



# Drought Information Statement for Arkansas

Valid September 25, 2025

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- This product will be updated monthly or sooner if drought conditions change significantly.
  - Please see all currently available products at <https://drought.gov/drought-information-statements>.
  - Please visit <https://www.weather.gov/LZK/DroughtInformationStatement> for previous statements.
  - Please visit [https://www.drought.gov/drought-status-updates/?dews\\_region=131](https://www.drought.gov/drought-status-updates/?dews_region=131) for regional drought status updates.
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- Drought conditions exist over half of the state.



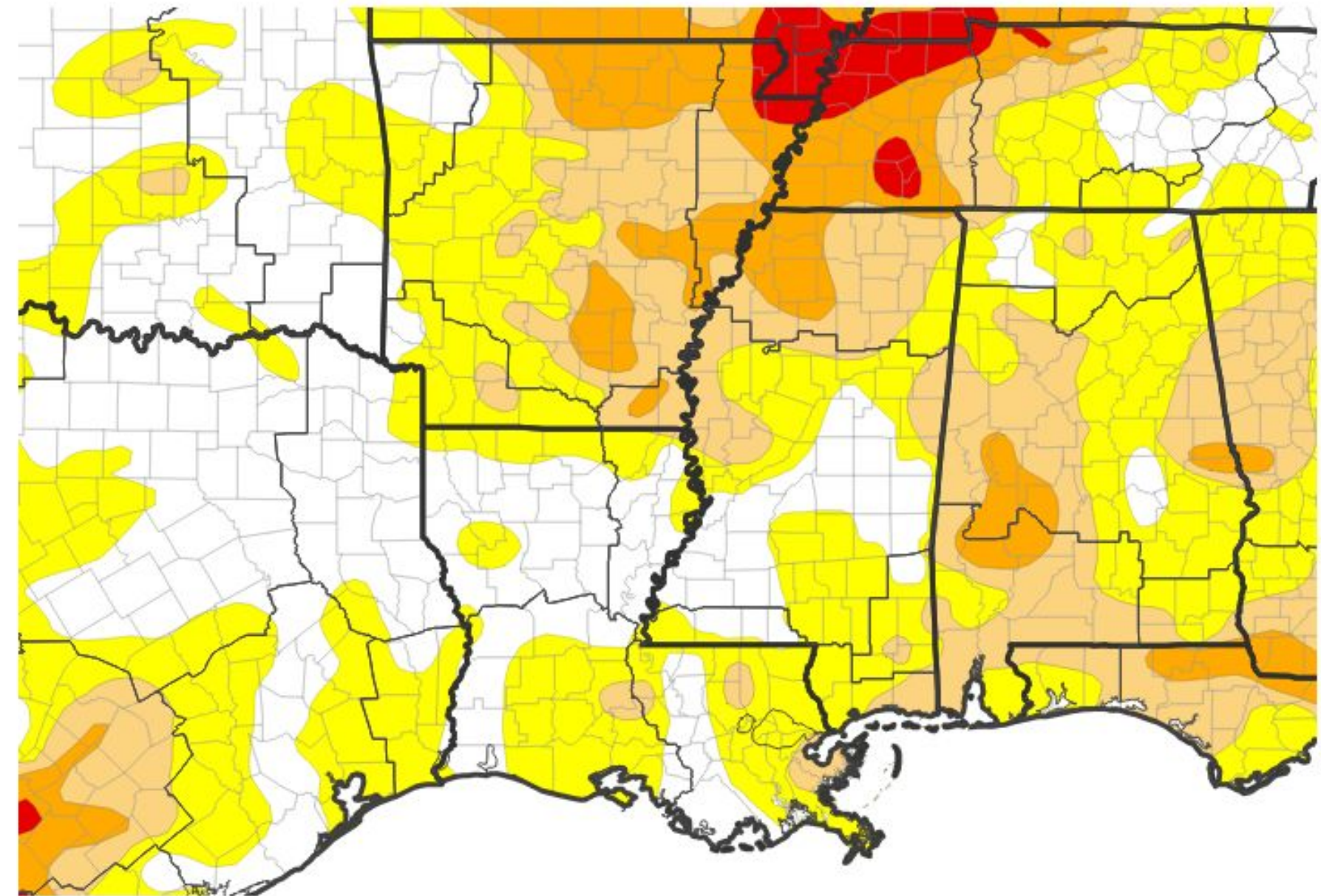


Link to the [latest U.S. Drought Monitor](#) for Arkansas

## Drought Intensity and Extent

- **D4 (Exceptional Drought)**  
None
- **D3 (Extreme Drought)**  
Small portion of northeast Arkansas (~2% of the state).
- **D2 (Severe Drought)**  
Much of northern, and portions of central and southeast Arkansas (~23% of the state)
- **D1 (Moderate Drought)**  
Portions of central and southeast Arkansas (~31% of Arkansas)
- **D0 (Abnormally Dry)**  
Much of western Arkansas (36.5%)

U.S. Drought Monitor



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# Recent Change in Drought Intensity

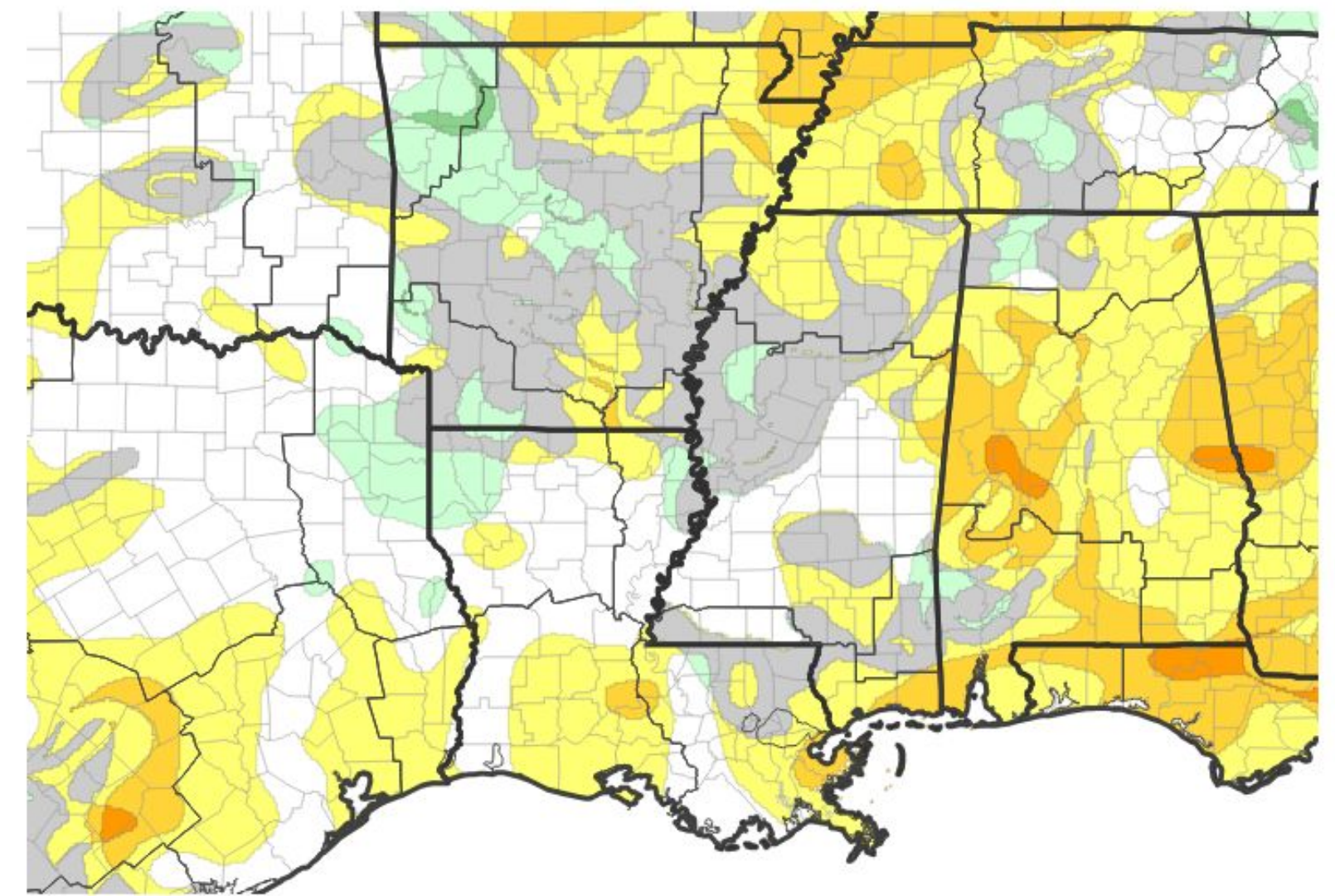
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Link to the latest [1-month change map](#) for Arkansas.

