### Connecticut Drought Conditions Report

Monthly Update for June 2025



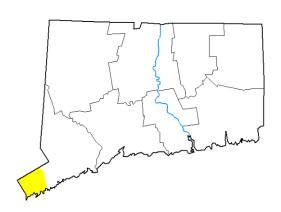
Interagency Drought Workgroup July 3, 2025

Regular Meeting

<u>U.S. Drought Monitor</u> (USDM): Since May 27<sup>th</sup> there has been minimal change in the state's drought conditions per the USDM, with only 1.8% of the state in D0 according to the most recent map. The maps included are from the weeks of June 24<sup>th</sup> and May 27<sup>th</sup>.

U.S. Drought Monitor June 24, 2025 (Released Thursday, Jun. 26, 2025) Valid 8 a.m. EDT Connecticut Drought Conditions (Percent Area) 98.20 1.80 0.00 0.00 0.00 1.80 0.00 0.00 100.00 78.14 0.00 0.00 100.00 94.83 10.14 0.00 0.00 36.34 63.66 0.00 0.00 0.00 93.41 6.59 0.00 0.00 0.00 Intensity: D2 Severe Drought D0 Abnormally Dry D3 Extreme Drought D1 Moderate Drought D4 Exceptional Drought <u>Author:</u> Curtis Riganti National Drought Mitigation Center <u>USDA</u> droughtmonitor.unl.edu

U.S. Drought Monitor
Connecticut



May 27, 2025 (Released Thursday, May. 29, 2025) Valid 8 a.m. EDT

Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

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	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4		D4
Current	98.17	1.83	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Last Week 05-20-2025	97.41	2.59	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
3 Month s Ago 02-25-2025	0.00	100.00	96.78	46.96	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year 01-07-2025	0.00	100.00	94.83	10.14	0.00	0.00
Start of Water Year 10-01-2024	36.34	63.66	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
One Year Ago 05-28-2024	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
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The Drought Monitor focuses on broad-scale conditions. Local conditions may vary. For more information on the Drought Monitor, go to https://droughtmonitor.unl.edu/About.asp)						



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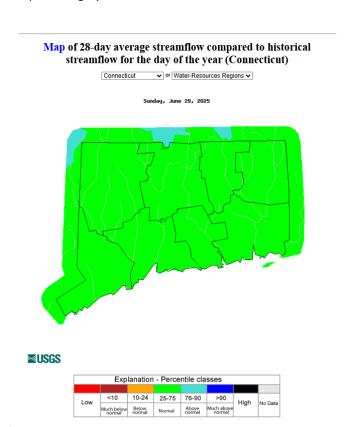






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<u>Streamflow Levels</u> (via USGS): The first map below conveys the 28-day average streamflow as of June 29<sup>th</sup>. The map below illustrates streamflow levels mostly at Normal levels for this time of year. The second map shows a snapshot of real-time stream flow data from June 30<sup>th</sup>. The streamflow levels in this map are largely Normal, with a few sites Below Normal or Much Below Normal

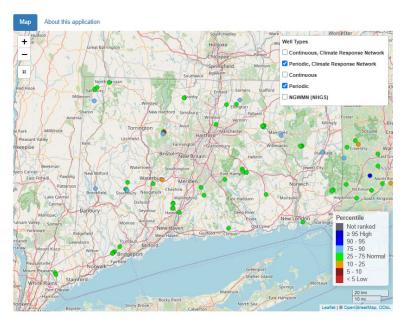




<u>Groundwater Levels</u> (via USGS): The following maps are from June 30<sup>th</sup> – the first map displays periodic monitored wells, while the second map displays continuously monitored wells. The first map shows most wells at normal (25-75%) and a few wells above normal (75-90%) levels. The second map shows mostly normal (25-75%) wells.

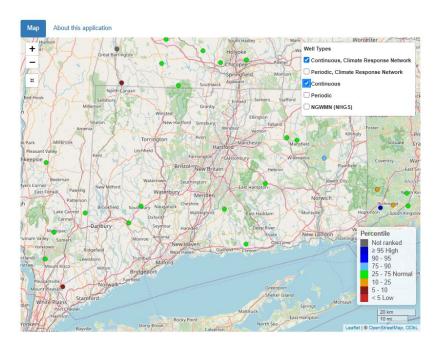
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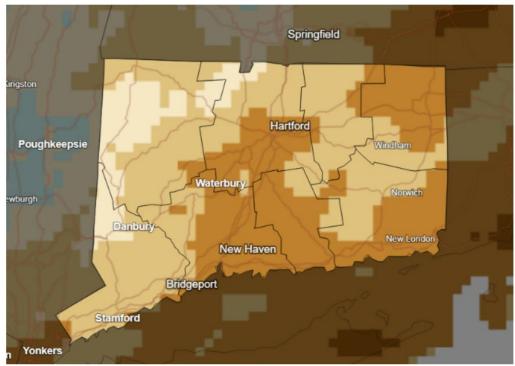


**June Precipitation:** Below are 30-Day and 60-Day Percent of Normal Precipitation maps dated June 29<sup>th</sup>. The 30-Day map illustrates drier than normal conditions ranging from 25-100% of normal. The 60-day map illustrates normal conditions ranging from 100-150% of normal. Over the last month, percent of normal precipitation ranged between 40-67% of normal across the state. The state average was 51.88% of normal precipitation.

