

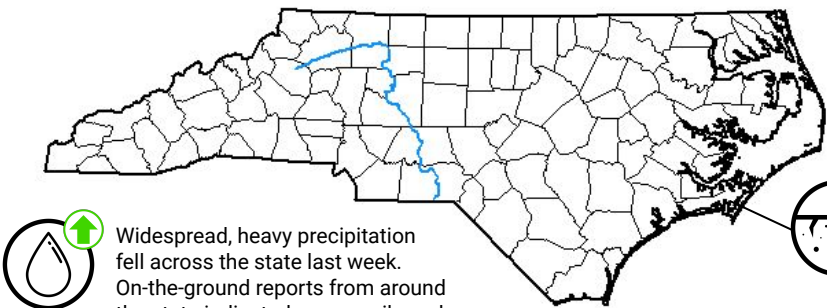
North Carolina Drought Update

For the assessment period ending February 11, 2020

Statewide Condition Summary

This Week's Drought Monitor of North Carolina Map

From the US Drought Monitor, authored by Rich Tinker (NOAA Climate Prediction Center) with input from the North Carolina Drought Management Advisory Council (ncdrought.org)



↑ Widespread, heavy precipitation fell across the state last week. On-the-ground reports from around the state indicated soggy soils and full ditches.

↑ Reservoirs across the state are at or above target levels, and many decreased their releases to reduce downstream flooding.

= Most indicators suggest improvements to coastal NC, though several groundwater wells are still below normal, suggesting the need to keep a watchful eye on this region.

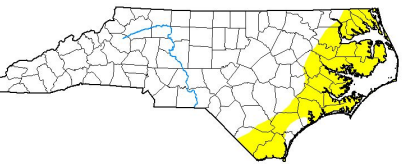
↑ As of the Tuesday drought assessment, all 7-day and 28-day averaged streamflow sites in the state were at or above-normal.

What's Changed? Abnormal dryness (D0) was removed from coastal North Carolina following last week's heavy precipitation. **No part of the state is experiencing drought or abnormally dry conditions** at this time.

What's New? The entire state received precipitation last week. The southern Mountains saw the highest amounts of 6 to 10 inches. Though the Piedmont and Coastal Plain saw less in comparison, **amounts still ranged from 1.5 inches to as much as 5 inches.**

What's Next? More precipitation fell this week following Tuesday's drought assessment. After a cold front passes through on Thursday, **expect sunny skies and cooler temperatures** to start the weekend.

Last Week's Drought Map



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Statewide Coverage By Category

Category	Coverage This Week	Change Since Last Week
D0: Abnormally Dry	0.00%	-22.19%
D1: Moderate Drought	0.00%	0.00%
D2: Severe Drought	0.00%	0.00%
D3: Extreme Drought	0.00%	0.00%
D4: Exceptional Drought	0.00%	0.00%