## 4-Week Drought Monitor Class Change.

- **Drought Worsened:**  
Portions of northern and southern Arkansas
- **Drought Improved:**  
Portions of northwest and central Arkansas.
- **No Change:**  
Southwest and southeast Arkansas.

U.S. Drought Monitor 4-Week Change Map



Drought Degradation



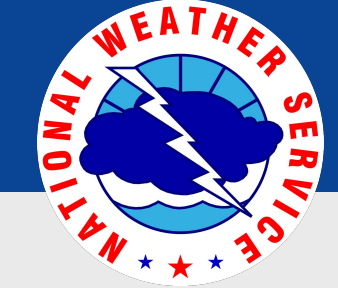
Drought Improvement



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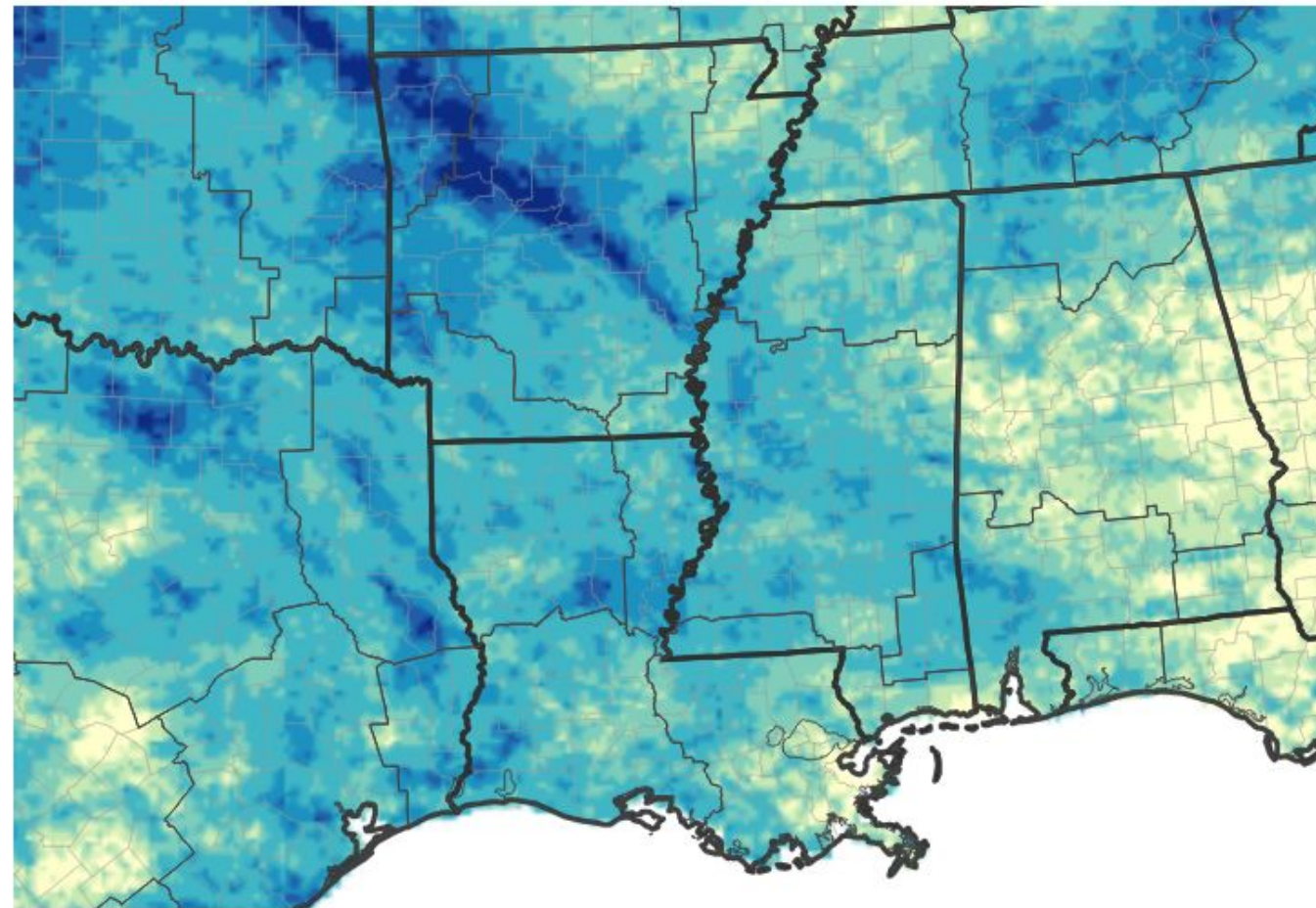


# Precipitation

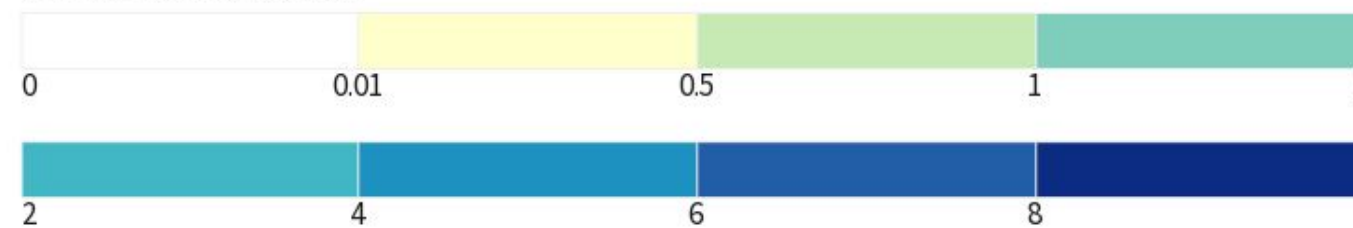
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30-day precipitation totals, over 8 inches across portions of northwest and central Arkansas.

