#### April Conditions & Northeast DEWS Discussion

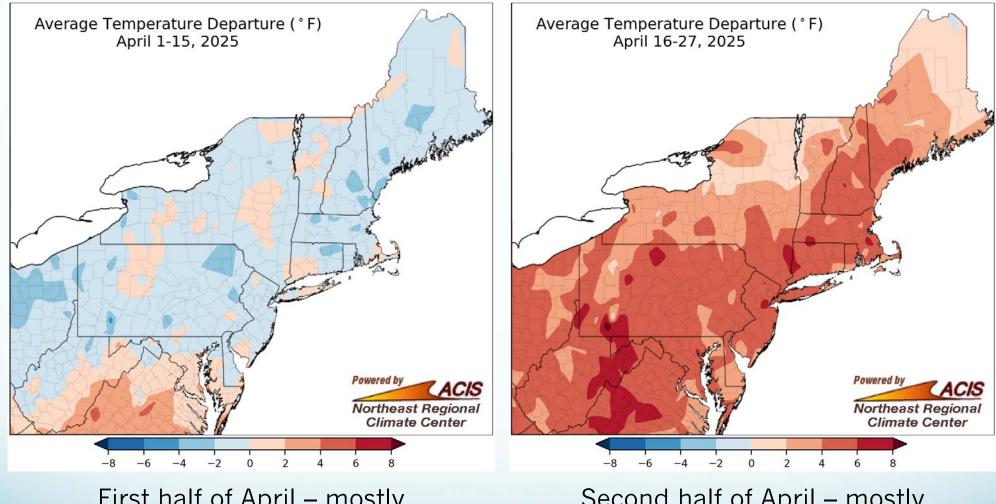
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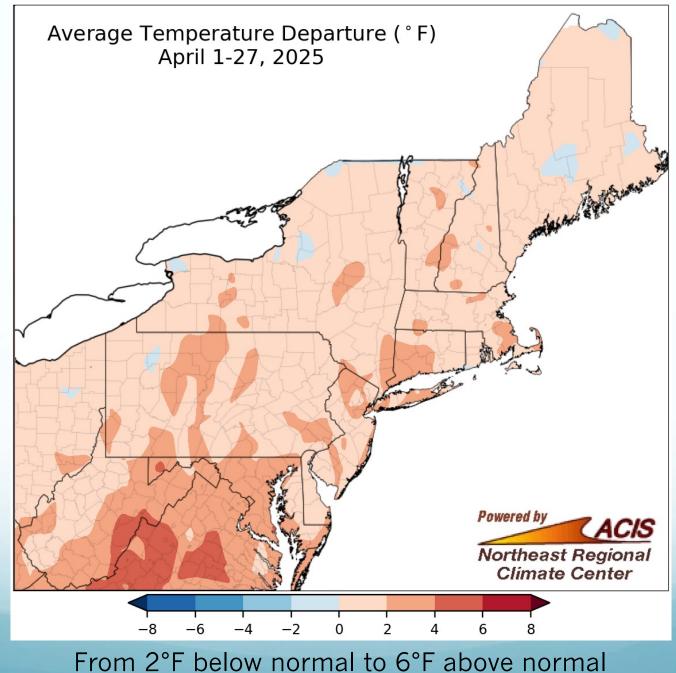


