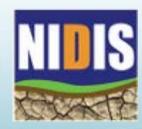
February Recap & Northeast DEWS Discussion

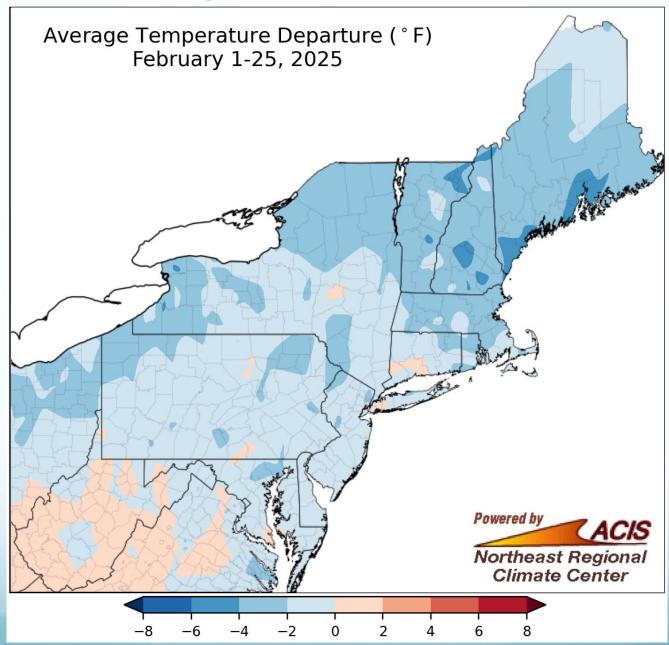
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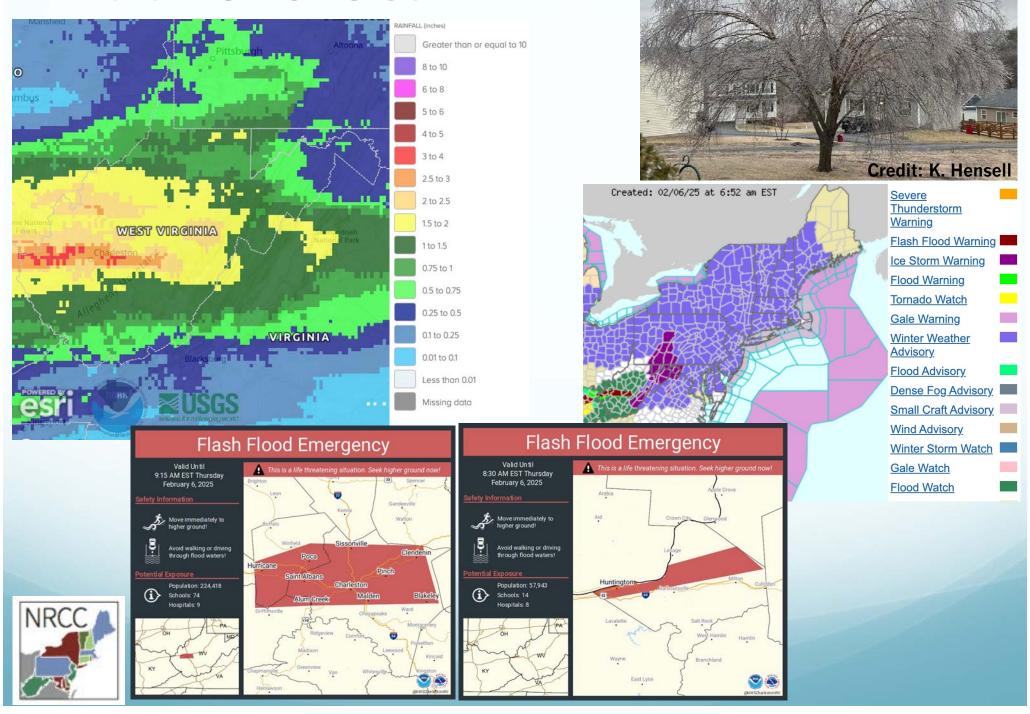
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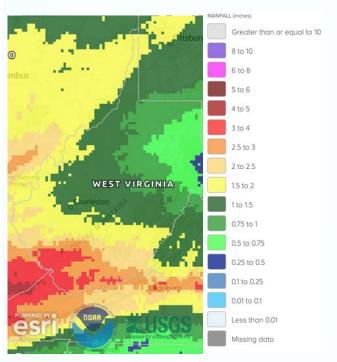


From 6°F below normal to 2°F above normal

Feb. 5-6 Storm



Feb. 15-17 Storm



...FLASH FLOOD EMERGENCY FOR THE TUG FORK NEAR WELCH...

