# NOAA Climate Science and Services Monthly Climate Update



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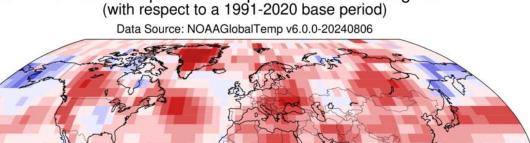
National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

July 2024

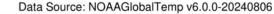
## July 2024 Global Temperature

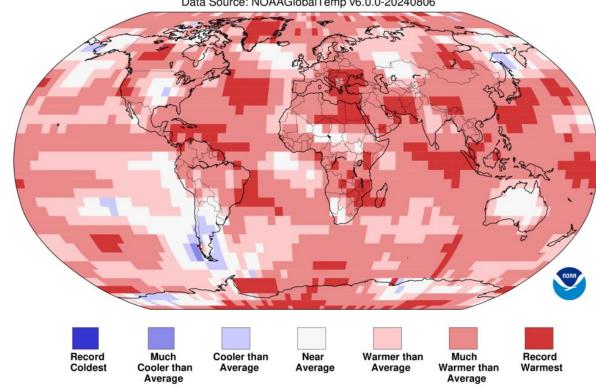
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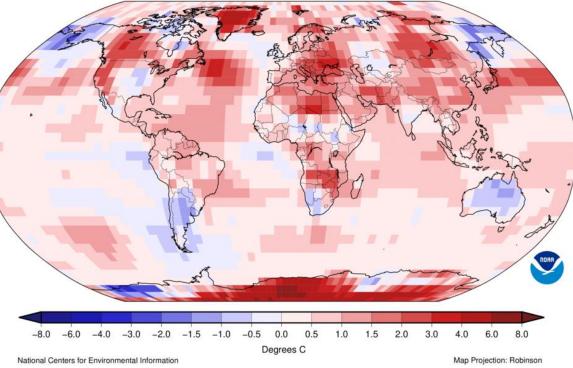
Land & Ocean Temperature Departure from Average Jul 2024



Land & Ocean Temperature Percentiles Jul 2024 NOAA's National Centers for Environmental Information





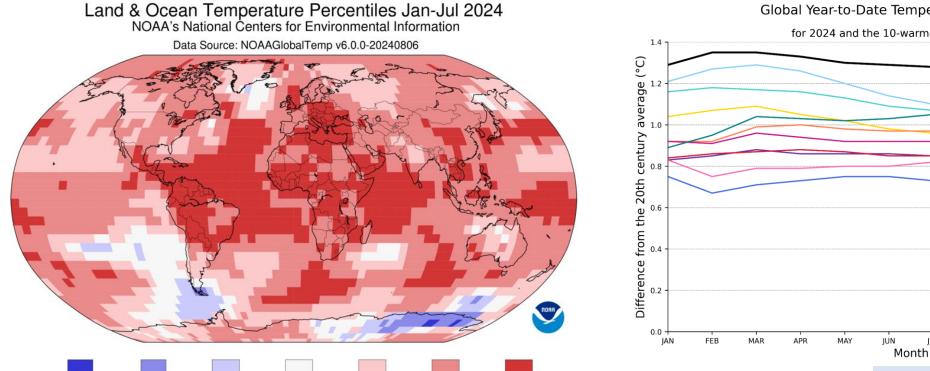


- Global Land & Ocean: +1.21°C/+2.18°F; warmest for July on record
- Global Land-only: +1.70°C/+3.06°F; warmest for July on record
- Global Ocean-only: +0.98°C/+1.76°F; 2<sup>nd</sup> warmest for July on record



## January-July 2024 Global Temperature

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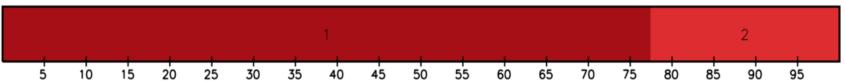