First half of April – mostly cooler than normal



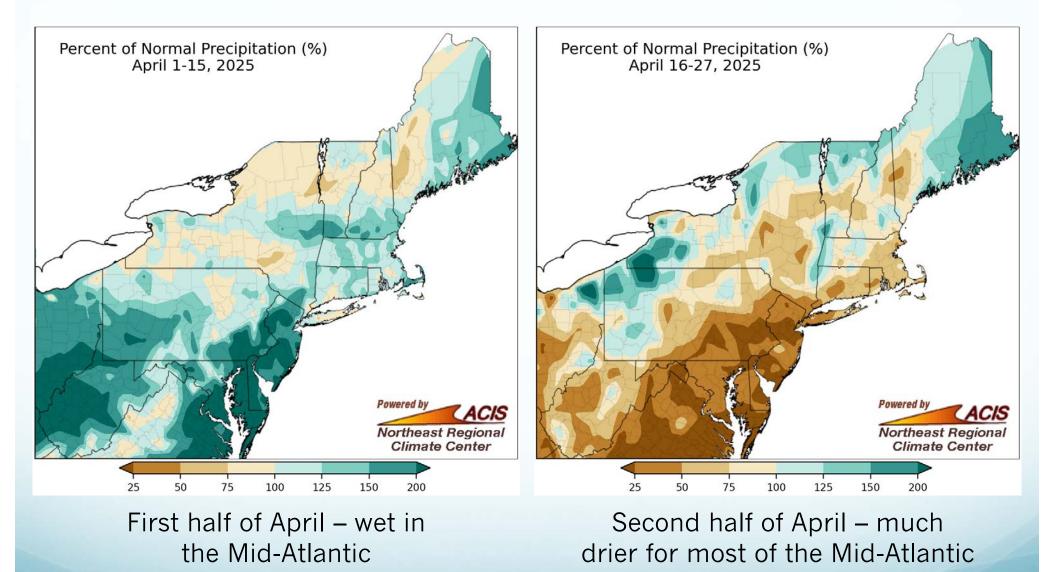
Second half of April – mostly warmer than normal

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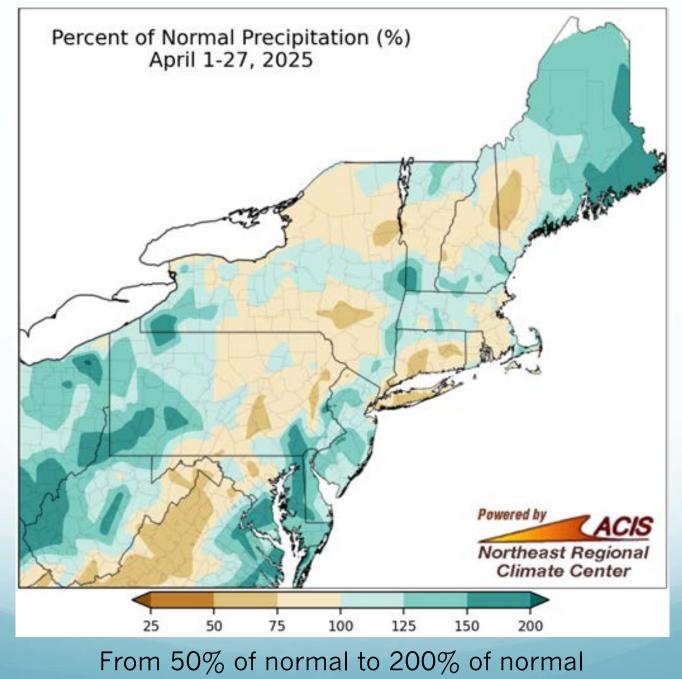


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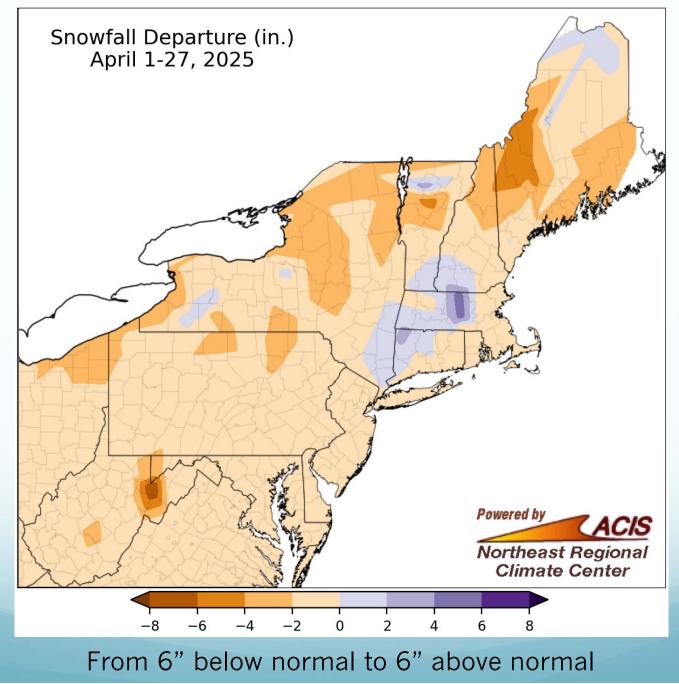


