Over the week of January 1-7. 2026, Indiana received below normal snowfall and rainfall. Northeastern Indiana received up to 0.1" of precipitation with isolated areas having received up to 0.75". The northern half of the state received trace to 1.5 inches of snow.

Mean temperatures for the week were near to above normal and ranged from 24.9 °F in northeast Indiana to 39.7°F in southwest Indiana. Departure from normal temperature ranged from -0.5 °F to 6.9 °F. The highest maximum temperature was 63 °F recorded in Evansville, and the lowest minimum was 3 °F in Randolph County on January 1, 2026.

Soil moisture data from the NASA SPORT Real-time 3km Land Information System ranges from 15% to 50% for the 0-100cm Relative Soil Moisture with an area with up to 55% available water in south-central and southeast Indiana. The lowest relative soil moistures are across the northern parts of the state.

4" soil water content from the Indiana Mesonet Data Hub on January 8, 2026, indicates a range of 6.6% (very sandy soil) to 40.2% available water with a statewide average of 32.0%.

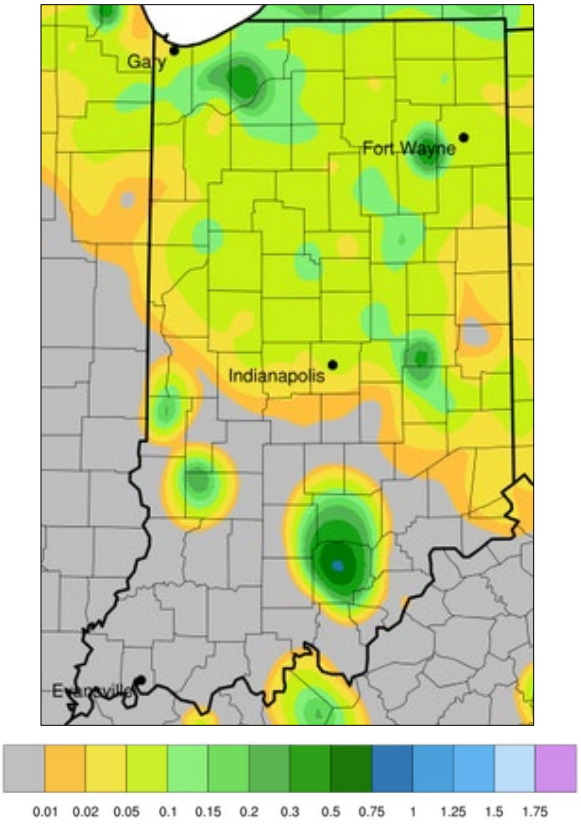

Figure 1. Accumulated precipitation (in.) for January 1-7, 2026, from MRCC.

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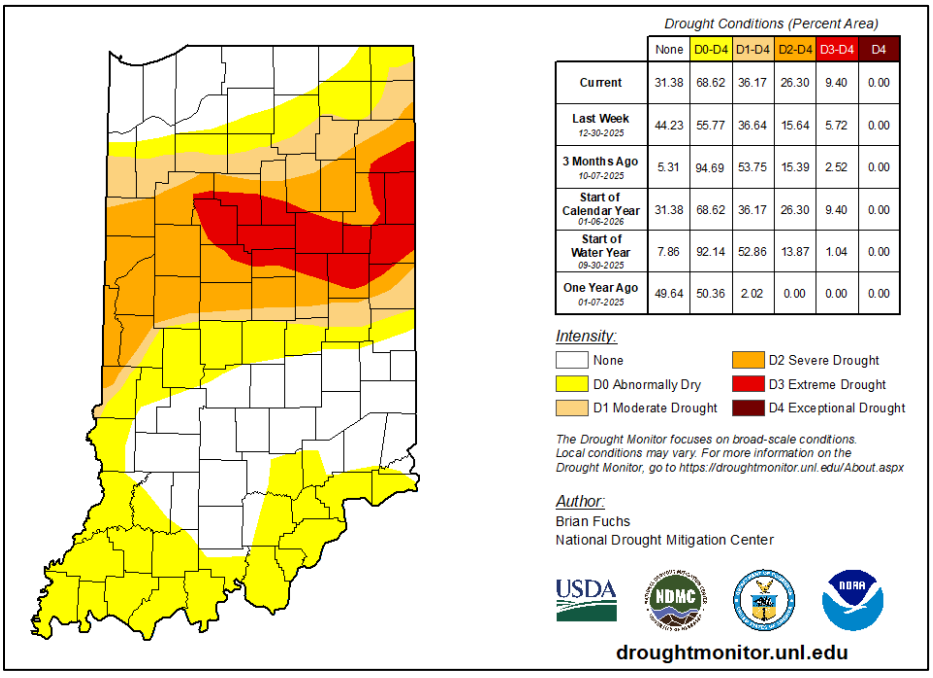


Figure 2. US Drought Monitor for the State of Indiana January 6, 2026.

