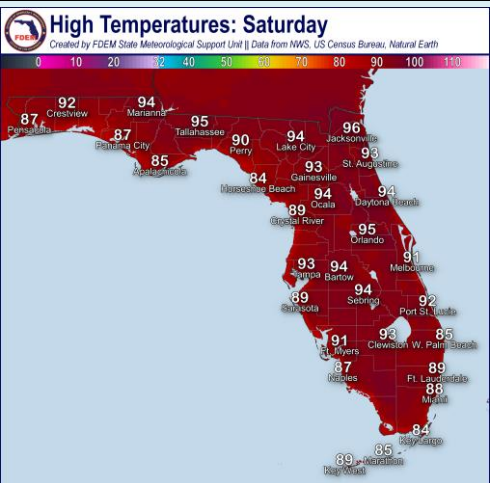
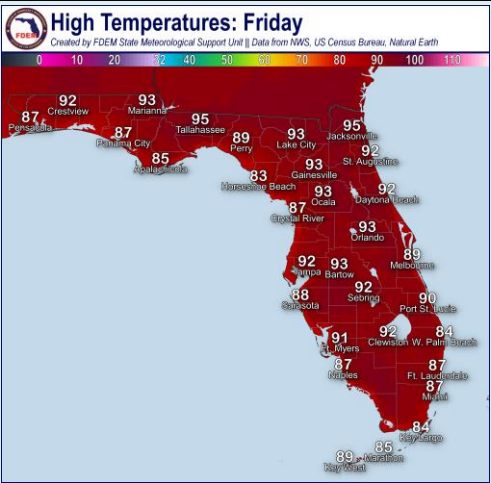
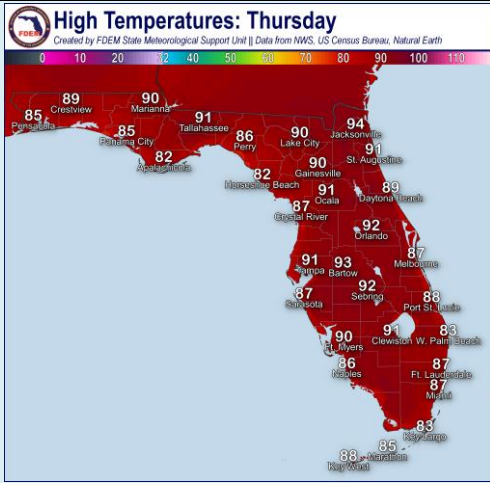


Tuesday, May 13, 2025					5-Day Statewide Weather Outlook			
No Threat			Low Threat		Moderate Threat	High Threat		
Day	Lightning	Tornado	Damaging Wind/Hail	Excessive Heat	Flash Flooding	Fog (Overnight)	Wildfire	Rip Currents
Tue	Northern Panhandle & Southeast FL		Iso. Northern Panhandle & Southeast FL	Locally Iso. South Florida		Panhandle & Big Bend Statewide		Panhandle & East Coast Statewide
Wed	Iso. Southeast FL Coast & Keys		Iso FL Keys	Locally Iso. Panhandle & West FL		Locally Iso. Peninsula		Locally Panhandle East Coast West Coast & SE FL
Thu				Statewide			Interior Northeast & East-Central FL	Locally Panhandle East Coast West Coast & SE FL
Fri				Iso. Panhandle Statewide			Interior Northeast & East-Central FL	Locally Panhandle East Coast West Coast & SE FL
Sat				Int. West-Central & Southwest FL Statewide			Interior Northeast & East-Central FL	Locally Panhandle East Coast West Coast & SE FL



Forecast High Temperatures: *Thursday, Friday & Saturday*

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Practice heat safety wherever you are.