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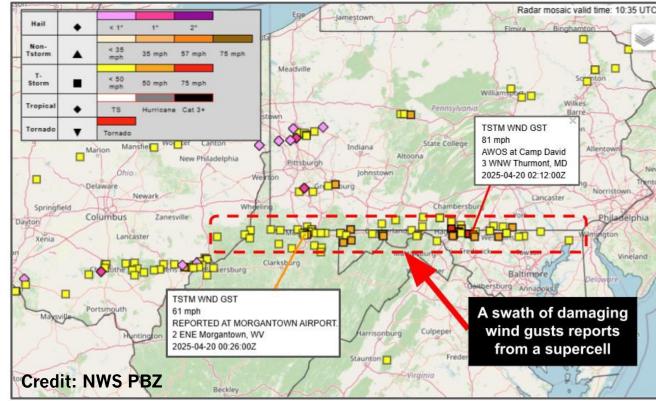


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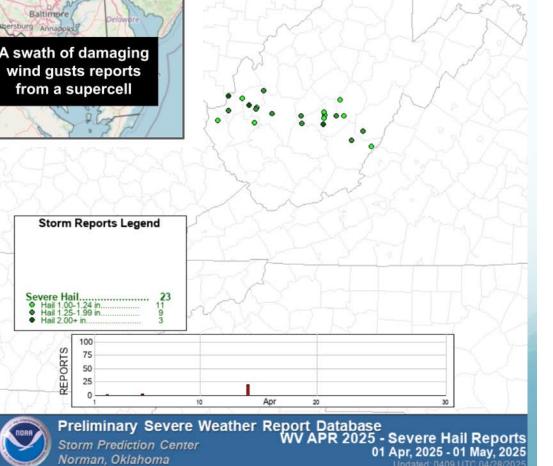




#### Local Storm Reports Across the Region: April 19, 2025



# April Severe





#### **Drought Monitor** U.S. Drought Monitor March 25, 2025 (Released Thursday, Mar. 27, 2025) Northeast Valid 8 a.m. EDT Drought Conditions (Percent Area) None D0 D1 D2 D3 Current 34.48 38.44 19.66 Last Week 33.98 40.64 18.47 03-18-2025 3 Months Age 23.50 33.13 29.16 12-24-2024 Start of 33.83 32.27 24.14 Calendar Yea U.S. Drought Monitor Class Change - Northeast Climate Region Start of 45.94 34.77 9.37 4 Week Water Year One Year Ago 97.54 0.49 1.98 03-26-2024

Intensity: None D2 Severe Drought D0 Abnormally Dry D3 Extreme Drought D1 Moderate Drought D4 Exceptional Drought

D4

0.00

0.27 0.00

4.27 0.67

0.00 0.00

7.15

6.40 0.51 0.00

8.39 1.37 0.00

4.97

0.00

12.13 2.07

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.aspx

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#### April 22, 2025 (Released Thursday, Apr. 24, 2025) Valid 8 a.m. EDT

	Drought Conditions (Percent Area)							
	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4		
Current	57.25	26.15	11.49	5.10	0.00	0.00		
Last Week 04-15-2025	57.25	25.97	11.67	5.10	0.00	0.00		
3 Month s Ago 01-21-2025	33.83	32.58	23.75	8.49	1.37	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 04-23-2024	98.11	1.89	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		



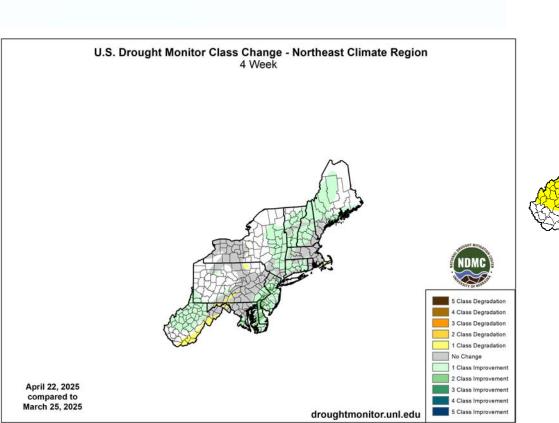
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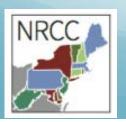
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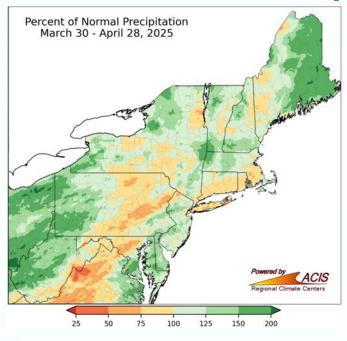