for 2024 and the 10-warmest years on record 2024

Global Year-to-Date Temperature Anomalies

Global Land & Ocean: +1.28°C/+2.30°F; warmest for Jan-Jul on record

Warmer than



Much

Warmer than

~77% chance 2024 will be warmest year on record

Nearly a 100% chance 2024 will be a top 5 year

Record

Coldest

Much

Cooler than

Cooler than

Average

Near

Average

## Contiguous U.S. July 2024 The U.S. record dates back to 1895 (130 years)

Statewide Average Temperature Ranks

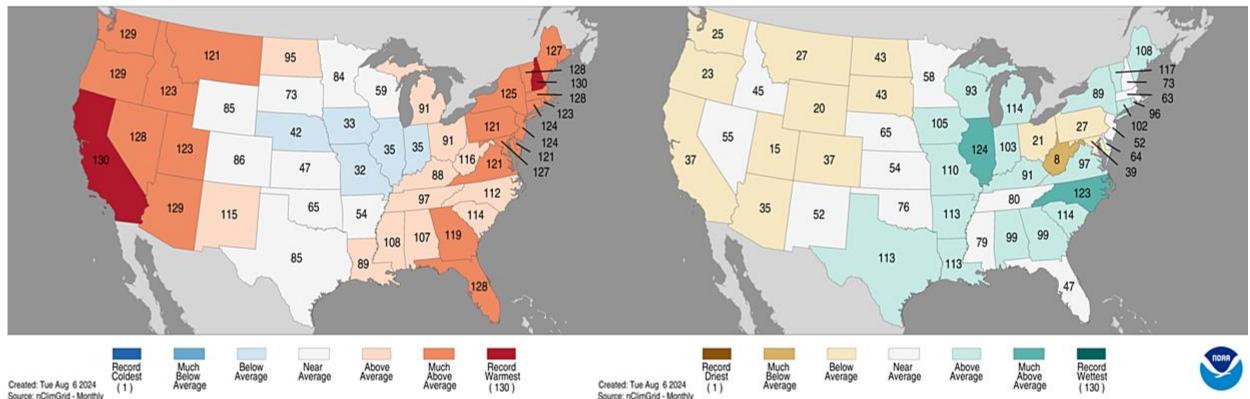
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Statewide Precipitation Ranks
July 2024

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- Temperature: 75.7°F/+2.1°F; 11<sup>th</sup> warmest
- Precipitation: 3.04 inches/+0.26 inch; above average



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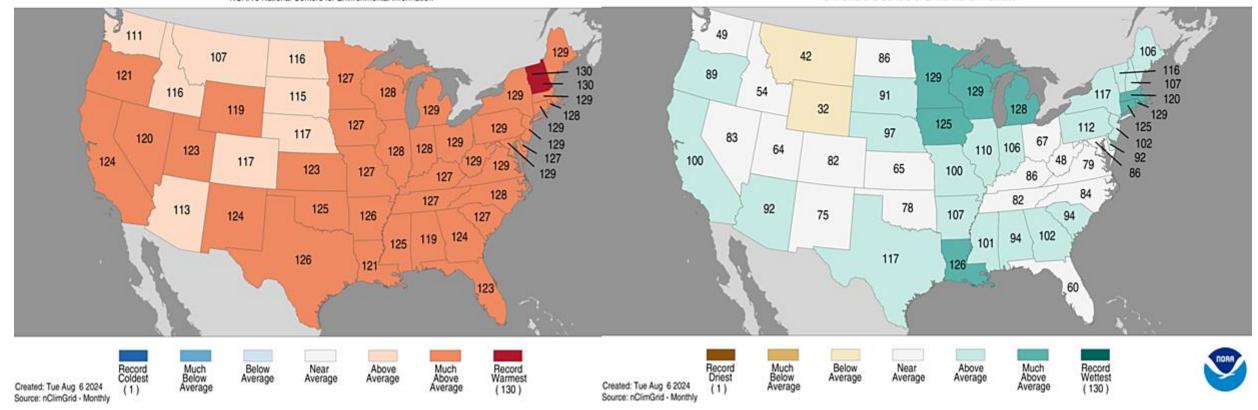
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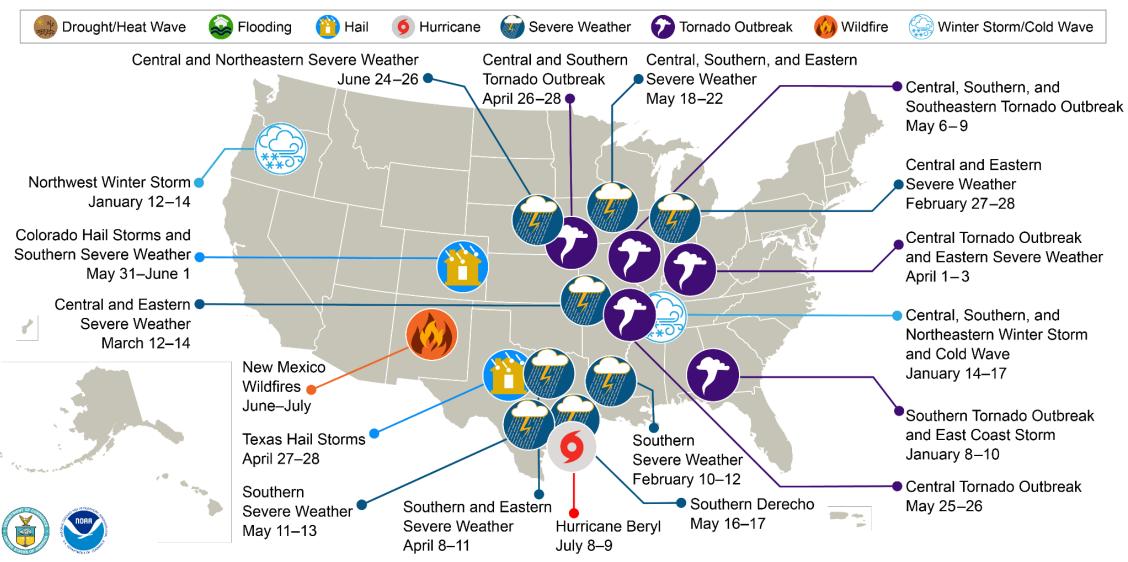


