

March Conditions & Northeast DEWS Discussion

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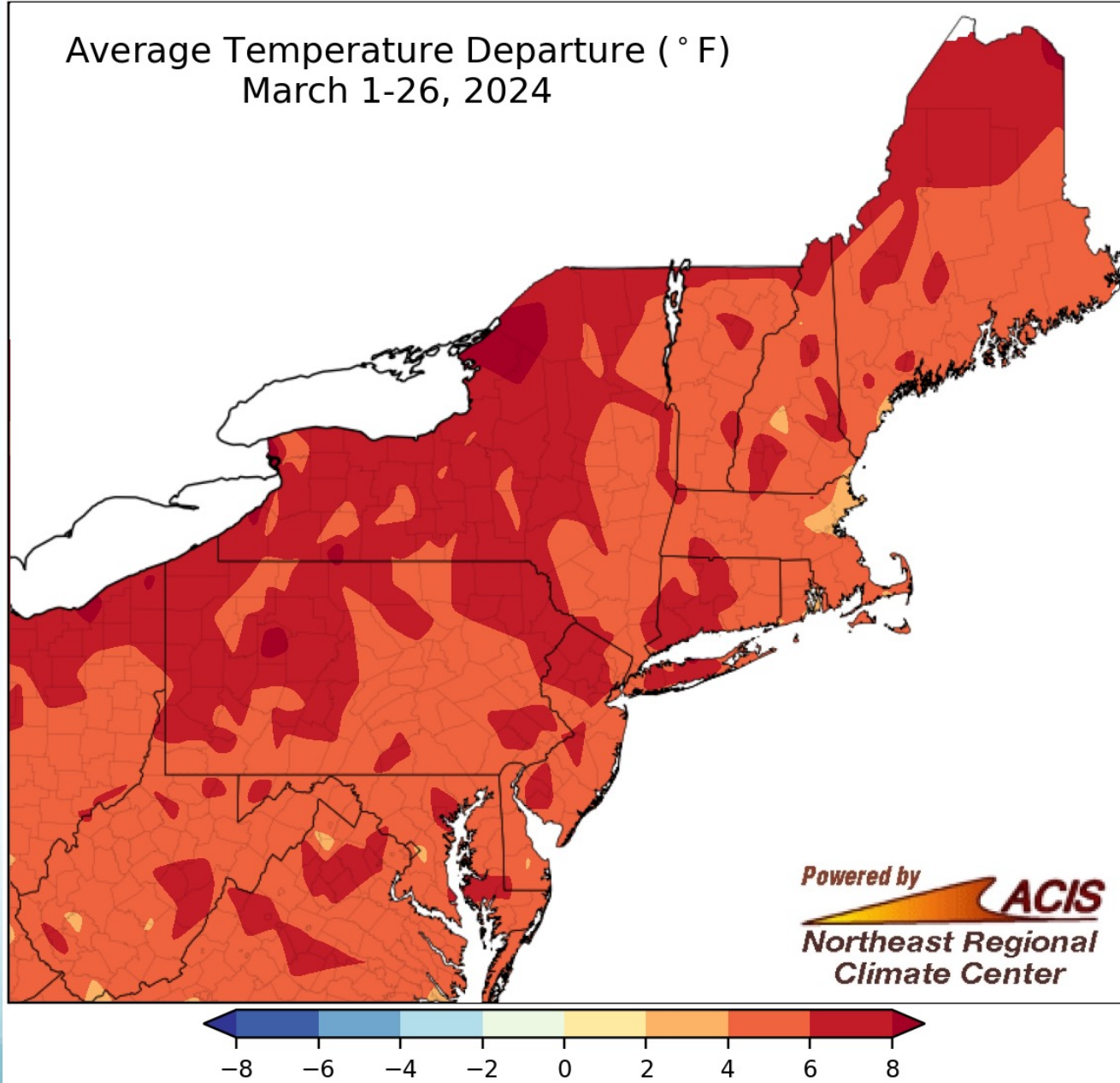


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March Temperatures

Average Temperature Departure (° F)
March 1-26, 2024

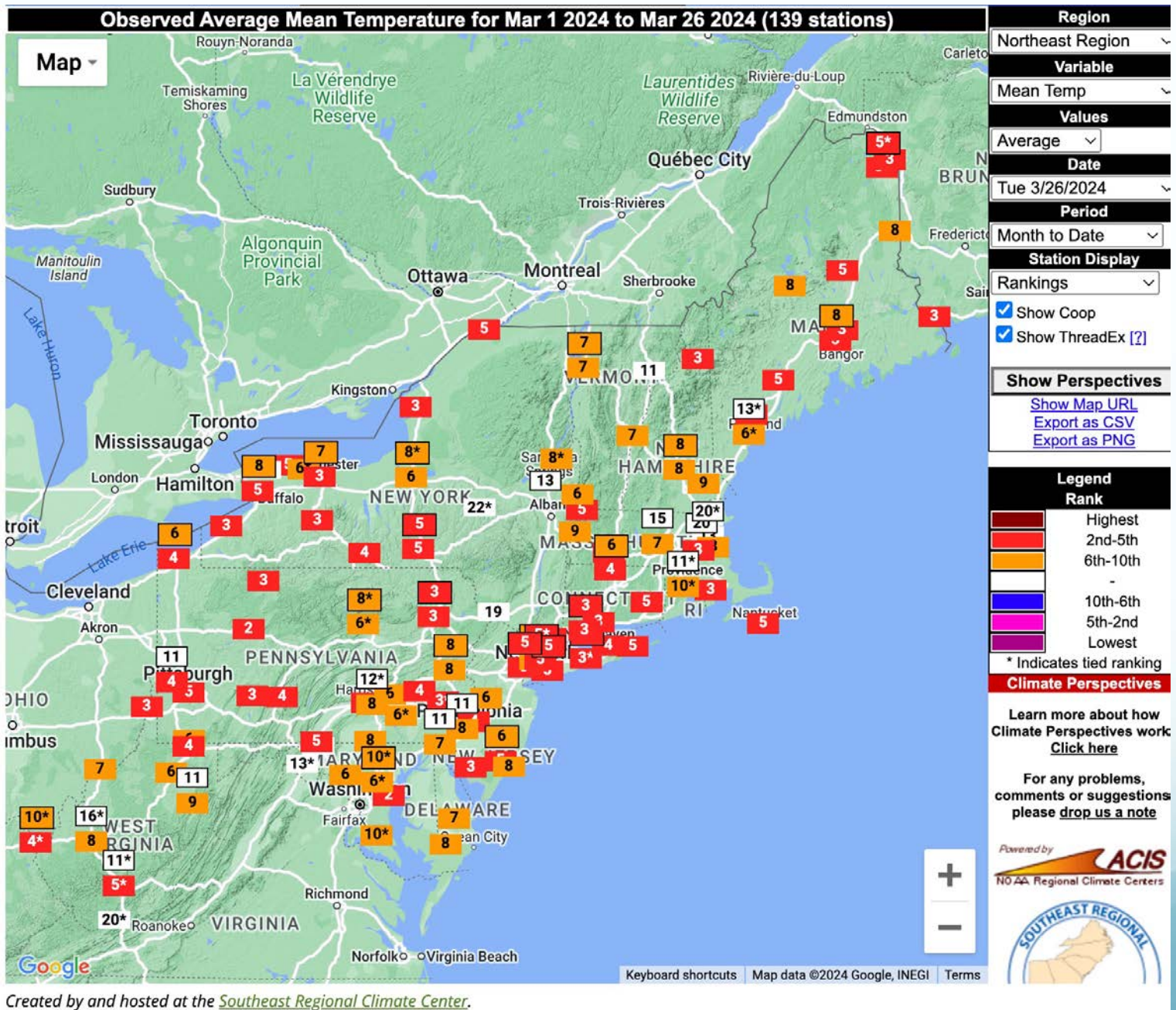


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From 2°F to more than 8°F above normal