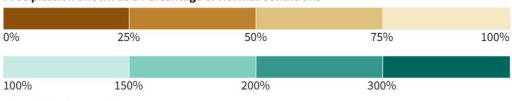
### **30-Day Percent of Normal Precipitation**







#### **Precipitation Shown as a Percentage of Normal Conditions**

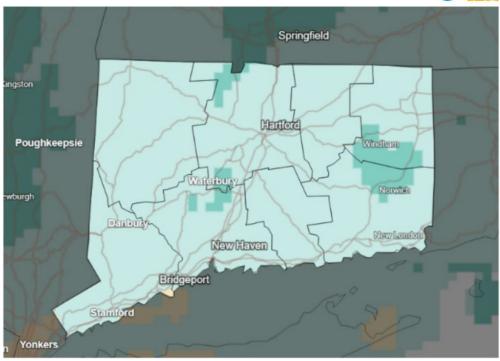


Source(s): UC Merced Data Valid: 06/29/25

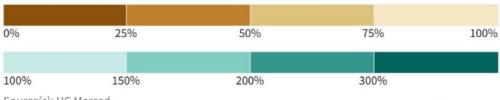
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### **60-Day Percent of Normal Precipitation**





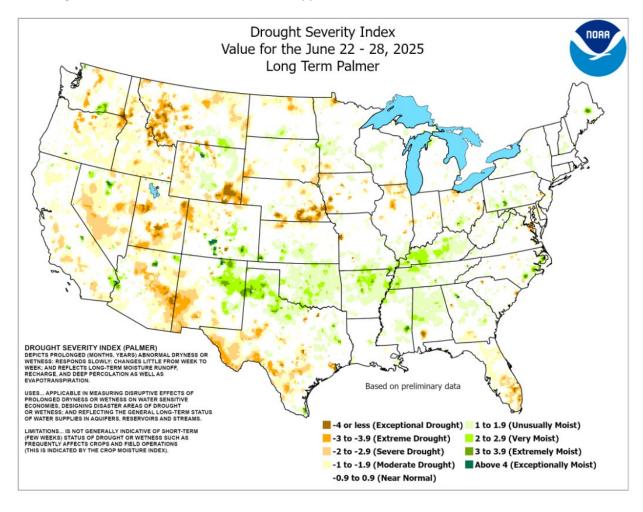
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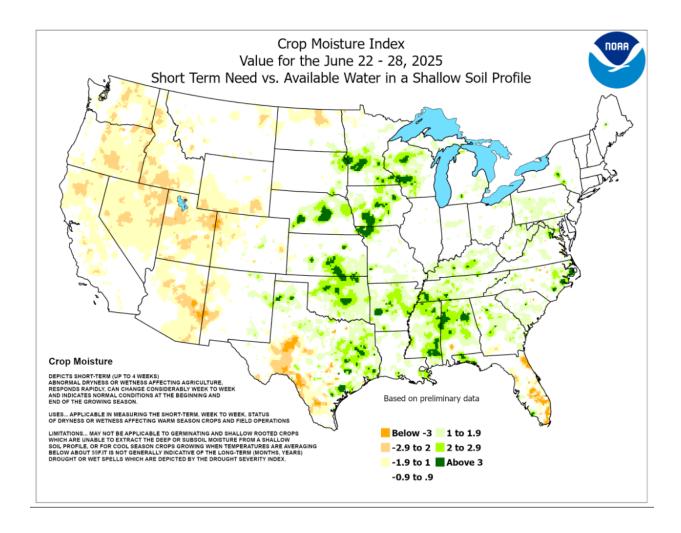
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<u>Palmer Drought Severity Index</u>: The map below demonstrates the Palmer Drought Severity Index across the contiguous United States. Overall, the state appears to be Near Normal (-0.9 to 0.9).



<u>Crop Moisture Index:</u> The map below demonstrates the Crop Moisture Index across the contiguous United States. Overall, the state is between -0.9 to 0.9.



