



# BAHAMAS PUBLIC FORECAST

**BAHAMAS PUBLIC FORECAST FOR TONIGHT, TOMORROW AND THE NEXT SIX (6) DAYS, ISSUED BY THE BAHAMAS DEPARTMENT OF METEOROLOGY AT 6:00 P.M. EDT, Wednesday, May 20, 2026. THE NEXT SCHEDULED FORECAST WILL BE ISSUED AT 6:00 A.M. EDT TOMORROW.**

**WARNING IN EFFECT:**

**A Near Gale Watch (winds 28 to 33 knots)** is in effect for the Southeast Bahamas until 6 am Thursday. Wind gusts to **near gale** force are possible over portions of the Southeastern Islands. For additional marine information see our Marine Forecast at [met.gov.bs](http://met.gov.bs).

An upper-level disturbance will continue to draw tropical moisture across the area, keeping shower and thunderstorm chances slightly elevated over the region through tomorrow with the bulk of activity anticipated across the southern half of the country. At the surface, high pressure will maintain generally moderate to locally fresh winds across the country.

**GENERAL SITUATION:**

**Outlook:** The upper-level disturbance will linger near the Bahamas, moving across the Northern islands before shifting back over the Atlantic waters on Friday. High pressure will gradually build across the area during the weekend. Meanwhile, occasional passing showers, supported by a mid-level trough over the Southeast Bahamas and easterly winds, will continue into 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 & Central Bahamas** are advised to remain hydrated, wear protective clothing and sunscreen and seek shaded areas while outside during peak sunshine hours tomorrow (**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:** Mainly fair tonight, with a mix of sun and clouds expected tomorrow.

**PRECIPITATION:** 20% chance of a few isolated showers overnight, increasing to a 30 – 40% chance of isolated showers with possible afternoon thunderstorms tomorrow.

**WINDS:** East to southeast at 10 knots or less tonight, increasing to 10 to 15 knots tomorrow.

**TEMPERATURES:**

	<b>MAXIMUM:</b>	<b>MINIMUM:</b>	<b>HEAT INDEX:</b>
	84°F – 90°F / 29°C – 32°C	73°F – 77°F / 23°C – 25°C	93°F – 97°F / 34°C – 36°C

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

**SKY CONDITIONS:** Mainly fair to partly cloudy tonight, with a mix of sun and clouds expected tomorrow.

**PRECIPITATION:** 20% chance of a few isolated showers late tonight, increasing to a 30% chance of isolated showers tomorrow with a slight chance of an afternoon thunderstorm.

**WINDS:** East to southeast at 10 to 15 knots tonight with higher gusts.

**TEMPERATURES:**

	<b>MAXIMUM:</b>	<b>MINIMUM:</b>	<b>HEAT INDEX:</b>
	84°F – 90°F / 29°C – 32°C	73°F – 77°F / 23°C – 25°C	93°F – 97°F / 34°C – 36°C

**CENTRAL BAHAMAS**

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

<b>SKY CONDITIONS:</b>	Partly cloudy tonight with a mix of sun and clouds expected tomorrow.		
<b>PRECIPITATION:</b>	30% chance of isolated to widely scattered showers tonight, increasing to a 40 – 50% chance of widely scattered showers with a few isolated thunderstorms tomorrow.		
<b>WINDS:</b>	East to southeast at 10 to 15 knots with slightly higher gusts tonight, increasing to 15 to 20 knots tomorrow.		
<b>TEMPERATURES:</b>	<b>MAXIMUM:</b>	<b>MINIMUM:</b>	<b>HEAT INDEX:</b>
	79°F – 88°F / 26°C – 30°C	75°F – 79°F / 24°C – 26°C	93°F – 97°F / 34°C – 36°C

**SOUTHEAST BAHAMAS**

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

<b>SKY CONDITIONS:</b>	Partly cloudy to cloudy tonight through tomorrow.		
<b>PRECIPITATION:</b>	30 - 40% chance of widely scattered showers and isolated thunderstorms overnight, increasing to a 40 – 60% chance of scattered showers and isolated thunderstorms tomorrow.		
<b>WINDS:</b>	Easterly at 15 to 20 knots tonight with higher gusts tomorrow.		
<b>TEMPERATURES:</b>	<b>MAXIMUM:</b>	<b>MINIMUM:</b>	<b>HEAT INDEX:</b>
	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 22<sup>ND</sup> MAY, 2026.**

