CariCOF Drought Outlook By the end of July 2025

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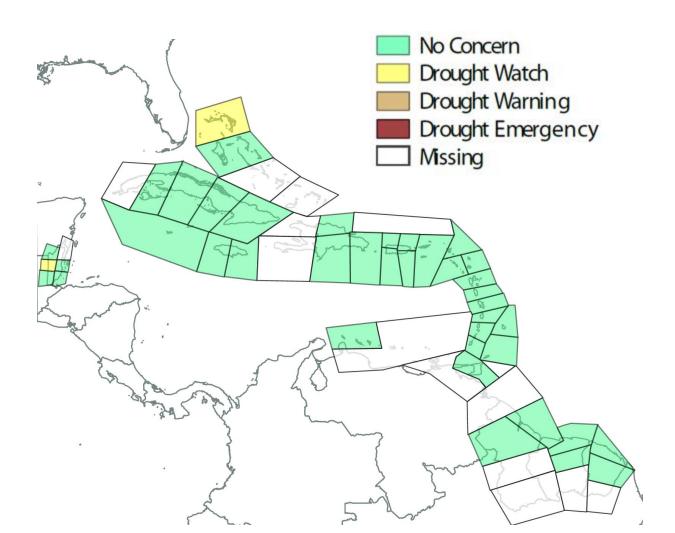
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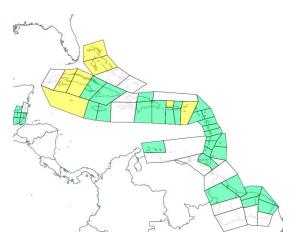


What is the predicted short term drought concern by the end of July 2025?



Current update (April 2025):

- We are now in the Caribbean dry season.
- A **drought watch** should be considered for western Belize and the northern Bahama Islands.



Previous update (March): short term drought alert levels at the end of June 2025

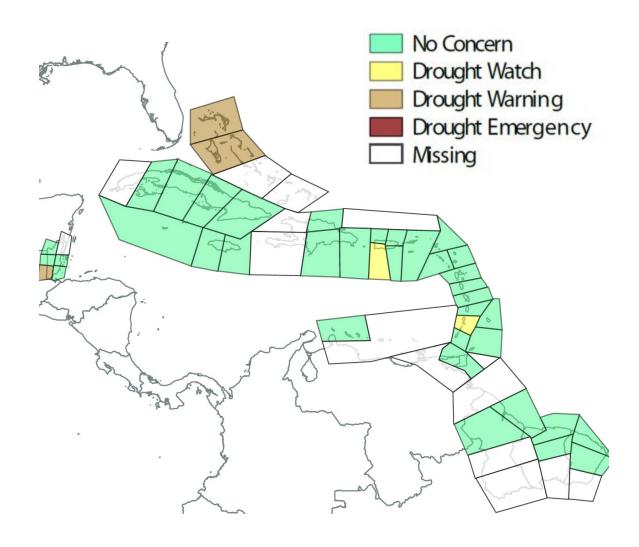
Short term drought alert levels at the end of July 2025

(updated **April 2025** – based on a 6-month SPI for February to July 2025)

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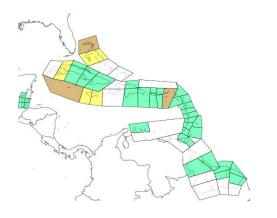
What is the predicted long term drought concern at the end of May 2025?



Long term drought alert levels at the end of May 2025

(updated April 2025 – based on a 12-month SPI for June 2024 to May 2025)

- This 12-month SPI-based drought outlook uses observations through March 2025, with potential impacts on large surface water reservoirs and groundwater. In general, impacts are expected if the 12-month SPI is ≤-0.8 (moderately dry or worse – ref.: CDPMN).
- A **drought warning** should be considered for The Bahamas and far southwest Belize.
- A drought watch should be considered for southwest Puerto Rico and St. Vincent.



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Drought outlook – shorter-/longer-term concern?

- Current drought situation (up to the end of March 2025): (more information here)
 - Moderate (or worse) short term drought has developed in northwestern parts of The Bahamas, the
 Cayman Islands, Central Cuba, far southwest Dominican Republic, Haiti, Sint Maarten.
 - Moderate (or worse) long term drought has developed in the northwestern Bahamas, southwest Belize, northern Dominican Republic, southwest Jamaica, northwest Trinidad, St. Vincent and along the western coast of Suriname.
- Short-term drought situation (by the end of July 2025):
 - Short term drought might possibly develop in western Belize and the northern Bahama Islands.
- Long-term drought situation (by the end of May 2025):
 - Long term drought is evolving across The Bahamas and far southwest Belize.
 - Long term drought might possibly develop or continue in southeast Puerto Rico and St. Vincent.
 - Areas ending up in long term drought by the end of May are likely to experience lower than usual water levels in large reservoirs, large rivers and groundwater.

* We advise all stakeholders to keep monitoring drought and look for our monthly updates.*







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