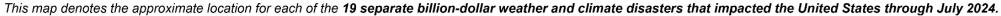


Precipitation: 20.44 inches/+2.36 inches; 11th wettest



#### U.S. 2024 Billion-Dollar Weather and Climate Disasters



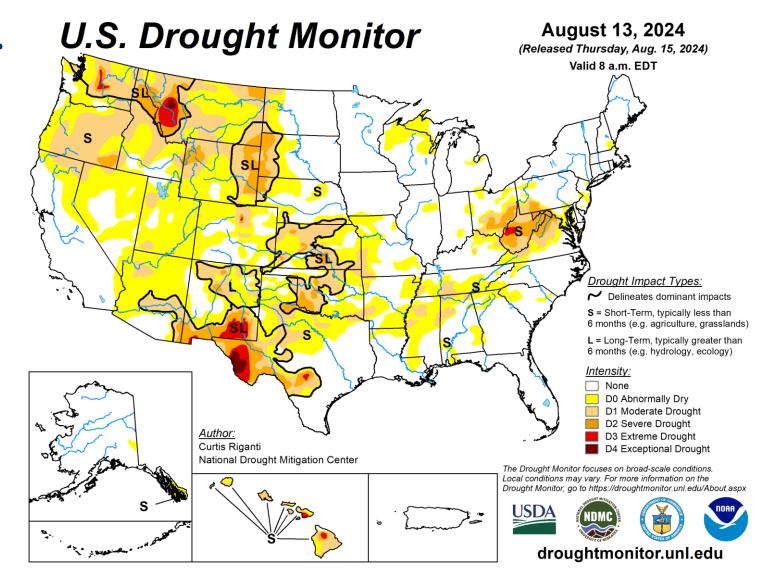




#### Current U.S. Drought

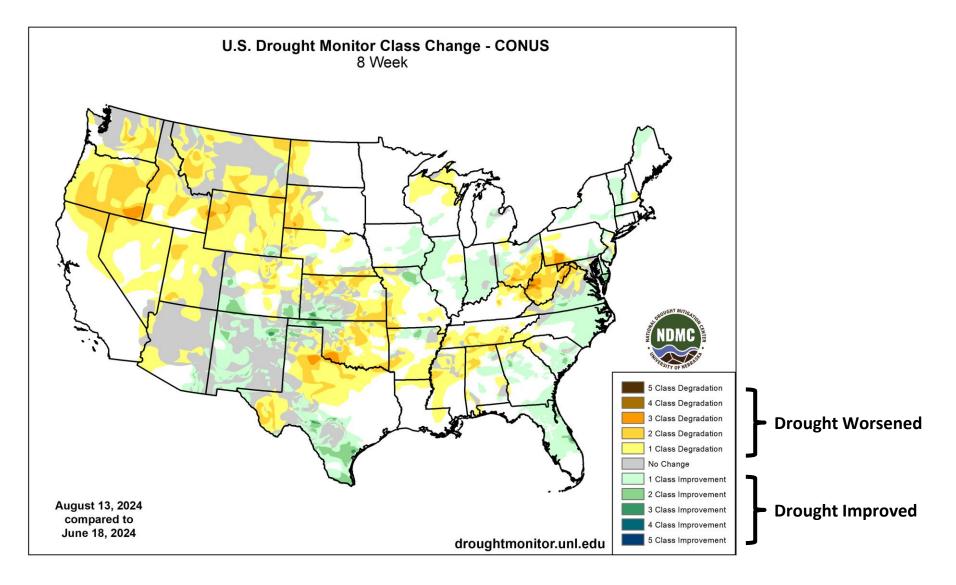
22.2% of the contiguous U.S. is in drought (up about 3.5% since early July)