NWPS 30-Day Precipitation Accumulations (inches)



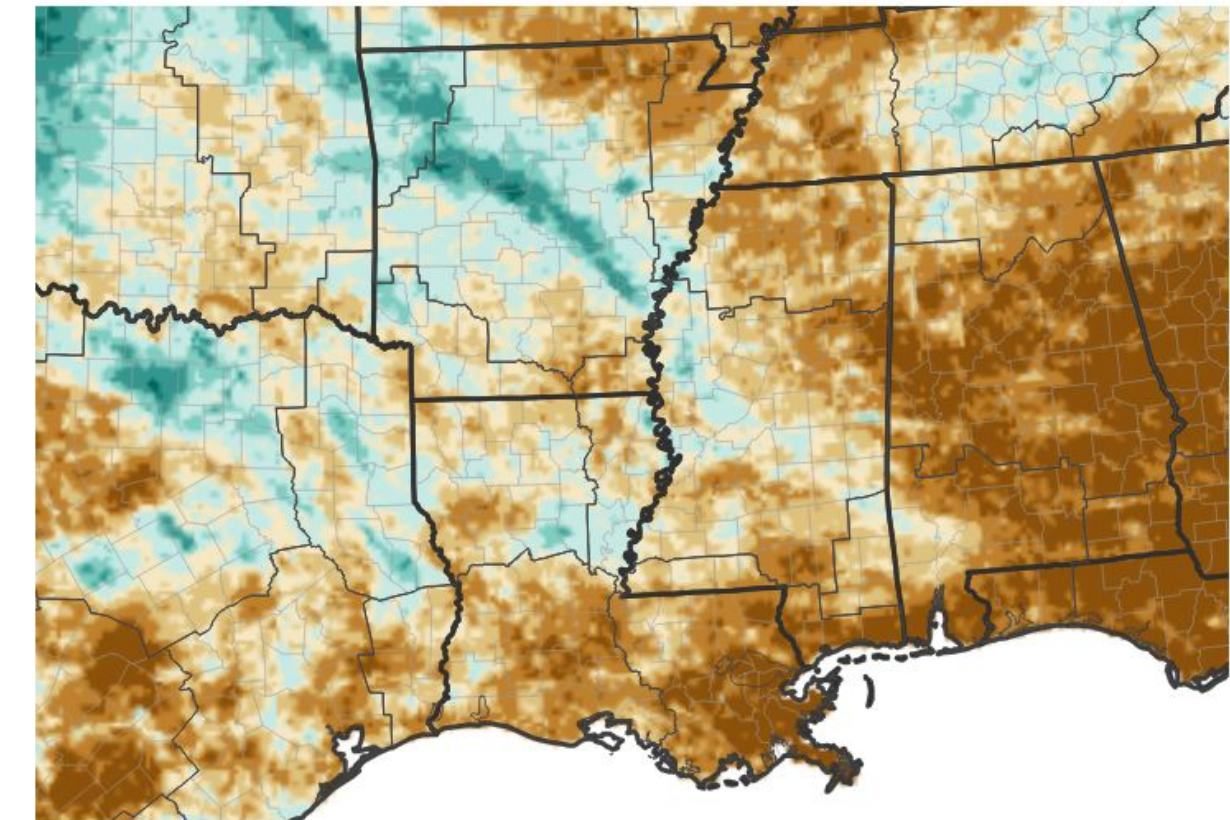
Inches of Precipitation



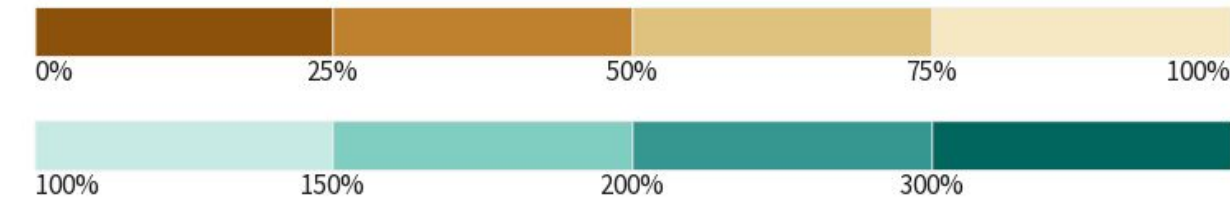
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30-Day Precipitation: Percent of PRISM Normal



Precipitation Shown as a Percentage of Normal Conditions



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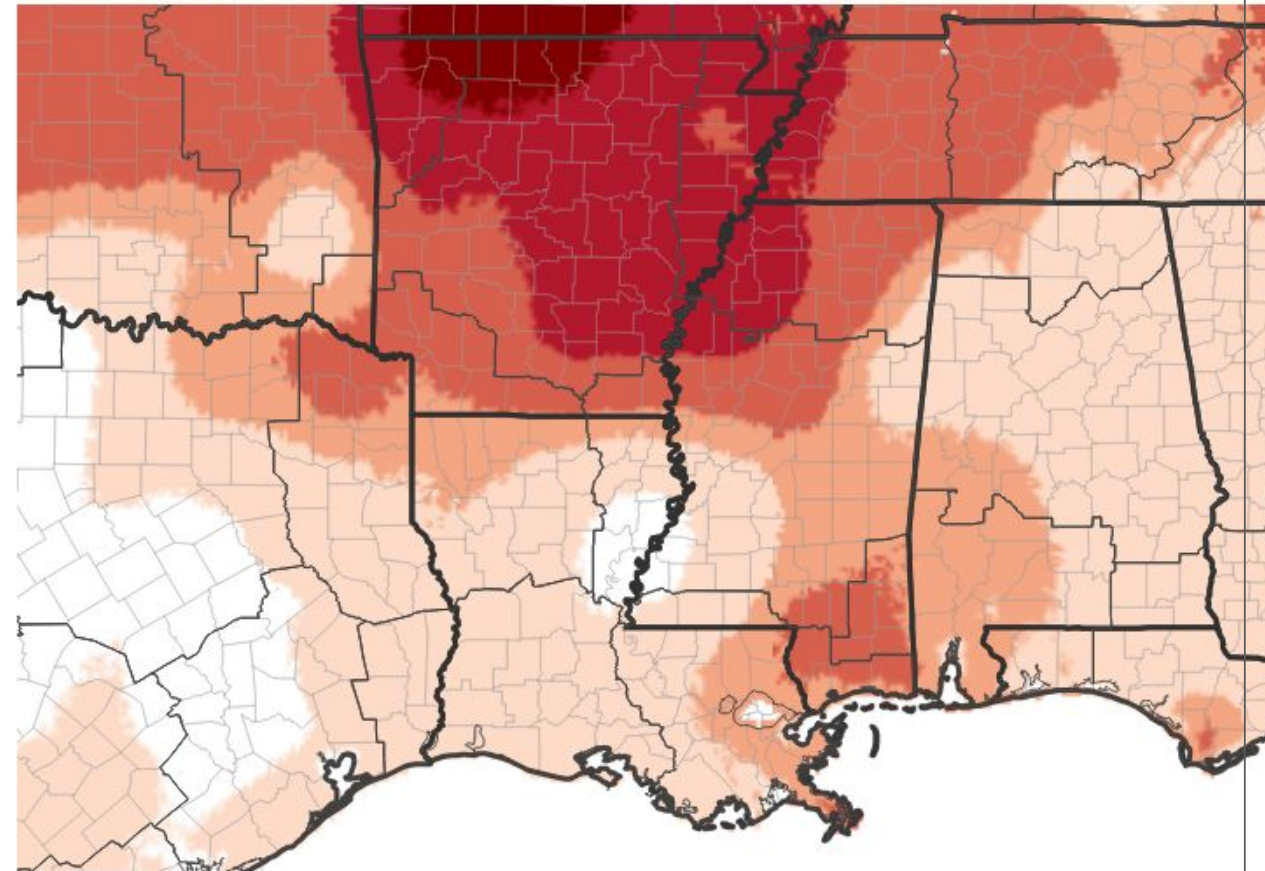


