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BAHAMAS PUBLIC FORECAST

BAHAMAS PUBLIC FORECAST FOR TONIGHT AND THE NEXT SIX (6) DAYS, ISSUED BY THE BAHAMAS DEPARTMENT OF METEOROLOGY AT 6:00 P.M. EDT, Saturday, October 17, 2026. THE NEXT SCHEDULED FORECAST WILL BE ISSUED AT 6:00 A.M. EDT TOMORROW.

*The Bahamas Department of Meteorology has issued a **Special Weather Statement**, regarding a strong cold front that will bring strong to gale force winds, hazardous marine conditions, flash flooding and isolated severe thunderstorms beginning late Saturday night into early next week.*

*A **Severe Weather Watch** is in effect for the Northern and Northwest Bahamas. The public is urged to remain vigilant and stay updated on all severe weather watches and warnings issued by the Bahamas Department of Meteorology.*

WARNING IN EFFECT:

Near Gale (28-33 knots) Warning is now in effect for the Northern and Northwest Bahamas. Near gale conditions are possible across the Northern Bahamas beginning early Sunday morning and the Northwest Bahamas from 6 pm Sunday. Frequent gusts to near gale force are possible across the watch areas. Boaters, especially small craft, are urged to seek safe harbour by 6 pm Saturday evening and remain in port.

Cloudy skies and periods of showers and thunderstorms are expected to continue across the Northern Bahamas and portions of the Northwest Bahamas this evening through Sunday as pre-frontal activity continues ahead of an approaching cold front (*Heavy rainfall and unsettled weather are expected across portions of the Northern and Northwest Bahamas, particularly on Sunday*). The boundary is forecast to move into the Northern Bahamas overnight, with winds strengthening in its wake, beginning tonight across the Northern Bahamas and early Sunday across the Northwest Bahamas. Elsewhere, generally only a few passing showers expected, mainly due to daytime heating.

GENERAL SITUATION:

Outlook: The frontal boundary is expected to stall near New Providence on Monday, allowing unsettled conditions to persist. From Sunday through mid-week, high pressure building behind the front will strengthen winds, especially across the Northern Bahamas. *Gale-force winds and dangerous, potentially life-threatening marine conditions may develop north of the front. Please refer to the Special Weather Statement for further details.* Through next week, an upper-level trough is expected to gradually push the unsettled weather associated with the front southward. Drier air will move in behind the boundary, allowing more stable weather conditions to develop.

Rip Currents: There is a *moderate* to *high* risk of rip currents across ALL waters of the Northern Bahamas. A *slight* to *moderate* risk exists elsewhere. *Beachgoers in the Northern Bahamas should continue to exercise extreme caution and should refrain from entering the water by sunset.*

SPECIAL WEATHER NOTES:

Coastal Hazards: Motorists and pedestrians across the Northern Bahamas are advised to exercise caution while traversing coastal roads due to possible overtopping waves and sea spray, especially during the high tide cycle.

Flooding: There is a *high* risk of localized flooding across portions of the Northern and Northwest Bahamas tonight through Sunday, mainly in low-lying, flood prone and urban areas during heavy rainfall events.



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

SKY CONDITIONS: Partly cloudy to cloudy through tomorrow, becoming variably cloudy Sunday night.
PRECIPITATION: 50 to 70% chance of scattered showers and isolated thunderstorms through tomorrow. *Showers may become heavy and thunderstorms strong to severe at times.* Decreasing to 20 to 30% chance of showers 20 to 40% by Sunday night.
WINDS: Northwest to north this evening at 15 to 20 knots with higher gusts this evening, veering North to northeast at 20 to 25 knots with *near-gale gusts* overnight through Sunday.
TEMPERATURES: **MAXIMUM:** 84°F – 88°F / 29°C –31°C **MINIMUM:** 75°F – 81°F / 24°C – 27°C **HEAT INDEX:** N/A