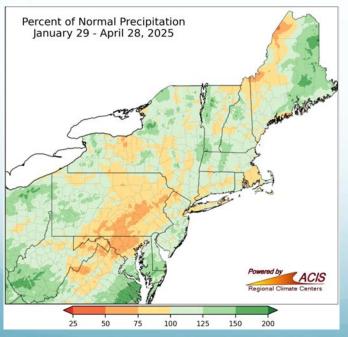
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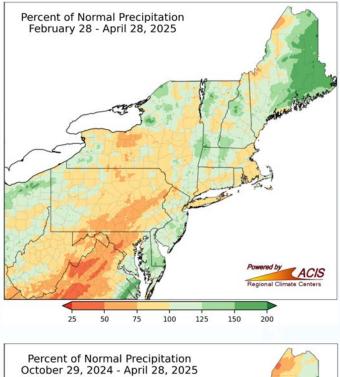


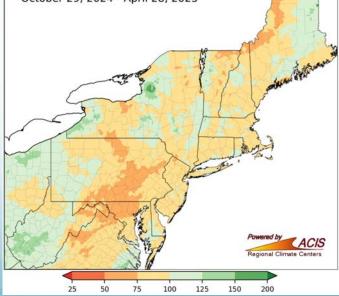
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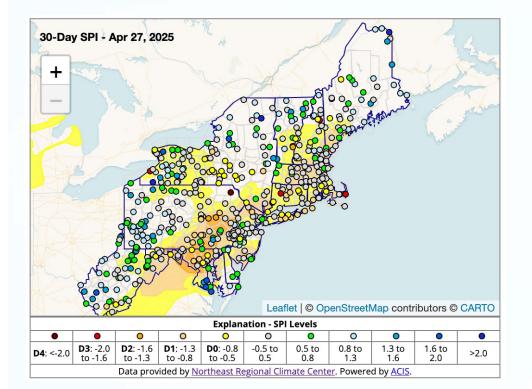