# Temperature

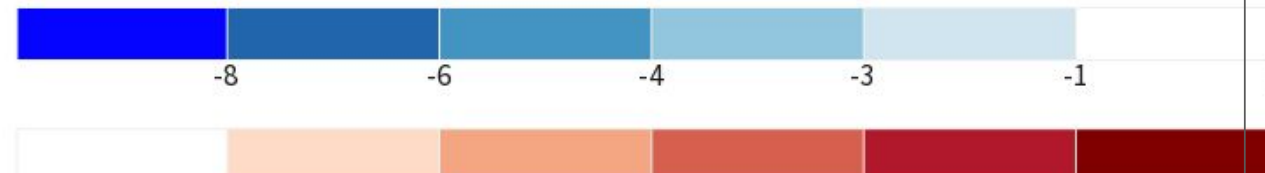
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- 7 day temperatures above normal.
- 30-day temperature anomalies above normal.

### 7-Day Temperature Anomaly



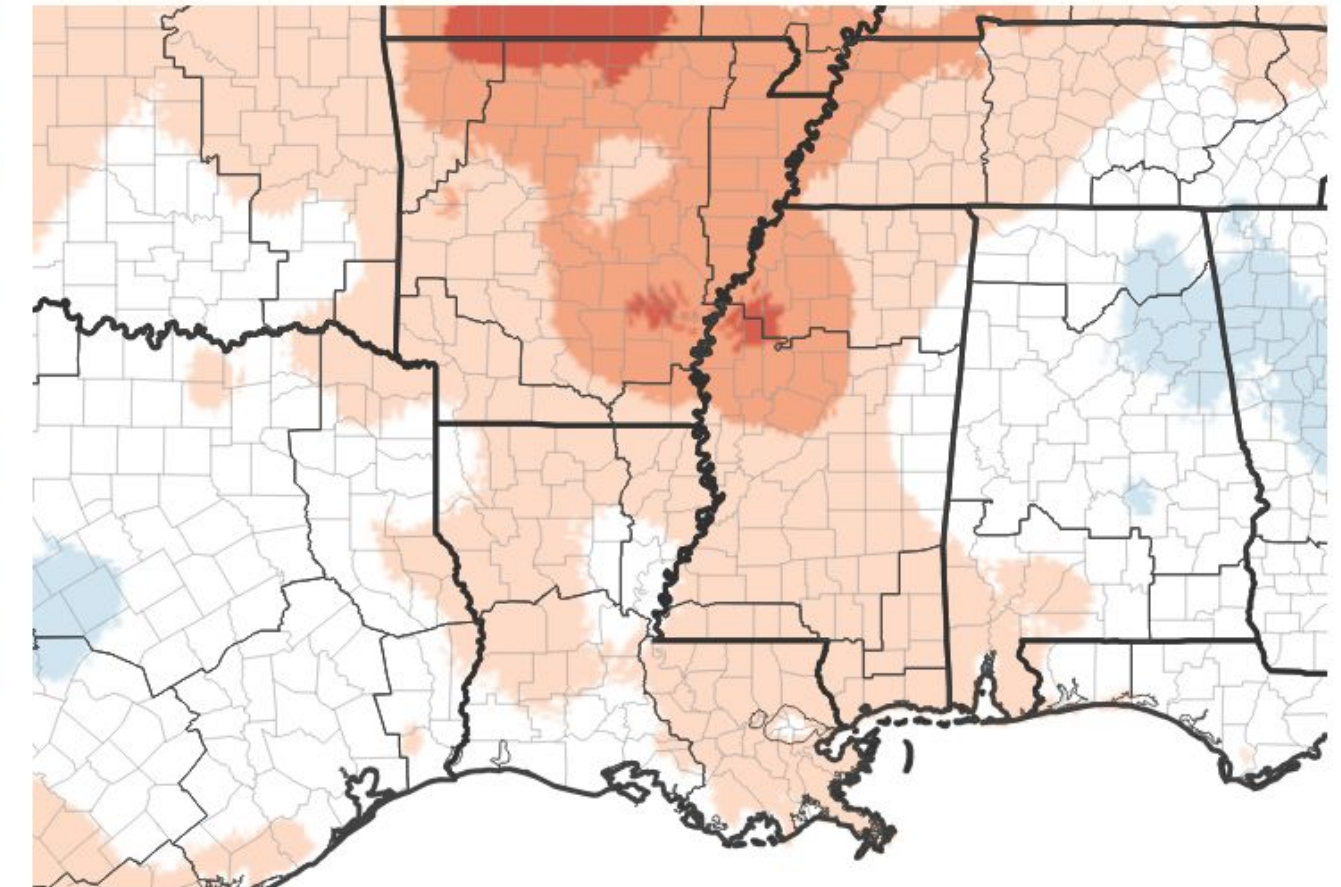
Departure from Normal Max Temperature (°F)



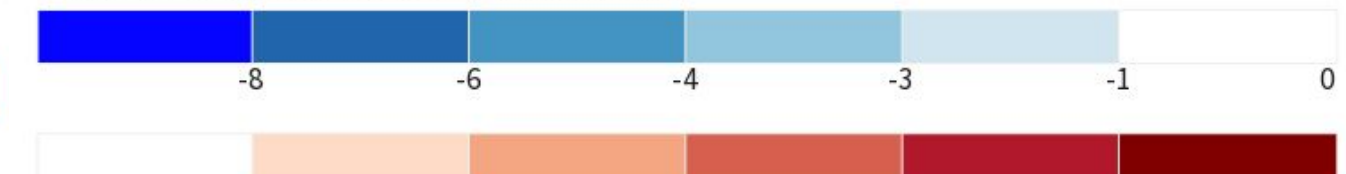
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### 30-Day Temperature Anomaly



