



MA Drought Management Task Force NWS Update

Wednesday, February 8th 2023

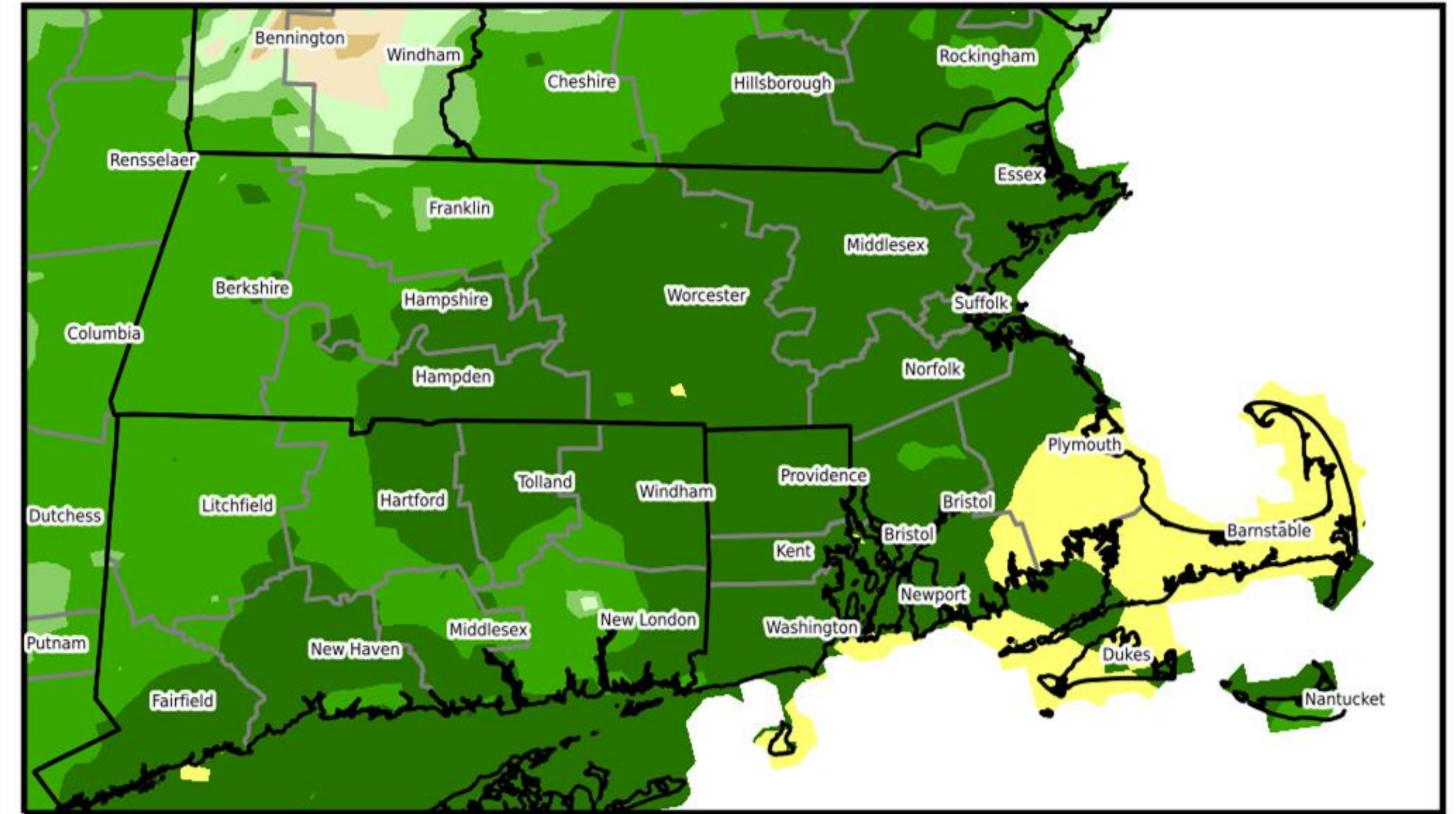