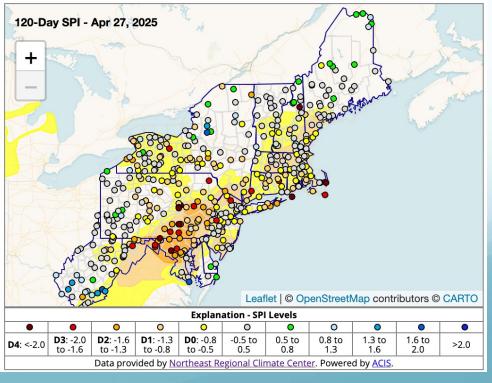






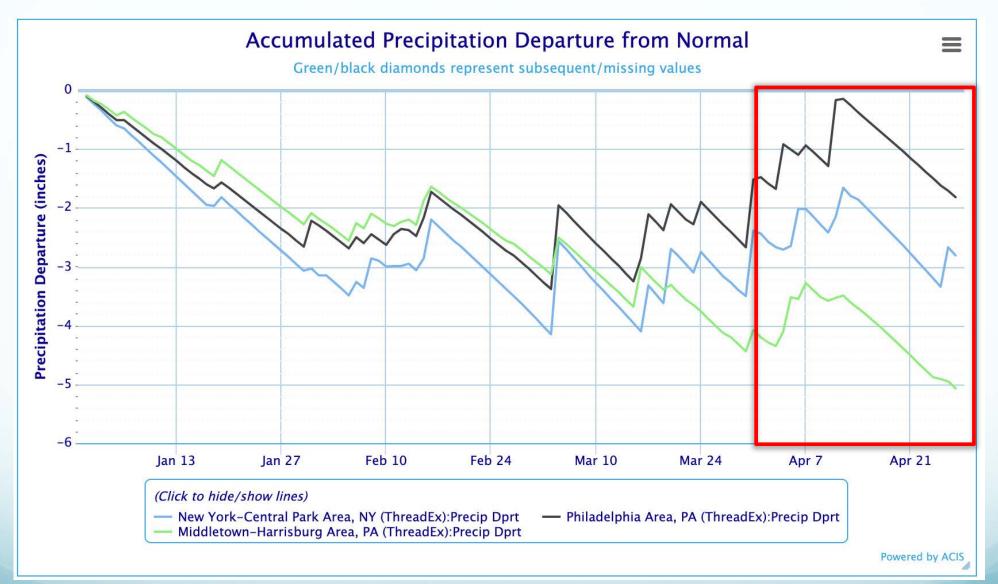


# Standardized Precipitation Index



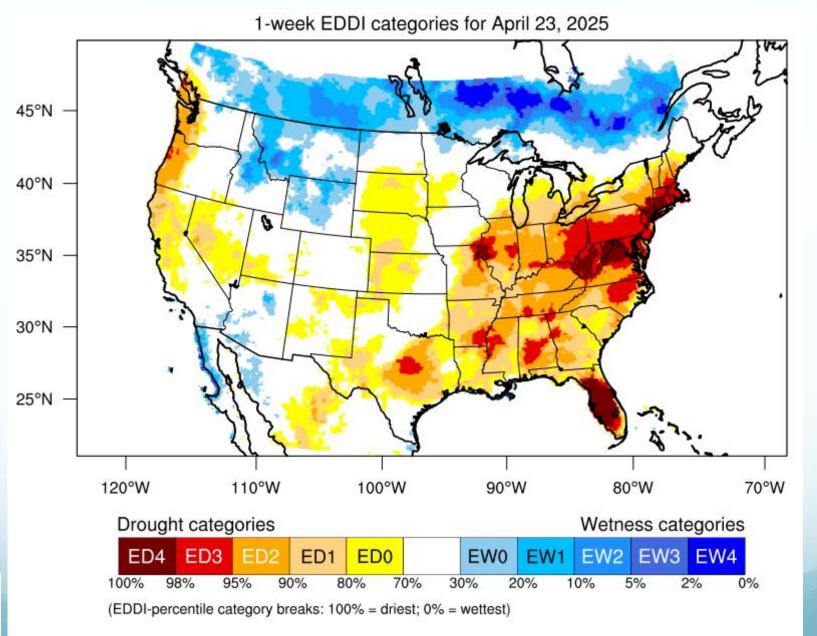


# Precipitation





# Evap. Demand Drought Index

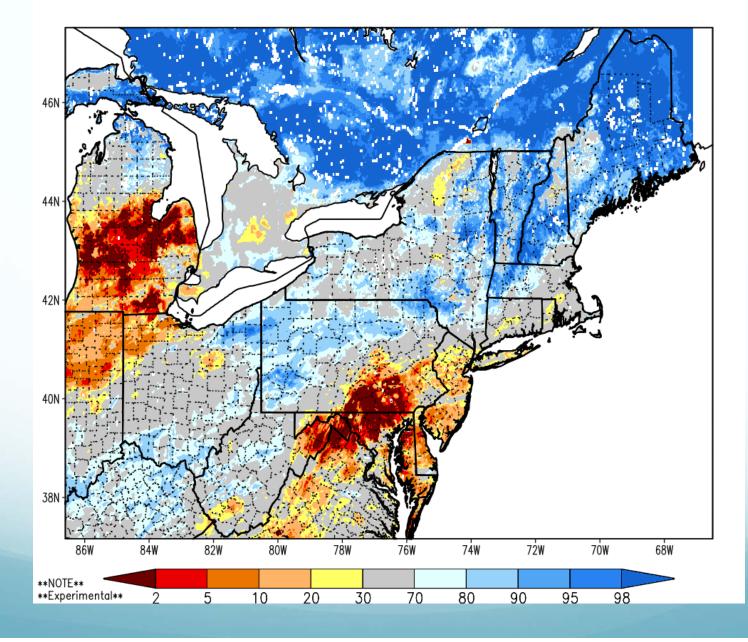


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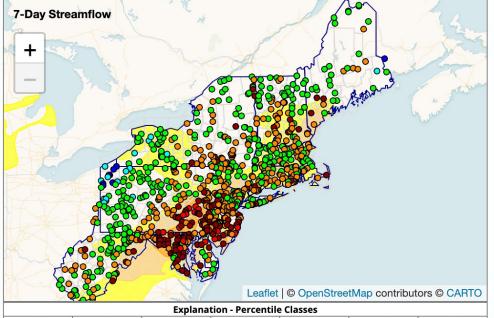
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SPoRT-LIS 0-100 cm Soil Moisture percentile valid 29 Apr 2025

