Tennessee Drought Update

For the assessment period ending June 30, 2026

This Week's Drought Monitor of Tennessee Map

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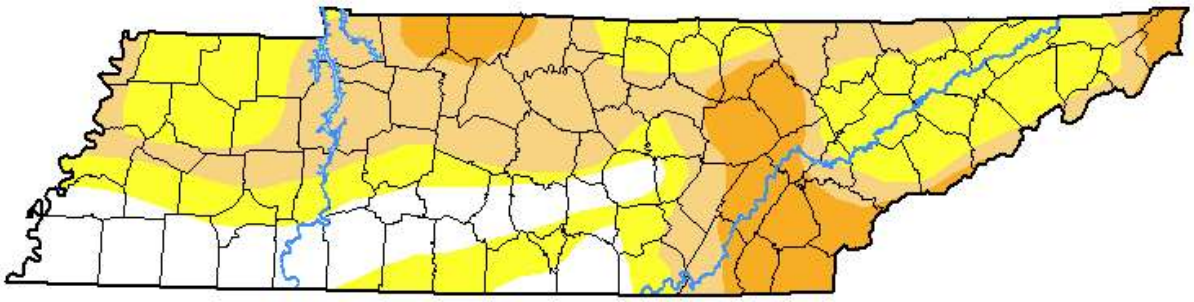
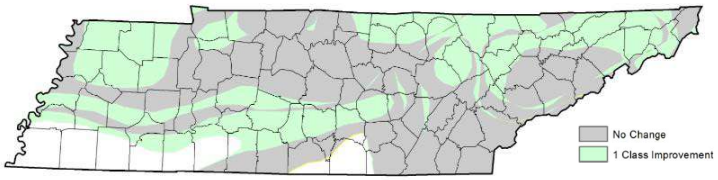


Most of the state, except for areas along the KY border and a small area of southeast TN, had normal or above normal rainfall this week and there were several areas of improvement.

Change Since Last Week



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Statewide Condition Summary

What's Changed? Northern parts of the Cumberland Plateau and East TN received heavy rainfall (>2") over the past drought monitoring period (06/23–06/30). Other areas of the state had some light rainfall but still saw improvements in drought conditions based on the wetter than normal pattern of the past few weeks. High temperatures were a bit below normal statewide this past week.

What's New? The last remaining area of Extreme Drought (D3) was removed from the Cumberland Plateau, and some areas of Severe Drought (D2) were removed in other parts of Middle and East TN. Moderate Drought (D1) areas were reduced across the state. The percent of the state shown in Abnormally Dry (D0) conditions increased, but that was based on areas of D1 improving to D0.

What's Next? Scattered storms are expected to produce light to moderate rainfall totals across the state over the next drought monitoring period (06/30–07/07) with the heaviest amounts (0.75-1.25") forecasted in western portions of the state. High temperatures have been well above normal the past two days and are expected to remain above normal for the rest of the period. Based on high heat and normal to below normal rainfall, drought conditions will likely remain the same next week, with some areas of degradation possible.

Statewide Coverage By Category

Category	Coverage This Week	Change Since Last Week
D0: Abnormally Dry	36.51%	+13.55%
D1: Moderate Drought	31.94%	-16.40%
D2: Severe Drought	13.13%	-3.59%
D3: Extreme Drought	**0.00%**	**-1.68%**
D4: Exceptional Drought	**0.00%**	**0.00%**