The National Weather Service in Charleston has extended the

- * Flash Flood Warning for... Central McDowell County in southern West Virginia...
- * Until 315 AM EST.
- * At 104 AM EST, gauge reports indicated flooding across the warned area. Between 3 and 4 inches of rain have fallen. Flash flooding is ongoing or expected to begin shortly.

This is a FLASH FLOOD EMERGENCY for the Tug Fork near Welch. This is a PARTICULARLY DANGEROUS SITUATION. SEEK HIGHER GROUND NOW!

HAZARD...Life threatening flash flooding. Heavy rain producing flash flooding.

SOURCE...Gauges reported.

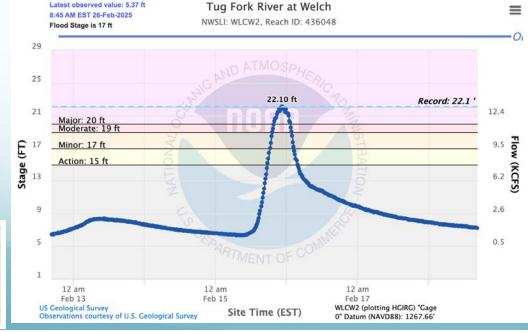
IMPACT...This is a PARTICULARLY DANGEROUS SITUATION. SEEK HIGHER GROUND NOW! Life threatening flash flooding of low water crossings, small creeks and streams, urban areas, highways, streets and underpasses.

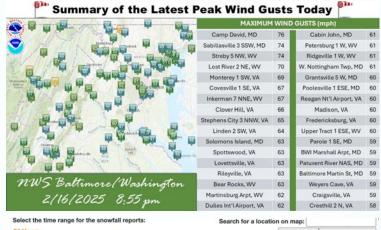
* Some locations that will experience flash flooding include... Welch, Gary, Davy, Keystone, Kimball, Coalwood and Elbert.

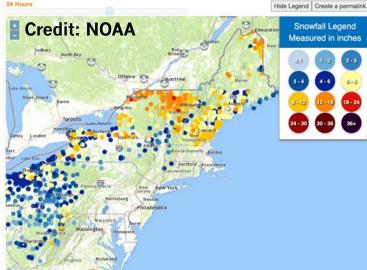
The Tug Fork has crested, however, ongoing water rescues have been reported recently.

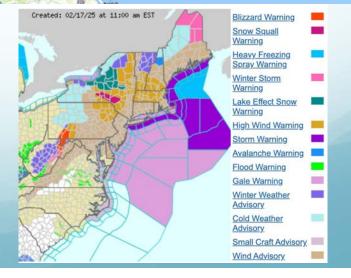
PRECAUTIONARY/PREPAREDNESS ACTIONS...

Move to higher ground now! This is an extremely dangerous and life—threatening situation. Do not attempt to travel unless you are fleeing an area subject to flooding or under an evacuation order.



