



BAHAMAS PUBLIC FORECAST

FORECASTS FOR THE BAHAMAS FOR TODAY, TONIGHT AND THE NEXT SIX (6) DAYS, ISSUED BY THE BAHAMAS DEPARTMENT OF METEOROLOGY AT 6:00 A.M. EDT, Thursday, May 21, 2026. THE NEXT SCHEDULED FORECAST WILL BE ISSUED AT 12:00 P.M. EDT.

WARNING IN EFFECT: There are no public warnings. For additional marine information see our Marine Forecast at met.gov.bs.

As a persistent mid-to upper-level disturbance lingers northeast of the island chain, showers and thunderstorms will continue across the area today, with higher activity expected across the Southeastern Bahamas and portions of the Central Bahamas. Meanwhile, a broad surface ridging pattern will support moderate to fresh breezes across the country today.

GENERAL SITUATION: **Outlook:** This disturbance will continue to linger near the island chain through early Friday, keeping shower and thunderstorm chances elevated, particularly across the Central and Southeastern Bahamas, before eventually shifting to the east by Friday evening. By Sunday, strong ridging is expected to dominate weather conditions across the island chain, allowing breezes to strengthen, fresh to strong across all areas, with near-gale gusts possible across portions of the Southeast Bahamas. However, occasional shower activity will remain possible as low-level moisture moves across the area through early next week.

Rip Currents: There is a *moderate* to *high* risk of rip currents on all east-coast and Atlantic coastal waters of the island chain. *Swimmers are advised to exercise caution when entering these waters.*

SPECIAL WEATHER NOTES: **Heat and UV Index:** Residents across the **Northern, Northwest & the Central Bahamas** are advised to remain hydrated, wear protective clothing and sunscreen and seek shaded areas while outside during peak sunshine hours today (**11am – 4pm**), as UV indices are expected to be in the *very high* range and heat indices can reach the *upper 90's*.

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

SKY CONDITIONS: Partly sunny today, becoming mostly fair tonight.
PRECIPITATION: 20 to 30% chance of showers and isolated thunderstorms.
WINDS: East to southeast at 10 to 15 knots
TEMPERATURES: **MAXIMUM:** 84°F – 90°F / 29°C – 32°C **MINIMUM:** 73°F – 77°F / 23°C – 25°C **HEAT INDEX:** 93°F – 97°F / 34°C – 36°C

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

SKY CONDITIONS: Partly sunny today, becoming mostly fair tonight
PRECIPITATION: 10 to 30% chance of showers or an isolated thunderstorm.
WINDS: East to southeast at 10 to 15 knots with higher gusts.
TEMPERATURES: **MAXIMUM:** 84°F – 90°F / 29°C – 32°C **MINIMUM:** 73°F – 77°F / 23°C – 25°C **HEAT INDEX:** 93°F – 97°F / 34°C – 36°C

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

SKY CONDITIONS: A mix of sun and clouds today, becoming mostly fair tonight
PRECIPITATION: 30 to 40% chance of showers and thunderstorms today.
WINDS: East to southeast at 15 to 20 knots
TEMPERATURES: **MAXIMUM:** 79°F – 88°F / 26°C – 30°C **MINIMUM:** 75°F – 79°F / 24°C – 26°C **HEAT INDEX:** 93°F – 97°F / 34°C – 36°C

**SOUTHEAST BAHAMAS**

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

SKY CONDITIONS: Partly cloudy to cloudy today, becoming partly to variably cloudy tonight.**PRECIPITATION:** 40 to 50% chance of showers and thunderstorms today.**WINDS:** Easterly at 15 to 20 knots with higher gusts

TEMPERATURES:	MAXIMUM:	MINIMUM:	HEAT INDEX:
	79°F – 88°F / 26°C – 30°C	75°F – 79°F / 24°C – 26°C	N/A

TROPICAL WEATHER OUTLOOK:**The tropics remain quiet and tropical cyclone formation is not expected during the next seven (7) days.****EXTENDED FORECAST FOR THE BAHAMAS FOR FRIDAY 22ND MAY, 2026.****SKY CONDITIONS:** **Southeast Bahamas:** Partly to variably cloudy during the day, becoming mostly fair at night
Elsewhere: A mix of sun and clouds during the day becoming mostly fair at night.**PRECIPITATION:** **Northern and Northwest Bahamas:** 10 to 30% chance of showers with possible afternoon thunderstorms.**Central and Southeast Bahamas:** 20 to 40% chance of showers with possible thunderstorms.**WINDS:** **Northern and Northwest Bahamas:** East to southeast at 10 to 15 knots with higher gusts across the Northwest Bahamas**Central and Southeast Bahamas:** East to southeast at 15 to 20 knots.