#### **Fire Danger Levels from CT DEEP:**

CT DEEP Forestry monitors wildfire conditions regularly and moves to a daily measurement when conditions are drier and the risk of wildfires is greater. In order, their fire danger ranking scheme is: **LOW, MODERATE, HIGH, VERY HIGH, AND EXTREME**. According to CT DEEP Forestry, wildfire danger levels in the state were as follows for the month of June:

• 6/4/25: **MODERATE** 

6/7/25: LOW
6/11/25: LOW
6/18/25: LOW

• 6/20/25 – 6/23/25: **MODERATE** 

• 6/24/25: **HIGH** 

• 6/25/25 – 7/1/25: **MODERATE** 

• 7/2/25: **LOW** 



# CT Interagency Drought Workgroup NWS Update

Thursday, July 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2025
Prepared by: NWS WFO Boston, MA



## June Precipitation



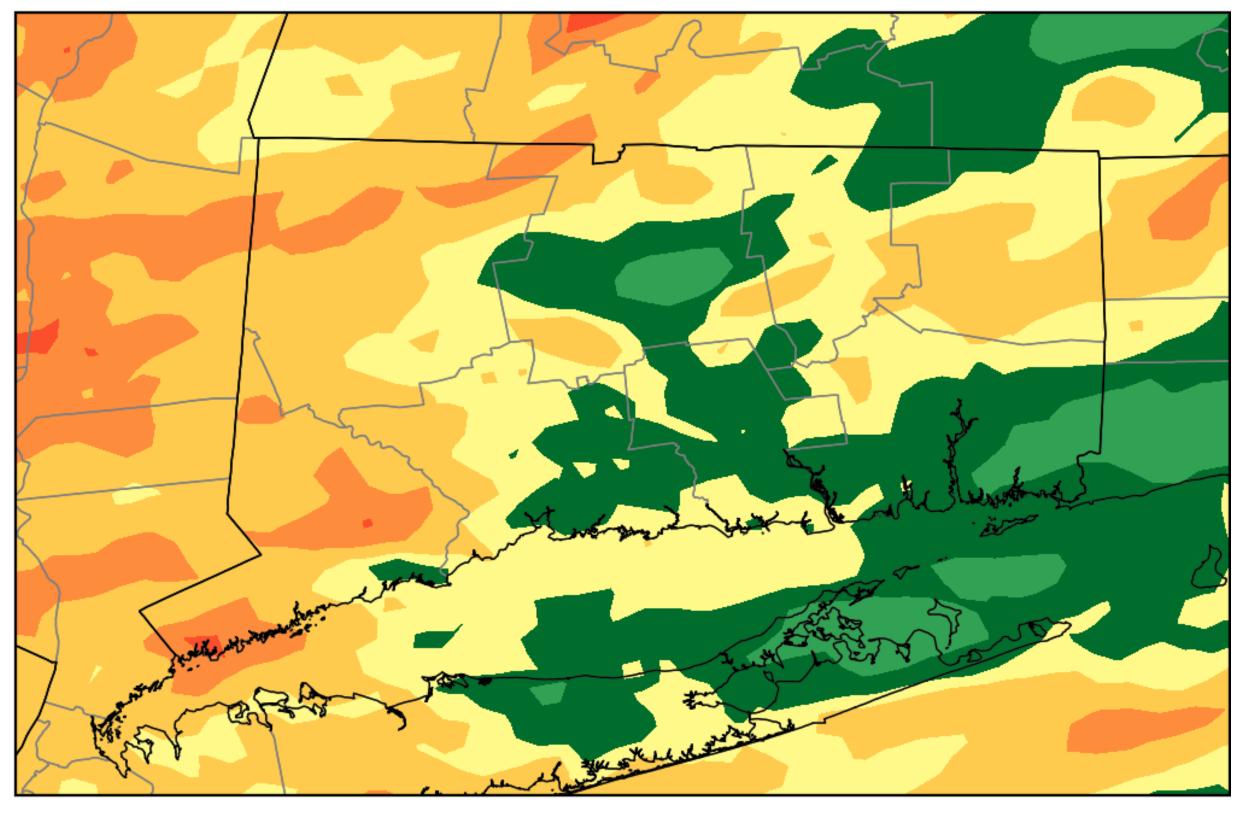
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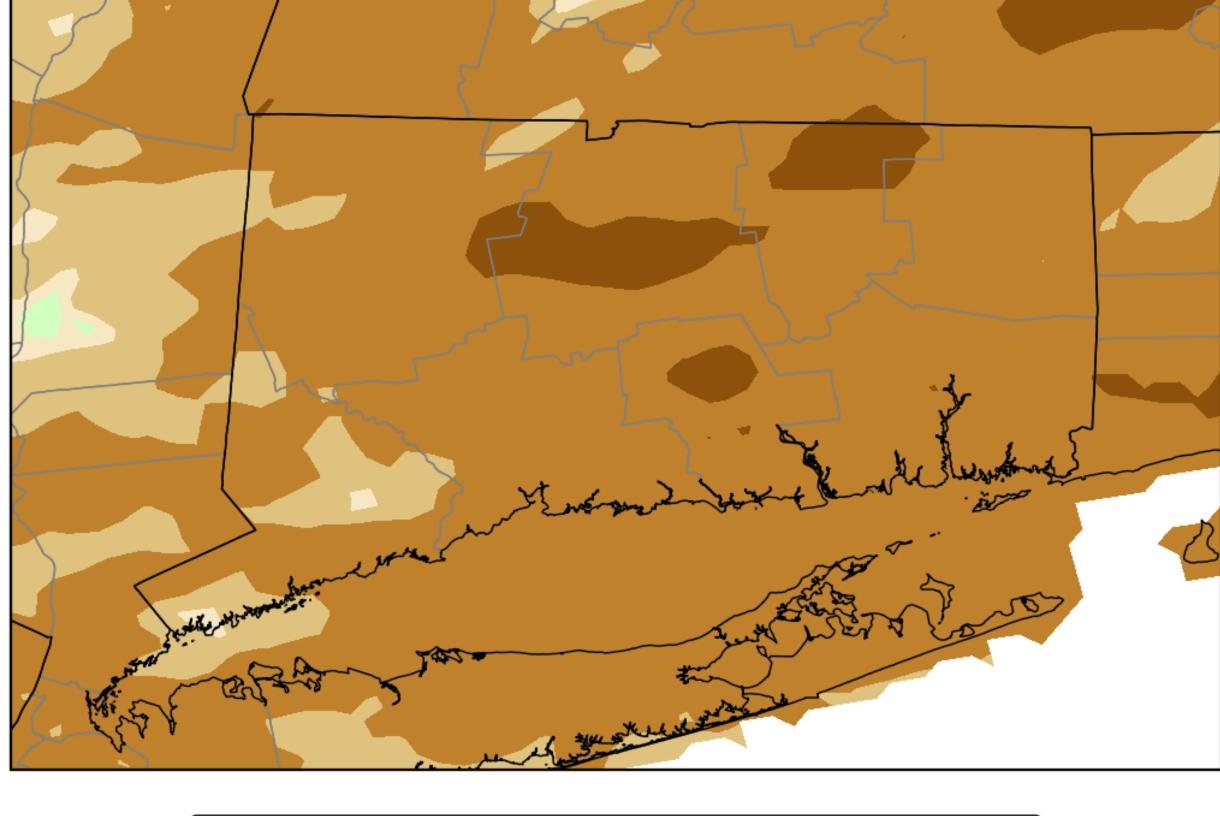
### I-3" of rainfall across CT