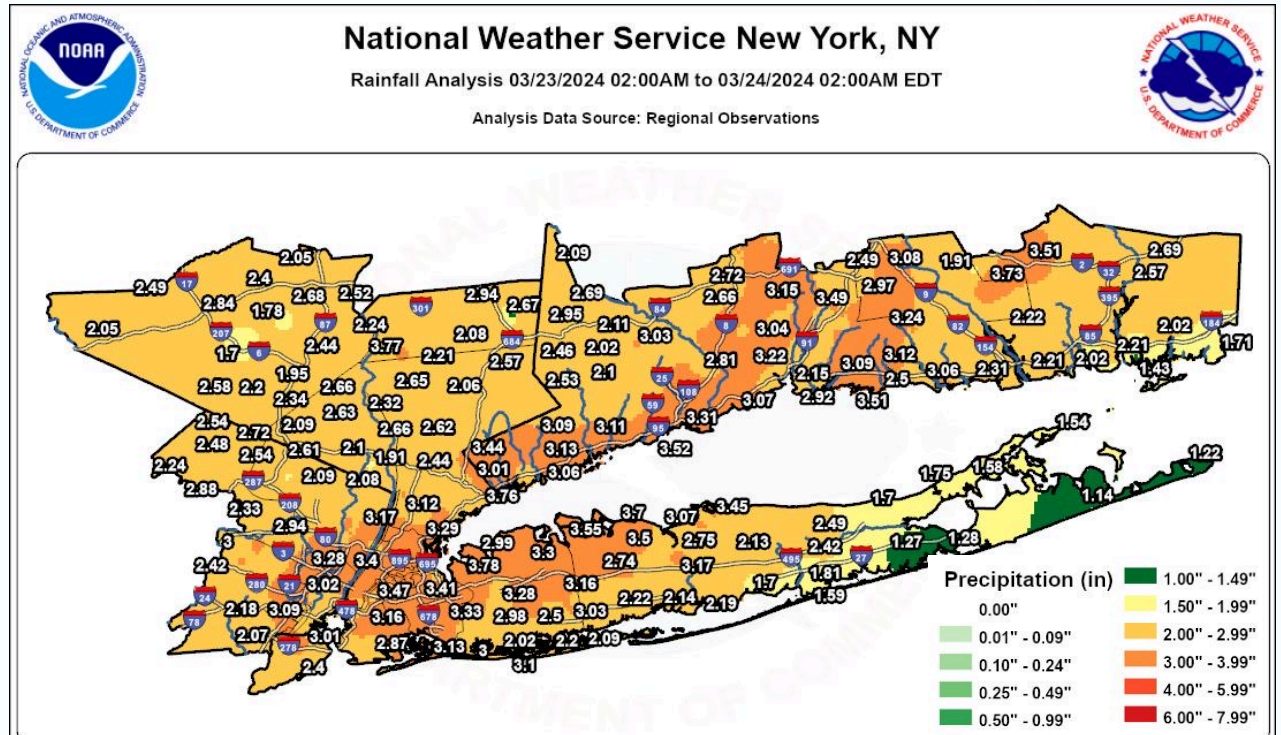
March Temperatures



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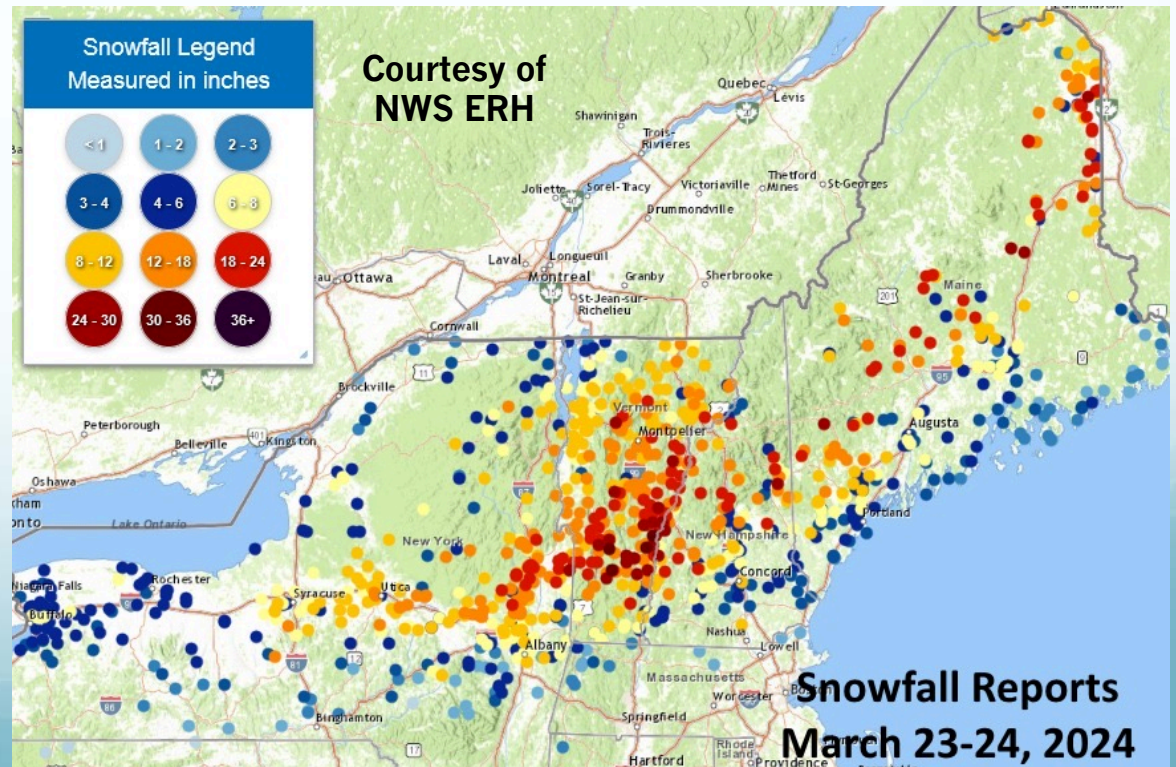
March Storms

Station	Mar. 23 Precip	Rank (wettest March day)
Central Park, NY	3.66	3
LaGuardia Airport, NY	3.47	1
Bridgeport, CT	3.31	3
Kennedy Airport, NY	3.13	1
Newark, NJ	3.10	2
Philadelphia, PA	3.09	1
Wilmington, DE	2.81	2
Atlantic City, NJ	2.69	2
Concord, NH	2.43	2
Hartford, CT	2.24	6
Albany, NY	1.69	9

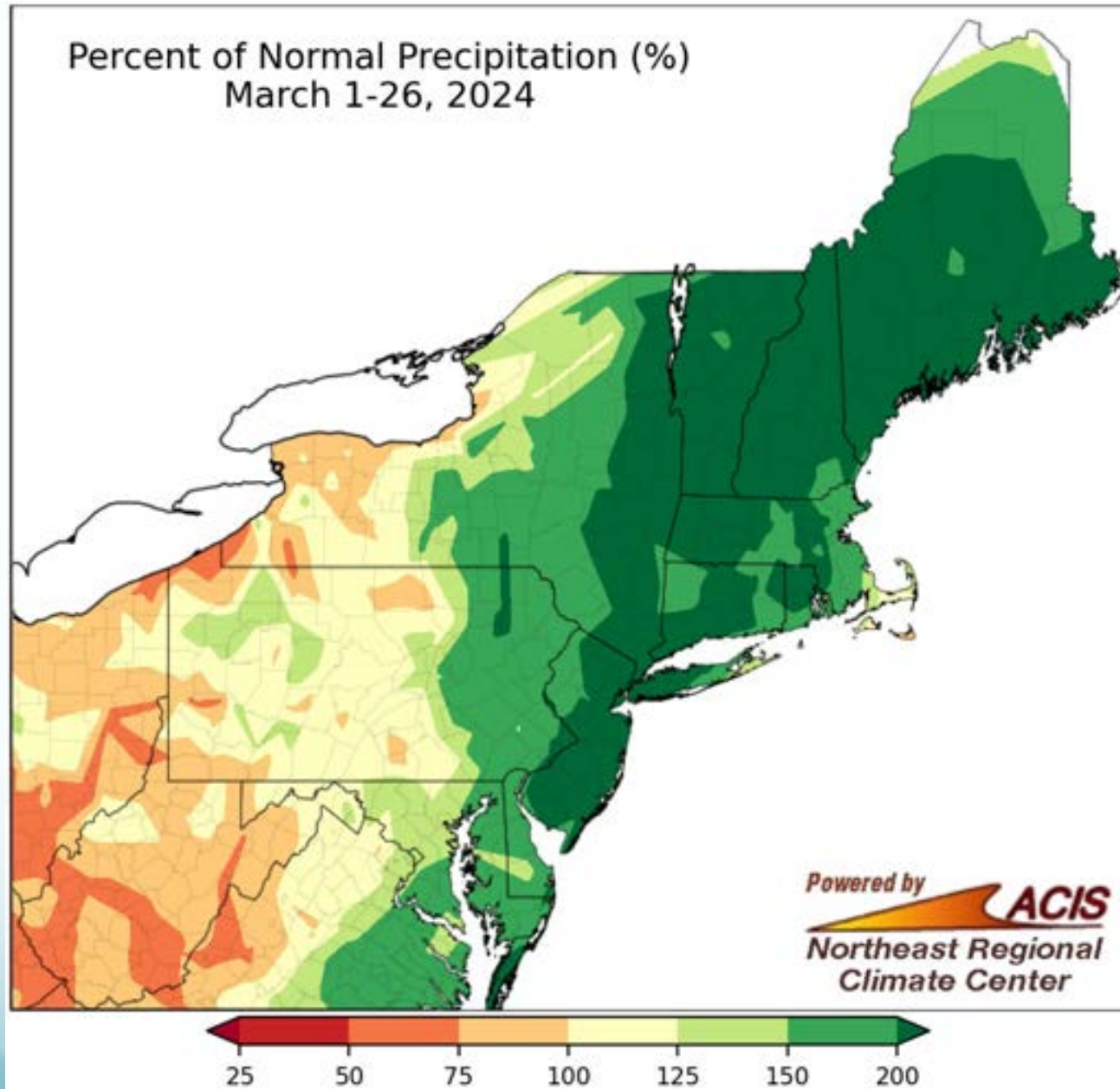


Data for Burlington Area, VT (ThreadEx)
 Click column heading to sort ascending, click again to sort descending.

Date	Snowfall
2024-03-23	8.6
2024-01-07	6.4
2024-01-16	5.0
2024-03-20	2.7
2023-11-21	2.4