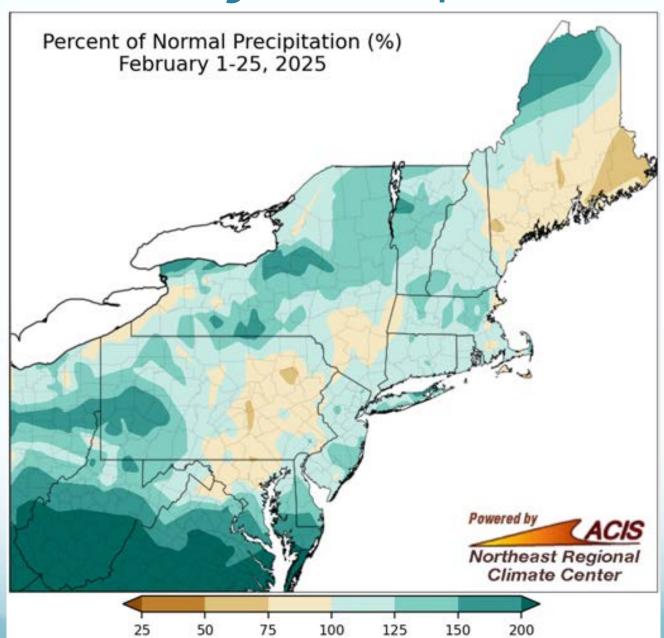






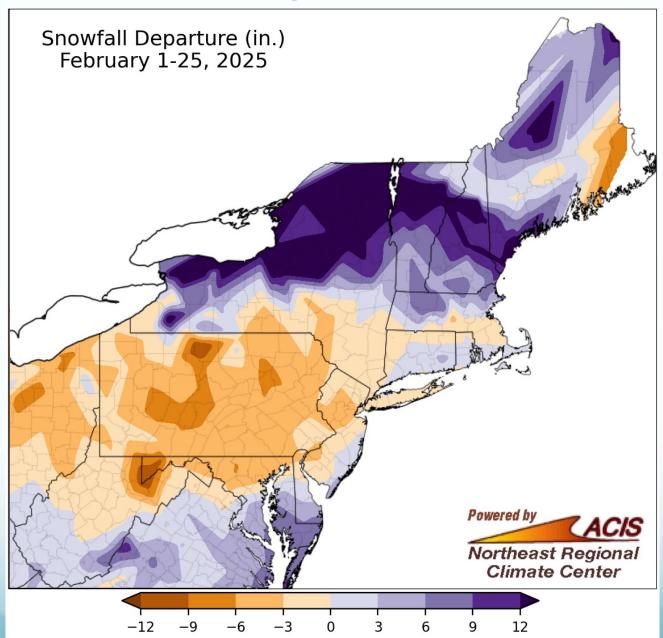


February Precipitation





February Snowfall





From more than 12" below normal to over 12" above normal

Maximum 1-Day Total Precipitation for Beckley Area, WV (ThreadEx)

Click column heading to sort ascending, click again to sort descending.

Rank	Value	Ending Date
1	2.31	2025-02-15
2	2.11	1994-02-09
3	2.10	2015-02-21
4	2.04	1984-02-23
5	1.92	1939-02-03
6	1.85	2023-02-16
7	1.69	2025-02-06
8	1.63	2025-02-08
9	1.62	1908-02-06
10	1.50	1923-02-12

Time Series Summary for Beckley Area, WV (ThreadEx) - Month of Feb

Click column heading to sort ascending, click again to sort descending.

Rank	Year	Total Precipitation	Missing Count
1	2025	7.39	3
2	2018	6.98	0
3	2020	6.52	0

February Storms

Oneida County farmer devastated by collapsed barn and death of nearly 60 cows

Spectrum News

BY EMILY KENNY, REPORT FOR AMERICA CORPS MEMBER AND MELISSA KRULL I ONEIDA COUNTY PUBLISHED 4:58 PM ET FEB. 25, 2025

More than 25 buildings have collapsed under heavy snow in Oswego County

Published: Feb. 22, 2025, 2:37 p.m.

Syracuse.com

Time Series Summary for Syracuse Area, NY (ThreadEx)

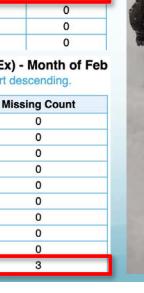
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Rank	Ending Date	Number of Days Snowfall >= 0.1 Feb 1 to Feb 23	Missing Count
1	2025-02-23	21	0
2	2015-02-23	20	0
3	2010-02-23	18	0
-	1977-02-23	18	0

Time Series Summary for Syracuse Area, NY (ThreadEx) - Month of Feb

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Rank	Year	Highest Snow Depth	Missing Count
1	1966	48	0
-	1958	48	0
3	2015	33	0
3.70	2004	33	0
-	1925	33	0
6	2007	29	0
-	1993	29	0
-	1961	29	0
9	1945	28	0
10	2025	24	3







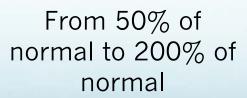
Average Temperature Departure (* F) December 1, 2024-February 25, 2025 Percent of Normal Precipitation (%) December 1, 2024-February 25, 2025 Northeast Regic Climate Cents