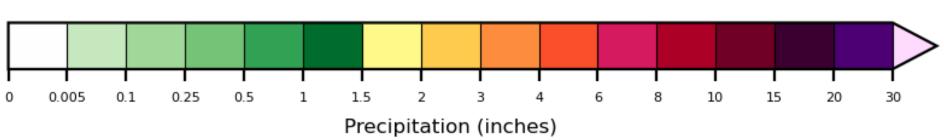
Accumulated Precipitation (inches) June 01, 2025 to June 30, 2025

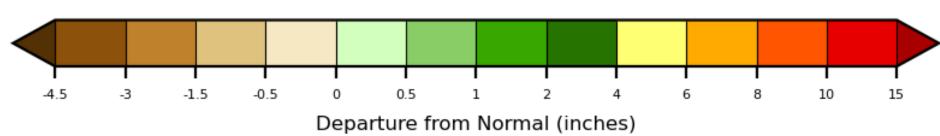
### Departures generally I-3" below normal

Precipitation Departure from Normal (inches) June 01, 2025 to June 30, 2025









# 3 and 6 Month Percent of Normal Precip

Near normal last 3 months and slightly below normal last 6 months

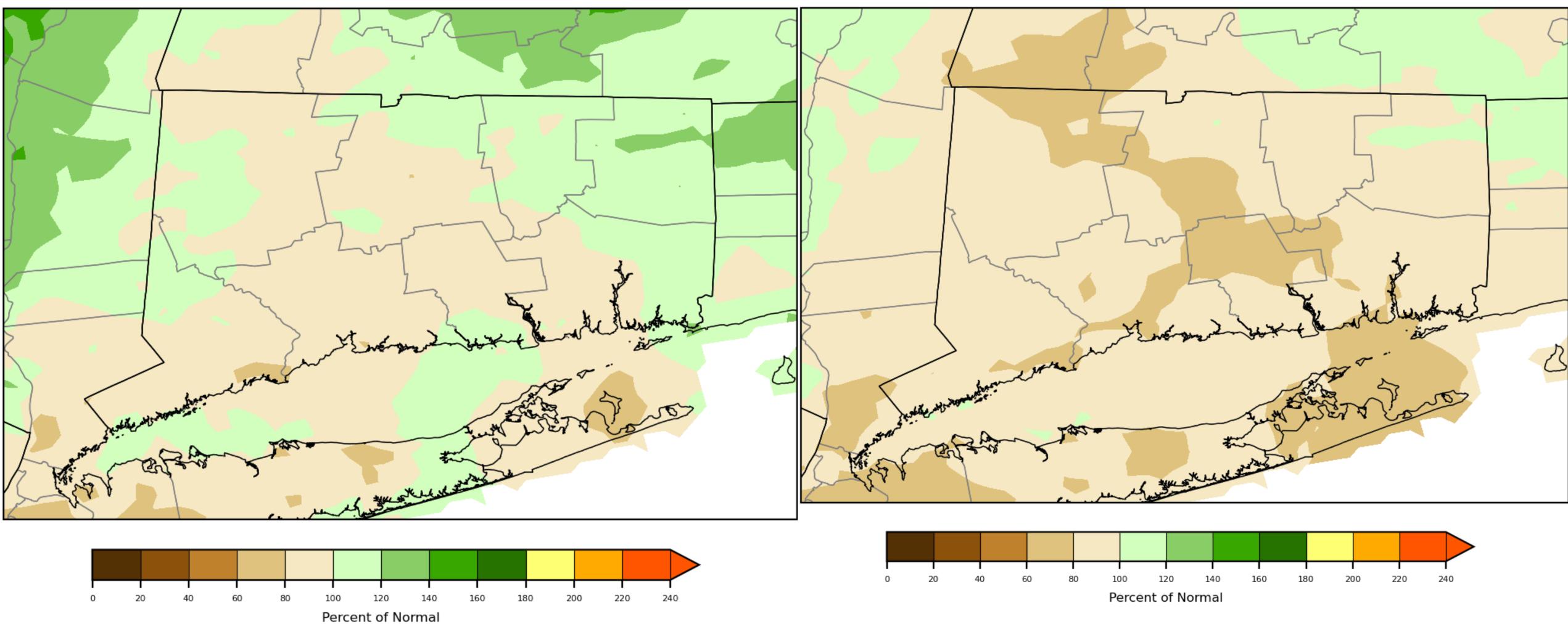
Precipitation Percent of Normal April 01, 2025 to June 30, 2025



### Boston/Norton MA

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Precipitation Percent of Normal January 01, 2025 to June 30, 2025