The US Drought Monitor for the State of Indiana indicates further expansion of drought conditions across the state. Extreme drought conditions are identified in an area across north-central Indiana, from the eastern border towards the west. Severe drought conditions now extend towards to west-central border and are surrounded by moderate drought conditions. Abnormally dry conditions are indicated along the perimeter of northern drought areas and down the western border and up the Ohio River valley. Small areas in northwestern and eastern south-central Indiana indicate no drought.

Reservoir Levels as of January 8, 2026

Table 1. Reservoirs managed by United States Army Corp of Engineers.

Reservoir	Brookville	Cecil Harden	Cagles Mill	Monroe	Patoka	JE Roush	Salamonie	Mississinewa
Winter Pool[1]	740.0	640.0	636.0	538.0	532.0	737.0	730.0	712.0
Summer Pool[1]	748.0	662.0	639.5	538.0	536.0	749.0	755.0	737.0
Current Pool[1]	740.1	639.5	636.4	538.3	532.0	737.26	730.33	712.35
% Utilization[2]	0.30	-0.47	0.29	1.10	-2.43	0.1	0.1	0.1

Table 2. Reservoirs managed by Citizens Energy Group and NIPSCO**.*

Reservoir	Eagle Creek[3*]	Geist[3*]	Morse[3*]	Lake Freeman[4**]	Lake Schafer[4**]
Normal Pool	790	784.26	809.44	610.35	645.15
Current Pool	788.72	784.39	809.61	610.39	645.18
% Utilization[2]	-5.9%	--	--	--	--

[1]All units in feet and datum NGVD29

[2]Percent of designed flood storage utilized. The other named reservoirs are not designed for flood storage.

[3]All units in feet and datum NAVD88.

[4]All units in feet Local Datum.

Groundwater Monitoring Network as of January 8, 2026

Groundwater wells across the state range from low to above normal. Data is reported from the U.S. Geological Survey Ohio-Kentucky-Indiana Water Science Center.

Table 2. Groundwater level rankings relative to normal.

Low <5%		
Benton 4 Boone 17 Clark 20 Fulton 7 Grant 8 Jasper 13	Knox 7 La Porte 9 LaGrange 2 Marion 39 Noble 8 Pulaski 7	Randolph 3 Tippecanoe 18 Wells 4 Whitley 3
Much Below 5-10%	**Below 10-25%**	**Near Normal 25-75%**
Cass 3 Elkhart 4 Hamilton 7 Morgan 4 Posey 3 Vigo 7	Jefferson 5 Knox 8 Newton 8 Parke 6 Shelby 2 Wayne 6	Bartholomew 4 Decatur 2 Delaware 4 Harrison 8 Lake 13 Marion 35 Martin 5 Vanderburgh 7
Above 75-90%	**Much Above 90-95%**	**High >95%**
Grant 10	None	None

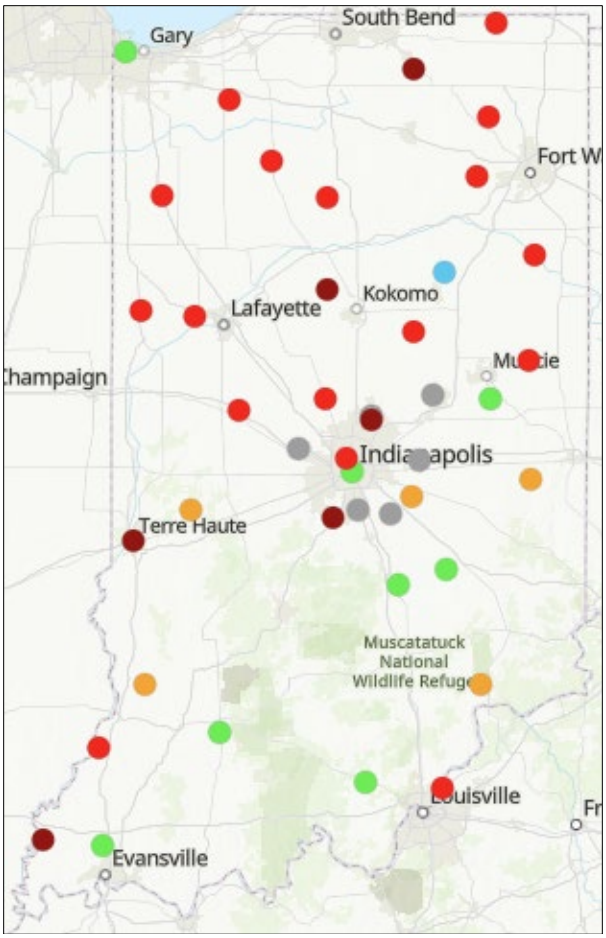


Figure 3. Map of USGS real-time groundwater monitoring wells.