- Drought conditions lessened/diminished: Southeast, Midwest
- Drought conditions expanded/intensified: Ohio Valley, central & southern Plains, PNW, northern Rockies
- Outside the contiguous U.S.:
   Drought coverage expanded and intensified across Hawaii





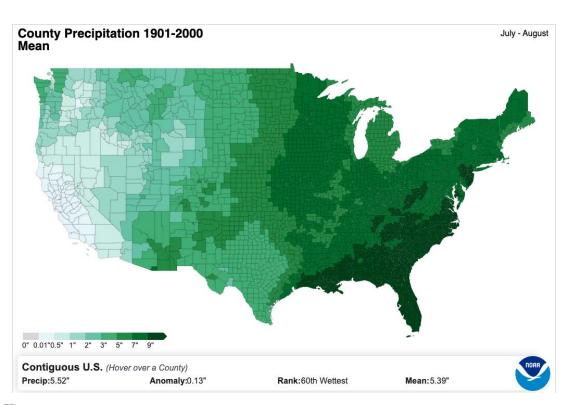
## Drought Recently Worsened in Western U.S.



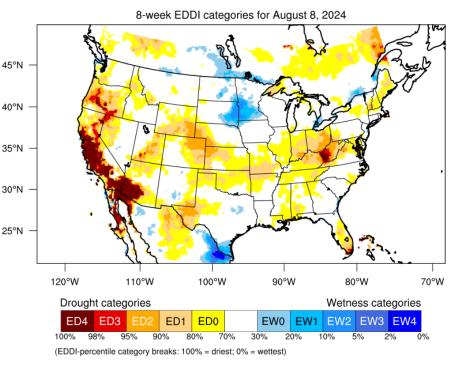


# Drought Intensification Due to Loss of Moisture to Atmosphere Compared to its Supply

### Summer Moisture Supply in Western U.S. is Small



## Meanwhile, Large Loss of Moisture to Atmosphere



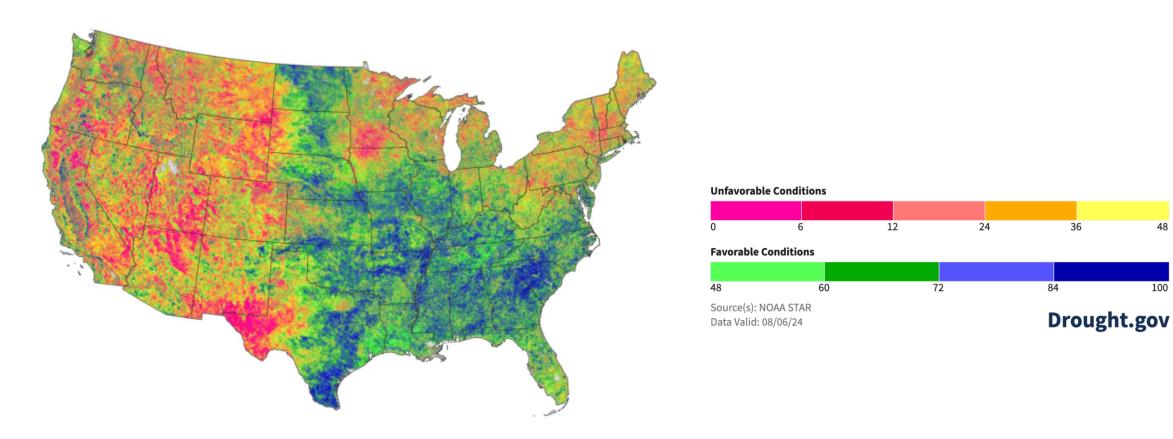
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# Drought Intensification Led to Vegetation Health Declines