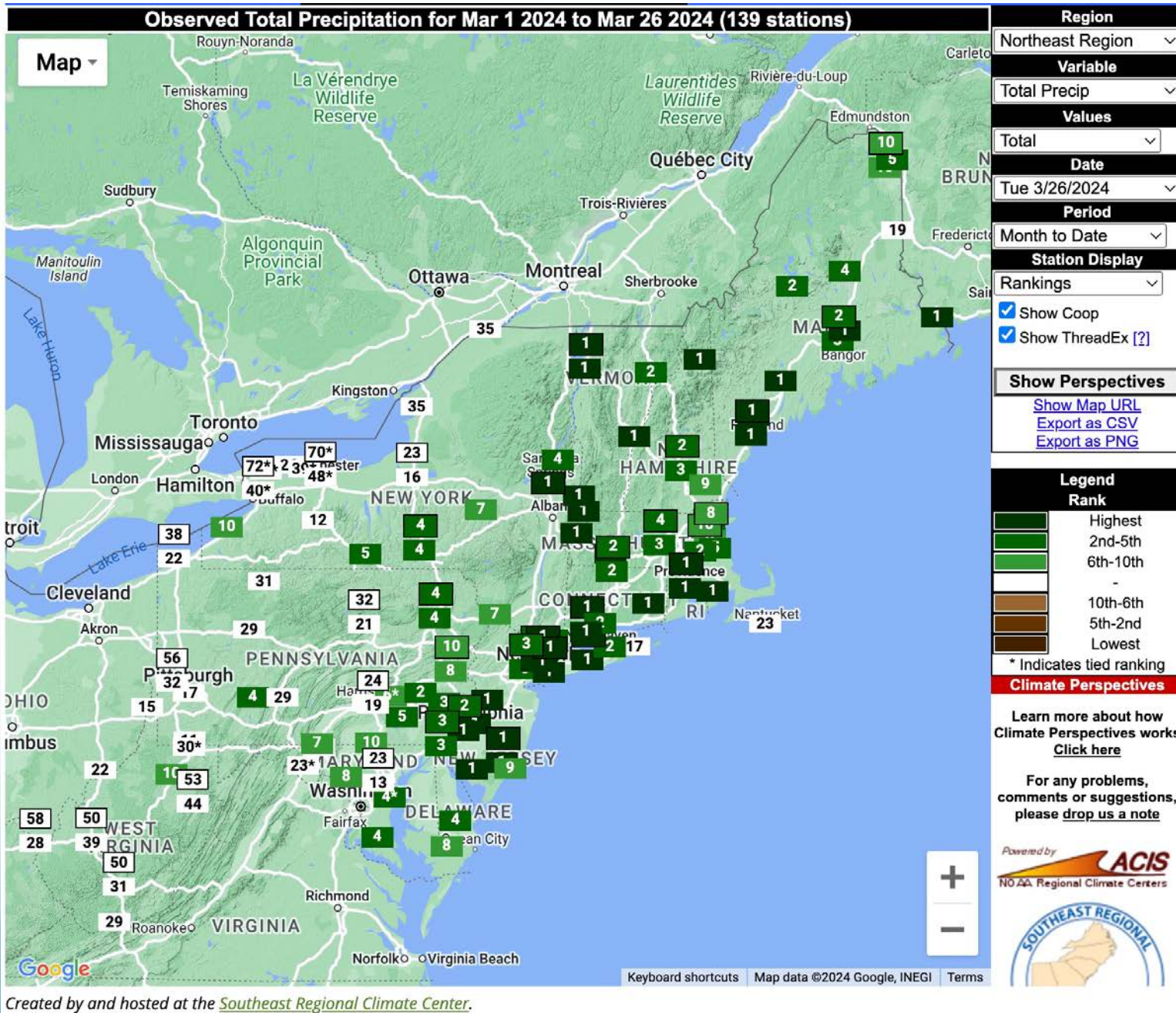
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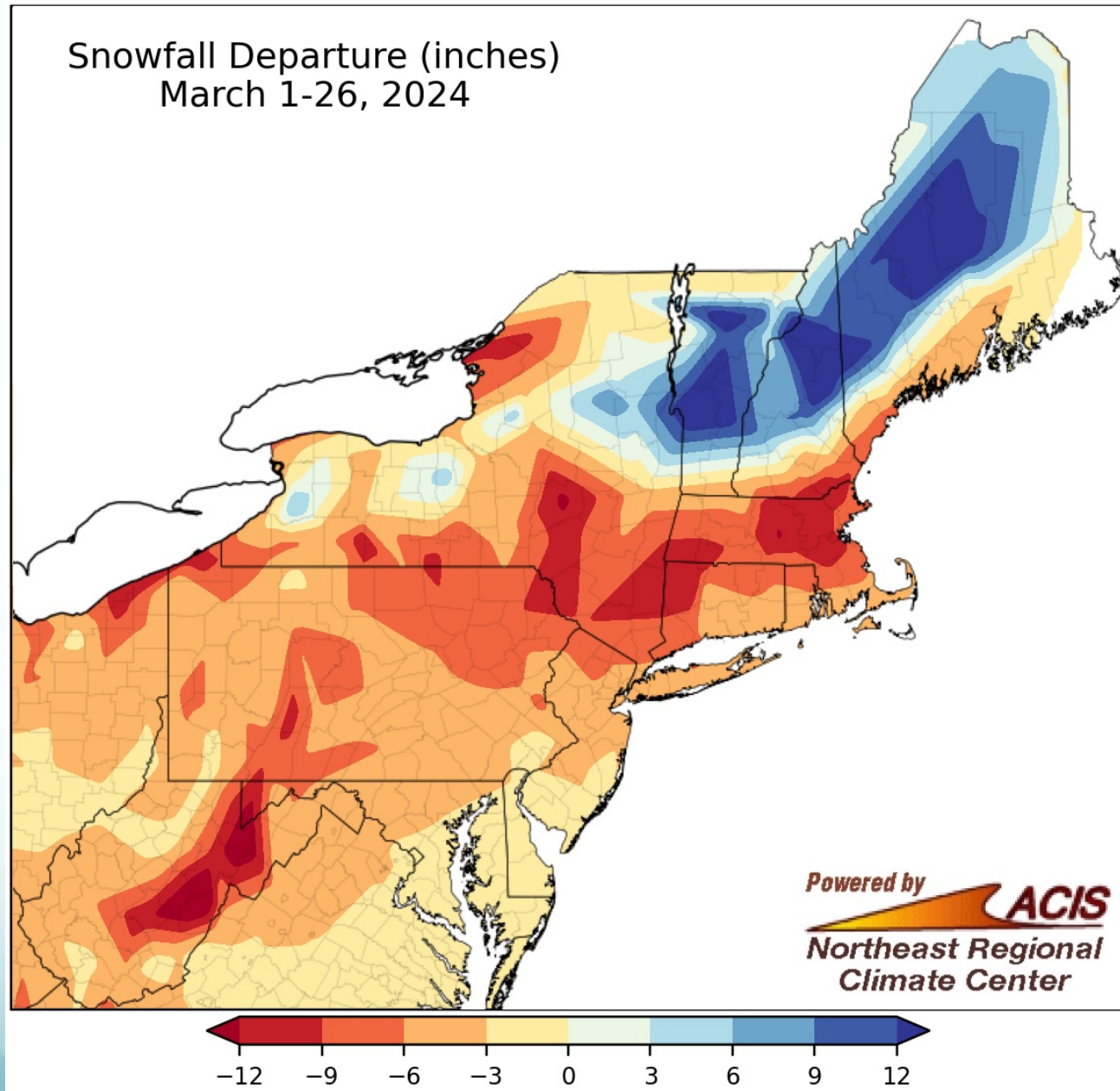
From 75% of normal to more than 200% of normal



March Precipitation



March Snowfall



From more than 12" below normal to more than 12" above normal

Snowfall

Accumulated Snowfall Departure from Normal

Green/black diamonds represent subsequent/missing values



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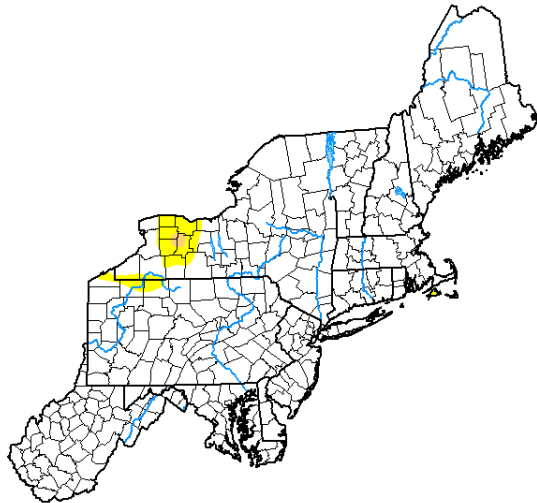
— Caribou Area, ME (ThreadEx):Snow Dprt — Boston Area, MA (ThreadEx):Snow Dprt — Burlington Area, VT (ThreadEx):Snow Dprt
— New York-Central Park Area, NY (ThreadEx):Snow Dprt — Syracuse Area, NY (ThreadEx):Snow Dprt — Erie Area, PA (ThreadEx):Snow Dprt

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Drought Monitor

U.S. Drought Monitor Northeast



February 27, 2024
(Released Thursday, Feb. 29, 2024)
Valid 7 a.m. EST

Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	97.07	2.72	0.21	0.00	0.00	0.00
Last Week 02-20-2024	97.07	2.72	0.21	0.00	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago 11-28-2023	74.36	19.18	5.76	0.71	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year 01-02-2024	87.20	10.30	1.83	0.67	0.00	0.00
Start of Water Year 09-26-2023	88.48	10.08	1.36	0.08	0.00	0.00
One Year Ago 02-28-2023	94.27	5.73	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

Intensity

None	D2 Severe Drought
D0 Abnormally Dry	D3 Extreme Drought
D1 Moderate Drought	D4 Exceptional Drought

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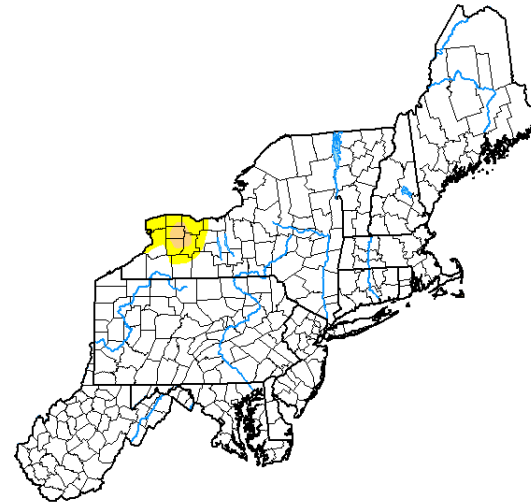
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March 26, 2024
(Released Thursday, Mar. 28, 2024)
Valid 8 a.m. EDT

Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	97.54	1.98	0.49	0.00	0.00	0.00
Last Week 03-19-2024	97.54	1.98	0.49	0.00	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago 12-26-2023	85.18	11.44	2.71	0.68	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year 01-02-2024	87.20	10.30	1.83	0.67	0.00	0.00
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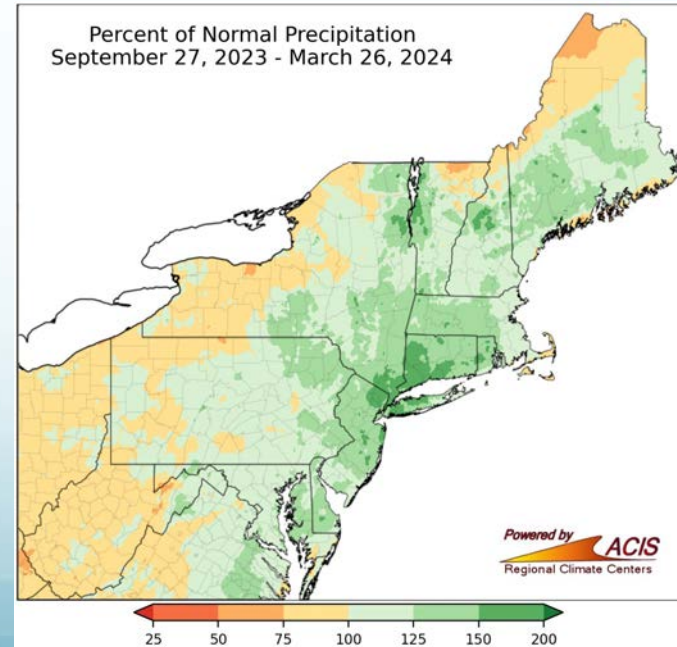
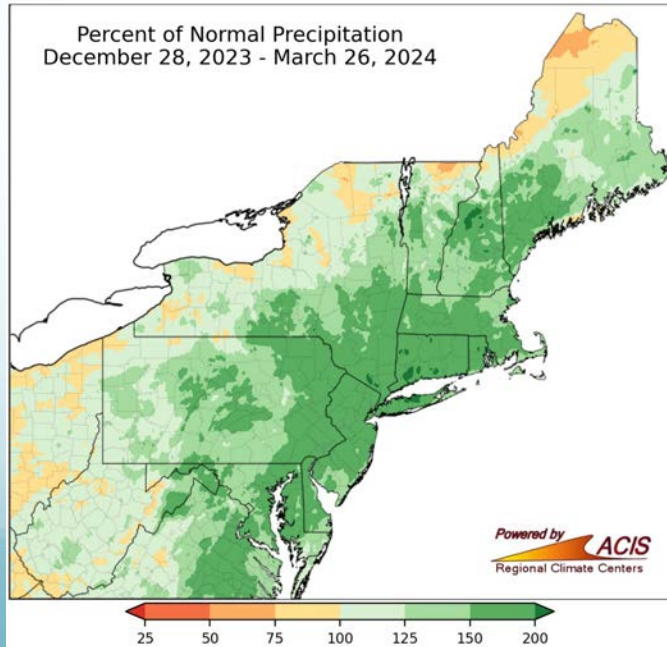
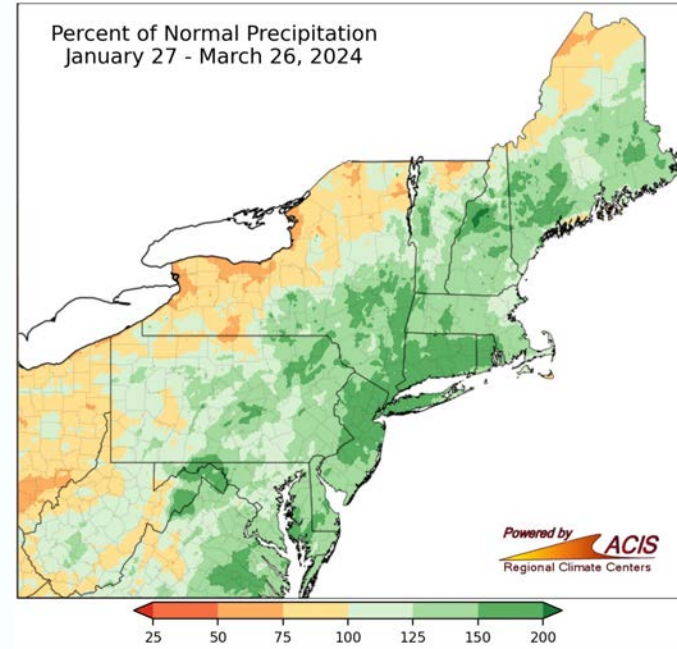
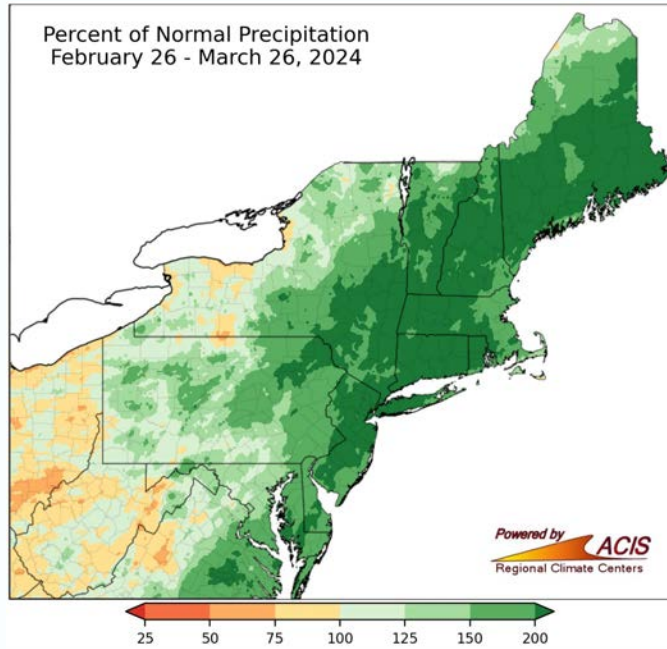
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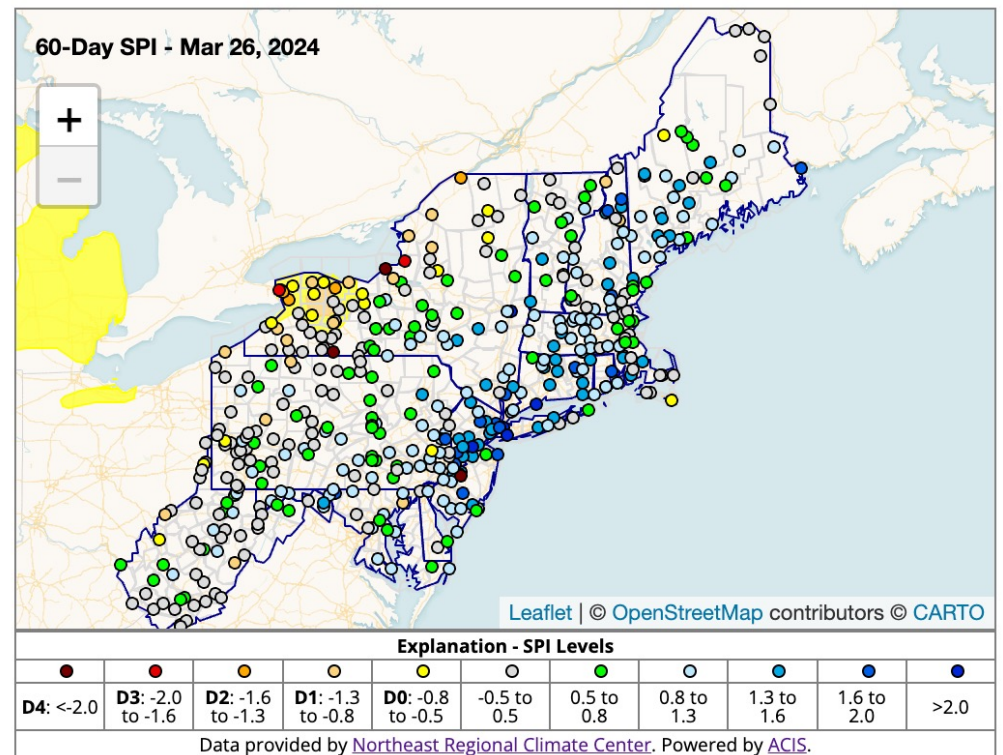
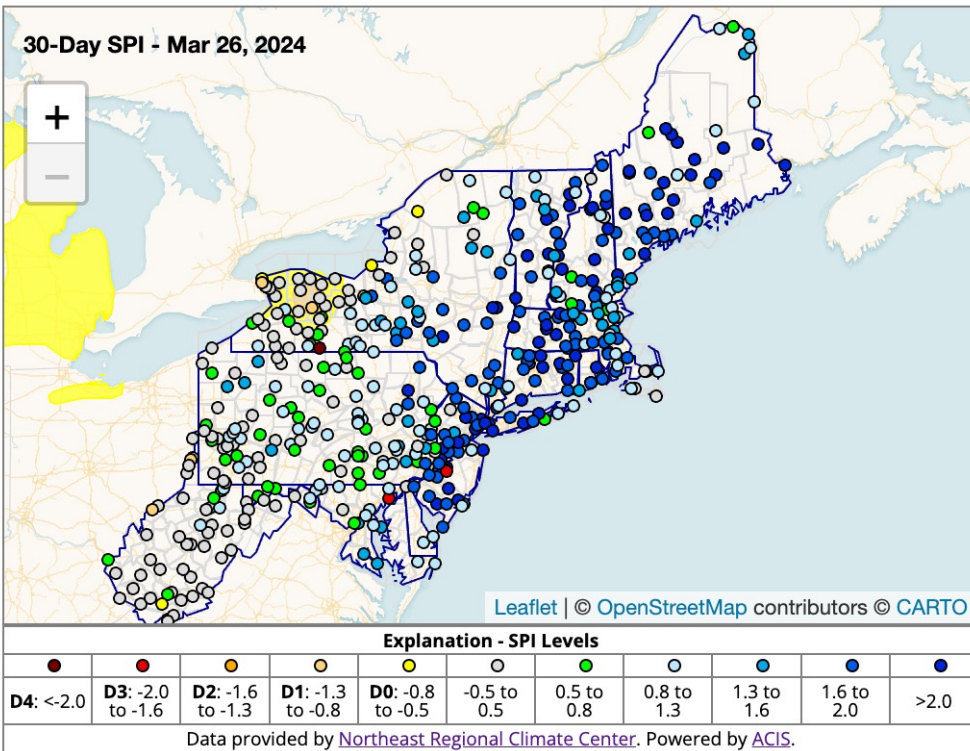
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Precipitation