Streamflow Conditions as of January 8, 2026

Streamflow conditions are generally normal to well below normal across the state. There are 23 gauges reporting normal conditions for the date. There are 4 reporting above normal, 0 reporting much above normal, 0 reporting an all-time high for the date, 60 reporting below normal, 27 reporting much below normal, and 11 reporting an all-time low for the date.

Currently, 52% of stream gauges indicate steady flow conditions; 18% are increasing and 25% are decreasing.

Average observed streamflow at real-time USGS observing sites over the past 7-days ending January 5, 2026, averaged 3% reporting an all-time low, 22% much below normal, 42% below normal, 31% near normal, 2% above normal, 0% much above normal, and 0% reporting an all-time high.

USGS and NWS reports 0 stream gauges in "action", "minor", "moderate", or "major" flood stage. The NWS Long Range Flood Outlooks indicates 26 gauges in southern and western Indiana have a 50% or greater chance of exceeding minor flood levels through March. One gauge in southwestern Indiana has a 65% chance of exceeding moderate flood levels through March.

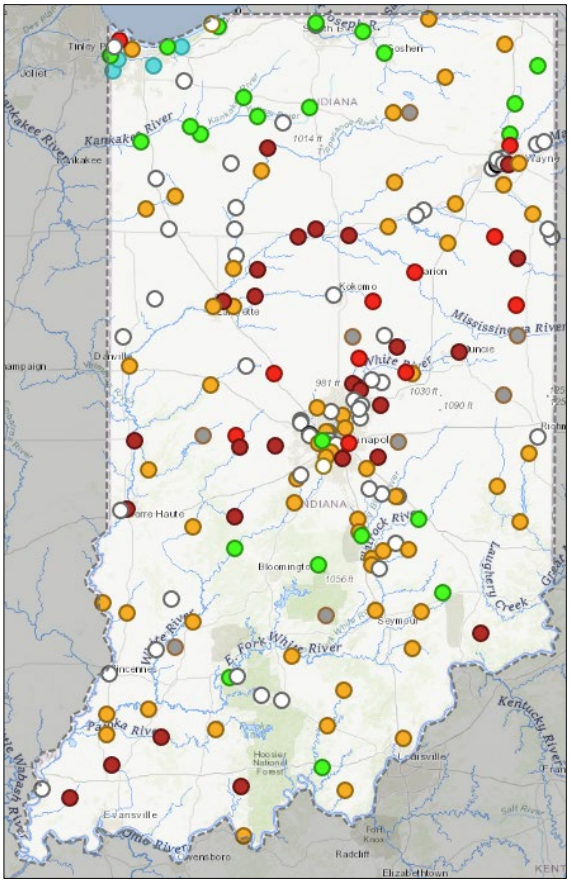


Figure 4. Map of USGS streamflow gauges for Indiana.

NOAA 7-Day Quantitative Precipitation Forecast

For January 8, 2026, the 7-Day Quantitative Precipitation Forecast valid for January 9-16, 2026, predicts 0.25-1.00" with the highest amounts in the northwestern portion of the state. Precipitation is expected to occur during the earlier portion of the week.

