CariCOF Drought Outlook By the end of November 2025

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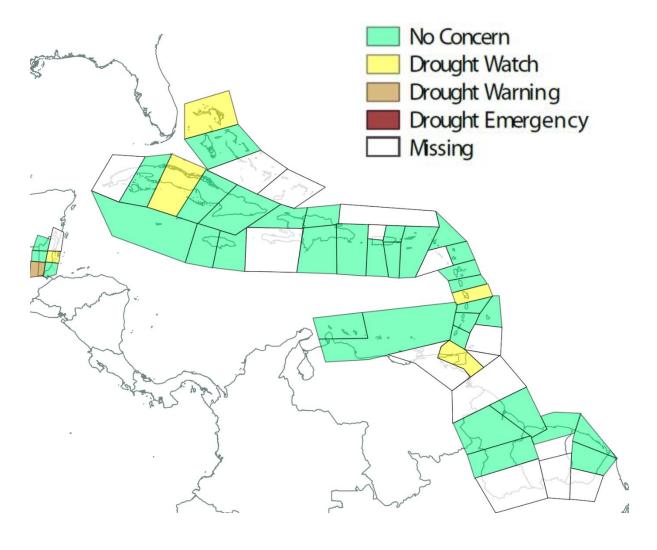
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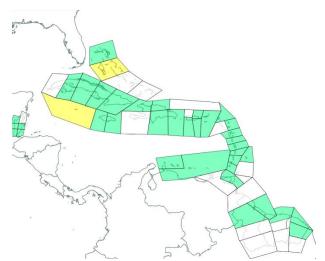


What is the predicted short term drought concern by the end of November 2025?



Current update (August 2025):

- We are now entering the second half of the Caribbean wet season.
- A drought warning should be considered for southwest Belize.
- A drought watch should be considered for the Northern Bahamas, parts of Belize, parts of Central Cuba, Martinique and Trinidad.



Previous update (August): short term drought alert levels at the end of September 2025

Short term drought alert levels at the end of November 2025

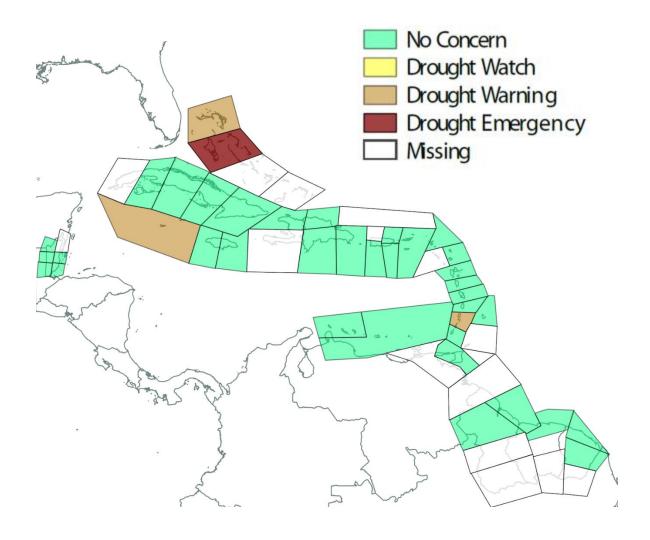
(updated **August 2025** – based on a 6-month SPI for June to

November 2025)

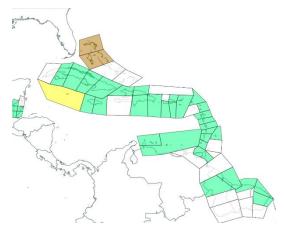
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What is the predicted long term drought concern at the end of November 2025?



- This 12-month SPI-based drought outlook uses observations through July 2025, with potential impacts on large surface water reservoirs and groundwater. In general, impacts are expected if the 12-month SPI is ≤-1.3 (severely dry or worse – ref.: CDPMN).
- A **drought emergency** should should considered for the Northwestern Bahamas.
- A **drought warning** should be considered for Northern Bahamas, Grand Cayman and St. Vincent.



Previous update (July): long term drought alert levels at the end of November 2025

Long term drought alert levels at the end of November 2025

(updated August 2025 – based on a 12-month SPI for December 2024 to November 2025)



Drought outlook – shorter-/longer-term concern?

- Current drought situation (up to the end of July 2025): (more information here)
 - Severe (or worse) short-term drought has developed in the Northwestern Bahamas, southwest Belize,
 Grand Cayman, central, northern and southeasternmost Cuba, St. Vincent.
 - Severe (or worse) long-term drought has developed in the Northwestern Bahamas, southwest Belize,
 Central Cuba, northern parts of Dominican Republic, St. Barts.
- Short-term drought situation (by the end of November 2025):
 - Short-term drought is evolving in southwest Belize.
 - Short-term drought might possibly develop in the Northern Bahamas, parts of Belize, parts of Central Cuba, Martinique and Trinidad.
- Long-term drought situation (by the end of November 2025):
 - Long-term drought is occurring in the Northwestern Bahamas.
 - Long-term drought is evolving in Northern Bahamas, Grand Cayman and St. Vincent.
 - Areas ending up in long-term drought by the end of November 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.*





ALERT LEVEL	MEANING	ACTION LEVEL
NO CONCERN	No drought concern	 ✓ monitor resources ✓ update and ratify management plans ✓ public awareness campaigns ✓ upgrade infrastructure
	Drought possible	 ✓ keep updated ✓ protect resources and conserve water ✓ implement management plans ✓ response training ✓ monitor and repair infrastructure
DROUGHT WARNING	Drought evolving	 ✓ protect resources ✓ conserve and recycle water ✓ implement management plans ✓ release public service announcements ✓ last minute infrastructural repairs and upgrades ✓ report impacts
DROUGHT EMERGENCY caricof@cimh.edu.bb	Drought of immediate concern	 ✓ release public service announcements ✓ implement management and response plans ✓ enforce water restrictions and recycling ✓ enforce resource protection ✓ repair infrastructure ✓ report impacts





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