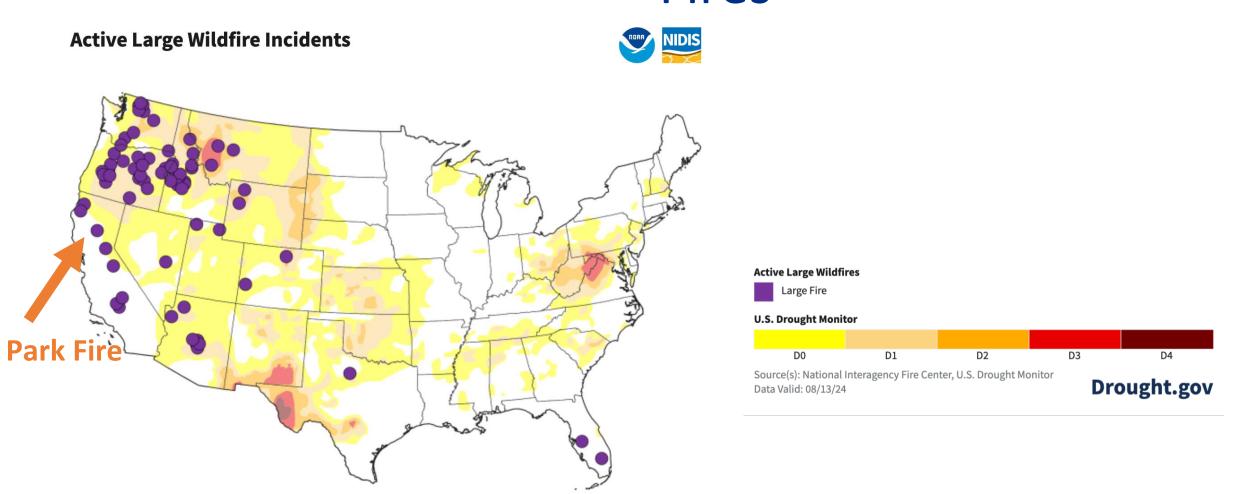
**Vegetation Health Index** 







# Diminished Vegetation Health Fuels Wildland Fires





#### California Park Fire

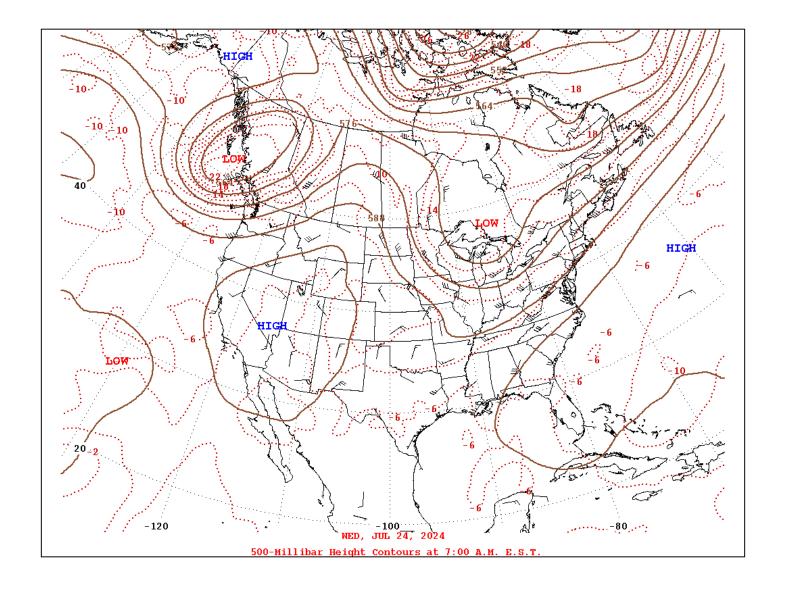
**Ignition:** July 24, 2024, 2:52pm Area Burned: 429,263 acres (4<sup>th</sup> Largest) Cause: Arson

	July 24, 2024 2:53pm	July 24, 2024 Daily Extremes	July 25, 2024 Daily Extremes	July 26, 2024 Daily Extremes
Temperature (°F)	107	108	102	102
Relative Humidity (%)	14	14	10	11
Wind Speed (mph)	18 SSE	29 S	30 SSE	16 S