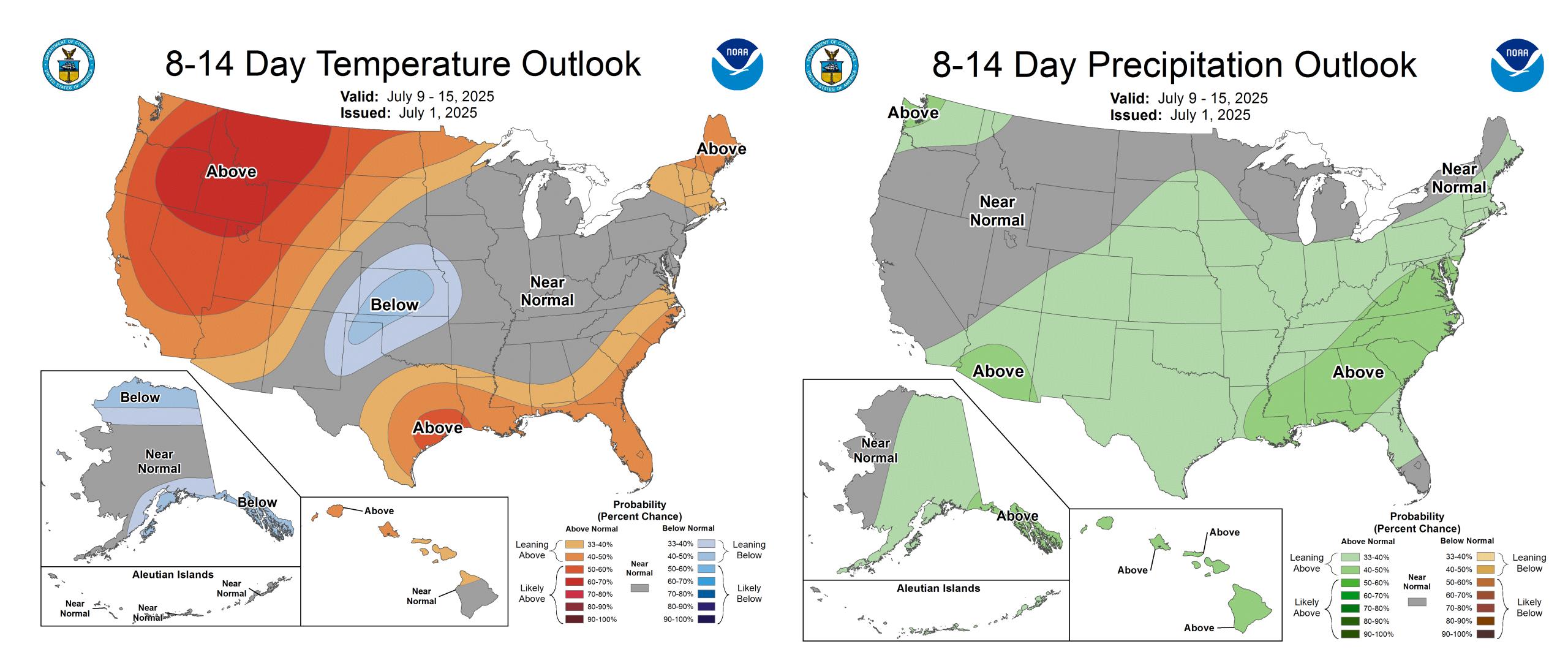


# CPC 8-14 Day Outlook



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Leaning near to above normal temperatures and above normal precipitation

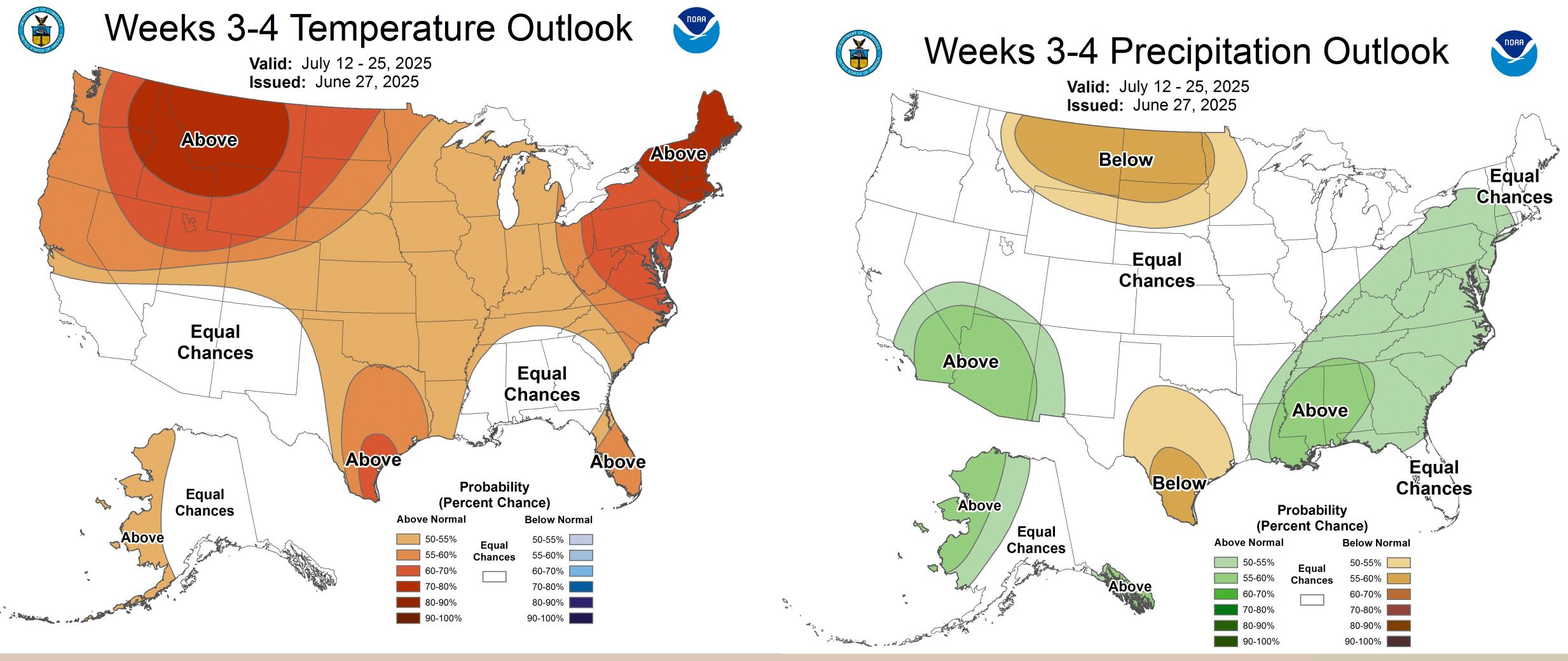


### CPC 3-4 Week Outlook



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Above normal temperatures likely. Leaning slightly toward above normal precip

