

## **Drought Information Center**

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Due to system problems with the USGS Pennsylvania Drought Condition Monitoring website, this week's Drought Status Report is limited to precipitation information available directly from other websites, including the National Weather Service and Mid-Atlantic River Forecast Center.

The past week brought limited rain across the Commonwealth, ranging generally between 0.0 to 0.3 inches in the western half of the state, including the Ohio and western portions of the Susquehanna basins; generally between 0.3 and 0.6 inches in most of the eastern half; and between 0.5 and 0.9 in the eastern border counties along the Delaware River. Excepting those eastern-most counties, this represented precipitation deficits ranging from 0.3 to 1.0 inches.

Forecasts for the early part of this week indicate the possibility about a tenth to quarter inch of precipitation in the southeastern two-thirds of the state, most to occur on Thursday and Friday. The 7-day forecast reflects about an equal total, indicating limited probability of rain after Friday through early next week. The 7-14-day forecast is a little more encouraging, showing about a half inch in the Delaware and Susquehanna basins and up to 1.5 inches in most of the Ohio basin. Overall, this would be less than normal rainfall, continuing the trend of the past week.

The Commonwealth remains in a statewide drought watch status.