

Charlotte County Public Safety

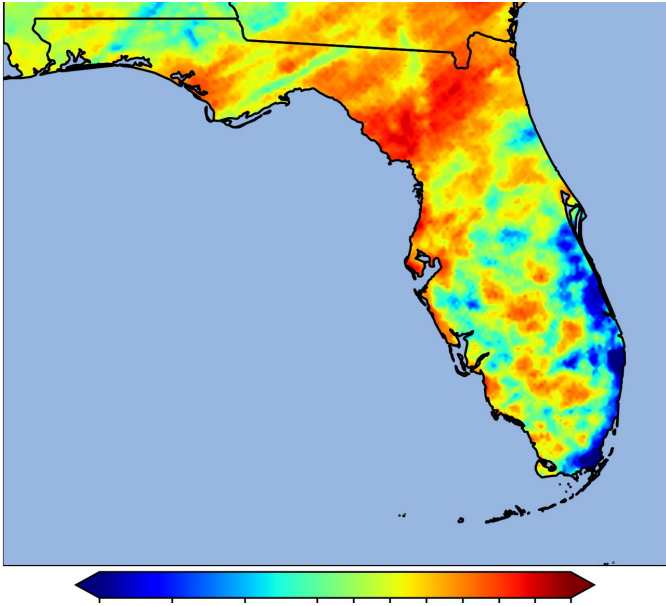
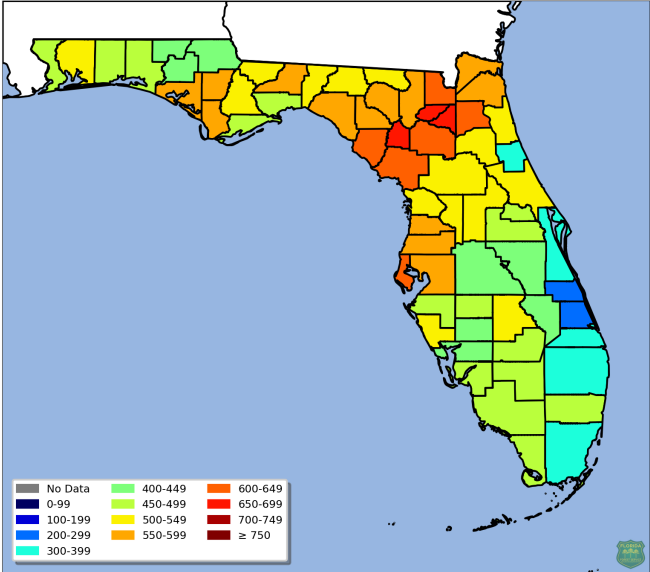
Request for Countywide Burn Ban
April 28, 2026