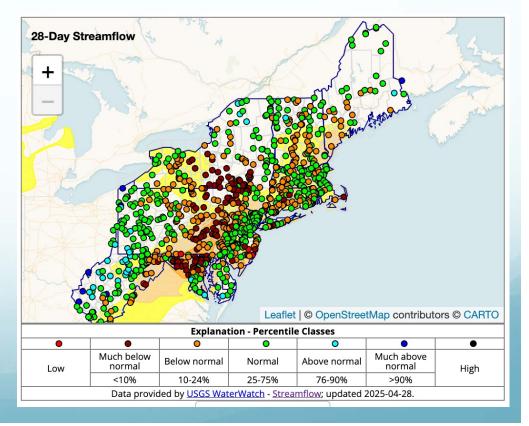




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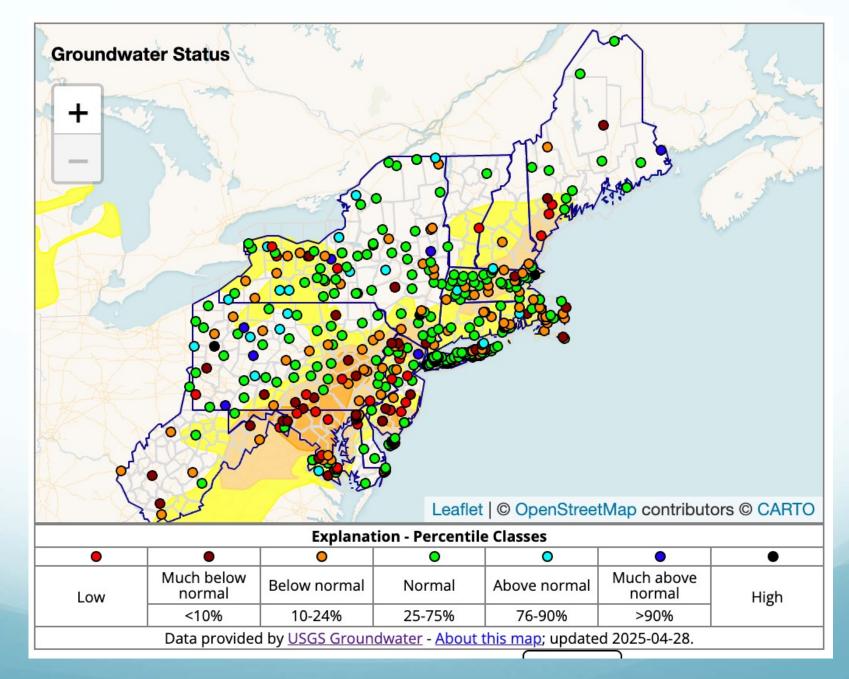


Explanation - Percentile Classes										
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Low	Much below normal	Below normal	Normal	Above normal	Much above normal	High				
	<10%	10-24%	25-75%	76-90%	>90%					
Data provided by <u>USGS WaterWatch</u> - <u>Streamflow</u> ; updated 2025-04-28.										