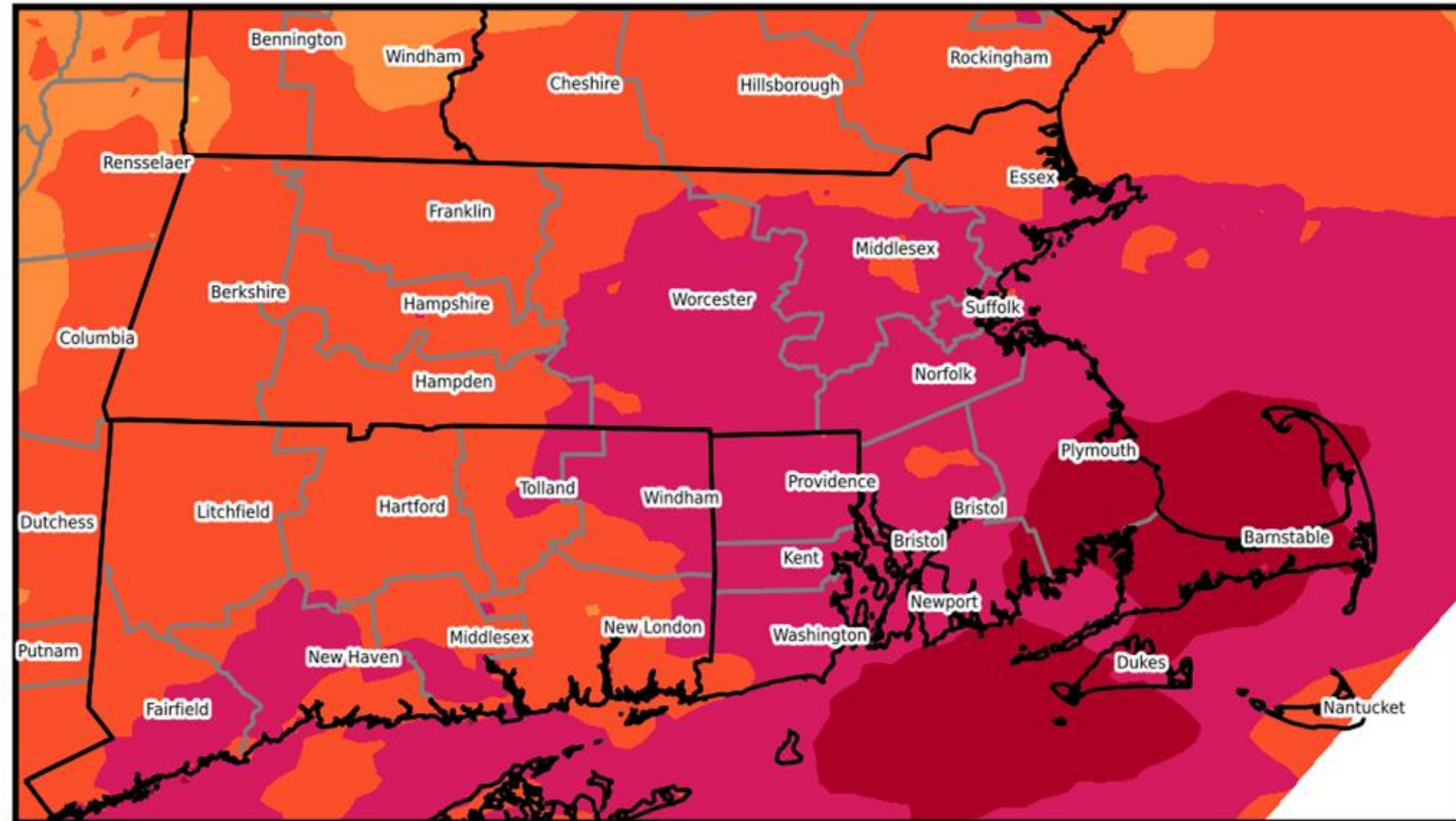
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January Precipitation