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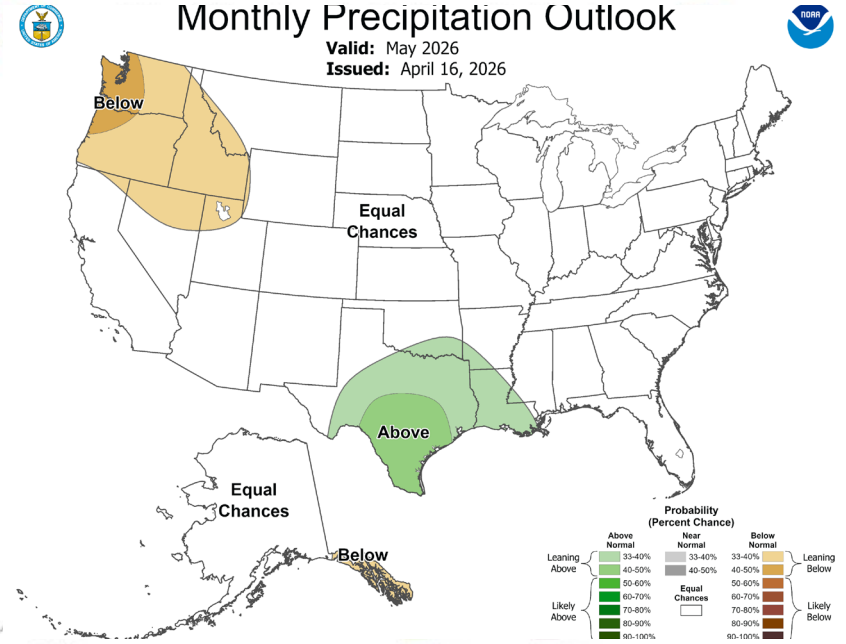
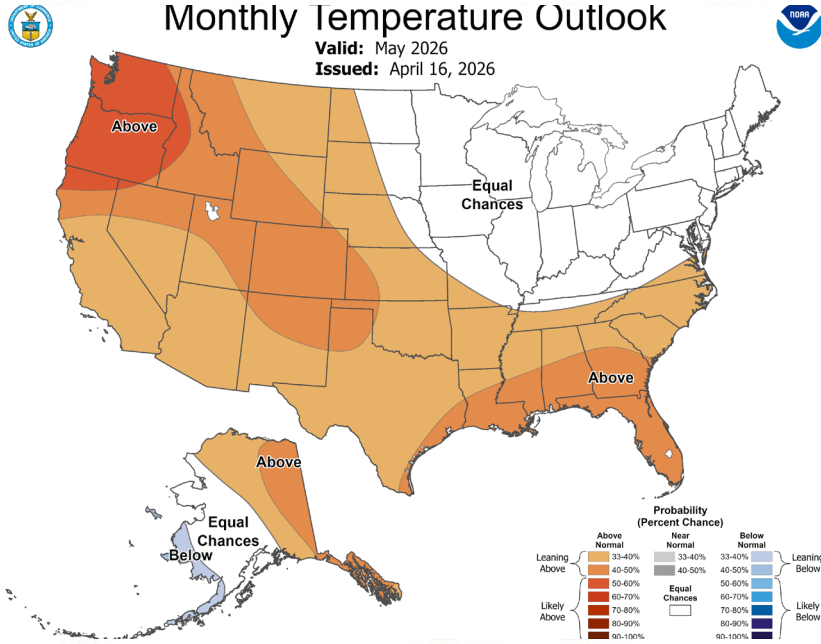
Statewide Keetch-Byram Drought Index (KBDI) April 21, 2026 – Charlotte County 415