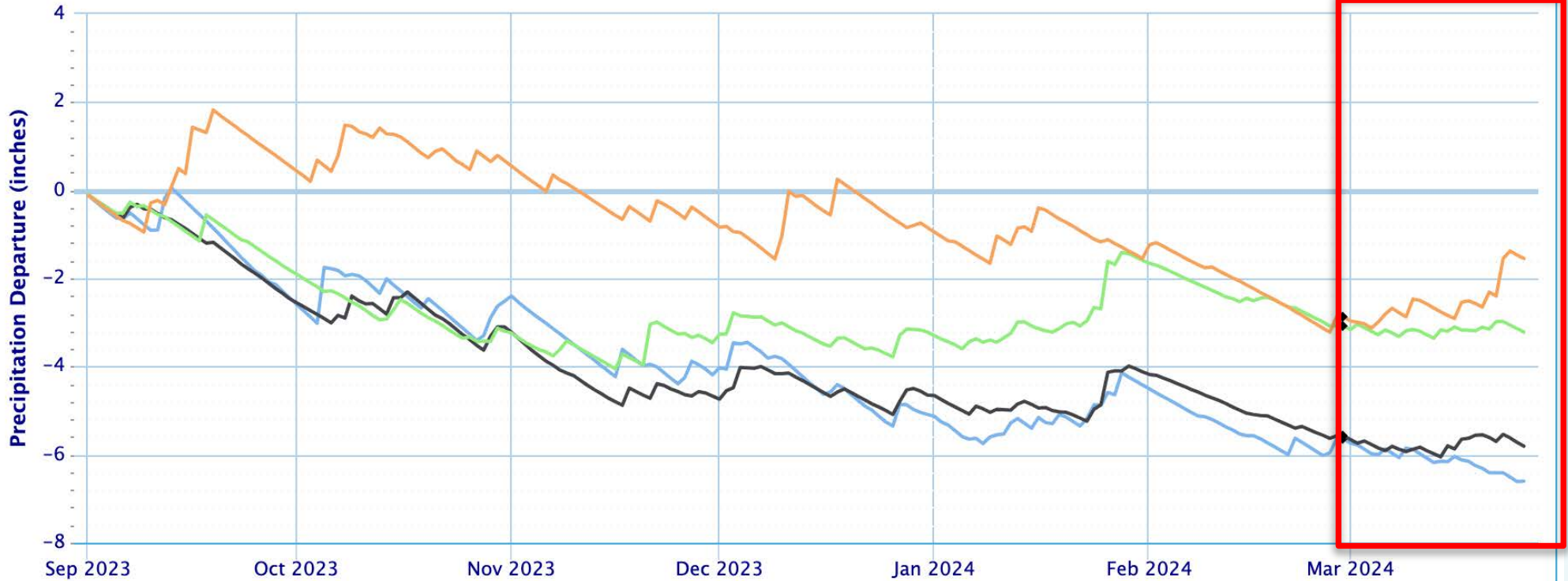
Standardized Precipitation Index



Precipitation

Accumulated Precipitation Departure from Normal

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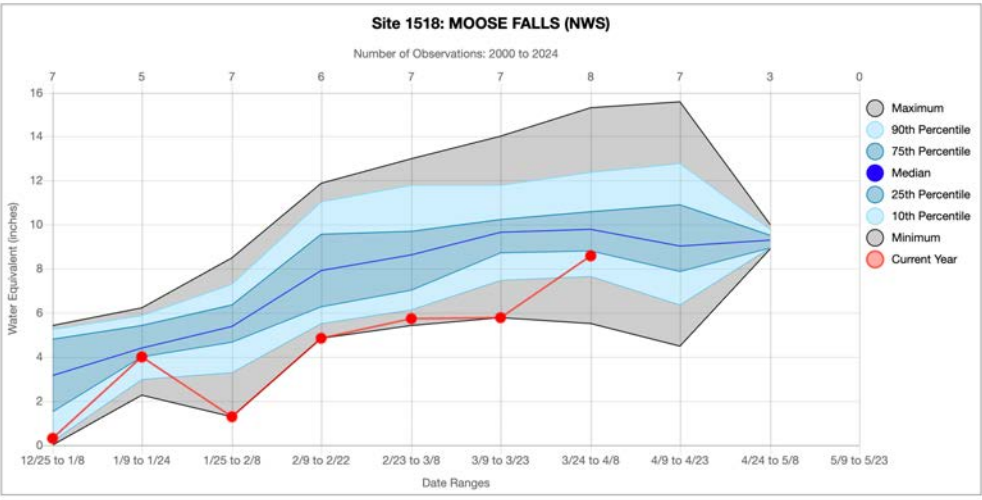
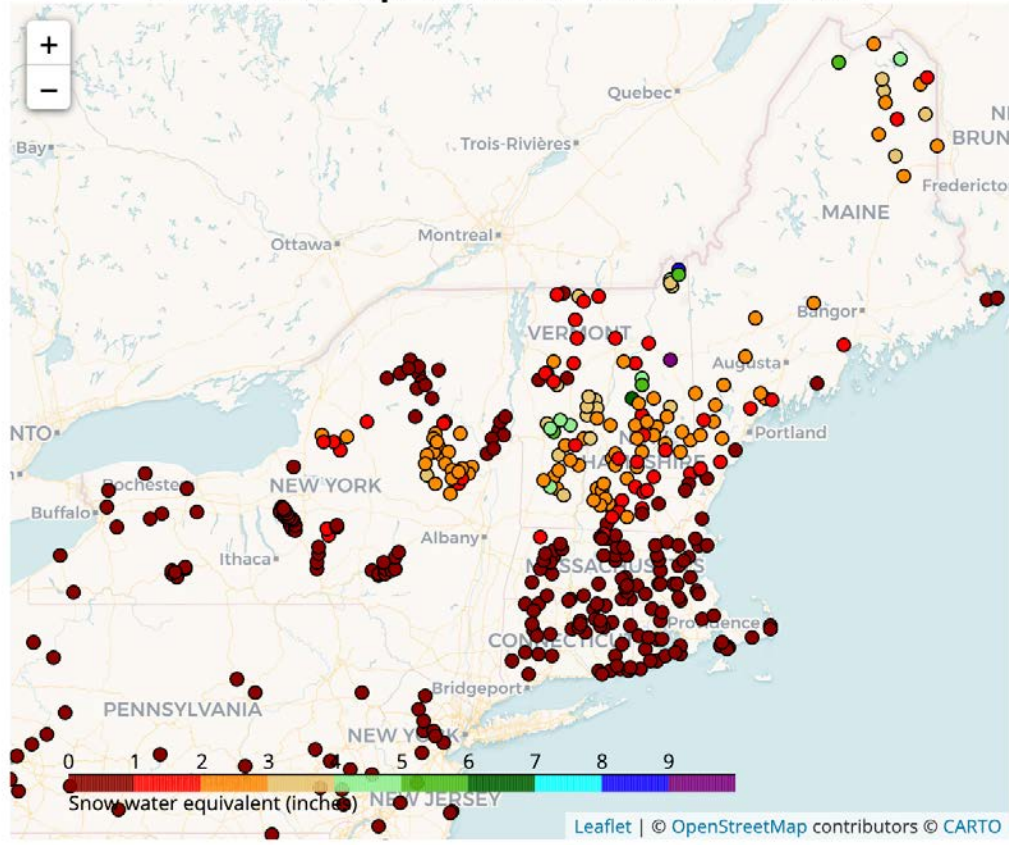
- Erie Area, PA (ThreadEx):Precip Dprt
- SILVER SPRINGS 3N, NY:Precip Dprt
- Rochester Area, NY (ThreadEx):Precip Dprt
- Caribou Area, ME (ThreadEx):Precip Dprt

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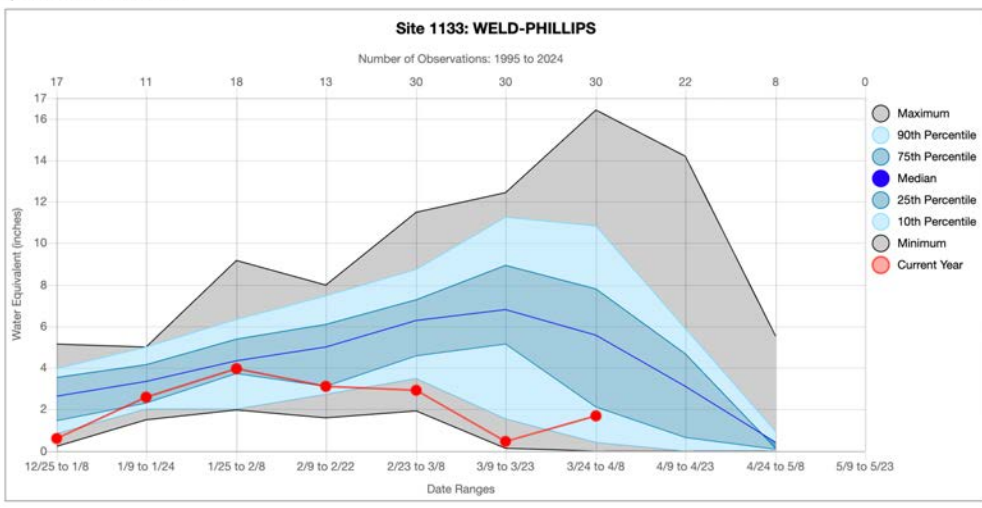


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Snow Water Equivalent for March 23-27, 2024



