Overall Hydrologic Status for Maryland

Summary of Hydrologic Indicators for October 31, 2026					
	Rainfall	**Stream Flow**	**Groundwater**	**Reservoirs**	Overall Status
Western	Normal	Normal	Normal	Normal	Normal
Central	Normal	Normal	Emergency	Normal	Warning
Eastern	Normal	Normal	Warning		Watch
Southern	Normal		Normal		Normal

Notes:

Stream Flow Status Based on Thirty Day Average for 2026 October 31

Region	Stream Gage Location	Notes	Status Based on 30 Day Average		
			30 Day Average (cfs)	Percentage	Status
Western	Youghiogheny (near Oakland)		184.0	80%-85%	Normal
Western	Savage River (near Barton)		38.7	80%-85%	Normal
Western	Wills Creek (near Cumberland)		103.9	70%-75%	Normal
Western	Marsh Run (at Grimes)		6.9	60%-65%	Normal
Central	Catoctin Creek (near Middletown)		15.2	40%-45%	Normal
Central	Monocacy (Jug Bridge near Frederick)		441	60%-65%	Normal
Central	Patuxent (near Unity)		27.1	75%-80%	Normal
Central	Deer Cr (at Rocks)		54.1	20%-25%	Watch
Eastern	Choptank (near Greensboro)		24.5	30%-35%	Normal
Eastern	Nassawango Creek (near Snow Hill)		15.0	55%-60%	Normal
	Susquehanna (at Marietta)		16,166	55%-60%	Normal
	Potomac (at Little Falls)(Adjusted)		5,652	65%-70%	Normal

Notes:

Ground Water Status for 31 October 2026				
Region	USGS Well ID	Well Level[1]	Status	
Western	GA Bc 1	13.70	Normal	Normal
	AL Ah 1	4.53	Normal	
	WA Be 2	35.04	Normal	
	WA Bk 25	49.69	Watch	
	WA Ci 82	49.36	Normal	
Central	BA Dc 444	46.61 [3]	Emergency	Emergency
	BA Ea 18	26.32	Emergency	
	CL Ad 47	3.74 [3]	Watch	
	Fr Bd 96	32.91	Normal	
	Fr Df 35	57.76	Normal	
	HA Bd 31	12.80	Normal	
	HA Ca 23	9.33	Emergency	
	MO Cc 14	30.83	Normal	
Eastern	QA Cg 69	5.44	Normal	Warning
	WI Cg 20	6.89	Normal	
	MC51-01	15.90	Emergency	
	SO Cf 2	5.96 [3]	Warning	
Southern	CH Bg 12 (unconfined)	7.69 [3]	Normal	***Normal***
	CA Fd 54 (confined)	246.27 [3]	On Trend[4]	

[1] - Measurement of water level as feet below land surface
[2] - Not available as of 11/02/2026
[3] - Value computed from real-time measurement
[4] - In accordance with Maryland's drought monitoring and response plan, the impact of drought upon confined aquifers is analyzed as a departure from long term trend.

Selected ground water levels are available from USGS at:
http://md.water.usgs.gov/groundwater/
Data for other wells may be downloaded from:
USGS - NWIS Web Information for USA

Reservoir Volumes and Storage for Drought Monitoring

For the End of October 2026

Water System	*Reservoir*	*Percent Full**	*Days of Storage***
City of Frostburg	Piney	100%	434
City of Cumberland	Lake Gordon	100%	379
	Lake Koon	87%	
City of Baltimore	Liberty	73%	259
	Loch Raven	88%	
	Prettyboy	45%	
	Total	71%	
WSSC	Tridelphia Reservoir	87%	201
	Rocky Gorge/Duckett		
	Seneca Creek Reserve	99%	NA
All Potomac River Plants	Jennings-Randolph Reserve***	100%	NA

* *Percent Full* is the ratio of current volume to the maximum usable volume in each reservoir as of the end of October 2026

** *Days of Storage* is the amount of days it would take to use current volume of reservoir (w/o recharge) based on average raw water withdrawals from similar time frame from previous three years.