TEMPERATURES:	MAXIMUM:	MINIMUM:	HEAT INDEX:
	77°F – 88°F / 25°C – 31°C	73°F – 79°F / 23°C – 26°C	93°F – 97°F / 34°C – 36°C

EXTENDED FORECAST FOR THE BAHAMAS FOR SATURDAY 23RD MAY, 2026.**SKY CONDITIONS:** **All areas:** A mix of sun and clouds**PRECIPITATION:** **All areas:** 20 to 30% chance of showers.**WINDS:** **Northern and Northwest Bahamas:** East to southeast at 10 to 15 knots with higher gusts across the Northwest Bahamas.**Central and Southeast Bahamas:** Easterly at 15 to 20 knots with higher gusts.

TEMPERATURES:	MAXIMUM:	MINIMUM:	HEAT INDEX:
	79°F – 84°F / 26°C – 29°C	73°F – 79°F / 23°C – 26°C	93°F – 97°F / 34°C – 36°C

EXTENDED FORECAST FOR THE BAHAMAS FOR SUNDAY 24TH MAY, 2026.**SKY CONDITIONS:** **All areas:** A mix of sun and clouds**PRECIPITATION:** **All areas:** 20 to 30% chance of showers.**WINDS:** **Northern and Northwest Bahamas:** East to southeast at 15 knots with higher gusts by the evening hours**Central and Southeast Bahamas:** Easterly at 15 to 20 knots with higher gusts, increasing to 20 to 25 knots with gusts to **near gale** force possible across the Southeast Bahamas by Sunday night

TEMPERATURES:	MAXIMUM:	MINIMUM:	HEAT INDEX:
	79°F – 84°F / 26°C – 29°C	73°F – 79°F / 23°C – 26°C	93°F – 97°F / 34°C – 36°C

EXTENDED FORECAST FOR THE BAHAMAS FOR MONDAY 25TH MAY, 2026.**SKY CONDITIONS:** **All areas:** Partly sunny to sunny, turning mostly fair at night.**PRECIPITATION:** **All areas:** 10 to 30% chance of showers.**WINDS:** **Northern & Northwest Bahamas:** East to southeast at 15 to 20 knots with higher gusts.**Central & Southeast Bahamas:** Easterly at 20 to 25 knots with gusts to **near gale** force possible across the Southeast Bahamas.

TEMPERATURES:	MAXIMUM:	MINIMUM:	HEAT INDEX:
	81°F – 88°F / 27°C – 31°C	73°F – 79°F / 23°C – 26°C	N/A



EXTENDED FORECAST FOR THE BAHAMAS FOR TUESDAY 26TH MAY, 2026.

SKY CONDITIONS: North and Northwest Bahamas: Partly sunny to sunny
 Central and Southeast Bahamas: Partly sunny

PRECIPITATION: Northern and Northwest Bahamas: 10 to 20% chance of shower
 Central and Southeast Bahamas: 20 to 30% chance of showers

WINDS: Northern and Northwest Bahamas: East to southeast 15 to 20 knots.
 Central and Southeast Bahamas: Easterly at 20 to 25 knots with gusts to **near gale** force across the Southeast Bahamas.

TEMPERATURES: **MAXIMUM:** **MINIMUM:** **HEAT INDEX:**
 81°F – 88°F / 27°C – 31°C 73°F – 79°F / 23°C – 26°C N/A

EXTENDED FORECAST FOR THE BAHAMAS FOR WEDNESDAY 27TH MAY, 2026.

SKY CONDITIONS: All Areas: A mix of sun and clouds during the day, becoming mostly fair at night

PRECIPITATION: All Areas: 20 to 30% chance of showers.

WINDS: Northern Bahamas: Southeasterly at 10 to 15 knots with higher gusts
 Northwest and Central Bahamas: East to southeast 15 to 20 knots.
 Southeast Bahamas: Easterly at 15 to 20 knots with higher gusts

TEMPERATURES: **MAXIMUM:** **MINIMUM:** **HEAT INDEX:**
 77°F – 88°F / 25°C – 31°C 73°F – 79°F / 23°C – 26°C 93°F – 97°F / 34°C – 36°C

SUNRISE:	SUNSET:	MOONRISE:	MOONSET:
06:23 AM	07:48 PM	11:14 AM	12:57 AM FRI

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