From 4°F below normal to 2°F above normal

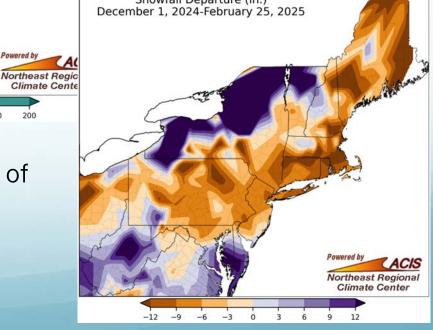
Winter

From more than 12" below normal to over 12" above normal

Snowfall Departure (in.)
December 1, 2024-February 25, 2025



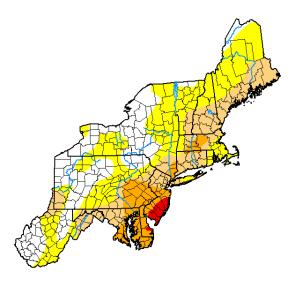




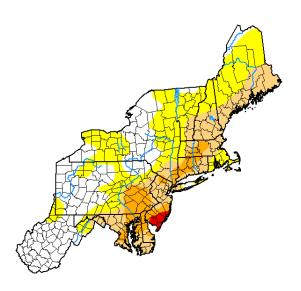
Drought Monitor

U.S. Drought Monitor Class Change - Northeast Climate Region 4 Week 4 Class Degradation 3 Class Degradation 2 Class Degradation 1 Class Degradation No Change 1 Class Improvement 2 Class Improvement February 25, 2025 3 Class Improvement compared to 4 Class Improvement January 28, 2025 droughtmonitor.unl.edu

U.S. Drought Monitor **Northeast**



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January 28, 2025

(Released Thursday, Jan. 30, 2025) Valid 7 a.m. EST

Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Сиптепт	27.00	39.10	22.64	9.90	1.37	0.00
Last Week 01-21-2025	33.83	32.58	23.75	8.49	1.37	0.00
3 Month s A go 10-29-2024	21.01	40.71	23.05	10.42	4. 14	0.67
Start of Calendar Year 01-07-2025	33.83	32.27	24.14	8.39	1.37	0.00
Start of Water Year 10-01-2024	45.94	34.77	9.37	4.97	4.27	0.67
One Year Ago 01-30-2024	96.89	2.85	0.19	0.07	0.00	0.00

Intensity:



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February 25, 2025

(Released Thursday, Feb. 27, 2025) Valid 7 a.m. EST

Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2		D4
Current	32.97	35.90	21.88	8.39	0.86	0.00
Last Week 02-18-2025	32.64	36.24	22.01	8.26	0.86	0.00
3 Month s Ago 11-26-2024	3.20	35.64	33.12	23.94	4.11	0.00
Start of Calendar Year 01-07-2025	33.83	32.27	24.14	8.39	1.37	0.00
Start of Water Year 10-01-2024	45.94	34.77	9.37	4.97	4.27	0.67
One Year Ago 02-27-2024	97.07	2.72	0.21	0.00	0.00	0.00

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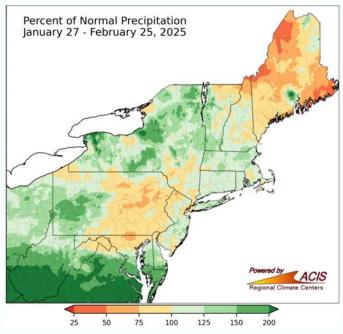


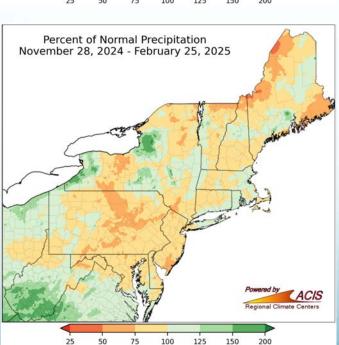


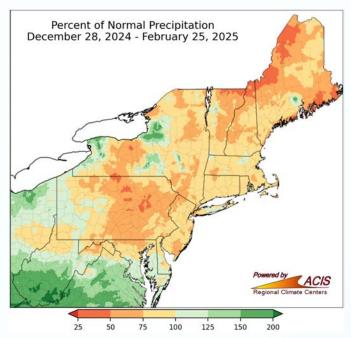


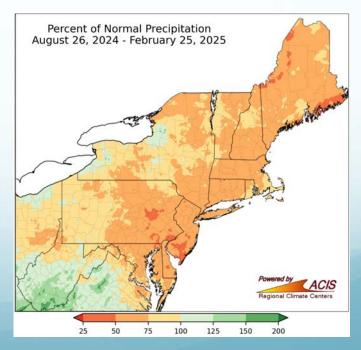


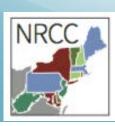
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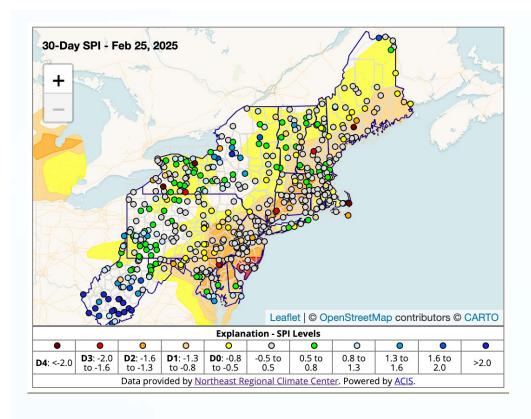




