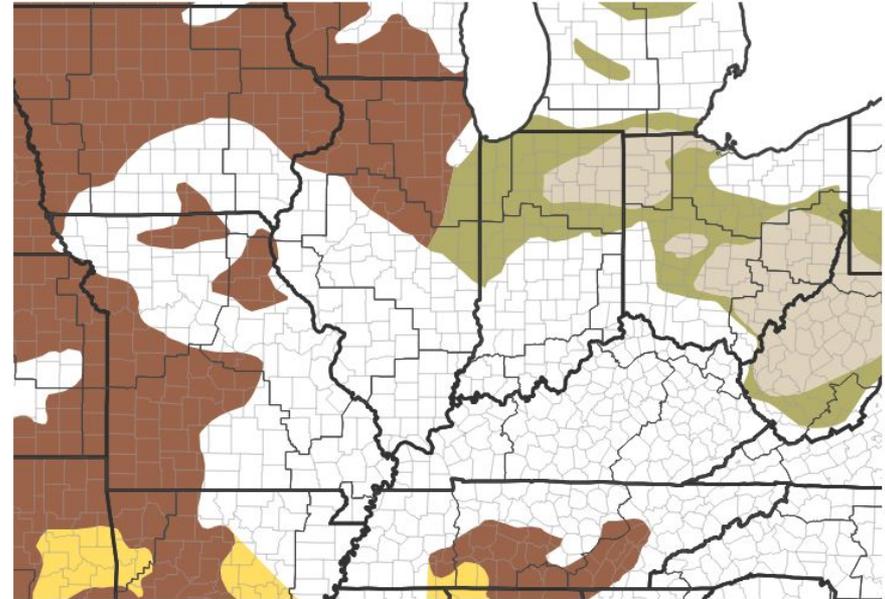


Drought Outlook

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

- Through the end of the calendar year and into 2025, drought conditions are favored to improve

Seasonal (3-Month) Drought Outlook for October 17, 2024–January 31, 2025



Drought Is Predicted To...



Source(s): Climate Prediction Center; image courtesy of Drought.gov

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Links to the latest:

[Climate Prediction Center Monthly Drought Outlook](#)

[Climate Prediction Center Seasonal Drought Outlook](#)



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