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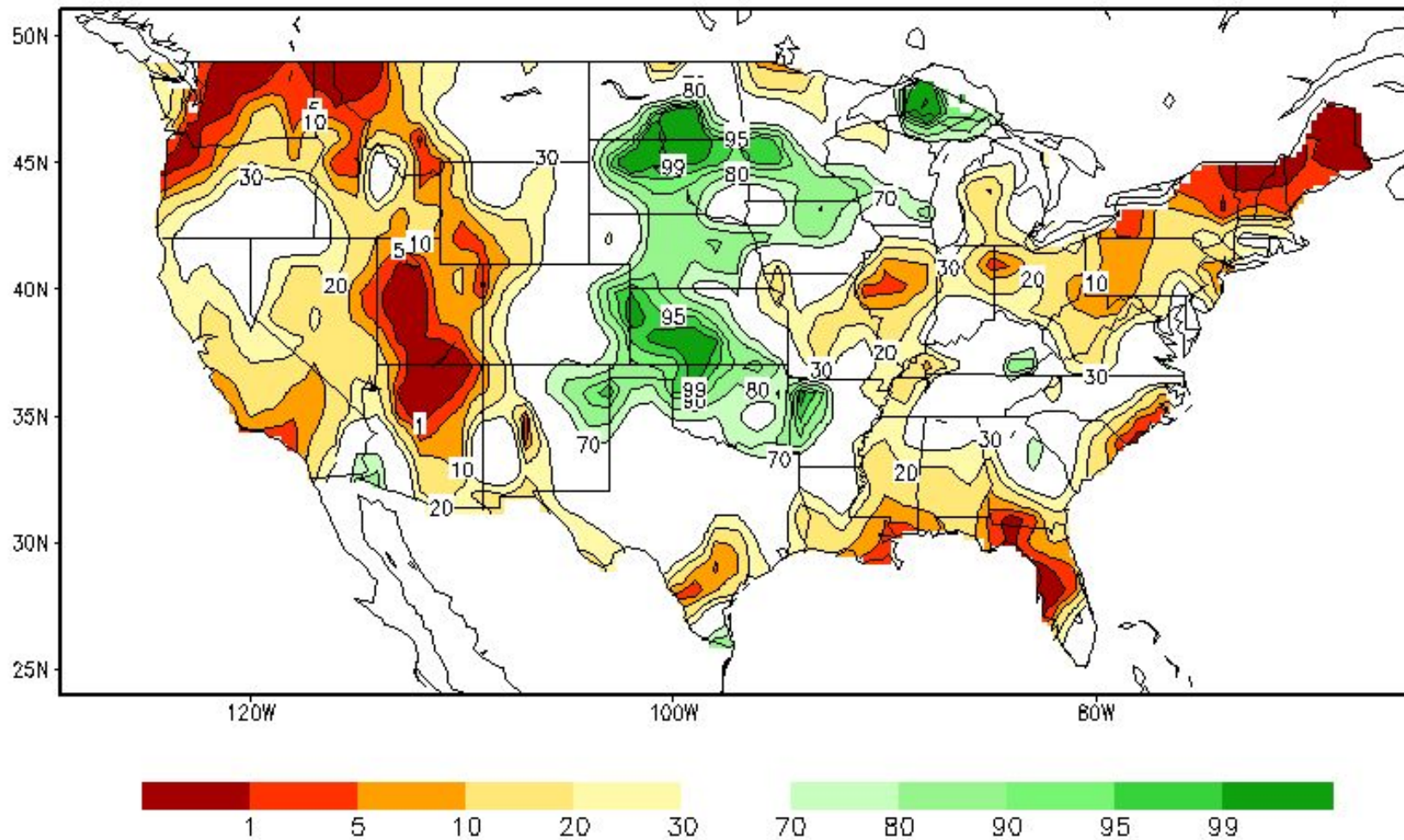




# Agricultural Impacts

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Calculated Soil Moisture Ranking Percentile  
SEP 24, 2025



Drought Severity Index  
Value for the September 14 - 20, 2025  
Long Term Palmer

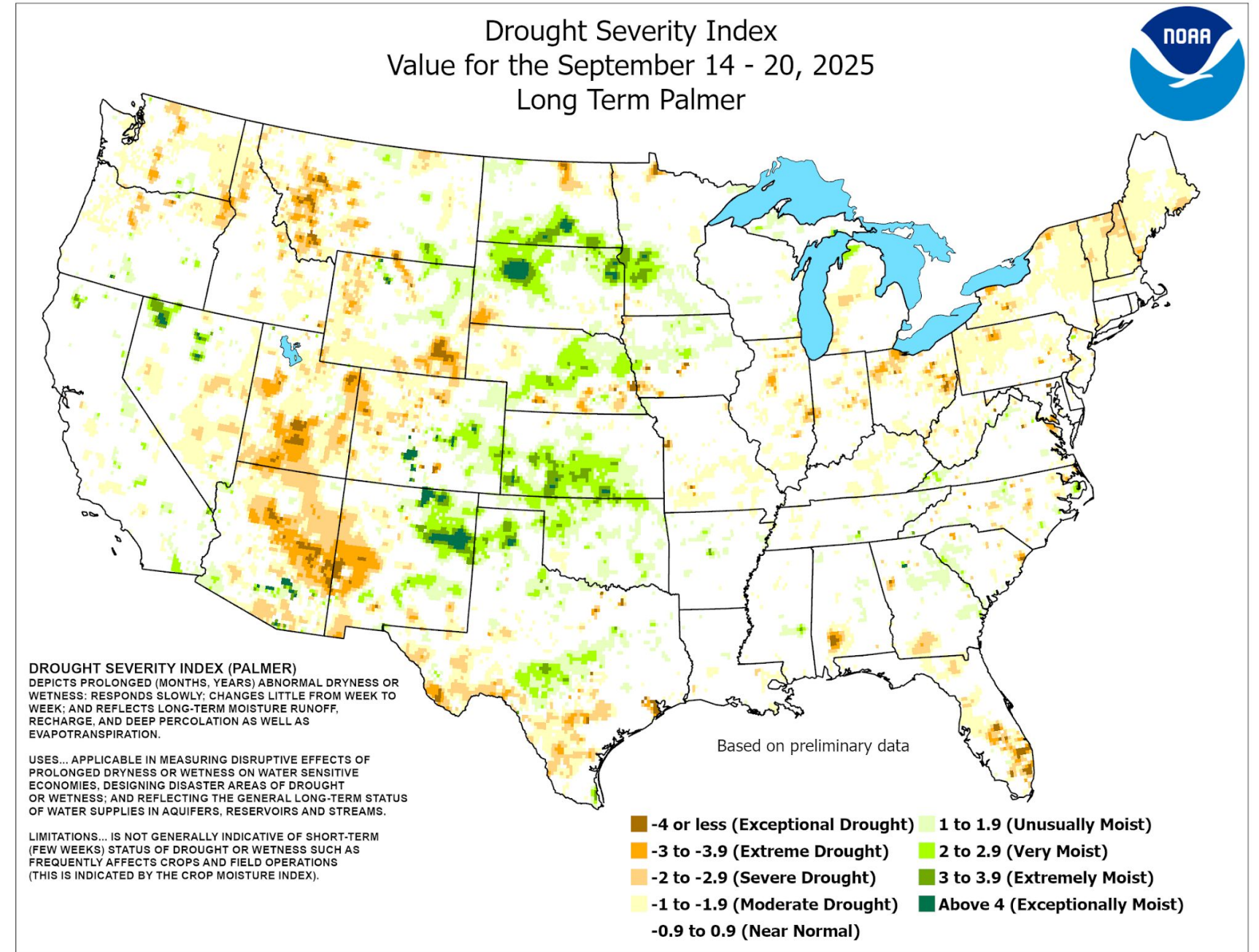


Image Captions:

Left: CPC Calculated [Soil Moisture Ranking Percentile](#) valid August 24, 2025

Right: [Palmer Drought Severity Index](#). Weekly value for period ending August 20, 2025



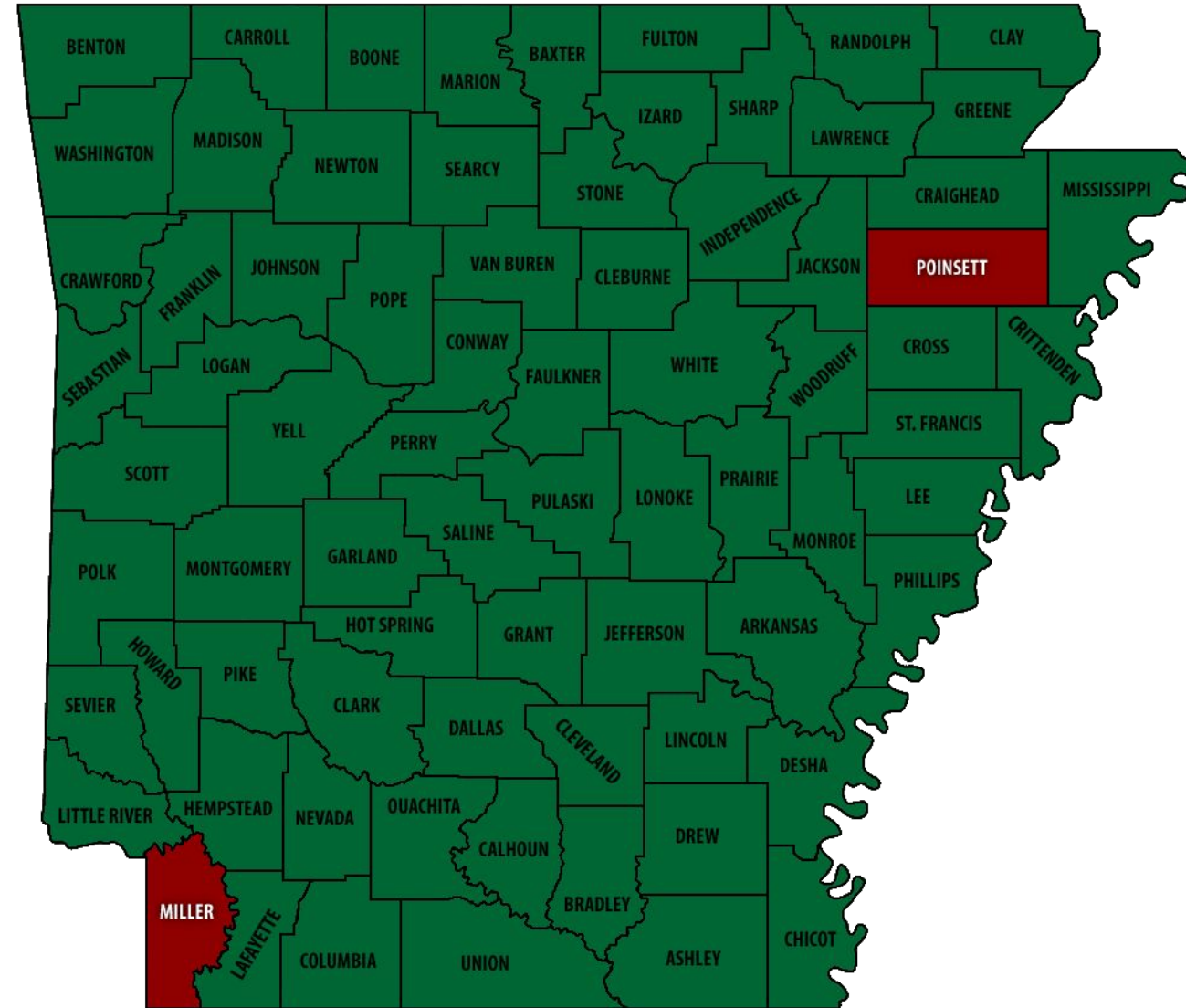


# Fire Hazard Impacts

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Link to [Wildfire Potential Outlooks from the National Interagency Coordination Center](#).

Latest Arkansas Burn Ban map available [here](#)



- Red = burn ban in effect

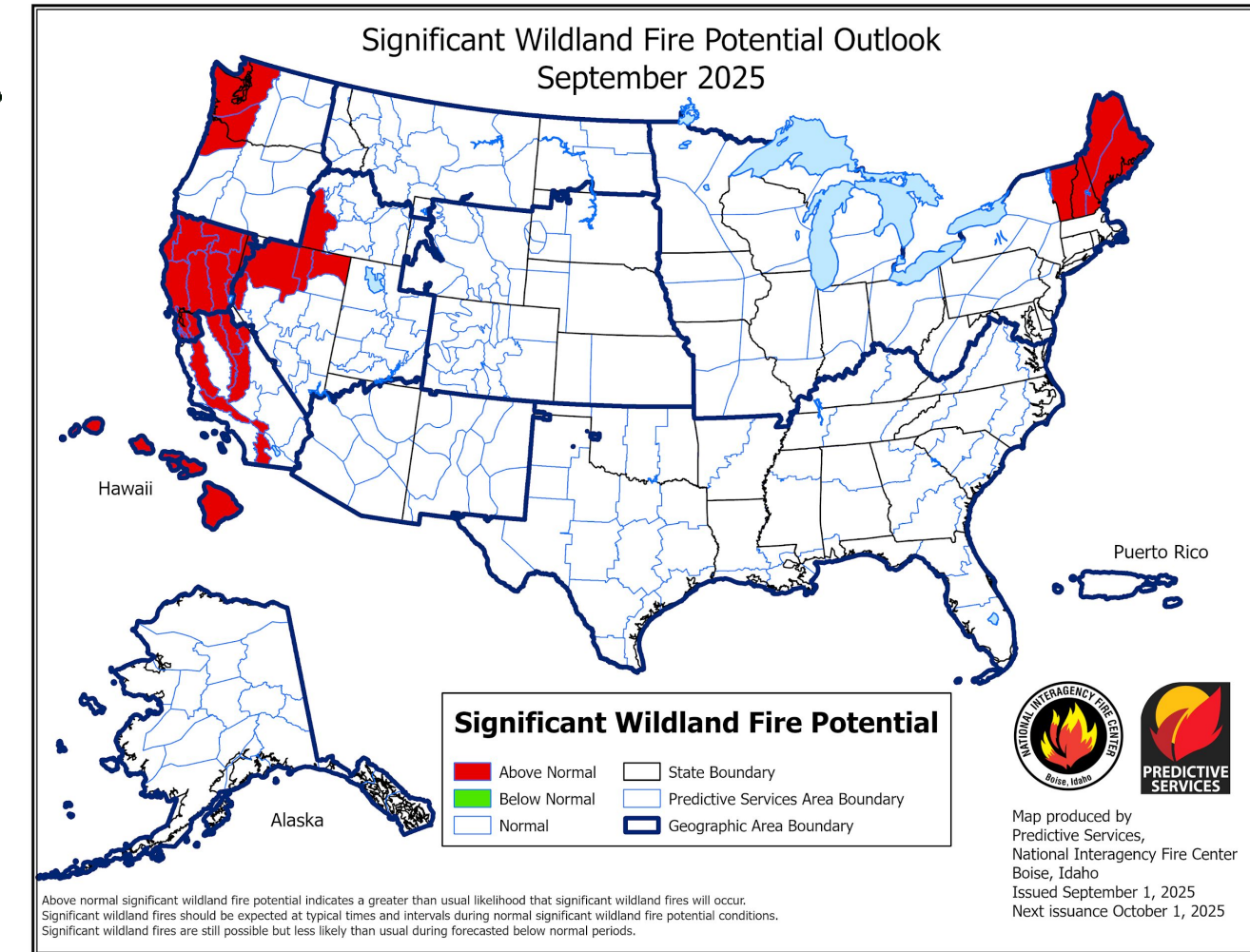


Image Caption: [Significant Wildland Fire Potential Monthly Outlook](#) for September 2025



