

# CARIBBEAN DROUGHT BULLETIN

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## Announcement

As rainfall continues to decrease across the Caribbean, heightened concerns exist over long term drought that can impact large rivers, reservoirs and ground water by the end of May in the ABC Islands, Grenada and Saint Lucia, with further concerns over Martinique, Dominica and St. Kitts and Nevis. Interests in the rest of the eastern Caribbean, southern Puerto Rico, northern Dominican Republic and southern Belize should also monitor these water resources. Concerns exist over short term drought by the end of April that can impacts small rivers, streams and ponds in northern Hispaniola, St Kitts and Nevis and Saint Lucia. Such water resources should be monitored in the eastern Caribbean and Central Bahamas.

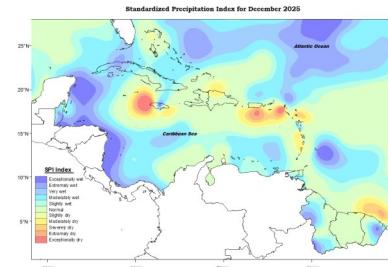
## Month at a Glance

Mixed conditions were experienced across the eastern Caribbean in December. Trinidad was moderately wet to normal; Tobago, Grenada and St Thomas normal; Barbados extreme to moderately wet; St Vincent moderately dry; Saint Lucia and Martinique moderately dry to normal; Dominica slightly dry to moderately wet; Guadeloupe and Anguilla moderately wet to moderately dry; Antigua moderate to severely dry; St Kitts and St Croix slight to moderately dry and St Maarten extremely dry to normal. In the Guianas, conditions were mostly normal ranging to exceptionally wet in southwestern Guyana and eastern French Guiana and to moderately dry in coastal French Guiana. Aruba was slightly dry to normal. Puerto Rico was extremely dry to slightly wet south to north. The Dominican Republic was mostly normal ranging to slightly dry in the southeast and to moderately dry in the north. Jamaica was exceptionally wet in central areas ranging to exceptionally dry in the west and to moderately dry in the east. Grand Cayman was normal. Cuba was extremely wet in western areas ranging to normal in southern and eastern areas. Northern Bahamas was slightly wet to slightly dry and Belize exceptional to slightly wet south to north. [Read More](#):

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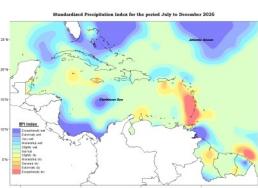
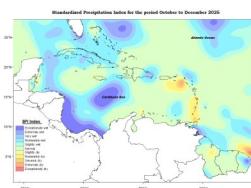
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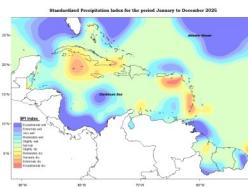


## October-November-December

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OCT 2025 – DEC 2025  
SPI 3 MONTHS



JUL 2025 – DEC 2025  
SPI 6 MONTHS

JAN 2025 – DEC 2025  
SPI 12 MONTHS

## The Caribbean Drought & Precipitation Monitoring Network

The Caribbean Drought and Precipitation Monitoring Network is led by the Caribbean Institute for Meteorology and Hydrology (CIMH), the World Meteorological Organization's Regional Climate Centre (RCC) for the Caribbean. The Network was launched in January 2009 under the Caribbean Water Initiative ([CARWIN](#)) to support equitable and sustainable Integrated Water Resources Management.

The concept was born out of the need to mitigate and respond to the creeping phenomenon, drought. Drought and the general precipitation status is monitored at the regional scale. Efforts are being made to enhance drought monitoring at the national level.

## The Caribbean Climate Outlook Forum (CariCOF)

The CariCOF brings together climate experts and meteorological services in the Caribbean region on an operational basis to produce a monthly climate outlook. CariCOF interacts with sectoral users to assess the likely implications of the outlooks on the most pertinent socio-economic sectors. The Caribbean Institute for Meteorology and Hydrology (CIMH), in its role as WMO Regional Climate Centre, coordinates the CariCOF process. [Read more.....](#)

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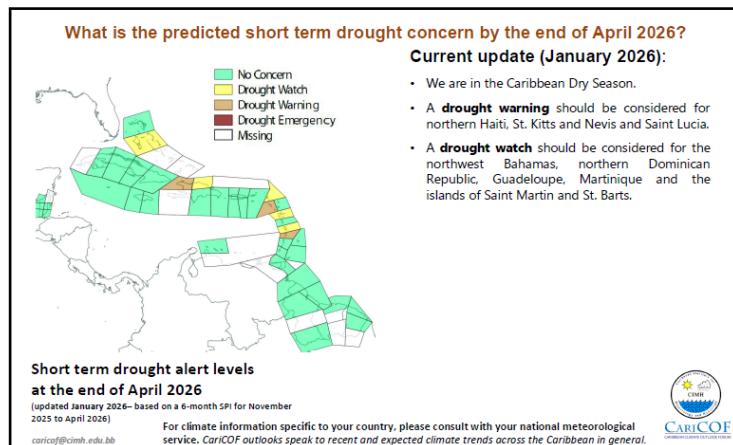
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## CariCOF Drought Alert Maps

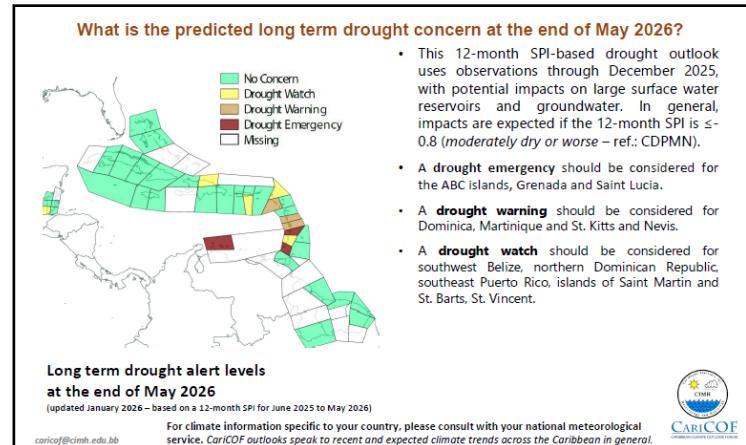
### Map of short-term drought by the end of April 2026



#### Short-term drought situation (by the end of April 2026):

- Short-term drought is evolving in northern Haiti, St. Kitts and Nevis and Saint Lucia
- Short-term drought *might possibly develop or continue* the northwest Bahamas, northern Dominican Republic, Guadeloupe, Martinique and islands of Saint Martin and St. Barts.

### Map of long-term drought at the end of May 2026



#### Long-term drought situation (by the end of May 2026):

- Long-term drought is *imminent* in the ABC Islands, Grenada and Saint Lucia and is *evolving* in Dominica, Martinique and St. Kitts and Nevis.
- Long-term drought *might possibly develop or continue* in southwest Belize, northern Dominican Republic, southeast Puerto Rico, the islands of Saint Martin and St. Barts, St. Vincent.

"We advise all stakeholders to keep monitoring their environment for signs of drought, and look out for our monthly updates"

*Drought outlook available for download [here](#)*