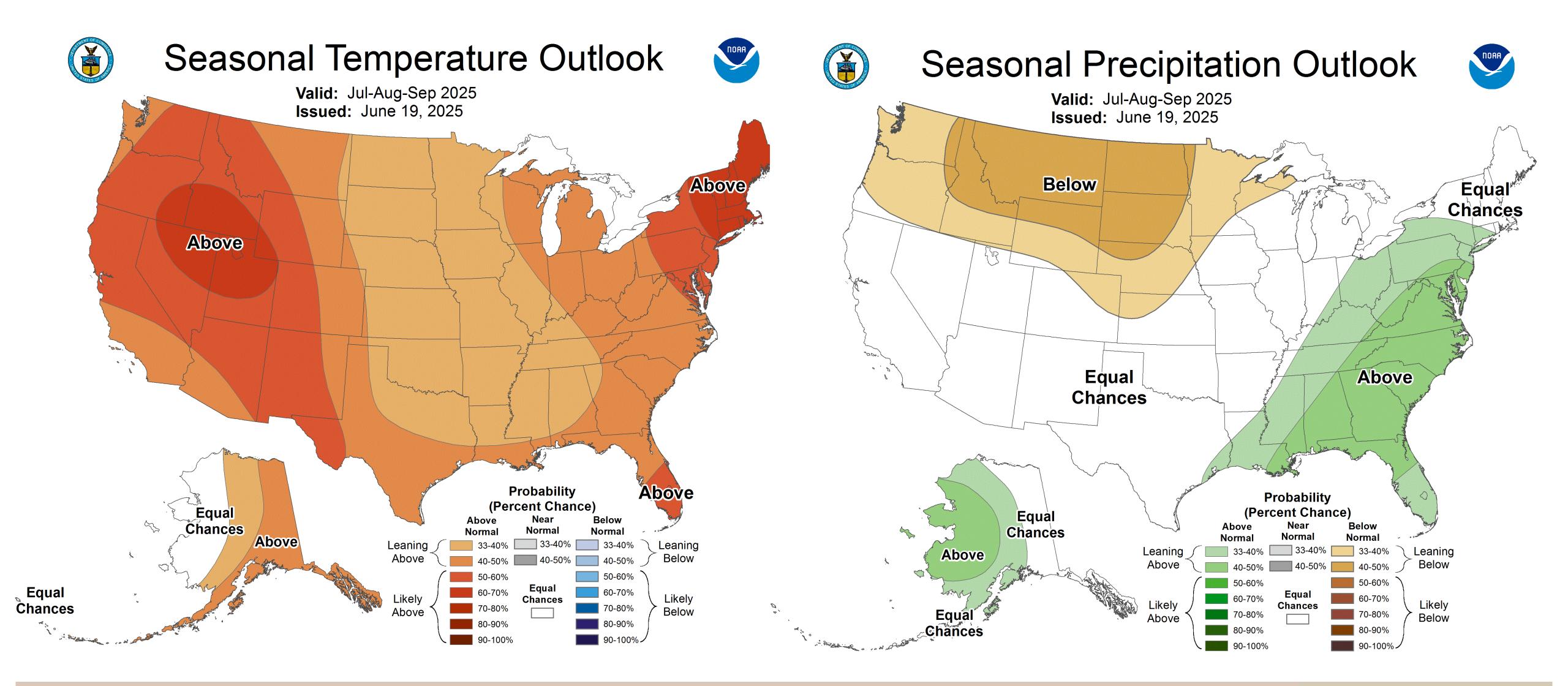


### CPC 3 Month Outlook (Jul-Sep)



# Boston/Norton MA WEATHER FORECAST OFFICE

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### June 2025 Connecticut Precipitation

National Weather Service Offices Boston/Norton MA, Albany NY, Upton NY

Preliminary Precipitation Data (inches) by County

Precipitation Data through June 2025 Includes CoCoRaHS data Includes StageIV Data

#### CT 1-Month Jun 2025

County	Rainfall	Departure	Percent	Normal
Fairfield	2.77	-1.74	61	4.51
Hartford	2.31	-2.14	52	4.45
Litchfield	3.14	-1.54	67	4.68
Middlesex	1.74	-2.63	40	4.37
New Haven	1.95	-2.42	45	4.37
New London	1.83	-2.26	45	4.09
Tolland	2.42	-2.17	53	4.59
Windham	2.24	-2.10	52	4.34

### CT 2-Month May 25-Jun25

County	Rainfall	Departure	Percent	Normal
Fairfield	9.36	0.86	110	8.50
Hartford	10.35	2.09	125	8.26
Litchfield	10.66	1.95	122	8.71
Middlesex	9.93	1.74	121	8.19
New Haven	9.88	1.53	118	8.35
New London	10.05	2.29	130	7.76
Tolland	9.97	1.72	121	8.25
Windham	10.97	3.08	139	7.89

### CT 3-Month Apr 25-Jun25

County	Rainfall	Departure	Percent	Normal
Fairfield	12.55	-0.25	98	12.80
Hartford	13.94	1.39	111	12.55
Litchfield	14.43	1.76	114	12.67
Middlesex	13.19	0.32	102	12.87
New Haven	12.98	-0.04	100	13.02
New London	13.66	1.37	111	12.29
Tolland	13.86	1.37	111	12.49
Windham	14.99	2.64	121	12.35