Updated: March 27, 2024



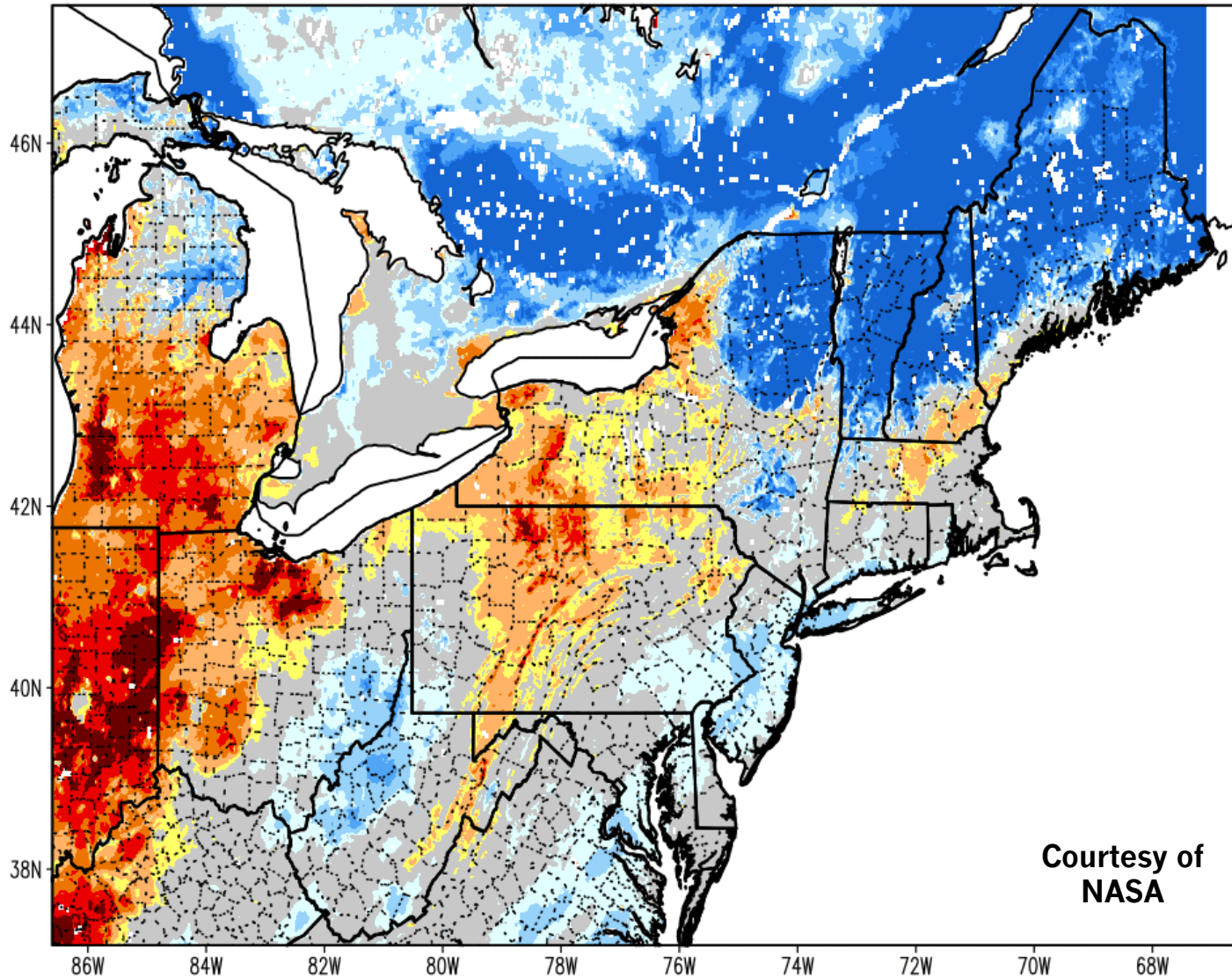
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Graphs courtesy of Maine Geological Survey



Soil Moisture

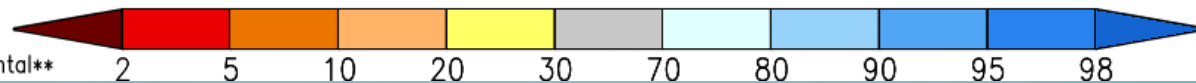
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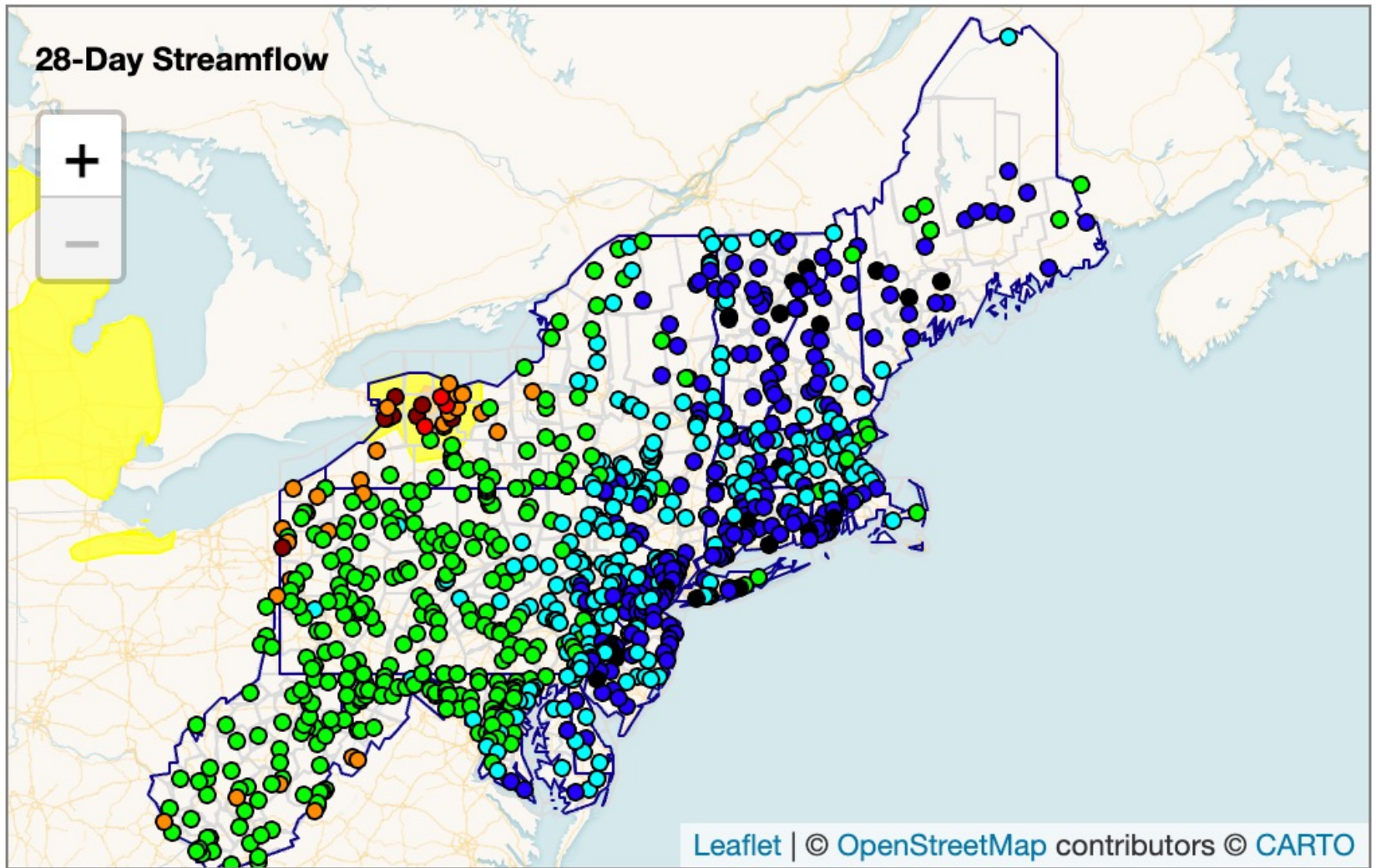
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Streamflow



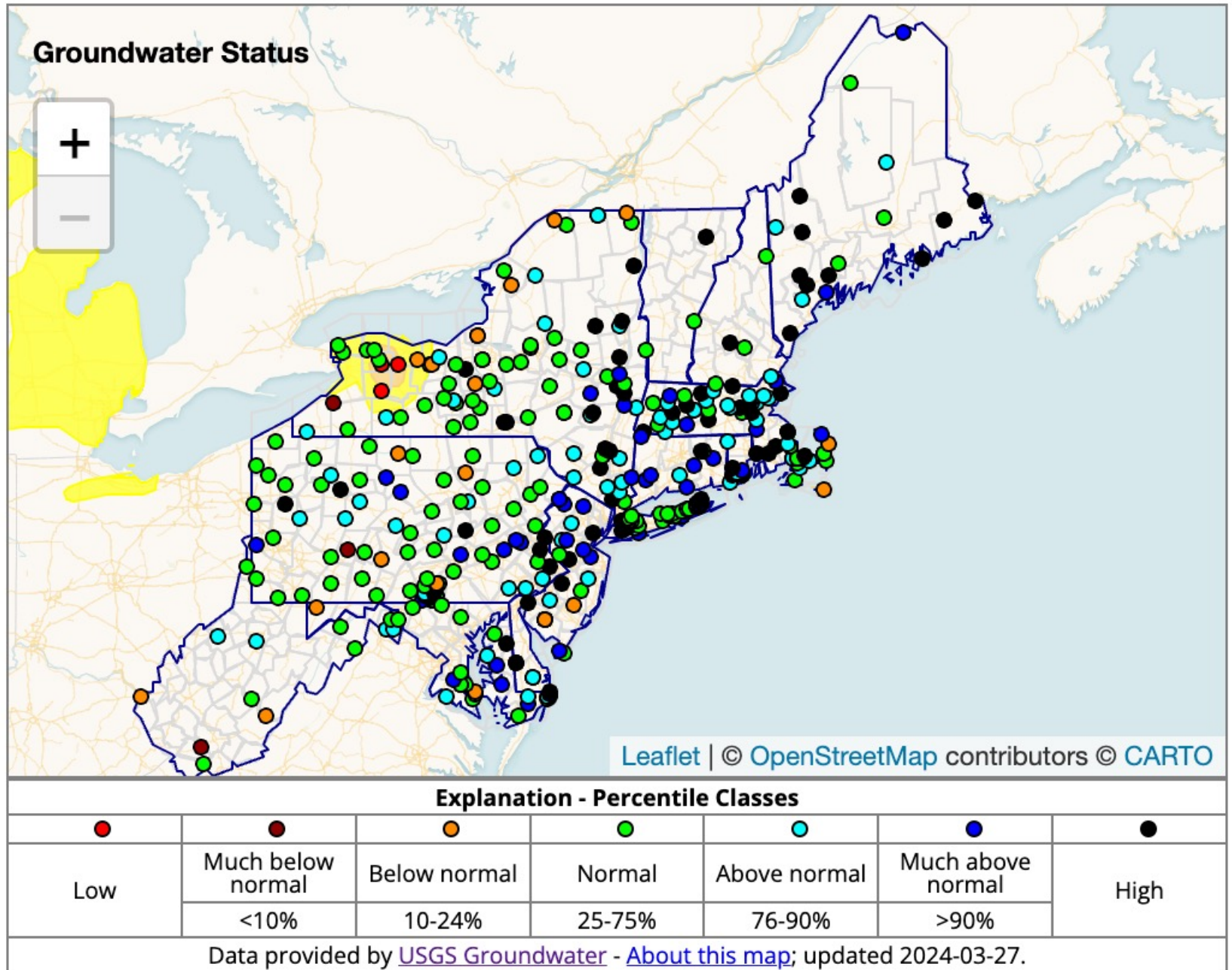
Explanation - Percentile Classes

Low	Much below normal	Below normal	Normal	Above normal	Much above normal	High	
	<10%	10-24%	25-75%	76-90%	>90%		