Above Normal Precipitation in Massachusetts, especially Southeast



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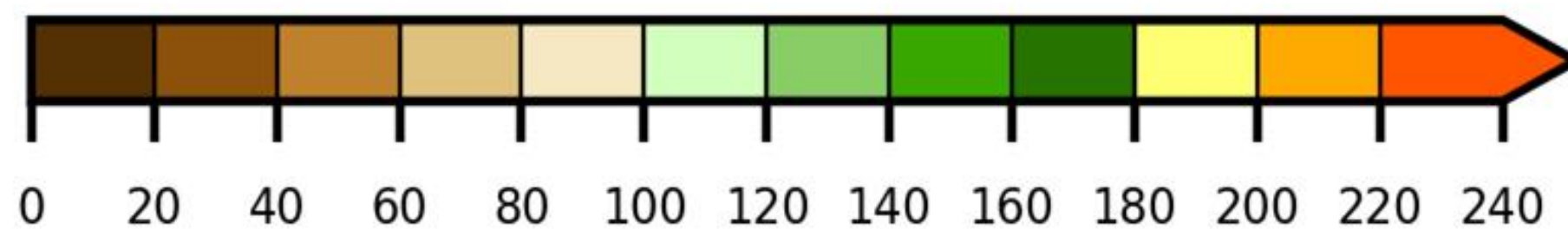
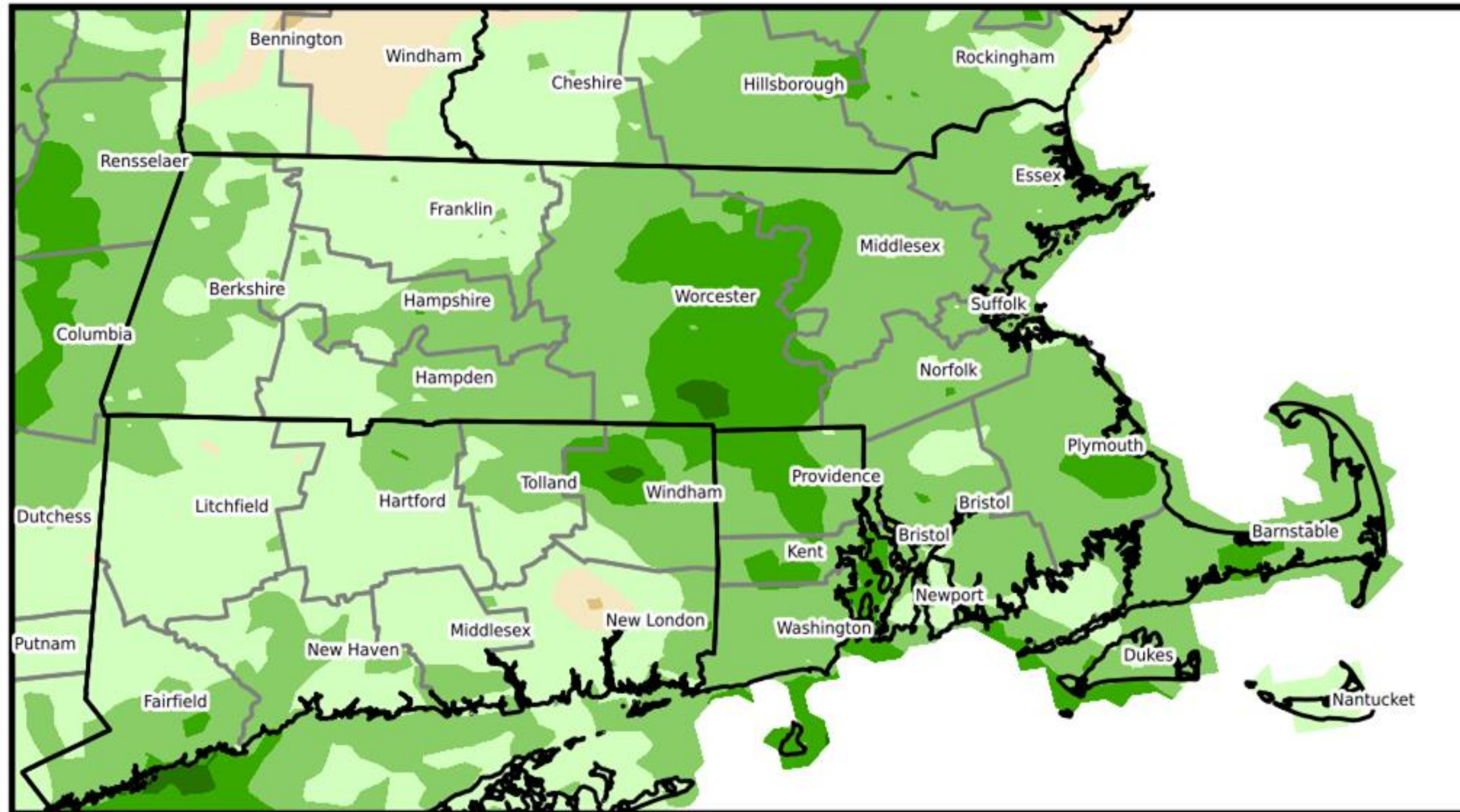
3 and 6 Month Percent of Normal