Conditions at Chico Regional Airport (KCIC)



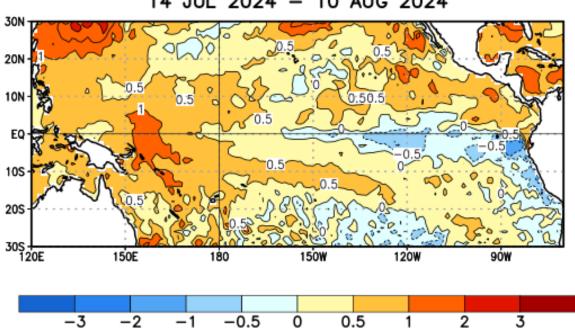
## Weather Pattern Conducive for Western Fires





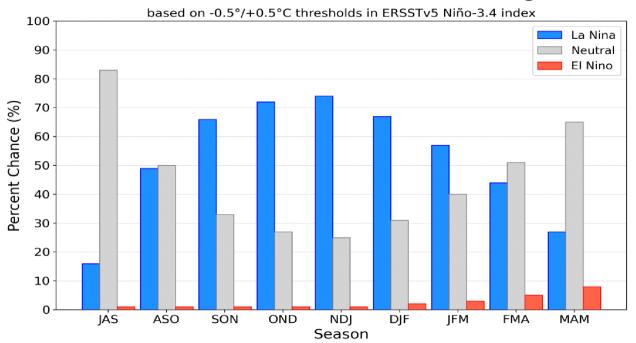
#### Sea Surface Temperatures and ENSO

Average SST Anomalies 14 JUL 2024 - 10 AUG 2024



- Sea surface temperatures
  - Below normal sea surface temperatures are starting to develop across the eastern equatorial Pacific
  - The oceanic and atmospheric observations currently reflect ENSO-neutral conditions

Official NOAA CPC ENSO Probabilities (issued August 2024)

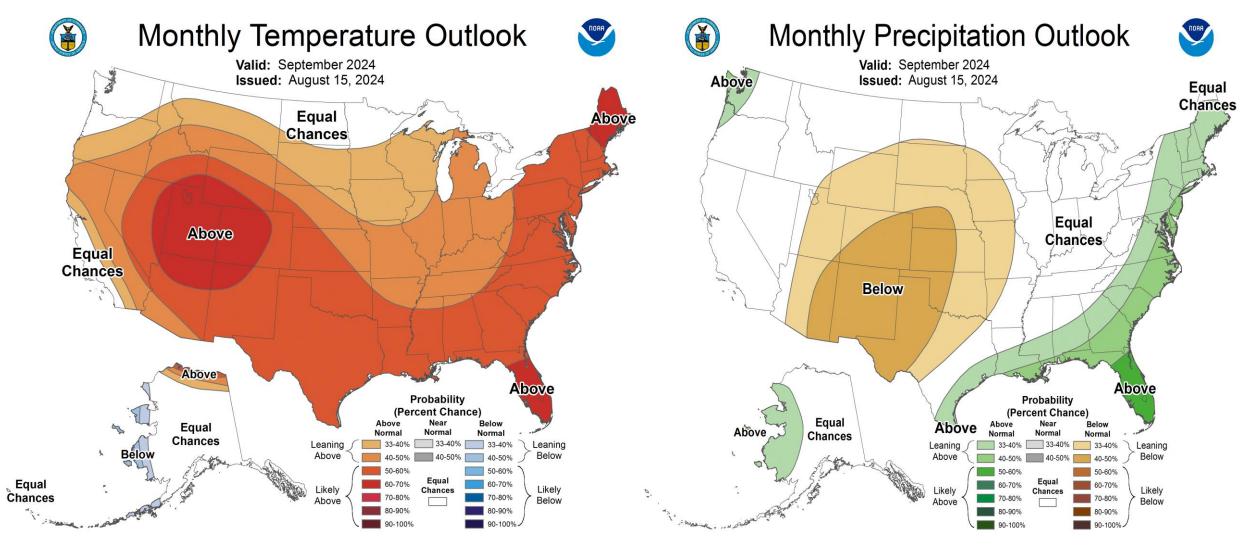


#### ENSO forecast

- 66 percent chance of La Niña developing during September-October-November 2024
- Greater than a 60 percent chance that La Niña persists through the winter 2024-2025