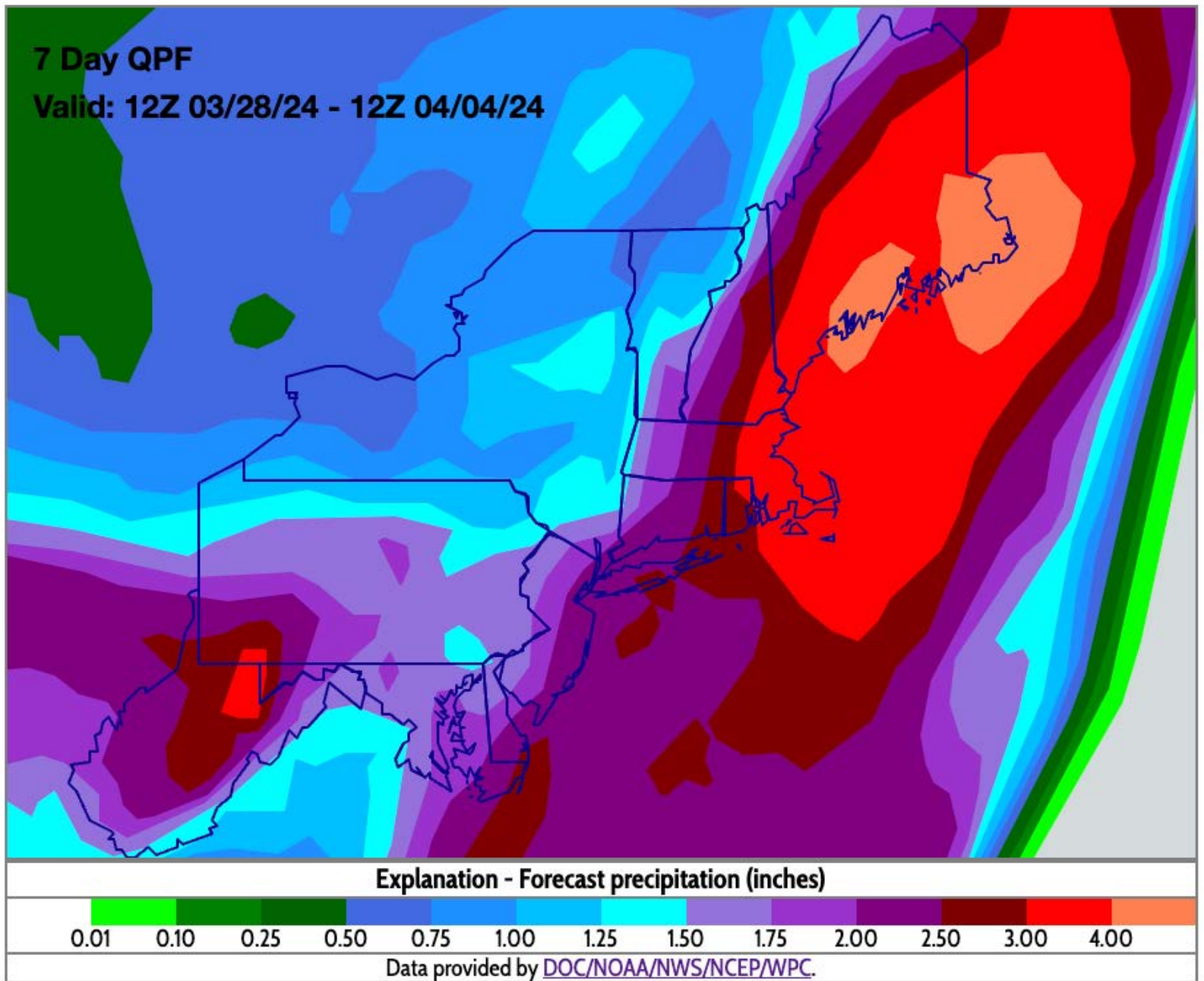
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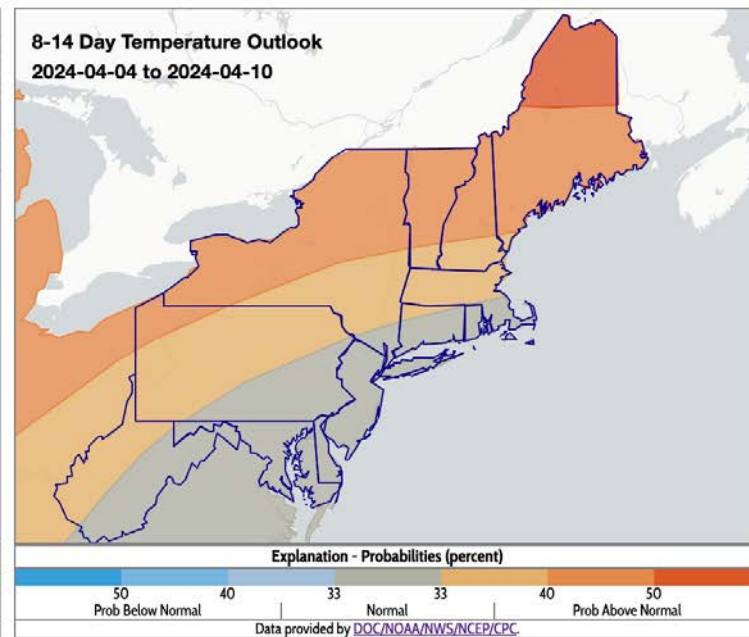
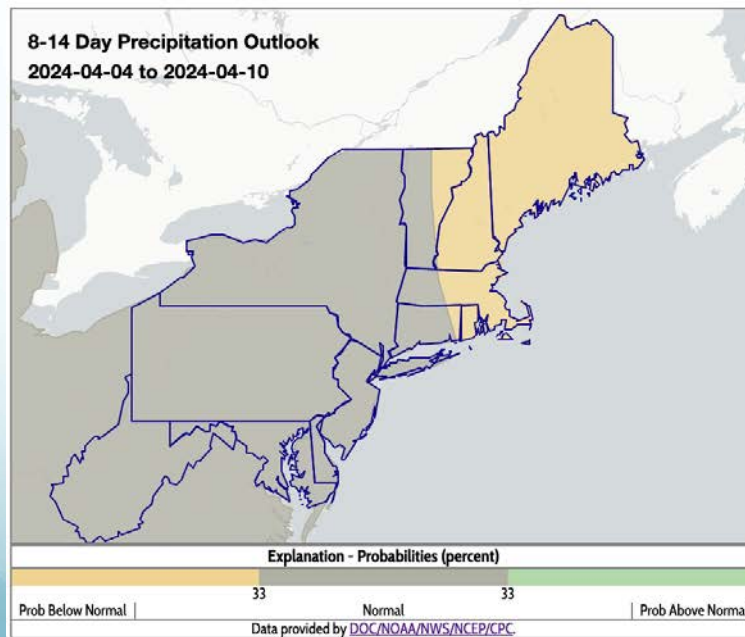
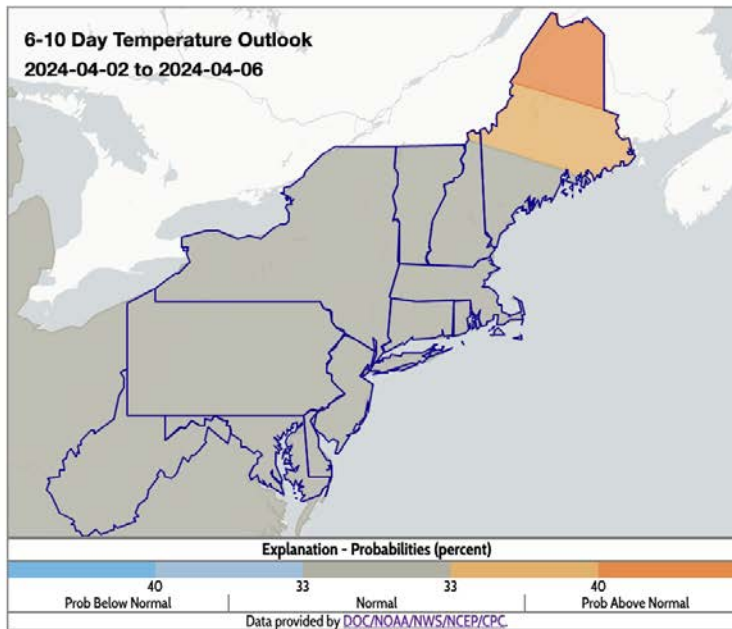
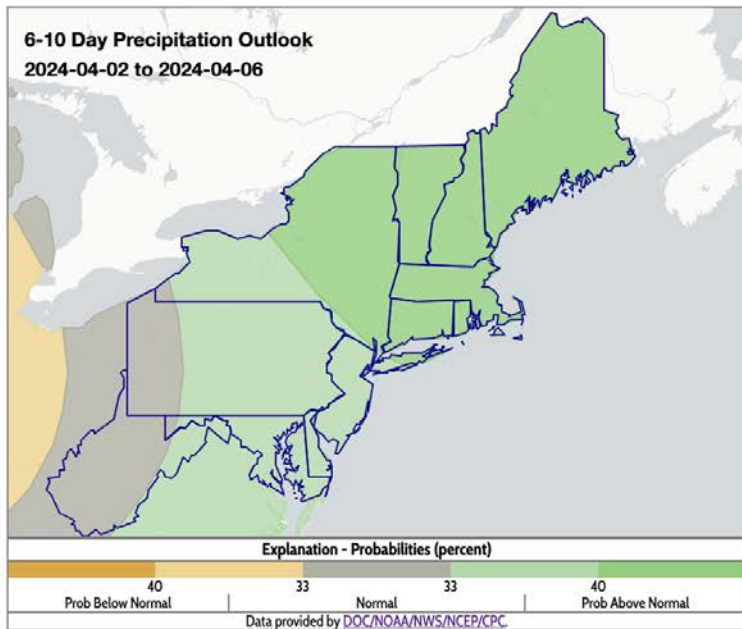
Groundwater