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Last 3 Months

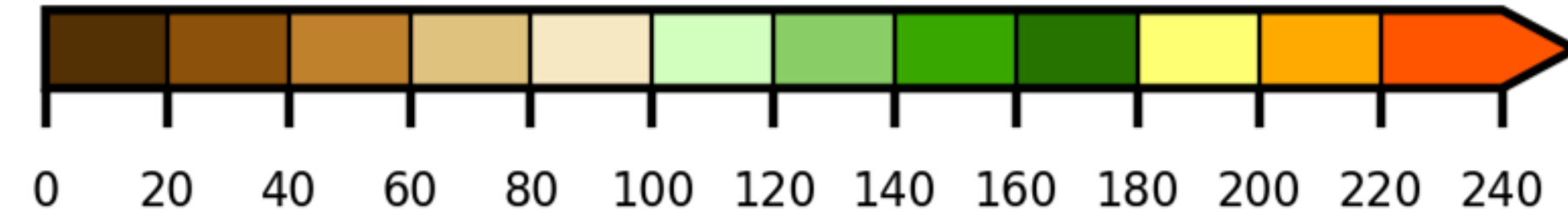
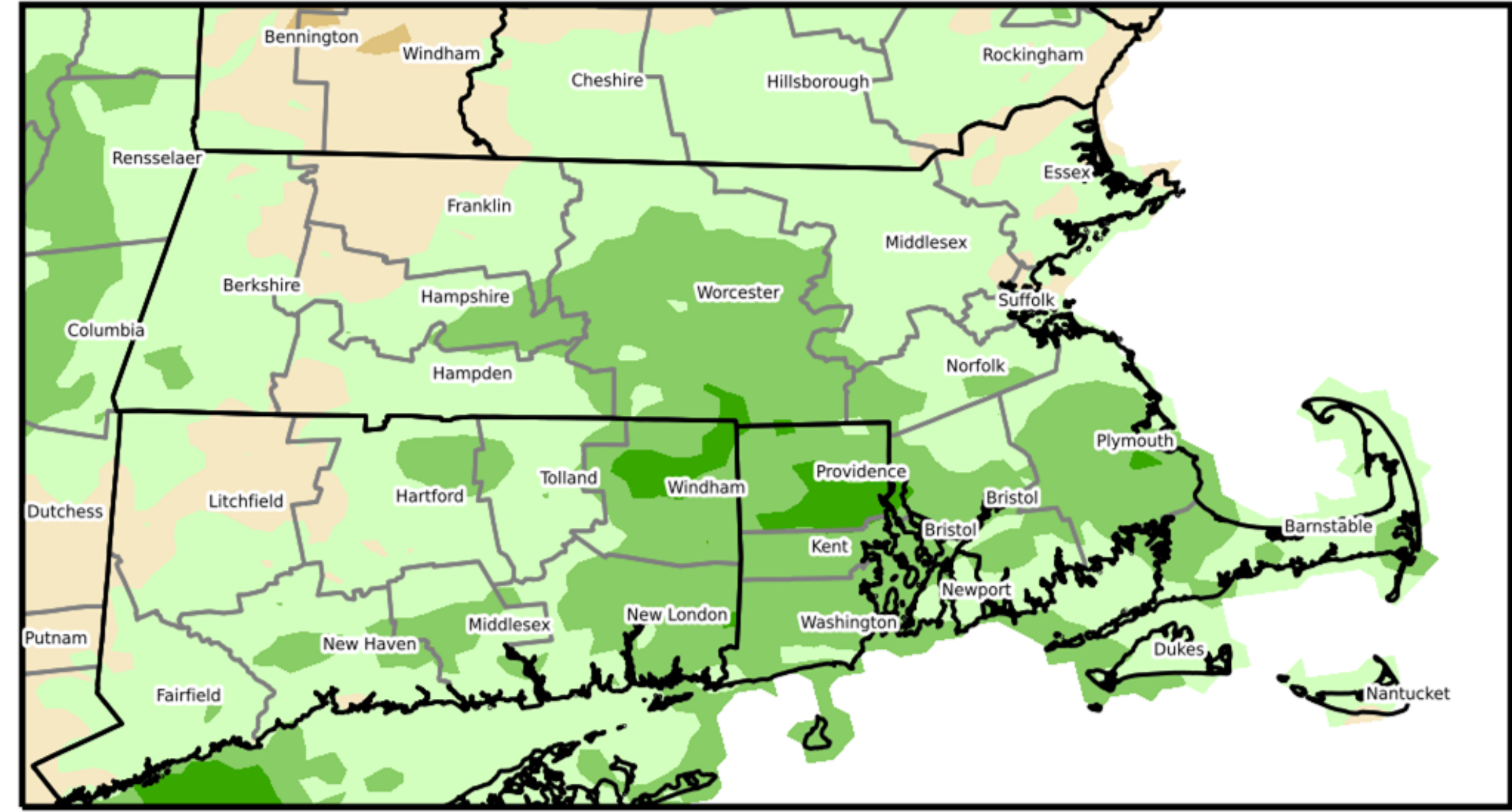
November 01, 2022 to January 31, 2023