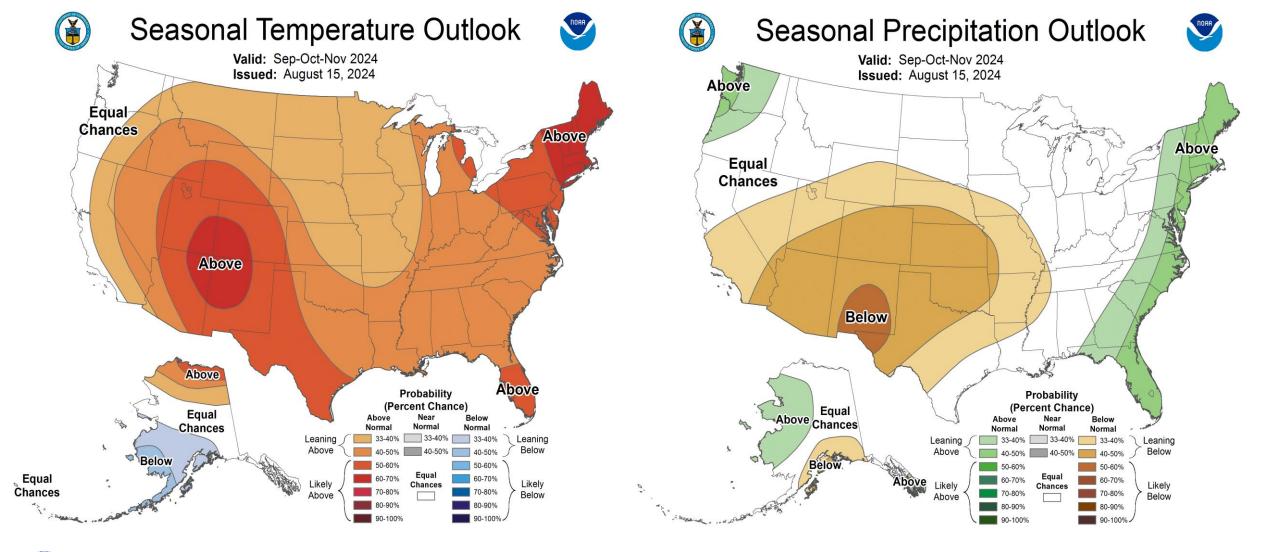


## Monthly Forecast (September)





## Three-Month Forecast (Sep, Oct, Nov)





### **Drought Outlook**

U.S. Seasonal Drought Outlook Valid for August 15 - November 30, 2024 **Drought Tendency During the Valid Period** Released August 15, 2024 Depicts large-scale trends based on subjectively derived probabilities guided by short- and long-range statistical and dynamical forecasts. Use caution for applications that can be affected by short lived events. "Ongoing" drought areas are based on the U.S. Drought Monitor areas (intensities of D1 to D4). NOTE: The tan areas imply at least a 1-category improvement in the Drought Monitor intensity levels by the end of the period, although drought will remain. The green areas imply drought removal by the end of the period (D0 or none). Author: Rich Tinker Drought persists NOAA/NWS/NCEP Climate Prediction Center Drought remains, but improves **Drought removal likely Drought development likely** , Q No drought Puerto Rico https://go.usa.gov/3eZ73



#### For More Information

#### **Today's presentation:**

• <a href="https://www.ncei.noaa.gov/access/monitoring/monthly-report/briefings">https://www.ncei.noaa.gov/access/monitoring/monthly-report/briefings</a>

NOAA's National Centers for Environmental Information: www.ncei.noaa.gov/

Monthly climate reports (U.S. & Global): <a href="https://www.ncei.noaa.gov/access/monitoring/monthly-report/">https://www.ncei.noaa.gov/access/monitoring/monthly-report/</a>

• Dates for upcoming reports: <a href="https://www.ncei.noaa.gov/access/monitoring/dyk/monthly-releases">https://www.ncei.noaa.gov/access/monitoring/dyk/monthly-releases</a>

NOAA's Climate Prediction Center: <a href="www.cpc.ncep.noaa.gov">www.cpc.ncep.noaa.gov</a>

U.S. Drought Monitor: www.drought.gov

NOAA's Storm Prediction Center: <a href="www.spc.noaa.gov">www.spc.noaa.gov</a>

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