

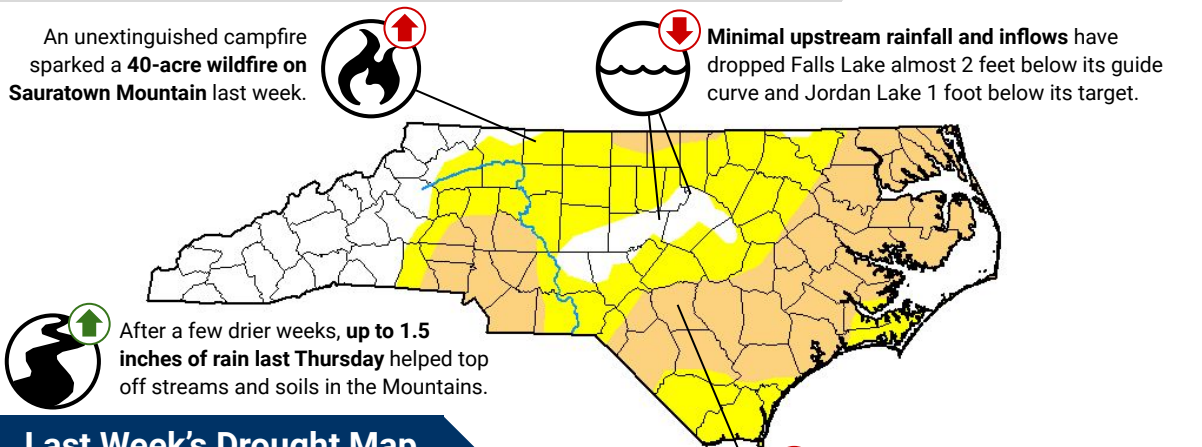
North Carolina Drought Update

For the assessment period ending November 16, 2021

Statewide Condition Summary

This Week's Drought Monitor of North Carolina Map

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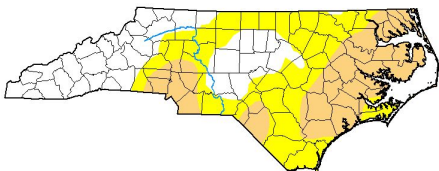


What's Changed? Moderate Drought (D1) continues to expand, including in the northern Piedmont this week. Abnormally Dry (D0) conditions are also filling in across the central Piedmont as seasonal rainfall deficits emerge.

What's New? Dry weather west of the Mountains, plus a few windy days, sparked a number of wildfires that burned 268 acres in total last week. Much of eastern NC is on pace for one of the top ten driest falls on record.

What's Next? Another mostly dry cold front will move through today, knocking temperatures back into the 50s through this weekend. Our next best chance of rain may come on Monday, with 0.25 to 0.50 inches possible.

Last Week's Drought Map



Statewide Coverage By Category

| Category | Coverage This Week | Change Since Last Week |
|-------------------------|--------------------|------------------------|
| D0: Abnormally Dry | 37.69% | +0.57% |
| D1: Moderate Drought | 38.45% | +8.60% |
| D2: Severe Drought | 0.00% | 0.00% |
| D3: Extreme Drought | 0.00% | 0.00% |
| D4: Exceptional Drought | 0.00% | 0.00% |

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