

# North Carolina Drought Update

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For the assessment period ending **Jan. 7, 2025**  
From the US Drought Monitor, with input from the NC DMAC

## The Main Takeaway

Another week with mostly below-normal precipitation meant no improvements and a slight expansion of Moderate Drought (D1) in the northern Coastal Plain.

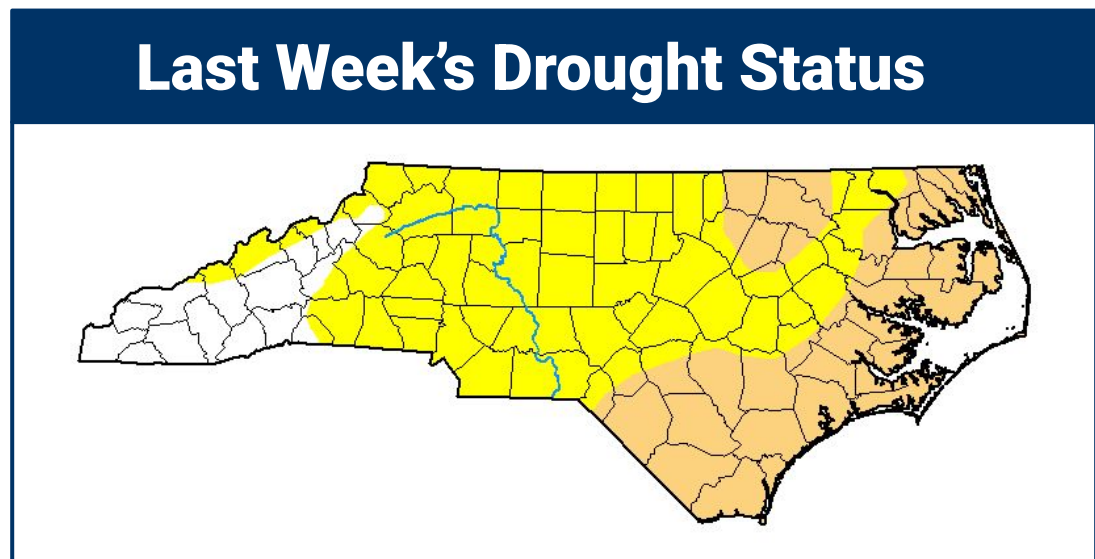
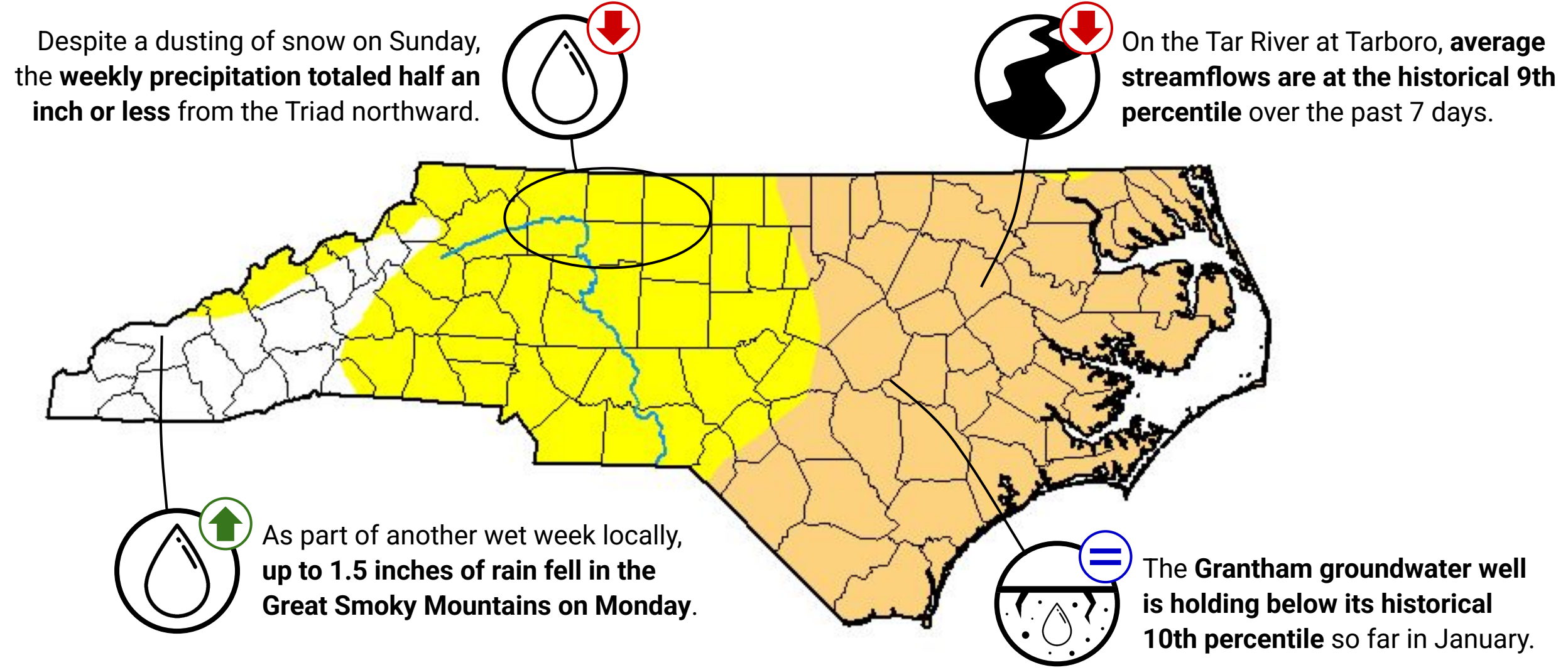
## This Week's Summary

Monday's rain, plus a few snow showers on Sunday, at least brought some moisture last week, but the additive impact of three consecutive drier-than-normal months is now apparent across eastern North Carolina. Deeper soil moisture levels remain dry and streamflows are running below normal across the entirety of the Coastal Plain, where Moderate Drought conditions continue.

## Next Week's Outlook

A combination of snow, sleet, freezing rain, and rain will fall from Friday afternoon through Saturday morning, with liquid precipitation totals of up to half an inch.

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### Statewide Coverage by Category

Category	Current Coverage	Change Since Last Week
D0: Abnormally Dry	39.90%	-14.41%
D1: Moderate Drought	48.84%	+14.41%
D2: Severe Drought	0.00%	0.00%
D3: Extreme Drought	0.00%	0.00%
D4: Exceptional Drought	0.00%	0.00%