<b>SKY CONDITIONS:</b>	<b>Southeast Bahamas:</b> Partly cloudy to cloudy. <b>Elsewhere:</b> A mix of sun and clouds		
<b>PRECIPITATION:</b>	<b>All areas:</b> 20 - 30% chance of showers with possible thunderstorms.		
<b>WINDS:</b>	<b>Northern Bahamas:</b> East to southeast at 10 to 15 knots. <b>Northwest, Central and Southeast Bahamas:</b> East to southeast at 15 to 20 knots.		
<b>TEMPERATURES:</b>	<b>MAXIMUM:</b>	<b>MINIMUM:</b>	<b>HEAT INDEX:</b>
	77°F – 88°F / 25°C – 31°C	73°F – 79°F / 23°C – 26°C	N/A

**EXTENDED FORECAST FOR THE BAHAMAS FOR SATURDAY 23<sup>RD</sup> MAY, 2026.**

<b>SKY CONDITIONS:</b>	<b>All areas:</b> A mix of sun and clouds		
<b>PRECIPITATION:</b>	<b>All areas:</b> 20 to 30% chance of showers.		
<b>WINDS:</b>	<b>Northern and Northwest Bahamas:</b> East to southeast at 10 to 15 knots with higher gusts. <b>Central and Southeast Bahamas:</b> Easterly at 15 to 20 knots with higher gusts.		
<b>TEMPERATURES:</b>	<b>MAXIMUM:</b>	<b>MINIMUM:</b>	<b>HEAT INDEX:</b>
	79°F – 84°F / 26°C – 29°C	73°F – 79°F / 23°C – 26°C	N/A

**EXTENDED FORECAST FOR THE BAHAMAS FOR SUNDAY 24<sup>TH</sup> MAY, 2026.**

<b>SKY CONDITIONS:</b>	<b>All areas:</b> Partly cloudy to cloudy.		
<b>PRECIPITATION:</b>	<b>All areas:</b> 20 to 30% chance of showers.		
<b>WINDS:</b>	<b>Northern and Northwest Bahamas:</b> East to southeast at 10 to 15 knots, increasing 15 knots with higher gusts by nightfall. <b>Central and Southeast Bahamas:</b> Easterly at 15 to 20 knots with higher gusts.		
<b>TEMPERATURES:</b>	<b>MAXIMUM:</b>	<b>MINIMUM:</b>	<b>HEAT INDEX:</b>
	79°F – 84°F / 26°C – 29°C	73°F – 79°F / 23°C – 26°C	N/A

**EXTENDED FORECAST FOR THE BAHAMAS FOR MONDAY 25<sup>TH</sup> MAY, 2026.**

<b>SKY CONDITIONS:</b>	<b>All areas:</b> Partly cloudy, turning mostly fair at night.		
<b>PRECIPITATION:</b>	<b>All areas:</b> 10 to 30% chance of showers.		
<b>WINDS:</b>	<b>Northern &amp; Northwest Bahamas:</b> East to southeast at 15 to 20 knots with higher gusts. <b>Central &amp; Southeast Bahamas:</b> Easterly at 20 to 25 knots with gusts to <b>near gale</b> force possible across the Southeast Bahamas.		
<b>TEMPERATURES:</b>	<b>MAXIMUM:</b>	<b>MINIMUM:</b>	<b>HEAT INDEX:</b>
	81°F – 88°F / 27°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 TUESDAY 26<sup>TH</sup> MAY, 2026.**

**SKY CONDITIONS:** **North and Northwest Bahamas:** Partly sunny to sunny  
**Central and Southeast Bahamas:** A mix of sun and clouds

**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 with higher gusts.  
**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      93°F – 97°F / 34°C – 36°C

**EXTENDED FORECAST FOR THE BAHAMAS FOR WEDNESDAY 27<sup>TH</sup> MAY, 2026.**

**SKY CONDITIONS:** **All Areas:** A mix of sun and clouds during the day, becoming partly cloudy at night.

**PRECIPITATION:** **All Areas:** 20 – 30% chance of showers.

**WINDS:** **Northern and Northwest Bahamas:** East to southeast 15 to 20 knots.  
**Central and Southeast Bahamas:** Easterly at 15 to 25 knots.

**TEMPERATURES:**                   **MAXIMUM:**                   **MINIMUM:**                   **HEAT INDEX:**  
77°F – 88°F / 25°C – 31°C      73°F – 79°F / 23°C – 26°C      N/A

SUNSET:	SUNRISE:	MOONSET:	MOONRISE:
7:48 PM	6:23 AM THU	12:13 AM THU	11:14 AM THU

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