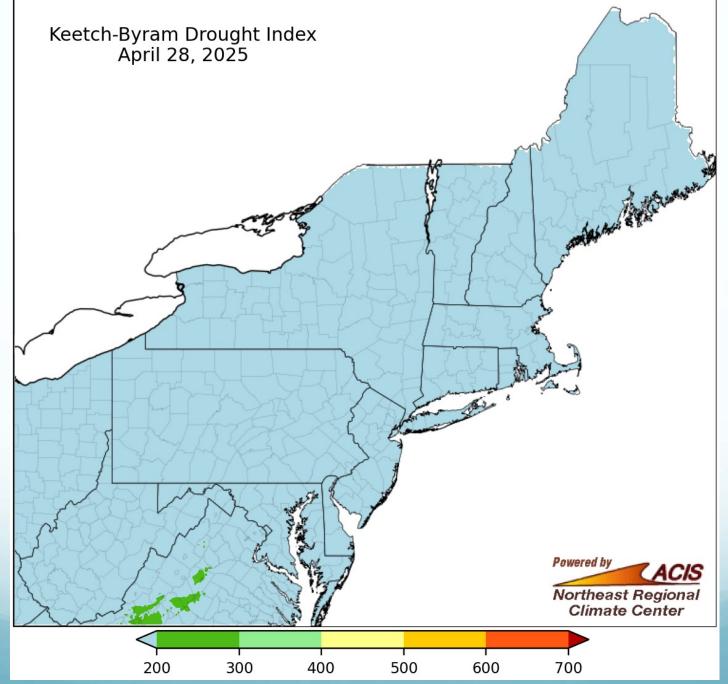


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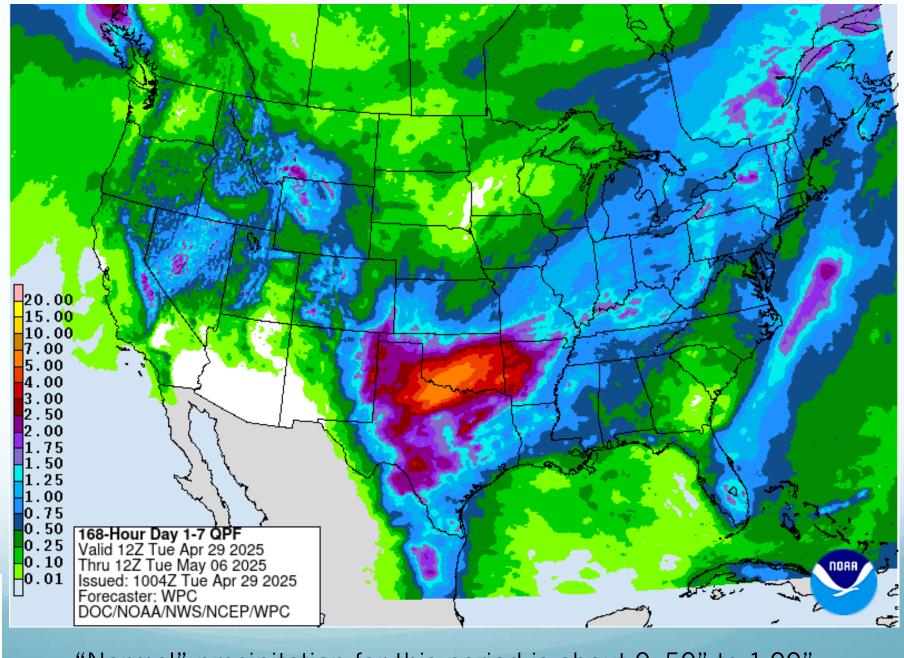


## Wildfire Risk





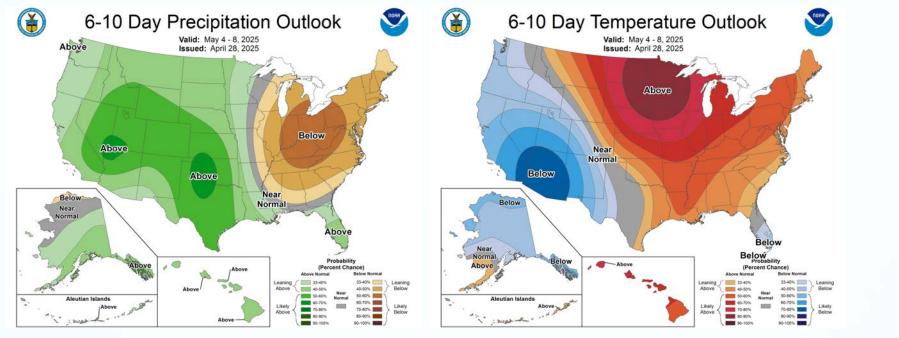
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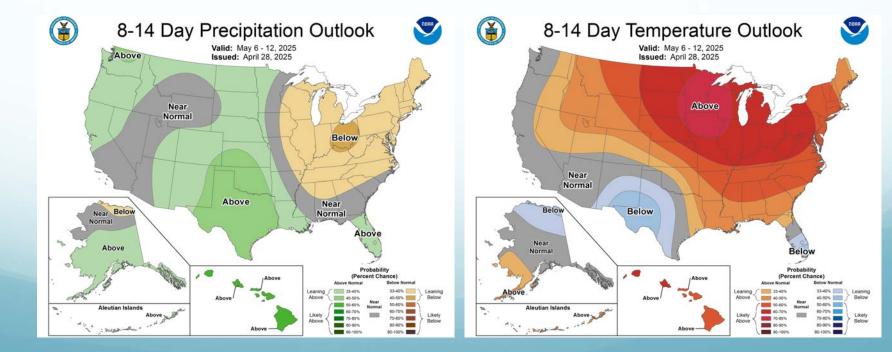


