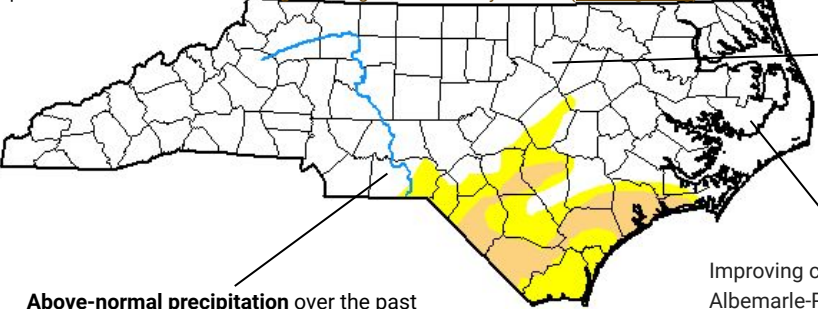


North Carolina Drought Update

For the assessment period ending August 27, 2019

This Week's Drought Monitor of North Carolina Map

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Recent **upstream rainfall** has helped replenish streams and reservoirs across the Piedmont and northern Coastal Plain.

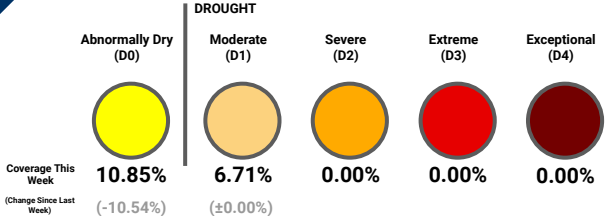
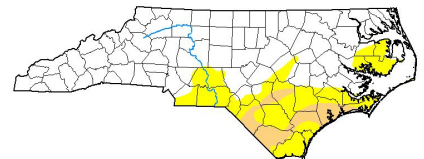
Above-normal precipitation over the past month has helped alleviate Abnormally Dry conditions in the southern Piedmont.

Improving conditions in the Albemarle-Pamlico Peninsula and Outer Banks led to **removal of D0 along the central coast**.

Notes about this week's drought map

- **Moderate Drought remains** at the southern coast where little to no rain fell last week, continuing a stretch of dry weather that began after Hurricane Florence last September.
- In drought-affected areas, agriculture reports suggest **crops planted in June and July are still struggling** due to the lack of rain all summer. Last week's hot, dry weather additionally created some further stress for crops planted.
- The short-term forecast is pointing towards more dry conditions. However, the remnants of **Hurricane Dorian** may bring some rainfall to NC by late next week.

Last Week's Drought Map



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