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

SKY CONDITIONS: Variably to partly cloudy this evening and tonight, becoming partly cloudy to cloudy on Sunday
PRECIPITATION: 20 to 40% chance of showers with isolated thunderstorms this evening, increasing to a 40 to 60% chance of isolated to widely scattered showers and isolated thunderstorms on Sunday.
WINDS: Light and variable this evening, becoming north to northeast at 15 to 20 knots with higher gusts on Sunday.
TEMPERATURES: **MAXIMUM:** 84°F – 88°F / 29°C –31°C **MINIMUM:** 75°F – 81°F / 24°C – 27°C **HEAT INDEX:** N/A

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

SKY CONDITIONS: Mostly fair tonight, becoming variably cloudy on Sunday.
PRECIPITATION: 10 to 30% chance of isolated showers or thunderstorms this evening, increasing to a 20 to 40% chance of isolated showers and thunderstorms on Sunday
WINDS: East to southeast at 10 knots or less this evening, backing northeast to east at 10 knots or less by Sunday afternoon.
TEMPERATURES: **MAXIMUM:** 84°F – 88°F / 29°C –31°C **MINIMUM:** 75°F – 81°F / 24°C – 27°C **HEAT INDEX:** N/A

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

SKY CONDITIONS: Mostly fair tonight, becoming a mix of sun and clouds on Sunday
PRECIPITATION: 10 to 30% chance of showers with isolated thunderstorms possible.
WINDS: East to southeast at 10 to 15 knots.
TEMPERATURES: **MAXIMUM:** 84°F – 88°F / 29°C –31°C **MINIMUM:** 75°F – 81°F / 24°C – 27°C **HEAT INDEX:** N/A

TROPICAL WEATHER OUTLOOK:

Off the East Coast of the United States:
A strong non-tropical low pressure area is expected to form during the next day or two off of the eastern coast of the United States. Formation chance through 7 days is low at 20 percent.



EXTENDED FORECAST FOR THE BAHAMAS FOR MONDAY 19TH OCTOBER 2026:

SKY CONDITIONS:	Northern Bahamas: Partly cloudy.		
	Northwest and Central Bahamas: Partly cloudy to overcast.		
	Southeast Bahamas: A mix of sun and clouds.		
PRECIPITATION:	Northern Bahamas: 10 to 20% chance of showers.		
	Northwest and Central Bahamas: 40 to 60% chance of showers with thunderstorms. <i>Showers may become heavy and thunderstorms strong to severe at times. Localized to extensive flooding is possible.</i>		
	Southeast Bahamas: 30 to 40% chance of showers with thunderstorms.		
WINDS:	Northern Bahamas: Northeasterly at 15 to 25 knots with higher gusts		
	Northwest Bahamas: Northeasterly at 15 to 20 knots with higher gusts, decreasing to 15 knots by nightfall.		
	Central and Southeast Bahamas: Northeast to east at 10 to 15 knots.		
TEMPERATURES:	MAXIMUM:	MINIMUM:	HEAT INDEX:
	79°F – 86°F / 26°C – 30°C	73°F – 79°F / 23°C – 26°C	N/A

EXTENDED FORECAST FOR THE BAHAMAS FOR TUESDAY 20TH OCTOBER 2026:

SKY CONDITIONS:	Northern and Northwest Bahamas: Partly sunny, turning mostly fair at night.		
	Central and Southeast Bahamas: Partly cloudy to cloudy.		
PRECIPITATION:	Northern and Northwest Bahamas: 10 to 20% chance of showers.		
	Central and Southeast Bahamas: 20 to 40% chance of showers with thunderstorms.		
WINDS:	Northern and Northwest Bahamas: Northeasterly at 15 to 20 knots with higher gusts.		
	Central Bahamas: Northeast to east at 15 to 20 knots		
TEMPERATURES:	Southeast Bahamas: East at 10 knots or less, shifting northeast to east at 15 knots.		
	MAXIMUM:	MINIMUM:	HEAT INDEX:
	84°F – 90°F / 29°C – 32°C	73°F – 79°F / 23°C – 26°C	N/A