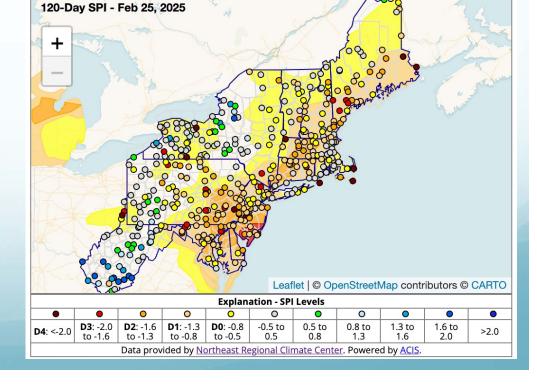






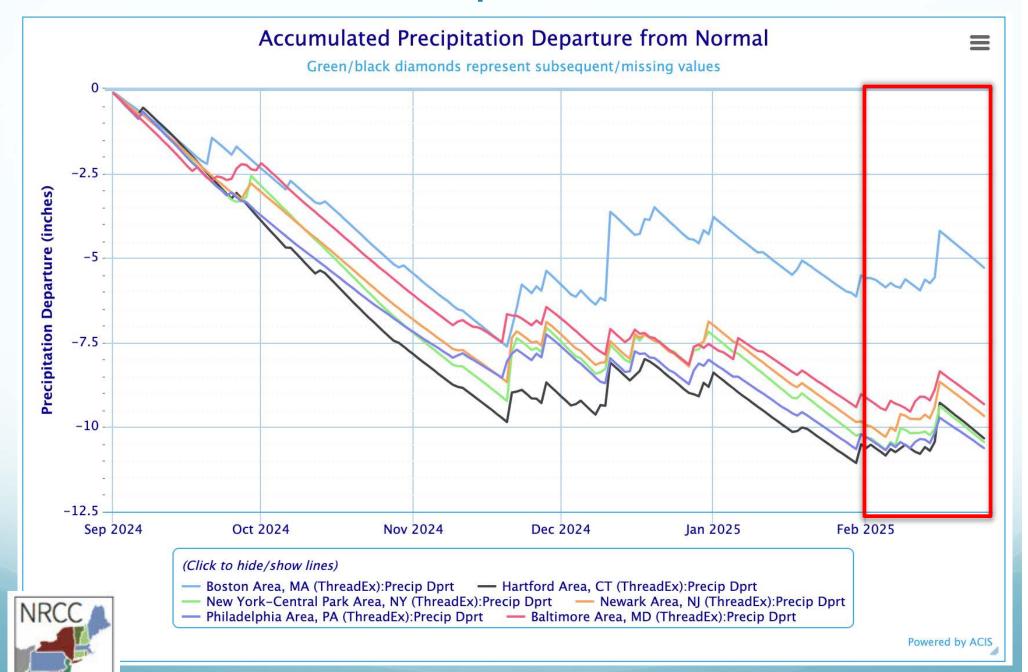


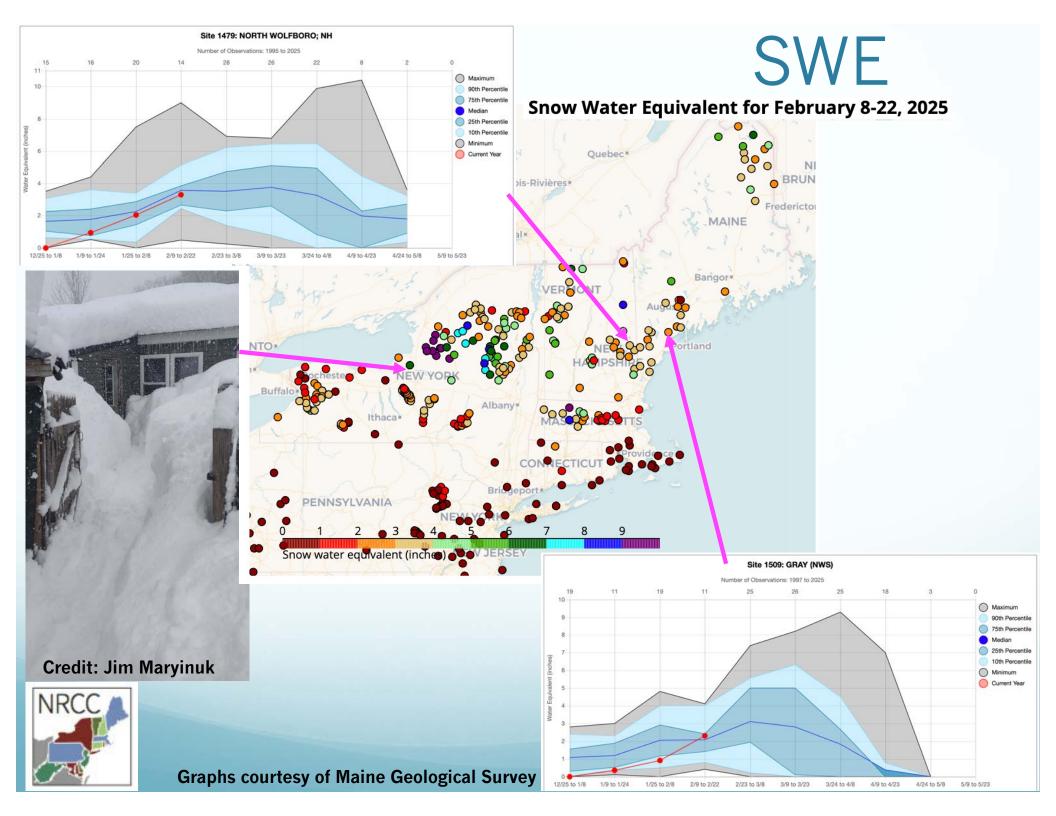
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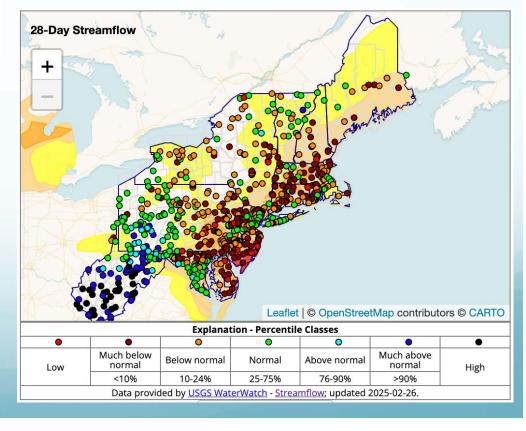
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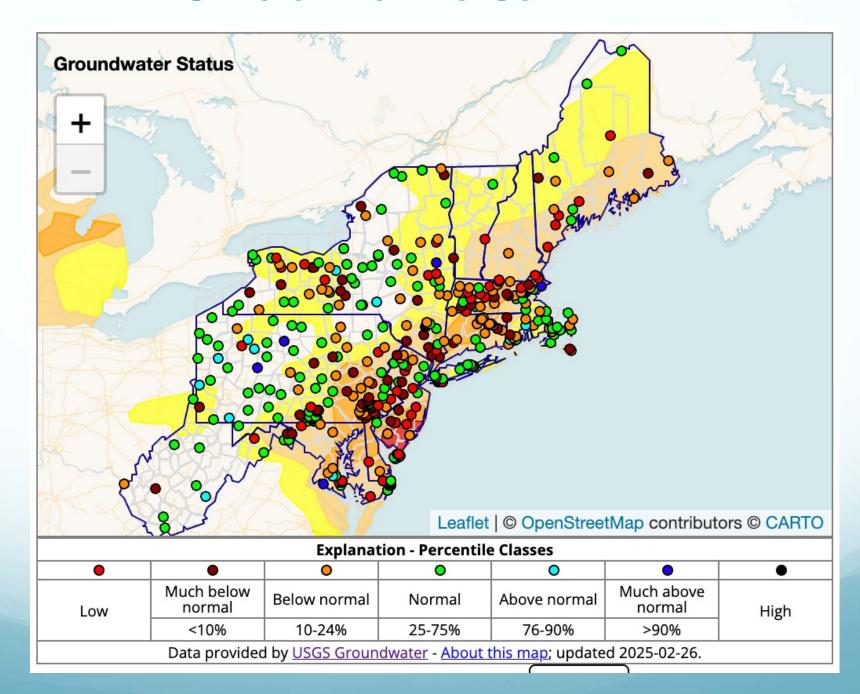
7-Day Streamflow Leaflet | © OpenStreetMap contributors © CARTO **Explanation - Percentile Classes** 0 Much below Much above Below normal Normal Above normal normal normal Low High <10% 10-24% 25-75% 76-90% Data provided by <u>USGS WaterWatch</u> - <u>Streamflow</u>; updated 2025-02-26.

