



BAHAMAS PUBLIC FORECAST

BAHAMAS PUBLIC FORECAST FOR THIS AFTERNOON AND TONIGHT AND THE NEXT SIX (6) DAYS, ISSUED BY THE BAHAMAS DEPARTMENT OF METEOROLOGY AT 12:00 P.M. EDT, MONDAY, MARCH 16, 2026. THE NEXT SCHEDULED FORECAST WILL BE ISSUED AT 6:00 P.M. EDT.

WARNING IN EFFECT:	<i>A Near Gale Warning (28 to 33 knots) remains in effect for the islands of the Southeast Bahamas and the Turks and Caicos Islands. A Near Gale Watch is now in effect for the Northern Bahamas. For additional marine information, please see our Marine Forecast at our website, met.gov.bs.</i>
GENERAL SITUATION:	<p>Deep layered ridging will remain the dominant weather feature for today, keeping mostly shallow topped showers and locally brisk winds across the region. Heavier showers and thunderstorms will begin to develop across the northern half of the country by tonight, as a pre-frontal trough moves ahead of an inbound cold front.</p> <p>Outlook: The cold front is expected to enter the Northern Bahamas by early Tuesday, bringing showers and thunderstorms along its frontal boundary as it pushes into and stalls across the Central Bahamas through Wednesday. At the same time, a mid- to upper-level trough will further enhance shower and thunderstorm activity while drawing moisture across the area, resulting in a more unsettled weather pattern across the country for the remainder of the week. A low pressure system may develop along the frontal boundary by mid to late week, bringing periods of heavy rainfall and the potential for localized flooding through early Friday. Conditions are expected to gradually improve across the Northern and Northwest Bahamas by Friday afternoon, while unsettled weather persists across Southeast Bahamas and portions of the Central Bahamas through Saturday.</p>
SPECIAL WEATHER NOTES:	<p>Thunderstorm Activity/ Severe Weather Potential: Thunderstorms may bring locally gusty winds and periods of heavy showers during the afternoon and evening hours across portions of the Northern and Northwest Bahamas. There is a high risk of severe thunderstorm activity occurring late tonight through to early Tuesday morning. The public is urged to keep updated on all severe weather warnings issued by the Bahamas Department of Meteorology.</p> <p>Rip Currents: There is a moderate to high risk of rip currents along eastern and southern beaches of the Southeast Bahamas, as well as all Atlantic shorelines. <i>Beachgoers in these areas are urged not to enter into these waters.</i></p>

NORTHERN BAHAMAS (INCLUDING GRAND BAHAMA, ABACO, BIMINI & ADJACENT WATERS):			
SKY CONDITIONS:	A mix of sun and clouds this afternoon, becoming partly cloudy to cloudy this evening. Expect cloudy to overcast conditions by late tonight.		
PRECIPITATION:	20 – 40% chance of showers with thunderstorms, increasing 40 – 70% by late tonight.		
WINDS:	South to southwest at 15 knots but gusty at times this afternoon, decreasing 10 to 15 knots tonight.		
TEMPERATURES:	MAXIMUM:	MINIMUM:	HEAT INDEX:
	81°F – 84°F / 27°C – 29°C	70°F – 75°F / 21°C – 24°C	N/A

NORTHWEST BAHAMAS (INCLUDING NEW PROVIDENCE, ANDROS, THE BERRY ISLANDS, ELEUTHERA & ADJACENT WATERS):			
SKY CONDITIONS:	A mix of sun and clouds, turning partly cloudy this evening. Expect a gradual increase in cloud cover by late tonight.		
PRECIPITATION:	20 – 40% chance of showers with thunderstorms.		
WINDS:	Southeast to south at 15 to 20 knots this afternoon, decreasing 10 to 15 knots with higher gusts tonight.		
TEMPERATURES:	MAXIMUM:	MINIMUM:	HEAT INDEX:
	81°F – 86°F / 27°C – 30°C	72°F – 75°F / 22°C – 24°C	N/A