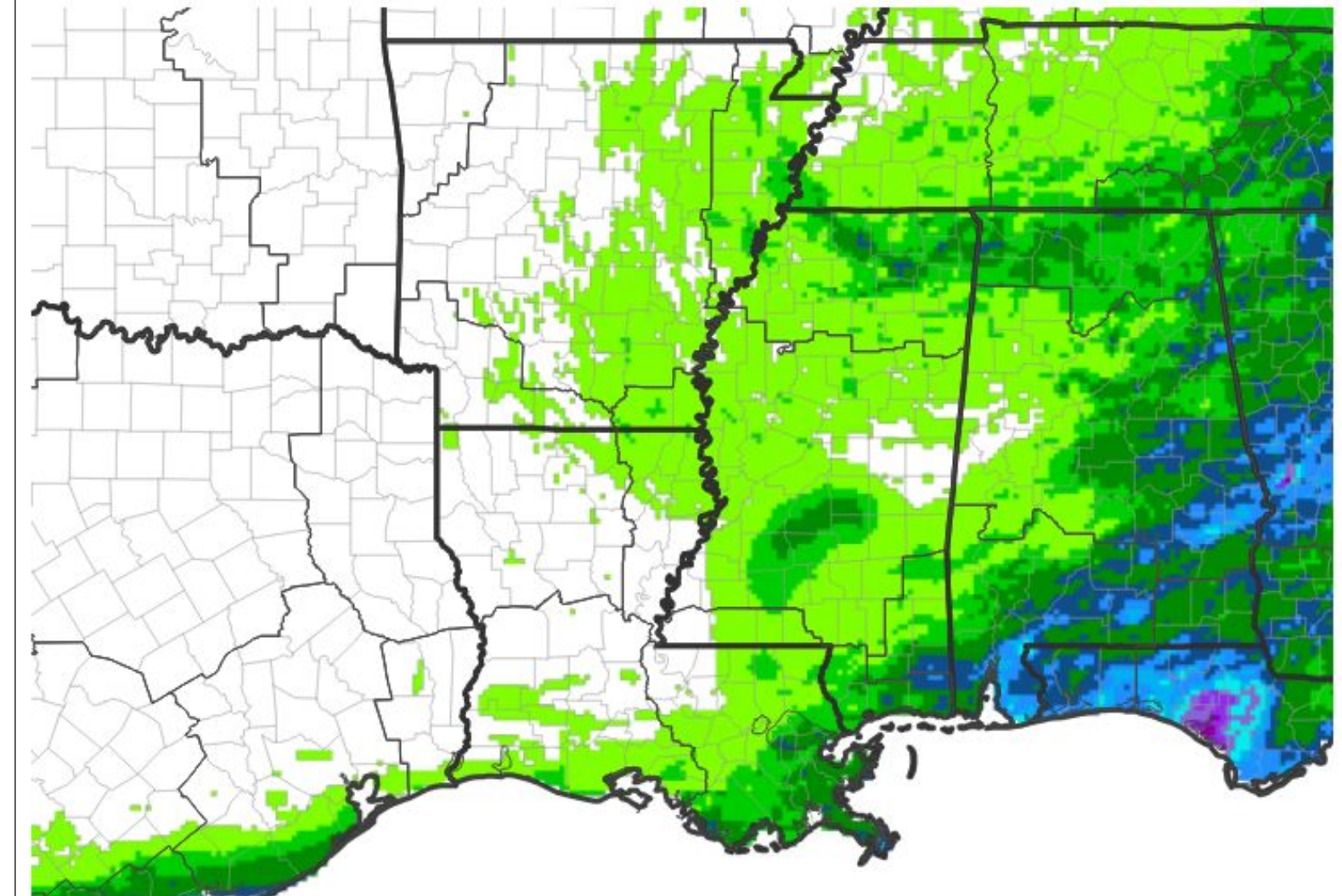


# Seven Day Precipitation Forecast

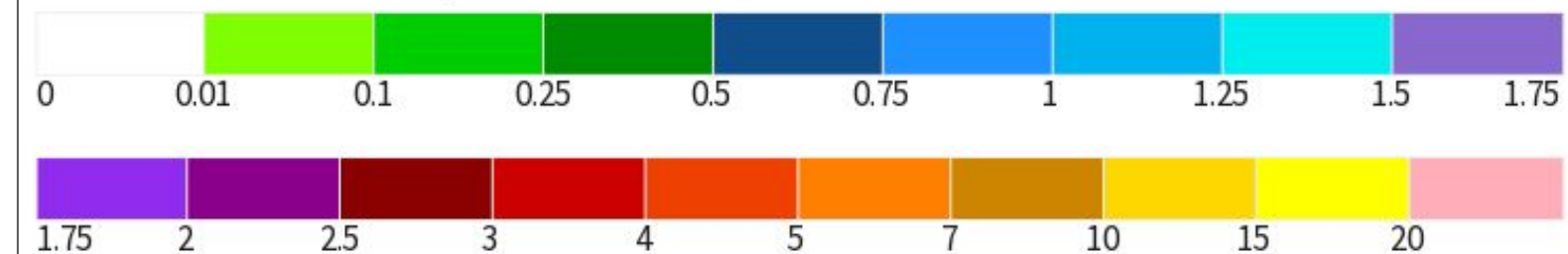
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- Generally light precipitation amounts are expected.