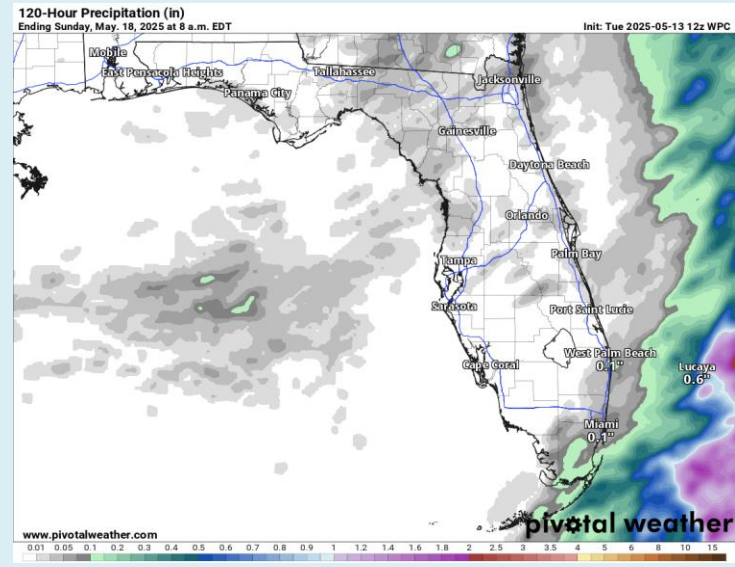
**Indoors**  
Check-in on the elderly, sick, and those without air conditioning

**Vehicles**  
Never leave kids or pets alone in a vehicle - LOOK before you LOCK

**Job Sites**  
Stay hydrated and take breaks in the shade or a/c as often as possible

**Outdoors**  
Limit strenuous outdoor activities, wear light, loose clothing, and find shade

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5 Day Forecast Rainfall Totals through Saturday Evening

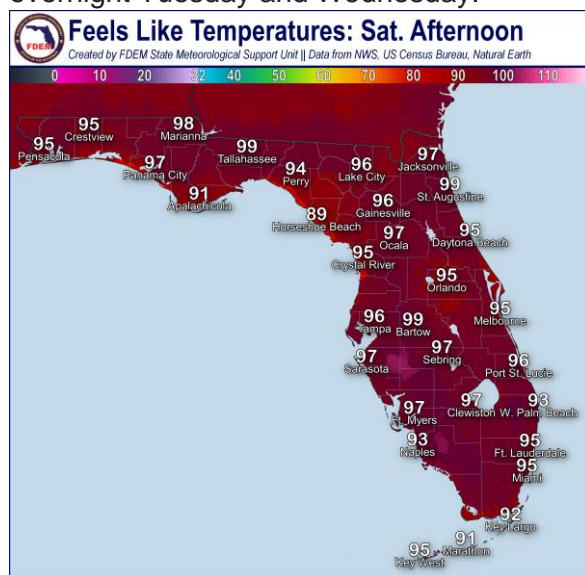
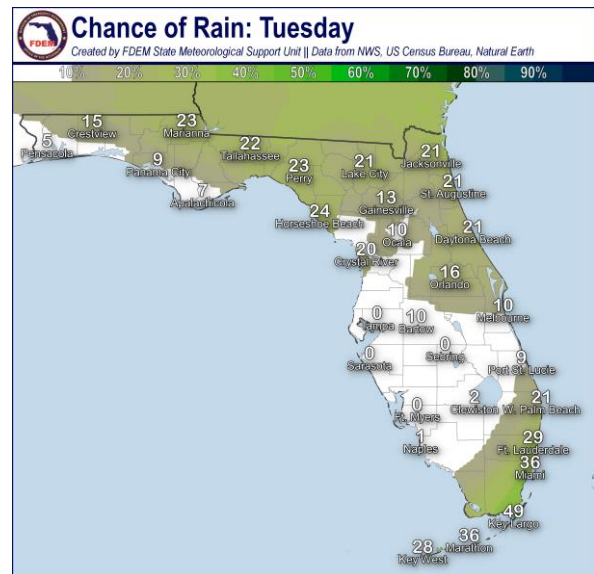


**...Showers Lingering Tuesday and Wednesday But Drier Conditions Expected Overall...Warm and Dry Conditions to Build Each Day With the Help of High Pressure...Temperatures Reaching the 90s Across the State Each Day by Thursday; Heat Index Values in 90s and Approaching Triple Digits Across Portions of the State By the Weekend...Sensitive Wildfire Conditions to Possibly Return Along Portions of East Florida Late in Week...Extreme Drought Expanded Across South Florida and Into West-Central Florida on Latest Update; Small Improvement Across Panhandle with Heavy Rainfall...Moderate Risk for Rip Currents Likely Each Day Nearly Statewide...**

## Tuesday – Saturday:

The upper-level disturbance that has brought an active period of weather the last few days will continue to move northward away from the Sunshine State through the middle of the week. Lingering moisture and upper-level support on Tuesday will allow for isolated to widely scattered showers, possible thunderstorms, to develop throughout the state (15-35% chance of rain). While overall thunderstorm activity will be limited, a **locally strong thunderstorm or two** cannot be ruled out Tuesday afternoon. By Wednesday, drier air filtering behind the system and high pressure establishing itself over the eastern gulf waters will bring mostly dry conditions. There may be a slight chance for some shower or embedded thunderstorm activity near the Gulf Stream along Southeast Florida on Wednesday as a frontal boundary lingers offshore (10-20% chance of rain).