Streamflow





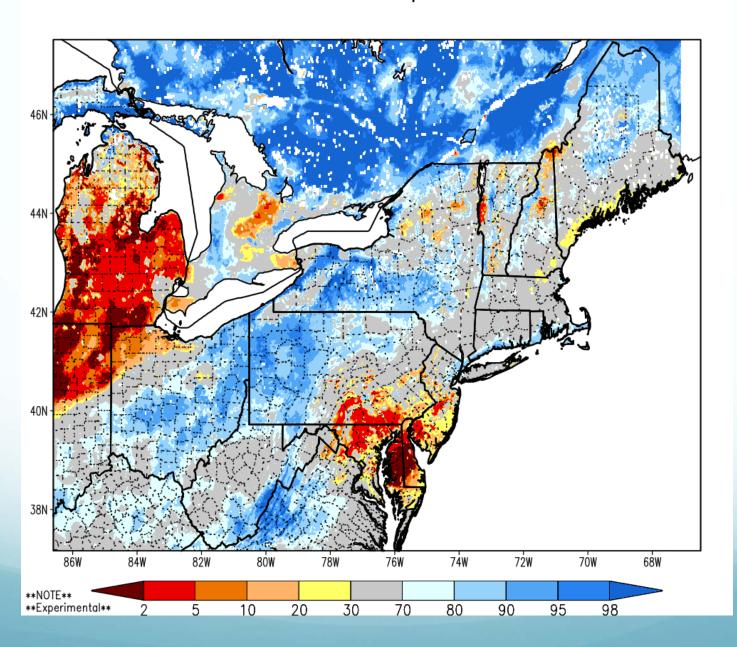
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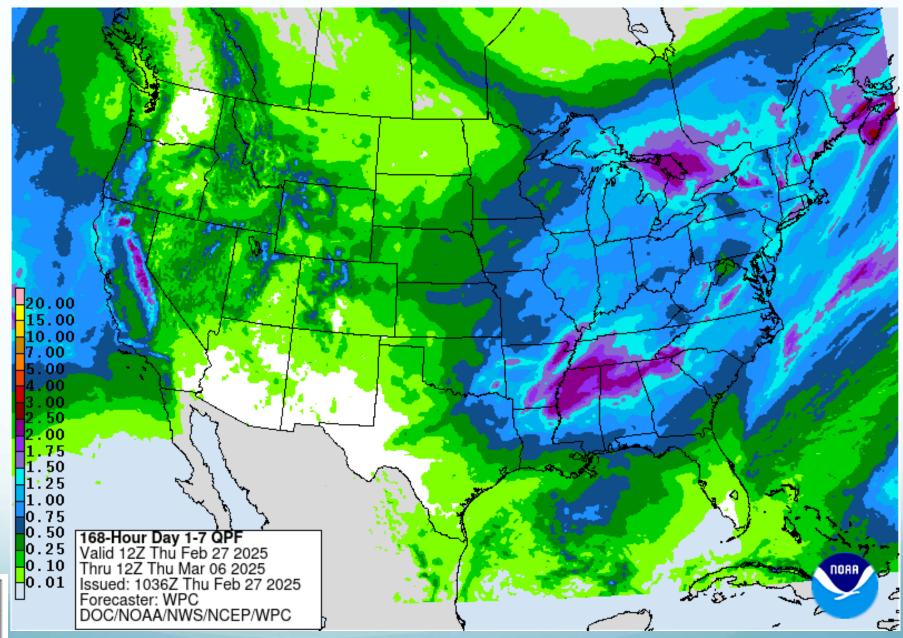
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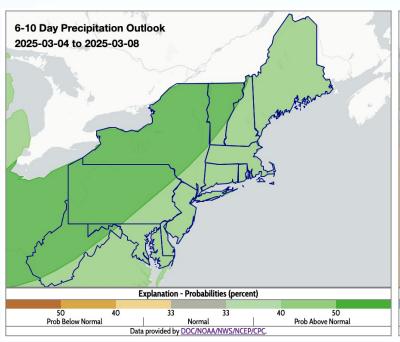