7-Day Quantitative Precipitation Forecast for September 25, 2025–October 2, 2025



Predicted Inches of Precipitation



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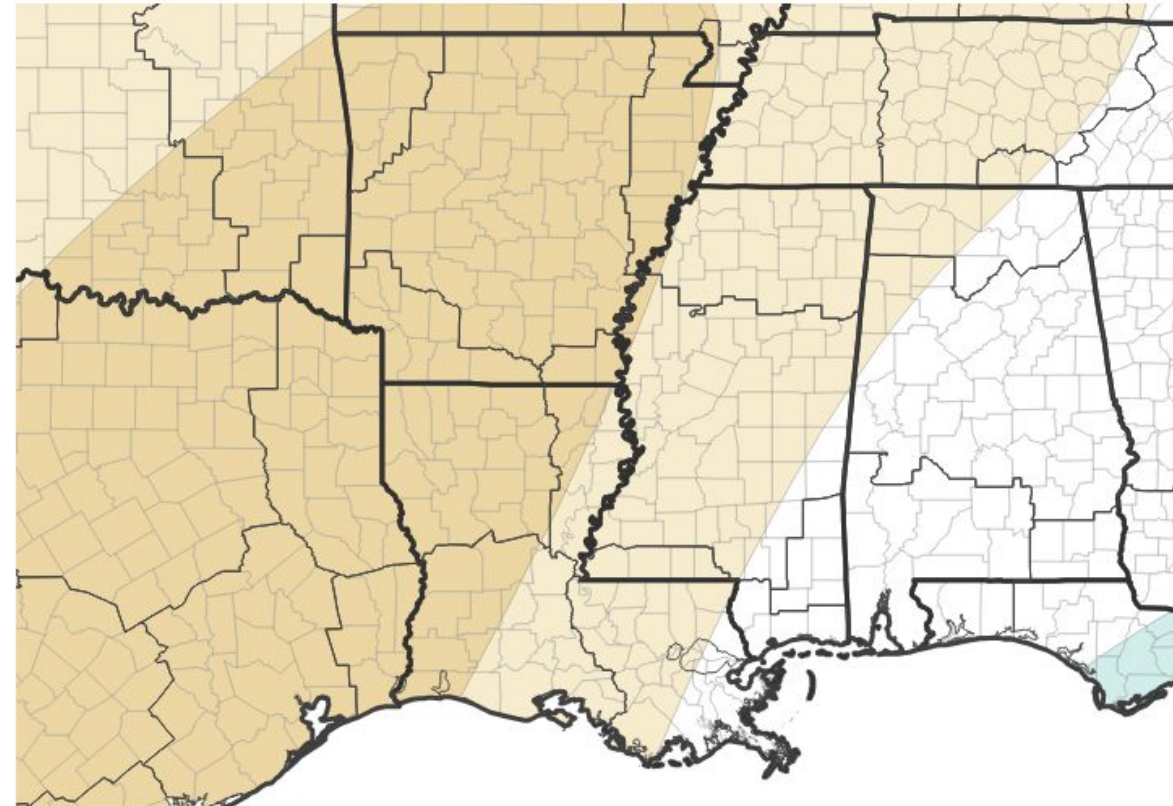
# Long-Range Outlooks

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The latest monthly and seasonal outlooks can be found on the [CPC homepage](#)

- Precipitation forecasts higher chances for below normal temperatures.
- Temperature forecasts generally indicate higher chances for above normal temperatures

Monthly Precipitation Outlook for October 1, 2025–October 31, 2025



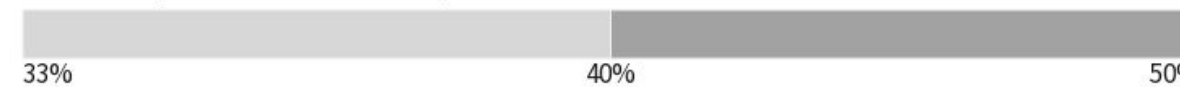
Probability of Below-Normal Precipitation



Probability of Above-Normal Precipitation

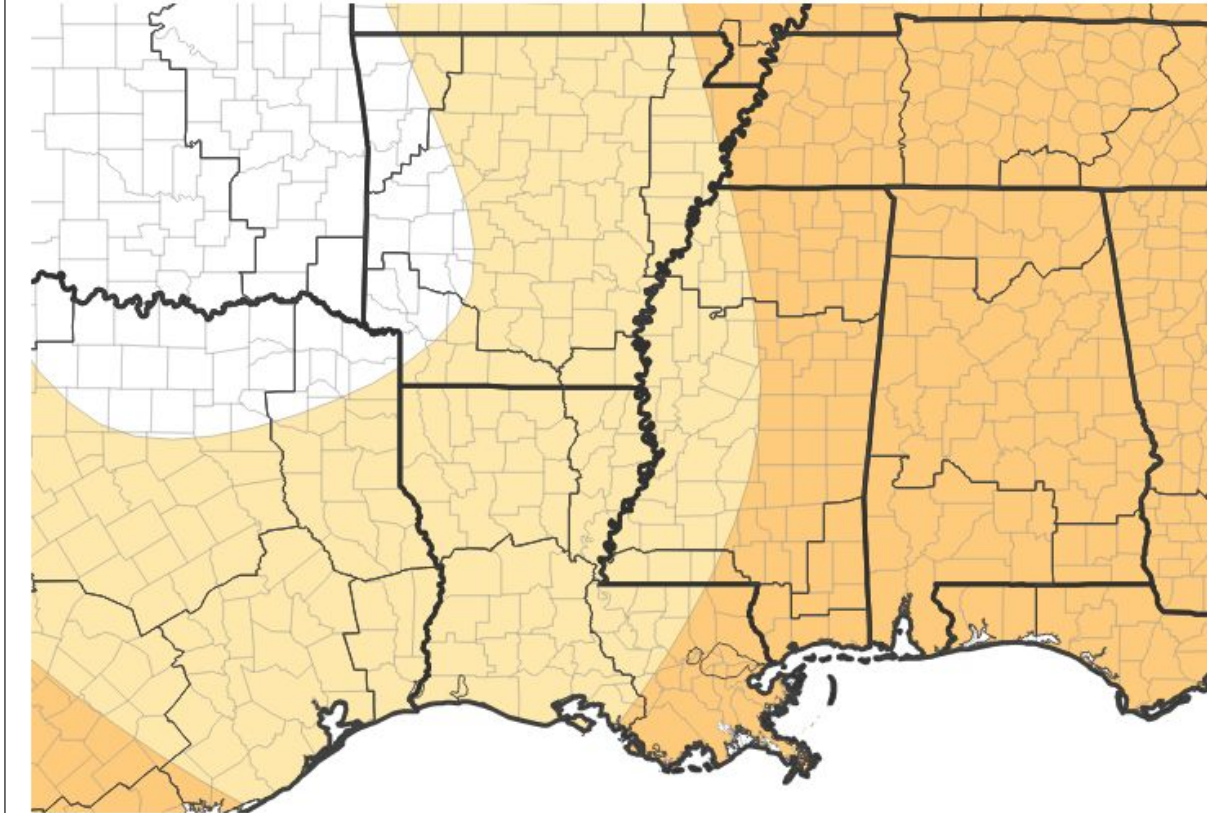


Probability of Near-Normal Precipitation

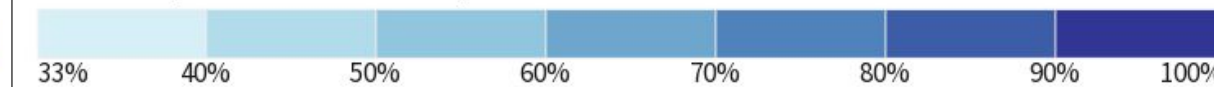


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Monthly Temperature Outlook for October 1, 2025–October 31, 2025



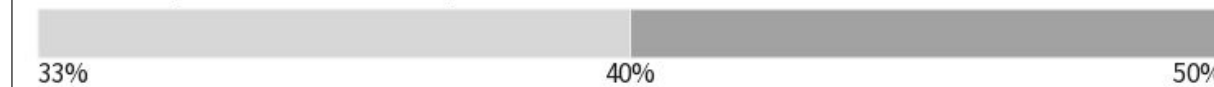
Probability of Below-Normal Temperatures



Probability of Above-Normal Temperatures



Probability of Near-Normal Temperatures



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