Drier conditions will return during the overnight hours with a chance for isolated to widely scattered showers to continue Tuesday night over the Florida Keys (20-30% chance of rain). Elsewhere, isolated pockets of moisture may allow for a brief shower or two Tuesday night as well throughout the Peninsula, but activity will be very limited. Wednesday night mostly dry conditions can be expected throughout the state. With onshore winds, **instances of low-lying fog** may be possible overnight Tuesday and Wednesday.



Beginning Thursday and through the rest of the forecast period, conditions across the Sunshine State will remain dry due to high pressure nearby. Low rain chances can be expected each day, and skies will be filled with plenty of sunshine with some clouds mixed within. The next frontal boundary will approach North Florida late Saturday and into the early morning hours on Sunday, which may bring an isolated chance for a brief shower or two across Northwest Florida on Saturday (less than 10% chance of rain).

Temperatures will gradually warm up each day and we will see temperatures return to the 90s across most of the state by the end of the week. Tuesday will have the “coolest” high temperatures with values reaching the lower to middle 80s. Each day temperatures will steadily rise across the state reaching the middle to upper 80s Wednesday, middle 80s to





lower 90s Thursday, upper 80s to **middle 90s** Friday and Saturday. **Heat index values** will also gradually increase each day. Tuesday feels-like temperatures across South Florida will reach lower 90s, then expand throughout the state on Wednesday and Thursday. By Friday and Saturday, **feels-like temperatures** will reach **the middle to upper 90s** across most of the state, with areas along the Panhandle and interior West Florida **approaching or reaching triple digits (100-105-degrees)**. Low temperatures will reach the middle to upper 60s and lower 70s on Tuesday and Wednesday. By Thursday night low temperatures will only fall into the upper 60s to middle 70s, with the Florida Keys only seeing low temperatures fall into the upper 70s and near 80-degrees. These warm low temperatures will provide little relief from daytime heating.

## Hydrology & Flooding:

Flash flooding is not expected over the next five days as a drier weather pattern returns. For the latest on the rainfall outlook, please visit the Weather Prediction Center (WPC) [website](#).

The [Shoal River near Crestview](#) has gradually risen into Action Stage (bank-full) but waters levels will crest within the next day before falling below conditions later this week. The [Choctawhatchee River at Caryville](#) is forecast to gradually rise into Action Stage by Thursday or Friday of this week before quickly falling below flood stage by the weekend. Elevated headwaters traveling through the Choctawhatchee basins will flow downstream to the [Bruce-Ebro forecast point](#) allowing for water levels to gradually rise towards Action Stage through the forecast period. All other rivers, creeks and waterways will remain below flood stage. For more information, visit the [River Forecast Center](#).

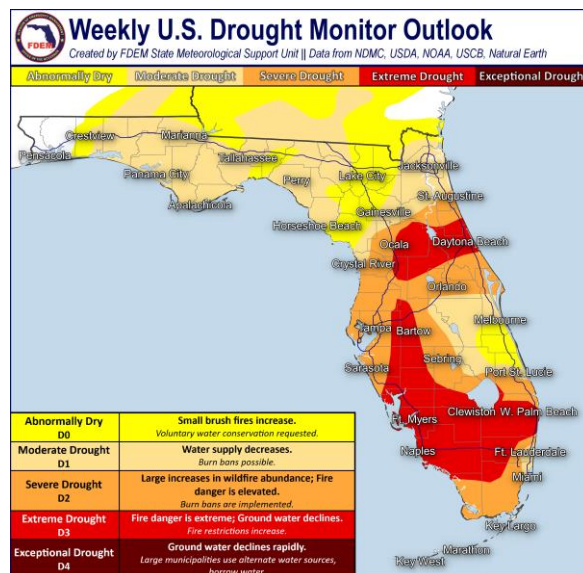
Lake Okeechobee's average elevation is 11.01 feet, which is within the operational band and 2.35 feet below normal for this time of year.