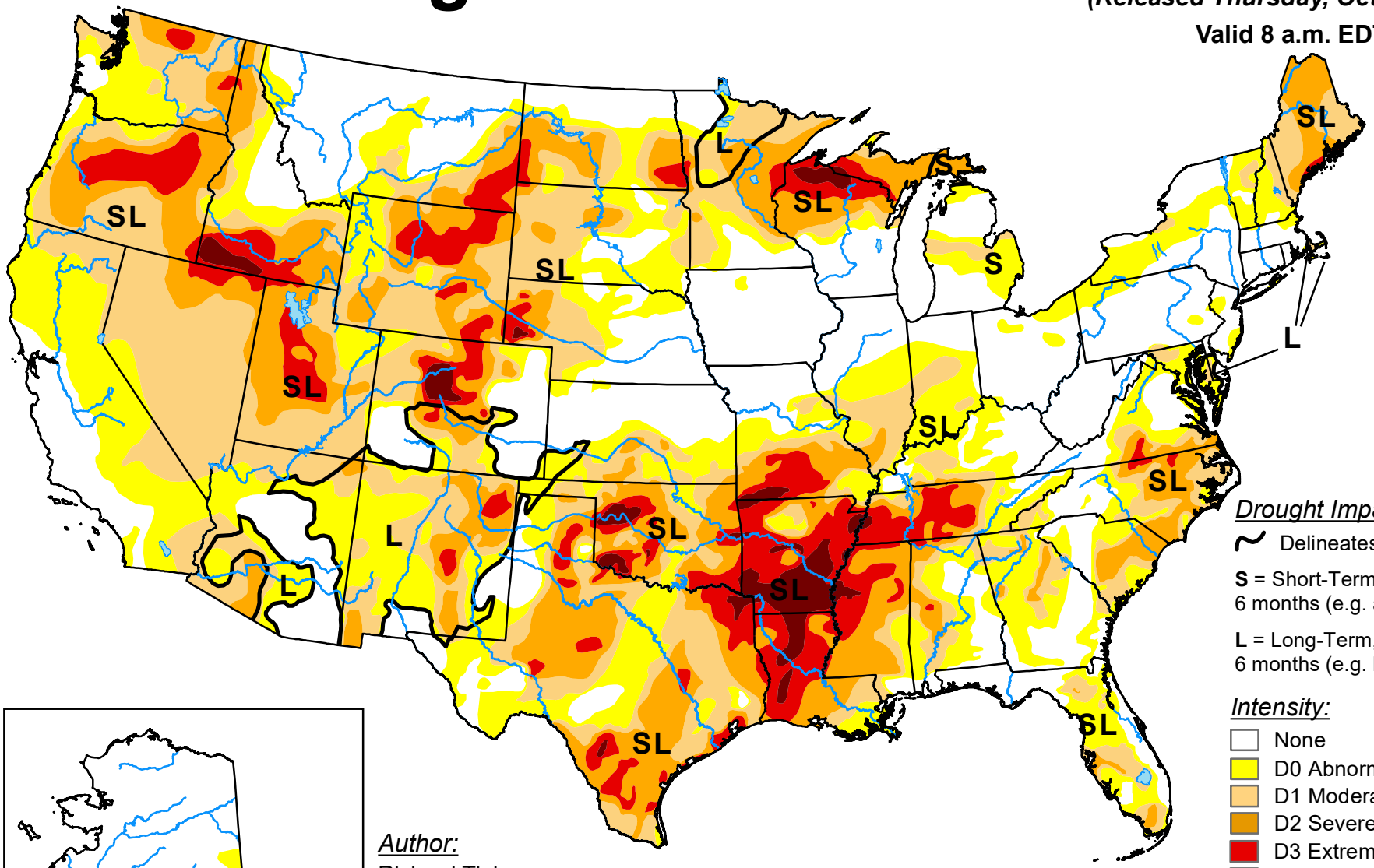
*** Percent full for Jennings-Randolph Reservoir is based on allotted amount of water in reservoir used to supplement Potomac River flow for drinking water purposes.

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Drought Impact Types:

~ Delineates dominant impacts

S = Short-Term, typically less than 6 months (e.g. agriculture, grasslands)

L = Long-Term, typically greater than 6 months (e.g. hydrology, ecology)

Intensity:

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

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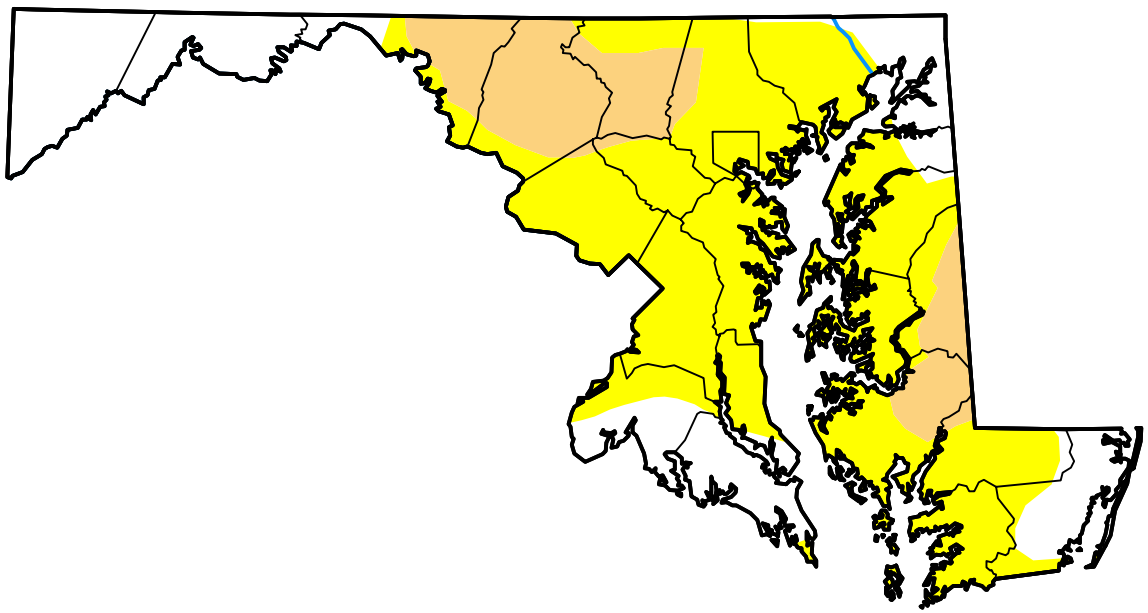
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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	27.11	72.89	17.06	0.00	0.00	0.00
Last Week *10-20-2026*	27.11	72.89	17.06	0.00	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago *07-28-2026*	8.87	91.13	81.02	44.49	1.30	0.00
Start of Calendar Year *01-06-2026*	0.06	99.94	73.73	42.98	0.00	0.00
Start of Water Year *09-29-2026*	16.22	83.78	20.37	0.00	0.00	0.00
One Year Ago *10-28-2025*	9.49	90.51	32.23	2.33	0.10	0.00

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