CENTRAL BAHAMAS (INCLUDING EXUMA, CAT ISLAND, LONG ISLAND, SAN SALVADOR, RUM CAY & ADJACENT WATERS):			
SKY CONDITIONS:	A mix of sun and clouds, turning partly cloudy tonight.		
PRECIPITATION:	10 – 30% chance of showers with possible afternoon thunderstorms.		
WINDS:	Southeasterly at 15 to 20 knots with higher gusts.		
TEMPERATURES:	MAXIMUM:	MINIMUM:	HEAT INDEX:
	82°F – 86°F / 28°C – 30°C	73°F – 77°F / 23°C – 25°C	N/A

SOUTHEAST BAHAMAS (INCLUDING INAGUA, ACKLINS, CROOKED ISLAND, MAYAGUANA, RAGGED ISLAND & ADJACENT WATERS):			
SKY CONDITIONS:	A mix of sun and clouds, turning partly cloudy tonight.		
PRECIPITATION:	10 – 30% chance of showers.		
WINDS:	East to southeast at 15 to 25 knots with gusts to near gale .		
TEMPERATURES:	MAXIMUM:	MINIMUM:	HEAT INDEX:
	82°F – 86°F / 28°C – 30°C	73°F – 77°F / 23°C – 25°C	N/A

EXTENDED FORECAST FOR THE BAHAMAS FOR: TUESDAY 17TH MARCH, 2026.			
SKY CONDITIONS:	Southeast Bahamas: A mix of sun and clouds, turning partly cloudy at night. Elsewhere: Partly cloudy to cloudy.		
PRECIPITATION:	Southeast Bahamas: 10 to 20% chance of showers. Elsewhere: 40 to 60% chance of scattered showers and thunderstorms.		
WINDS:	Northern Bahamas: Southwest to west at 10 to 15 knots ahead of the front, veering north to northeast at 15 to 20 knots with higher gusts behind the front, becoming Northerly at 20 to 25 knots with near gale gusts by the evening hours. Northwest Bahamas: Southwest to west at less than 10 knots, becoming light and variable during the afternoon hours, and north to northeast 20 to 25 knots overnight. Central Bahamas: Southeasterly at 10 knots or less, becoming light and variable by the afternoon to evening hours. Southeast Bahamas: East to southeast at 20 to 25 knots with near gale gusts , decreasing to 15 knots by nightfall.		
TEMPERATURES:	MAXIMUM:	MINIMUM:	HEAT INDEX:
	77°F – 84°F / 25°C – 29°C	68°F – 77°F / 20°C – 25°C	N/A

EXTENDED FORECAST FOR THE BAHAMAS FOR: WEDNESDAY 18TH MARCH, 2026.			
SKY CONDITIONS:	Southeast Bahamas: Variably cloudy Elsewhere: Cloudy to overcast.		
PRECIPITATION:	Southeast Bahamas: 20 to 30% chance of isolated showers with thunderstorms Elsewhere: 60 to 80% chance of widespread showers with rain and scattered thunderstorms.		
WINDS:	Northern Bahamas: Northeasterly at 15 to 20 knots, with near gale gusts coming into effect during the evening hours Northwest Bahamas: Northeast to east at 10 to 15 knots with higher gusts, and occasional light and variable periods along the portions of Eleuthera. Central Bahamas: East to southeast at 10 to 15 knots with higher gusts, becoming northeast to east at 10 to 15 knots with higher gusts during the evening hours. Southeast Bahamas: East to southeast at 15 knots with higher gusts.		
TEMPERATURES:	MAXIMUM:	MINIMUM:	HEAT INDEX:
	75°F – 82°F / 24°C – 28°C	68°F – 77°F / 20°C – 25°C	N/A



EXTENDED FORECAST FOR THE BAHAMAS FOR: THURSDAY 19TH MARCH, 2026.

