



BAHAMAS PUBLIC FORECAST

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

A Heat Advisory remains in effect for the Northern and Northwest Bahamas. Residents and visitors should take the necessary precautions while outdoors during peak sunshine hours (10 am – 4 pm) and to safeguard their health as heat indices ranging from **102°F to 116°F** are anticipated.

WARNING IN EFFECT:

A Dust Advisory remains in effect for the entire Bahamas, as well as the Turks & Caicos Islands through this evening. The level of dust is expected to reach moderate levels which may impact air quality and hinder visibility at times. Residents, especially those with respiratory illnesses, should take precautions to safeguard their health.

Near Gale Warning: A near gale warning (winds 28-33 knots) remains in effect for the Southeast Bahamas (Mainly south of Inagua) until 6pm. Residents should exercise extreme caution along Atlantic facing coastal roads due to wind driven waves that may cause overtopping waves and coastal flooding.

GENERAL SITUATION:

High pressure ridging along with Saharan Dust continues to dominate the region with drier and hazy conditions, gentle to moderate winds over the Northern territories but moderate to locally fresh over the Central and Southeast Bahamas.

Outlook: Favorable marine conditions will spread into the southern half of the country as high pressure becomes centered over the Bahamas, contributing to light to gentle breezes and smooth to slight seas. Shower chances will also remain very low due to the presence of Saharan dust. By midweek, shower chances increase over the northern islands due to weak troughing and a slight uptick in moisture moving in from the north.

SPECIAL WEATHER NOTES:

Rip Currents: There is a **high** risk of rip currents for the Central and Southeast Bahamas while a **moderate** risk exists over the Northern and Northwest Bahamas. *Beachgoers and swimmers, particularly those in the Central and Southeast Bahamas, are strongly advised to refrain from entering waters along eastern and southern shorelines and Atlantic exposed beaches at this time.*

UV Index: Members of the public are advised to wear protective clothing and sunscreen and seek shaded areas while outside during peak sunshine hours (**11am – 4pm**), as UV indices are expected to be in the **very high** to **extreme** range today.

NORTHERN BAHAMAS
(INCLUDING GRAND BAHAMA, ABACO, BIMINI & ADJACENT WATERS):

SKY CONDITIONS:	Partly sunny.		
PRECIPITATION:	10% chance of showers.		
WINDS:	Variable at 10 knots or less.		
TEMPERATURES:	MAXIMUM:	MINIMUM:	HEAT INDEX:
	90°F – 95°F / 32°C – 35°C	75°F – 82°F / 24°C – 28°C	110°F – 116°F / 43°C – 47°C



NORTHWEST BAHAMAS

(INCLUDING NEW PROVIDENCE, ANDROS, THE BERRY ISLANDS, ELEUTHERA & ADJACENT WATERS):

SKY CONDITIONS:	Partly sunny and hazy.		
PRECIPITATION:	10% chance of showers.		
WINDS:	East to southeast at 10 knots or less.		
TEMPERATURES:	MAXIMUM:	MINIMUM:	HEAT INDEX:
	90°F – 93°F / 32°C – 34°C	75°F – 82°F / 24°C – 28°C	102°F – 106°F / 38°C – 40°C

CENTRAL BAHAMAS

(INCLUDING EXUMA, CAT ISLAND, LONG ISLAND, SAN SALVADOR, RUM CAY & ADJACENT WATERS):

SKY CONDITIONS:	Partly sunny and hazy.		
PRECIPITATION:	10% chance of showers.		
WINDS:	Easterly at 10 to 15 knots, gusty at times.		
TEMPERATURES:	MAXIMUM:	MINIMUM:	HEAT INDEX:
	88°F – 92°F / 30°C – 33°C	77°F – 84°F / 25°C – 29°C	98°F – 104°F / 37°C – 39°C

SOUTHEAST BAHAMAS

(INCLUDING INAGUA, ACKLINS, CROOKED ISLAND, MAYAGUANA, RAGGED ISLAND & ADJACENT WATERS):

SKY CONDITIONS:	Hazy with a mix of sun and clouds.		
PRECIPITATION:	10% chance of showers.		
WINDS:	East to southeast at 15 to 25 knots with <i>gusts to near gale force possible over the Inaguas.</i>		
TEMPERATURES:	MAXIMUM:	MINIMUM:	HEAT INDEX:
	88°F – 92°F / 30°C – 33°C	77°F – 84°F / 25°C – 29°C	98°F – 104°F / 37°C – 39°C

TROPICAL WEATHER OUTLOOK: *Tropical cyclone activity is not expected during the next 7 days.*

EXTENDED FORECAST FOR THE BAHAMAS FOR MONDAY 17TH AUGUST, 2026:

SKY CONDITIONS:	All Areas: Partly sunny and a bit hazy.		
PRECIPITATION:	All Areas: 10 to 20% chance of showers.		
	Northern Bahamas: Variable at less than 10 knots		
	Northwest Bahamas: East to Southeast at 10 knots or less, becoming light and variable by the afternoon.		
WINDS:	Central Bahamas: Easterly at 10 to 15 knots, becoming northeast to east at 10 knots or less by the evening hours		
	Southeast Bahamas: Easterly at 10 to 15 knots with higher gusts, becoming east-northeast to east-southeast at 10 to 15 knots by the afternoon hours.		
TEMPERATURES:	MAXIMUM:	MINIMUM:	HEAT INDEX:
	88°F – 95°F / 31°C – 35°C	77°F – 82°F / 25°C – 28°C	98°F – 108°F / 36°C – 42°C