## Fire Weather:

**Extreme drought** has now expanded across much of South Florida and throughout interior West-Central Florida and **severe drought** has also expanded westward along the West Coast on the [Drought Monitor](#) (5/6) update. The expansion of severe to extreme drought conditions were led by rainfall deficits well below average for the year, below average streamflow and agricultural reports. **Numerous burn bans** remain in place throughout the Peninsula with ongoing dry conditions and above normal temperatures during the month of April. There was a slight improvement for drought conditions along the western Panhandle where heavy rainfall was observed. The heaviest rainfall remained to the west, which only led to a slight improvement of conditions. For the upcoming drought monitor to be released on Thursday, beneficial rainfall from the last few days across the state will lead to improvements, especially across portions of the Peninsula.

[The Keetch-Byram Drought Index](#) average for Florida is **301 (-100)** on a scale from 0 (very wet) to 800 (very dry). There are **8** Florida counties (Charlotte, Collier, Lee, Manatee, Martin, Monroe, Palm Beach, and Sarasota) with an average KBDI over 500 (drought/increased fire danger).

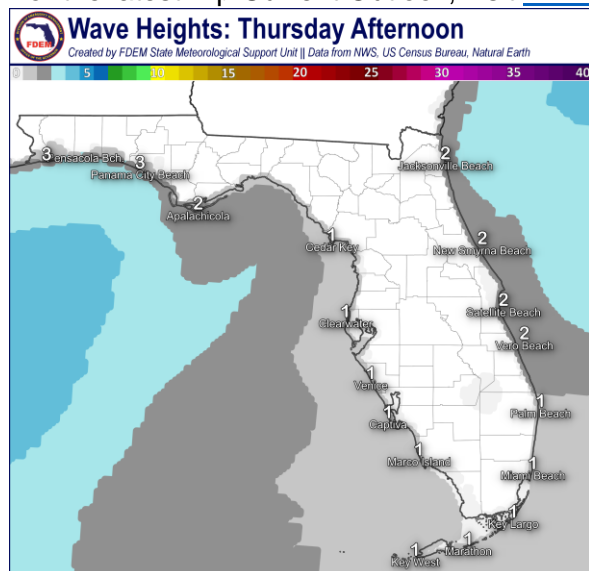
**Sensitive wildfire conditions** may return mid-to-late week throughout the Peninsula due to increasingly warm temperatures and dry conditions across the state. While rainfall over the last couple of days has helped, long-term drought conditions still exist and streamflows continue to remain low. Drying out of ground soils and vegetation with increasing temperatures may allow for new fires to start



or existing ones to spread. According to the [Florida Forest Service](#), there are currently 74 active wildfires across the state burning approximately 2,383 acres.

### Rip Currents & Marine Hazards:

Despite improving marine conditions across the state, onshore winds will persist along coastlines throughout the forecast period likely leading to a **moderate risk for rip currents** nearly statewide. Localized instances of **high risks** cannot be ruled out along the Panhandle. Portions of the West Coast and Southeast Florida may experience periods of low rip current risks through Saturday. For the latest Rip Current Outlook, visit [www.weather.gov/beach](http://www.weather.gov/beach).



Lingering ocean swells across the state on Tuesday will produce wave heights of 1-3', with larger breaking waves in the surf zone **upwards of 4'** along portions of the Panhandle and Northeast Florida coast. Most beaches will see wave heights return to 1-2' through the rest of the week and into the weekend with the help of calm marine conditions. Portions of the Panhandle and Northeast Florida will see breaking waves offshore in the surf zone reach 3' Thursday afternoon.

**Red Tide** has been observed in **2** samples offshore of Sarasota and Bay counties as of 5/9.

The latest **Blue-Green Algae** report shows algal bloom conditions were reported at 8 site visits from 5/2 to 5/8. **Moderate to high bloom** potential along the northwest shore from Fisheasting Creek north to the S-191 structure on the northwest side of the lake, with

scattered low to **moderate bloom potential** on approximately 40% of Lake Okeechobee. **Moderate to high bloom potential** was also observed via satellite imagery throughout Lake George, with scattered low to **high bloom potential** on the mainstem of the St. Johns River downstream to the Arlington River. All of Doctors Lake is showing **moderate to high bloom potential**. The St. Johns River Water Management District (SJRWMD) performed an algal bloom treatment on Doctors Lake on 5/6. No bloom potential was indicated on visible portions of the St. Lucie and Caloosahatchee Estuaries.

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Have a wonderful rest of the week!

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