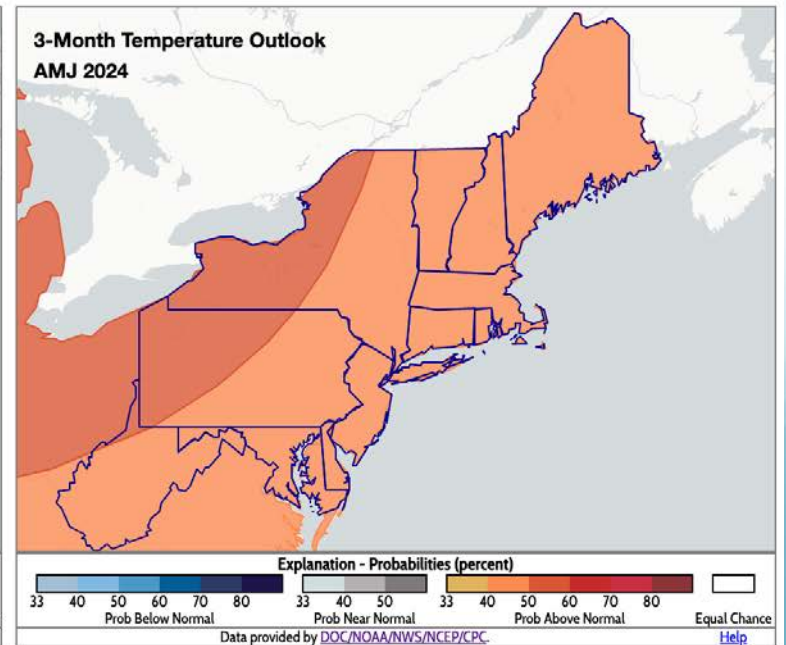
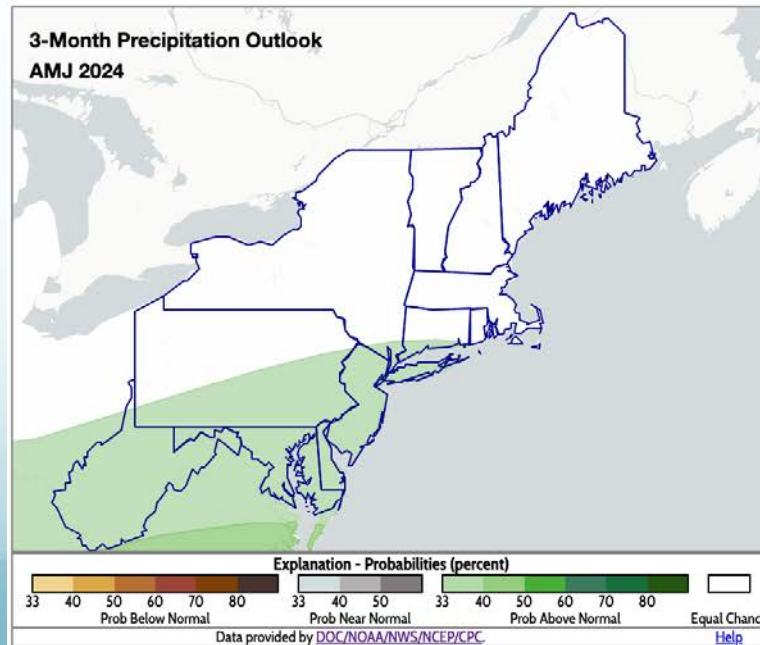
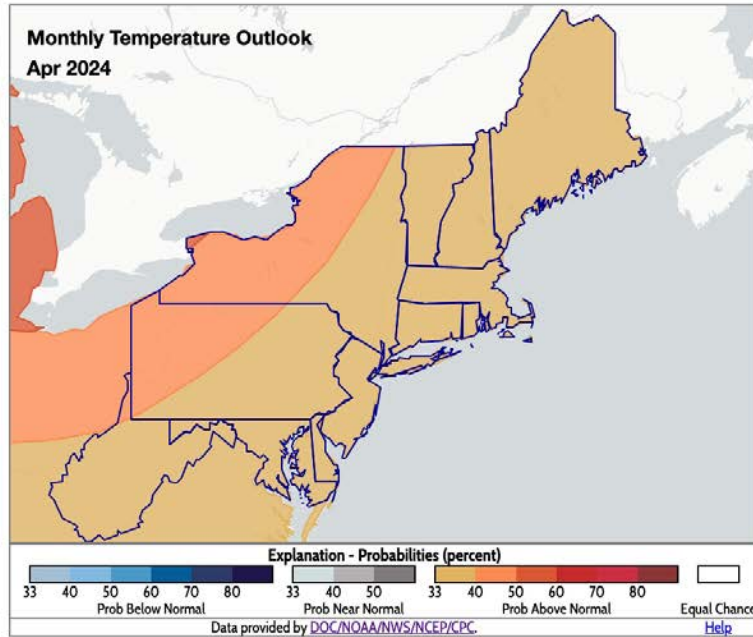
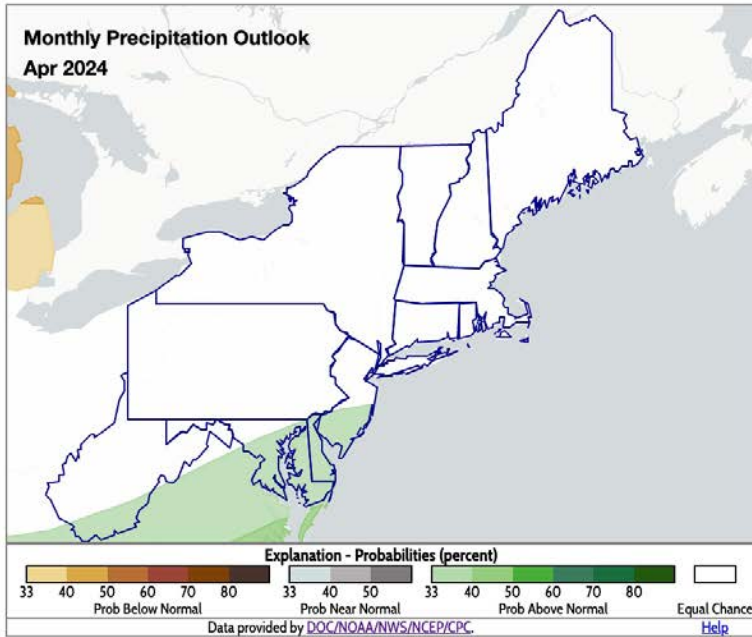
Precipitation Forecast



Short-term Outlooks



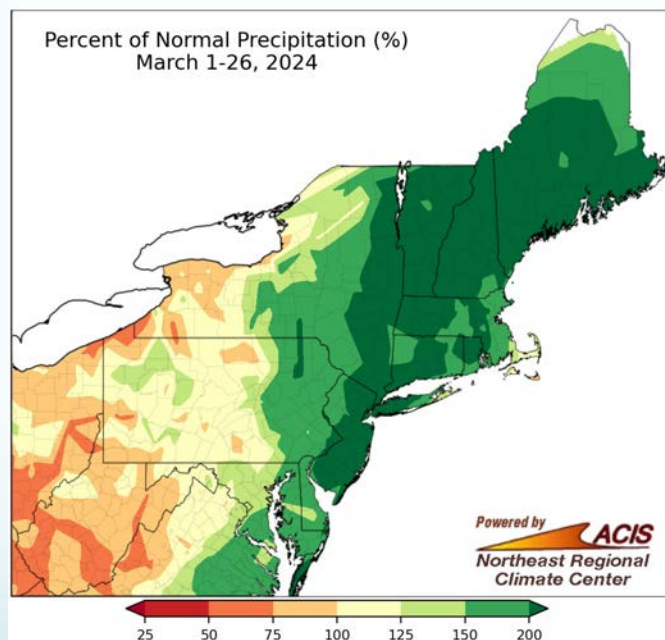
Monthly & 3-Month Outlooks



Summary

March-to-date conditions:

- Above-normal temperatures for the region
- Above-normal precipitation for most, except drier in some interior areas
- Below-normal snowfall for many; above-normal for northern New England



Drought:

- Abnormal dryness improved in northwestern Pennsylvania
- Slight expansion of moderate drought and abnormal dryness in western New York; moderate drought persists on Nantucket

Outlooks:

- Short-term: near- or above-normal precipitation for 6-10 day; below- or near-normal precipitation for 8-14 day; near- or above-normal temperatures for both time periods
- Apr and Apr-June: above-normal precipitation for some southern areas and above-normal temperatures for all



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Upcoming Webinars

- Tuesday, April 30 at 9:30am EDT
 - Ocean Warming and Marine Impacts
- Thursday, May 30 at 9:30am EDT
 - National Water Model & Flood Inundation Mapping
- Thursday, June 27 at 9:30am EDT
 - Dept. of Transportation Resiliency Projects



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