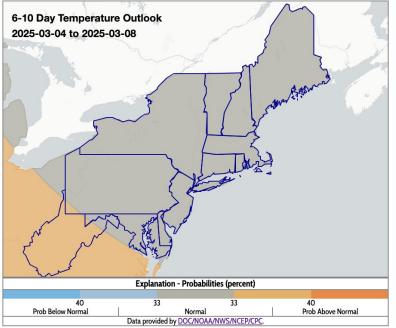
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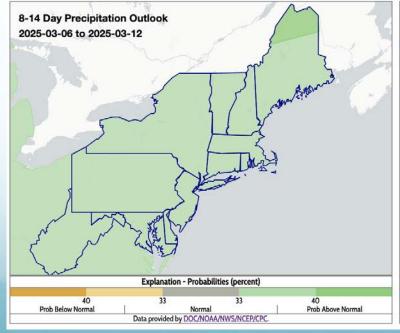


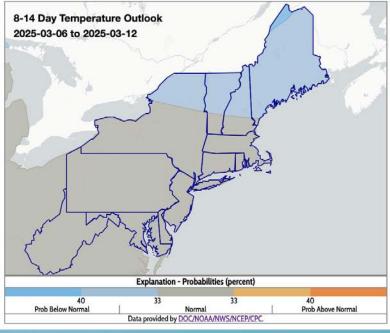


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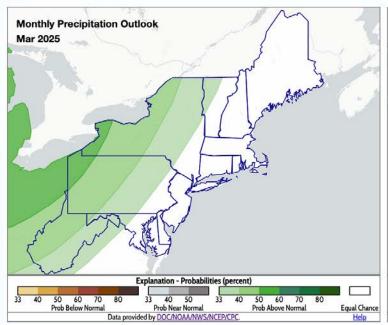


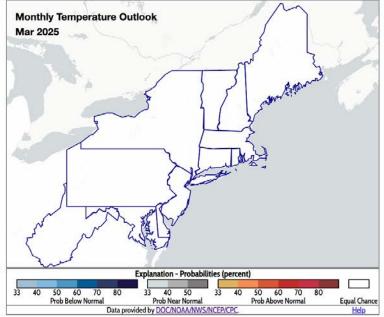


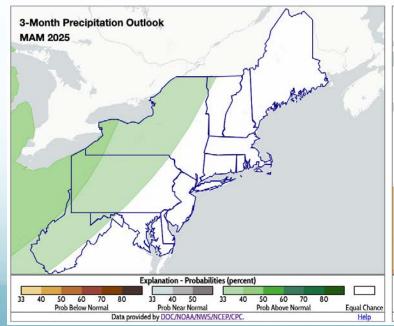


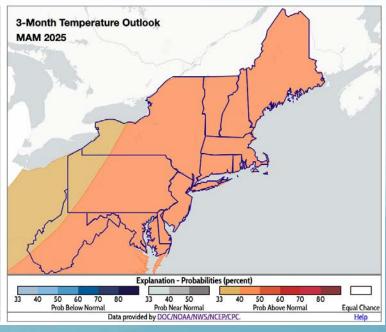


Monthly & 3-Month Outlooks







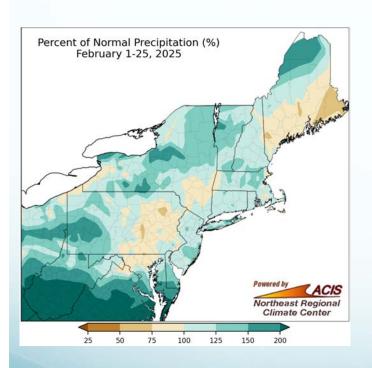




Summary

February-to-date conditions:

- Below- or near-normal temperatures for most
- Near- or above-normal precipitation for many record wet for Beckley, WV
- Wide range of snowfall amounts significant accumulation in central New York



Drought:

- Mix of improvement and deterioration in drought and abnormal dryness
- Below-normal or lower streamflow and/or groundwater levels persist, esp. closer to the coast

Outlooks:

- Short term precip: above-normal precipitation favored for all; perhaps some improvement?
- March and spring: above-normal precipitation for interior areas; above-normal temperatures favored for all for spring



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Upcoming Webinars

- Thursday, March 27 at 9:30am EDT
 - Spring Flood Outlook
- Tuesday, April 29 at 9:30am EDT
 - USGS Climate Services Program
- Thursday, May 29 at 9:30am EDT
 - TBD



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