"Normal" precipitation for this period is about 0. 50" to 1.00"

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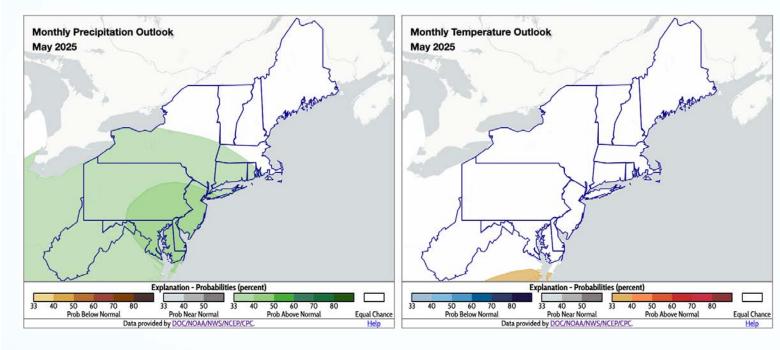
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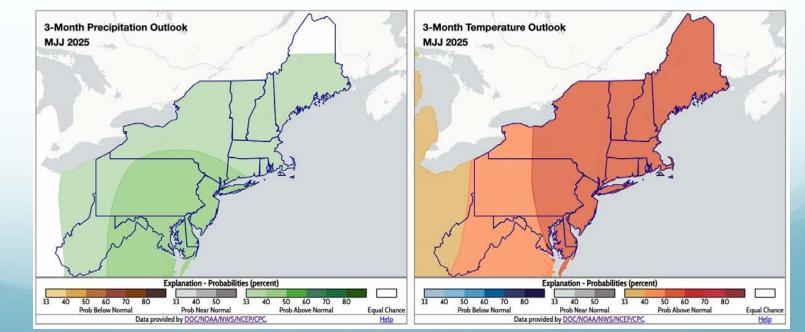






#### Monthly & 3-Month Outlooks



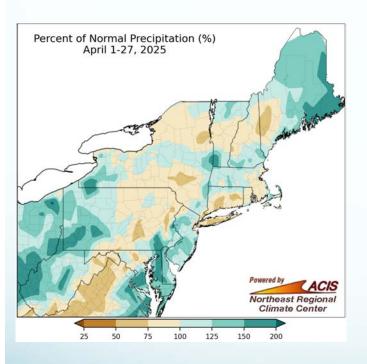




# Summary

#### April-to-date conditions:

- Cool start but warm end to April = above-normal temperatures for most areas
- Wet start but dry end to April = a range of precipitation amounts
- Below-normal snowfall for a majority of locations





#### Drought:

- Improvement in areas closer to the coast, driven by wet first half of April
- Deterioration or status quo for central parts of the Mid-Atlantic
- Below-normal or lower streamflow and/or groundwater levels observed

#### Outlooks:

- Short term: leaning dry and warm possible deterioration?
- May and May-July: tilt toward wet; equal chances for May temps but leaning warmer for May-July
- Entering time of year where more precipitation is needed to offset increasing evapotranspiration rates

# **Contact Information**

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# **Upcoming Webinars**

Switching to Zoom...more information to come!

- Thursday, May 29 at 9:30am EDT
  - TBD
- Thursday, June 26 at 9:30am EDT
  - Heat Outlook and Heat.gov Overview
- Thursday, July 31 at 9:30am EDT
  - TBD



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