KBDI Averages by County | Tue 04/21/26



May Outlook

Issued April 16, 2026

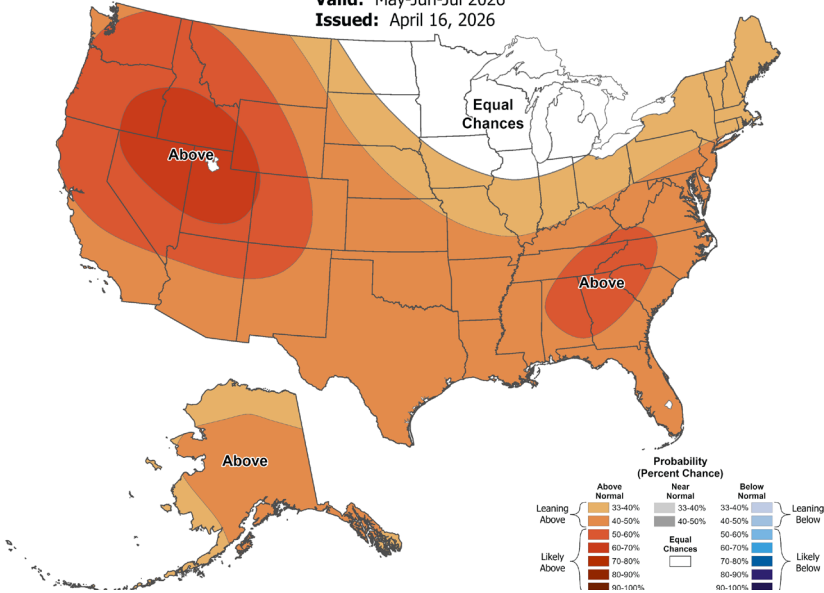


Seasonal Outlook Issued April 16, 2026



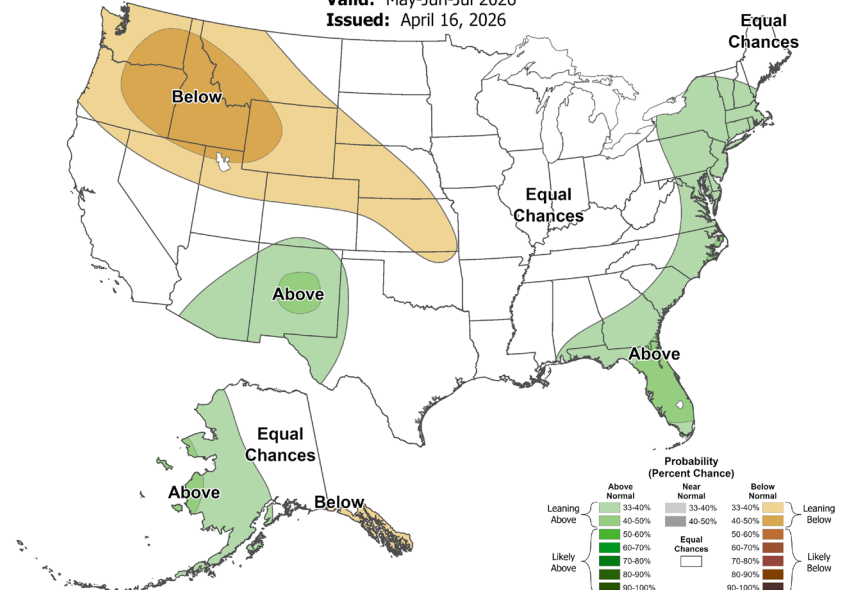
Seasonal Temperature Outlook

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Seasonal Precipitation Outlook

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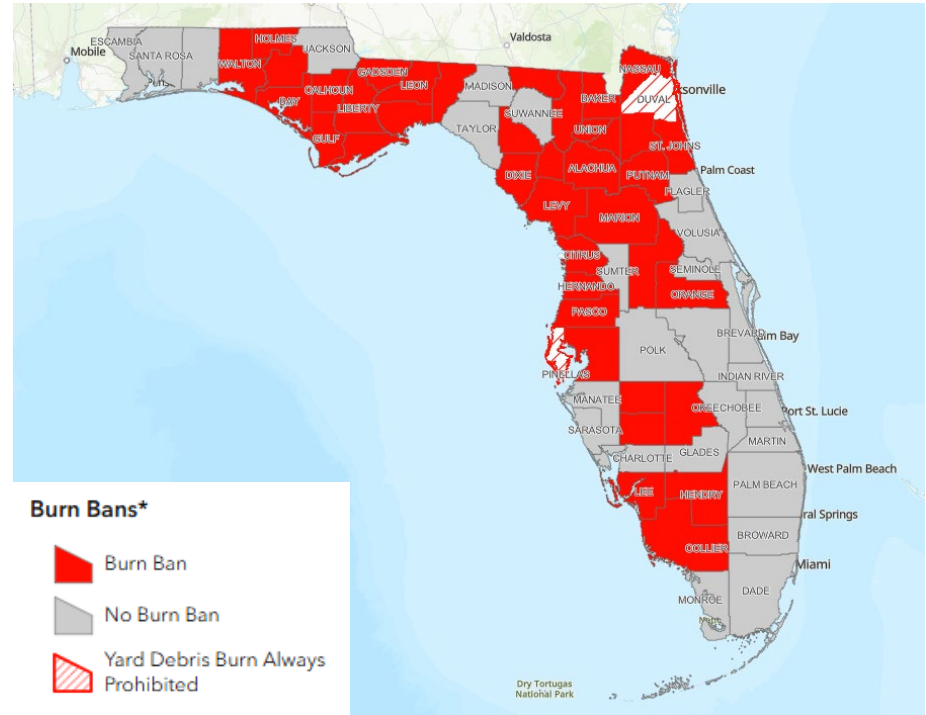


County Enacted Bans

as of April 21, 2026

Regional

- Hardee County
- DeSoto County
- Sarasota County
- Lee County
- Hendry County
- Collier County



Forecast/Outlook Impacts

Dry and windy conditions mean

- Fires ignite easily, burn hotter, and spread rapidly.
- Hurricane debris and increased vegetation provide additional fuel, intensifying fire behavior.
- Wildfires place a heavy demand on emergency services and increase risks to both life and property.

Risk to health and property

- Wildfire smoke poses serious health concerns, especially for individuals with respiratory conditions.
- According to FDOH, wildfires are the second-highest weather-related threat in Florida.
- Continued growth increases the likelihood of fires in wildland-urban interface areas.
- In 2024 wildfires caused an estimated more than \$250 billion nationwide (*Accuweather*)