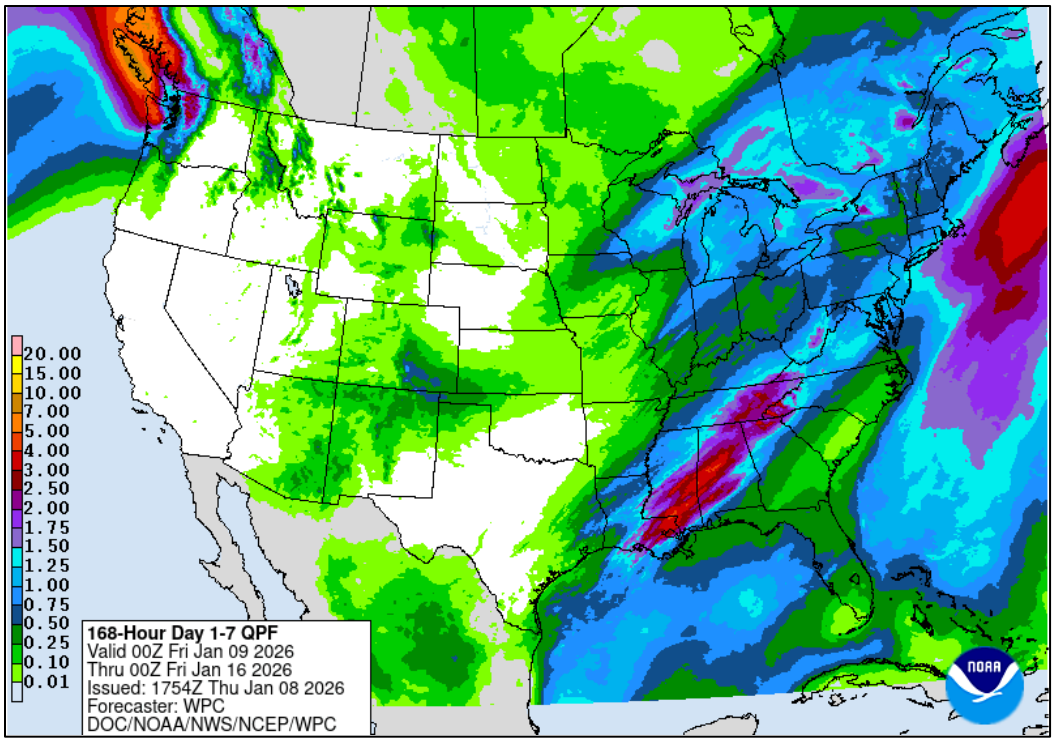
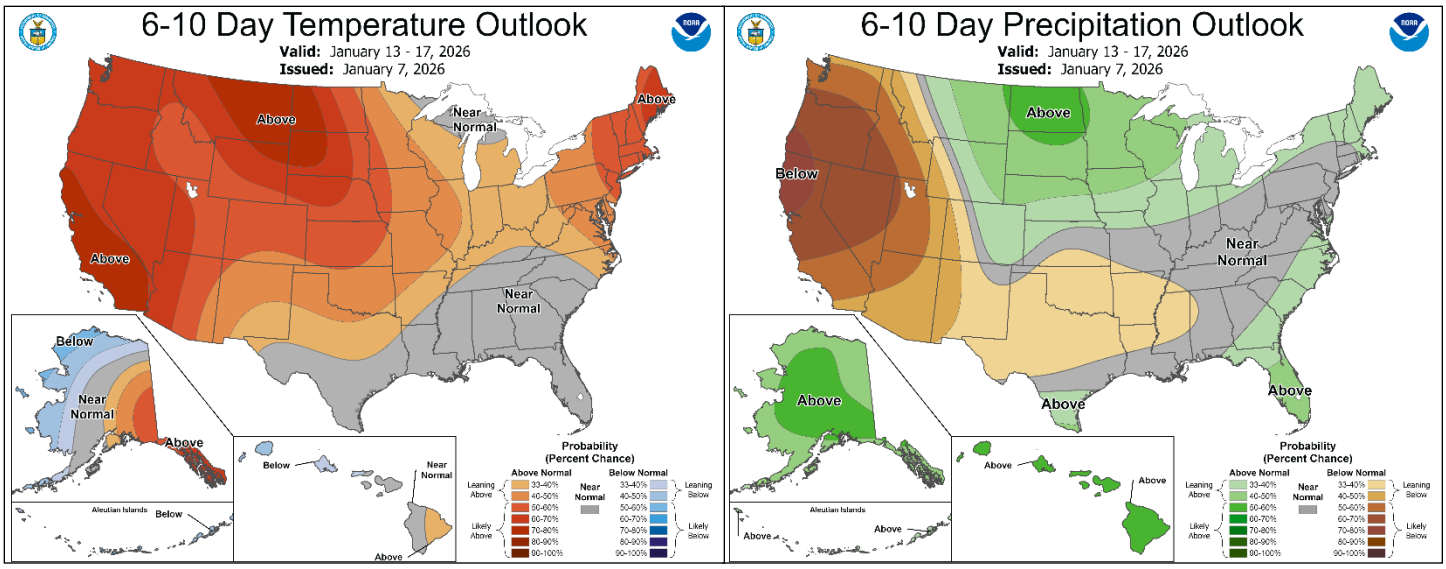


Figure 5. NOAA 7-Day Quantitative Precipitation Forecast, January 8, 2026.

NOAA National Weather Service 6-10 Day Outlook

The 6-10 Day Temperature Outlook for January 13-17, 2026, projects a 33-40% chance of above normal temperature conditions for the entire state. The 6-10 Day Precipitation Outlook projects near normal conditions for the southern half of the state and a 33-40% chance of above normal precipitation in the northern half of the state.



Figures 6-7. 6-10 Day Temperature and Precipitation Outlook for the US

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