SKY CONDITIONS:	All areas: Cloudy to overcast with a few breaks possible.		
PRECIPITATION:	Northern and Northwest Bahamas: 50 to 70% chance of showers with thunderstorms, decreasing to a 20 to 40% chance during the evening hours. Central and Southeast Bahamas: 30 to 50% chance of showers with thunderstorms.		
WINDS:	Northern Bahamas: Northeasterly at 20 to 25 knots with <i>near gale gusts</i> Northwest Bahamas: Northeasterly 15 to 20 knots with higher gusts, increasing to 20 to 25 knots with <i>near gale gusts</i> by late afternoon. Central Bahamas: Northeasterly at 10 to 15 knots, becoming north to northeast at 10 to 15 knots by the evening falling light and variable at times. Southeast Bahamas: Easterly at 10 to 15 knots with higher gusts during the morning, decreasing to 10 knots or less by the afternoon, and north to northeast at 15 to 20 knots by the evening hours, falling light and variable across some areas.		
TEMPERATURES:	MAXIMUM:	MINIMUM:	HEAT INDEX:
	75°F – 82°F / 24°C – 28°C	68°F – 77°F / 20°C – 24°C	N/A

EXTENDED FORECAST FOR THE BAHAMAS FOR: FRIDAY 20TH MARCH, 2026.

SKY CONDITIONS:	Northern Bahamas: A mix of sun and clouds Elsewhere: Partly cloudy to cloudy		
PRECIPITATION:	Northern Bahamas: 10 to 20% chance of showers or an isolated thunderstorm Elsewhere: 30 to 50% chance of showers with thunderstorms.		
WINDS:	Northern and Northwest Bahamas: Northeasterly at 15 to 20 knots with <i>near gale gusts</i> . Central Bahamas: Northeasterly at 15 to 20 knots, increasing to 20 to 25 knots by the afternoon. Southeast Bahamas: Variable at less than 10 knots or less, increasing 10 to 15 knots by evening hours.		
TEMPERATURES:	MAXIMUM:	MINIMUM:	HEAT INDEX:
	79°F – 84°F / 26°C – 29°C	70°F – 77°F / 21°C – 24°C	N/A

EXTENDED FORECAST FOR THE BAHAMAS FOR: SATURDAY 21ST MARCH, 2026.

SKY CONDITIONS:	Southeast Bahamas: Partly cloudy to cloudy Elsewhere: A mix of sun and clouds, turning mostly fair with a few cloudy periods at night.		
PRECIPITATION:	Southeast Bahamas: 30 to 50% chance of showers and thunderstorms. Elsewhere: 10 to 30% chance of showers or isolated thunderstorms.		
WINDS:	Northern Bahamas: Northeasterly at 10 to 15 knots with higher gusts Elsewhere: Northeasterly at 15 to 20 knots with higher gusts, decreasing to 10 to 15 knots.		
TEMPERATURES:	MAXIMUM:	MINIMUM:	HEAT INDEX:
	79°F – 84°F / 26°C – 29°C	70°F – 77°F / 21°C – 24°C	N/A

EXTENDED FORECAST FOR THE BAHAMAS FOR: SUNDAY 22ND MARCH, 2026.

SKY CONDITIONS:	All areas: Partly to mostly sunny, fair at night.		
PRECIPITATION:	All areas: 10% chance of showers.		
WINDS:	Northern & Northwest Bahamas: Easterly at less than 10 knots Central & Southeast Bahamas: Northeast to east at 10 to 15 knots.		
TEMPERATURES:	MAXIMUM:	MINIMUM:	HEAT INDEX:
	79°F – 86°F / 26°C – 30°C	72°F – 77°F / 22°C – 25°C	N/A

SUNSET:	SUNRISE:	MOONSET:	MOONRISE:
7:17 PM	7:17 AM TUE	5:12 PM	6:20 AM TUE

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