EXTENDED FORECAST FOR THE BAHAMAS FOR TUESDAY 18TH AUGUST, 2026:

SKY CONDITIONS:	All Areas: Partly sunny during the morning hours, becoming a mix of sun and clouds during the afternoon hours.		
PRECIPITATION:	Northern Bahamas: 20% chance of showers		
	Elsewhere: 10 to 20% chance of showers.		
	Northern and Northwest Bahamas: South to southwest at 10 knots or less, falling light and variable.		
WINDS:	Central Bahamas: East to southeast at 10 knots or less, falling light and variable by the afternoon hours		
	Southeast Bahamas: Easterly at 10 to 15 knots		
TEMPERATURES:	MAXIMUM:	MINIMUM:	HEAT INDEX:
	84°F – 90°F / 29°C – 32°C	77°F – 82°F / 25°C – 28°C	96°F – 104°F / 36°C – 40°C



EXTENDED FORECAST FOR THE BAHAMAS FOR WEDNESDAY 19TH AUGUST, 2026:

SKY CONDITIONS: All Areas: A mix of sun and clouds.

PRECIPITATION: Northern Bahamas: 20 to 30% chance of showers and isolated afternoon thunderstorms
Elsewhere: 10 to 20% chance of showers.

WINDS: Northern and Northwest Bahamas: South to southwest at 10 to 15 knots, falling light and variable across the Northwest Bahamas during the afternoon hours
Central Bahamas: East to southeast at 10 knots or less.
Southeast Bahamas: Easterly at 10 to 15 knots, gusty at times.

TEMPERATURES: **MAXIMUM:** **MINIMUM:** **HEAT INDEX:**
84°F – 90°F / 29°C – 32°C 77°F – 82°F / 25°C – 28°C 96°F – 104°F / 36°C – 40°C

EXTENDED FORECAST FOR THE BAHAMAS FOR THURSDAY 20TH AUGUST, 2026:

SKY CONDITIONS: Northern and Northwest Bahamas: Expect a mix of sun and clouds.
Central and Southeast Bahamas: Partly sunny

PRECIPITATION: All Areas: 10 to 20% chance of showers.

WINDS: Northern and Northwest Bahamas: Southerly at 10 to 15 knots, falling light and variable.
Central Bahamas: Easterly at 10 knots or less, increasing to 10 to 15 knots by the evening
Southeast Bahamas: Easterly at 10 to 15 knots, with higher gusts during the evening hours.

TEMPERATURES: **MAXIMUM:** **MINIMUM:** **HEAT INDEX:**
84°F – 90°F / 29°C – 32°C 77°F – 82°F / 25°C – 28°C 96°F – 104°F / 36°C – 40°C

EXTENDED FORECAST FOR THE BAHAMAS FOR FRIDAY 21ST AUGUST, 2026:

SKY CONDITIONS: Southeast Bahamas: Partly cloudy
Elsewhere: A mix of sun and clouds.

PRECIPITATION: Southeast Bahamas: 20 to 30% chance of showers and isolated thunderstorms
Elsewhere: 10 to 20% chance of showers.

WINDS: Northern and Northwest Bahamas: Southeast to south at 10 – 15 knots, falling light and variable at times across the Northern Bahamas.
Central and Southeast Bahamas: Easterly at 10 – 15 knots with higher gusts across the Southeast Bahamas.

TEMPERATURES: **MAXIMUM:** **MINIMUM:** **HEAT INDEX:**
84°F – 91°F / 29°C – 33°C 77°F – 82°F / 25°C – 28°C 96°F – 107°F / 36°C – 42°C

EXTENDED FORECAST FOR THE BAHAMAS FOR SATURDAY 22ND AUGUST 2026:

SKY CONDITIONS: Northern and Northwest Bahamas: Partly cloudy
Central and Southeast Bahamas: A mix of sun and clouds

PRECIPITATION: Northern and Northwest Bahamas: 20 to 30% chance of showers and isolated thunderstorms
Central and Southeast Bahamas: 10 to 20% chance of showers and isolated thunderstorms
Northern Bahamas: Southeast to south at 10 knots or less, becoming east to southeast at 10 knots or less by the evening hours.

WINDS: Northwest Bahamas: East to southeast at 10 to 15 knots, falling light and variable at times
Central and Southeast Bahamas: East to southeast at 15 to 20 knots, with higher gusts across the Southeast Bahamas.

TEMPERATURES: **MAXIMUM:** **MINIMUM:** **HEAT INDEX:**
84°F – 91°F / 29°C – 33°C 77°F – 82°F / 25°C – 28°C 96°F – 107°F / 36°C – 42°C

SUNSET:	SUNRISE:	MOONSET:	MOONRISE:
07:42 PM	06:45 AM MON	10:11 PM	11:26 AM MON

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