### CT 4-Month Mar 25-Jun25

County	Rainfall	Departure	Percent	Normal
Fairfield	16.68	-0.41	98	17.09
Hartford	17.89	1.14	107	16.75
Litchfield	17.96	1.24	107	16.72
Middlesex	17.36	-0.14	99	17.50
New Haven	17.28	-0.28	98	17.56
New London	18.13	1.06	106	17.07
Tolland	17.78	1.06	106	16.72
Windham	18.95	2.07	112	16.88

### CT 5-Month Feb 25-Jun25

County	Rainfall	Departure	Percent	Normal
Fairfield	19.88	-0.34	98	20.22
Hartford	21.14	1.26	106	19.88
Litchfield	21.01	1.31	107	19.70
Middlesex	20.49	-0.41	98	20.90
New Haven	20.42	-0.51	98	20.93
New London	21.42	1.04	105	20.38
Tolland	20.95	1.20	106	19.75
Windham	22.24	2.13	111	20.11

### CT 6-Month Jan 25-Jun25

County	Rainfall	Departure	Percent	Normal
Fairfield	21.18	-2.80	88	23.98
Hartford	22.25	-1.32	94	23.57
Litchfield	22.23	-1.08	95	23.31
Middlesex	21.82	-3.08	88	24.90
New Haven	21.73	-3.08	88	24.81
New London	22.98	-1.32	95	24.30
Tolland	22.34	-0.98	96	23.32
Windham	23.78	-0.19	99	23.97

### CT 7-Month Dec 24-Jun25

County	Rainfall	Departure	Percent	Normal
Fairfield	25.94	-2.59	91	28.53
Hartford	26.66	-1.52	95	28.18
Litchfield	26.76	-1.06	96	27.82
Middlesex	27.88	-1.90	94	29.78
New Haven	26.89	-2.66	91	29.55
New London	29.48	0.33	101	29.15
Tolland	27.43	-0.42	98	27.85

Windham	29.57	0.85	103	28.72
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#### CT 12-Month Jul 24-Jun25

County	Rainfall	Departure	Percent	Normal
Fairfield	46.76	-3.77	93	50.53
Hartford	43.17	-7.07	86	50.24
Litchfield	45.05	-5.79	89	50.84
Middlesex	44.69	-6.80	87	51.49
New Haven	46.15	-5.14	90	51.29
New London	45.34	-4.75	91	50.09
Tolland	43.21	-6.00	88	49.21
Windham	44.74	-5.07	90	49.81

#### CT 24-Month Jul 23-Jun25

County	Rainfall	Departure	Percent	Normal
Fairfield	119.56	18.39	118	101.17
Hartford	117.68	17.08	117	100.60
Litchfield	117.32	15.54	115	101.78
Middlesex	118.16	15.06	115	103.10
New Haven	119.81	17.11	117	102.70
New London	117.40	17.10	117	100.30
Tolland	116.98	18.45	119	98.53
Windham	122.51	22.77	123	99.74

#### CT 36-Month Jul 22-Jun25

County	Rainfall	Departure	Percent	Normal
Fairfield	164.36	12.66	108	151.70
Hartford	164.29	13.45	109	150.84
Litchfield	162.74	10.12	107	152.62
Middlesex	167.14	12.55	108	154.59
New Haven	167.38	13.39	109	153.99
New London	165.96	15.57	110	150.39
Tolland	166.08	18.34	112	147.74
Windham	174.50	24.95	117	149.55

### **How This Report Was Generated**

Monthly precipitation totals by County are derived through a blend of observational data and gridded analysis techniques. Precipitation observations from multiple regional networks—including the Community Collaborative Rain, Hail, and Snow Network (CoCoRaHS), the National Weather Service Cooperative Observer Program (COOP), and Automated Surface Observing Systems (ASOS)—are first quality-controlled and then interpolated to two separate grids using distinct methodologies:

- Barnes Interpolation, a smoothing technique that accounts for the spatial distribution of observations
- Inverse Distance Weighting (IDW), which estimates values based on proximity to known observations

These two interpolated grids are then combined with NOAA's Stage IV precipitation analysis, a radar- and gauge-based dataset produced operationally by the National Weather Service. The three grids are averaged to produce a final observed precipitation field.

Using this gridded product, spatial averaging is performed over each County polygon to compute region-specific monthly totals through geographic information system (GIS) techniques.

Monthly precipitation normals (long-term averages) for each County are sourced directly from the NOAA Stage IV climatology dataset.

Note: COOP and ASOS stations are official National Weather Service observation networks. CoCoRaHS is a volunteer-driven network that provides high-resolution, local-scale precipitation reports.