EXTENDED FORECAST FOR THE BAHAMAS FOR WEDNESDAY 21ST OCTOBER 2026:

SKY CONDITIONS:	Northern and Northwest Bahamas: Mostly sunny, turning fair at night.		
	Central Bahamas: A mix of sun and clouds, turning mostly fair at night.		
	Southeast Bahamas: Partly cloudy.		
PRECIPITATION:	Northern and Northwest Bahamas: 10 to 20% chance of showers.		
	Central and Southeast Bahamas: 20 to 30% chance of showers with thunderstorms.		
	Northern and Northwest Bahamas: Northeast at 15 to 20 knots.		
WINDS:	Central and Southeast Bahamas: Northeast to east at 10 to 15 knots at first, decreasing 10 knots or less and falling light and variable at times by the afternoon hours.		
	MAXIMUM:	MINIMUM:	HEAT INDEX:
TEMPERATURES:	82°F – 88°F / 28°C – 31°C	72°F – 79°F / 22°C – 26°C	N/A

EXTENDED FORECAST FOR THE BAHAMAS FOR THURSDAY 22ND OCTOBER 2026:

SKY CONDITIONS:	Northern and Northwest Bahamas: Mostly sunny, turning fair at night.		
	Central and Southeast Bahamas: Partly cloudy		
PRECIPITATION:	Northern and Northwest Bahamas: 10 to 20% chance of showers.		
	Central Bahamas: 20 to 30% chance of showers with thunderstorms.		
	Northern and Northwest Bahamas: North to northeast at 10 to 15 knots.		
WINDS:	Central Bahamas: Northeast to east at 10 to 15 knots, falling light and variable at times.		
	Southeast Bahamas: Northeast 10 knots or less		
TEMPERATURES:	MAXIMUM:	MINIMUM:	HEAT INDEX:
	84°F – 88°F / 29°C – 31°C	72°F – 79°F / 22°C – 26°C	N/A



EXTENDED FORECAST FOR THE BAHAMAS FOR FRIDAY 23RD OCTOBER, 2026:

SKY CONDITIONS: All Areas: Partly cloudy to cloudy.
PRECIPITATION: Northern and Northwest Bahamas: 20 to 30% chance of showers with thunderstorms.
Central and Southeast Bahamas: 30 to 50% chance of showers with thunderstorms. *Showers can become heavy and thunderstorms strong to possibly severe at times.*
Northern and Northwest Bahamas: Northeasterly at 10 to 15 knots, falling light and variable at times.
WINDS: Central Bahamas: Northeast to east at 10 knots or less.
Southeast Bahamas: Southeast to south at 10 knots or less.
TEMPERATURES: **MAXIMUM:** **MINIMUM:** **HEAT INDEX:**
84°F – 88°F / 29°C – 31°C 72°F – 79°F / 22°C – 26°C N/A

EXTENDED FORECAST FOR THE BAHAMAS FOR SATURDAY 24TH OCTOBER, 2026:

SKY CONDITIONS: All Areas: Variably to partly cloudy
PRECIPITATION: Northern and Northwest Bahamas: 10 to 30% chance of showers
Central and Southeast Bahamas: 20 to 40% chance of showers and isolated afternoon thunderstorms.
Northern and Northwest Bahamas: Northeasterly at 15 to 20 knots with higher gusts, increasing to 20 to 25 knots by the evening hours.
WINDS: Central and Southeast Bahamas: Northeast to east at 15 to 20 knots during the morning hours, backing north to northeast with higher gusts by the afternoon hours.
TEMPERATURES: **MAXIMUM:** **MINIMUM:** **HEAT INDEX:**
84°F – 88°F / 29°C – 31°C 72°F – 79°F / 22°C – 26°C N/A

SUNSET:	SUNRISE:	MOONSET:	MOONRISE:
06:39 PM	07:10 AM SUN	11:57 PM	02:03 PM SUN

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