Percent of Normal

Last 6 Months

August 01, 2022 to January 31, 2023



Percent of Normal

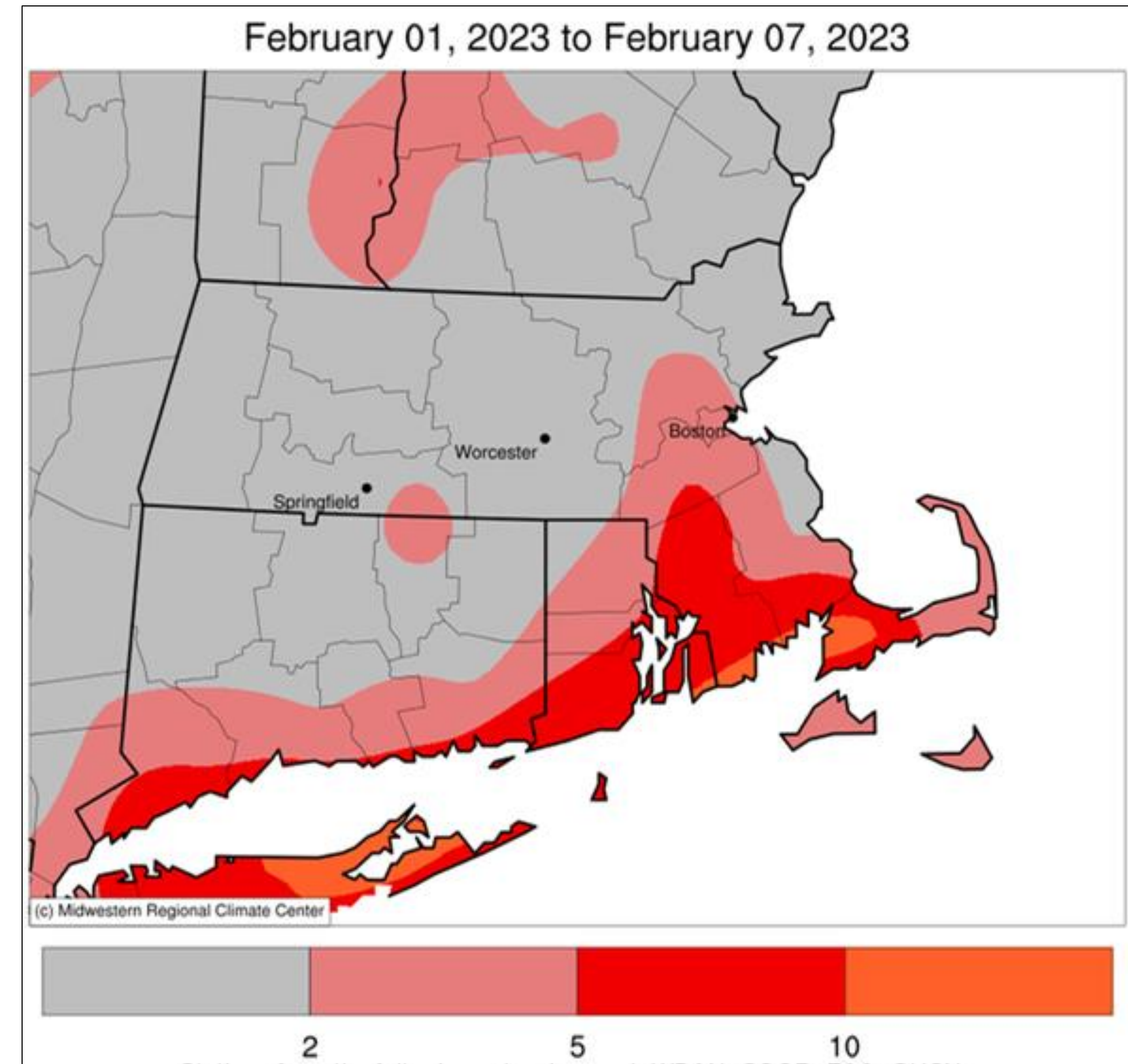
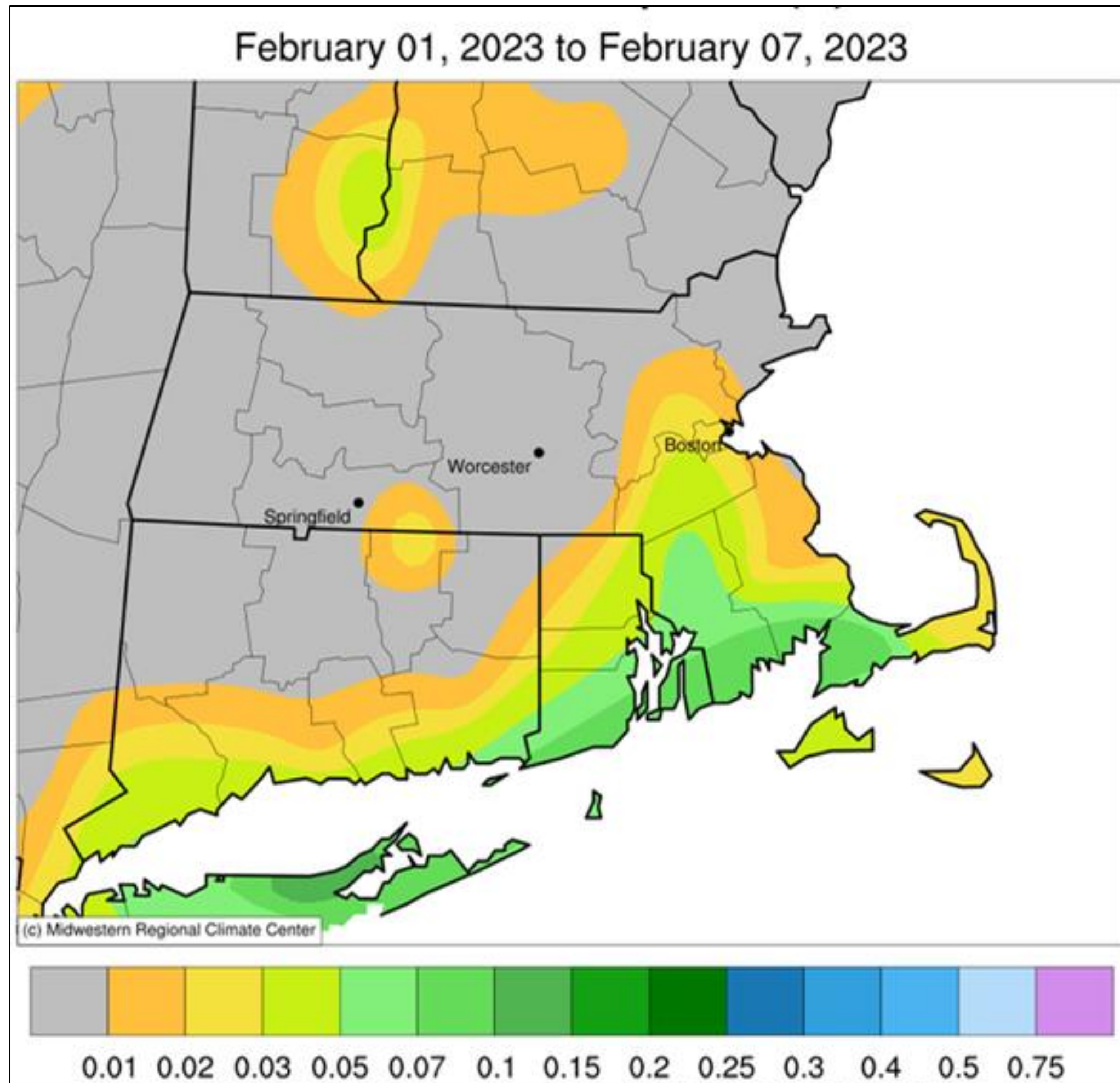
February Precipitation So Far (Up to Feb 7)



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Less than 0.25" so far this month

Below normal precipitation for the first week of February



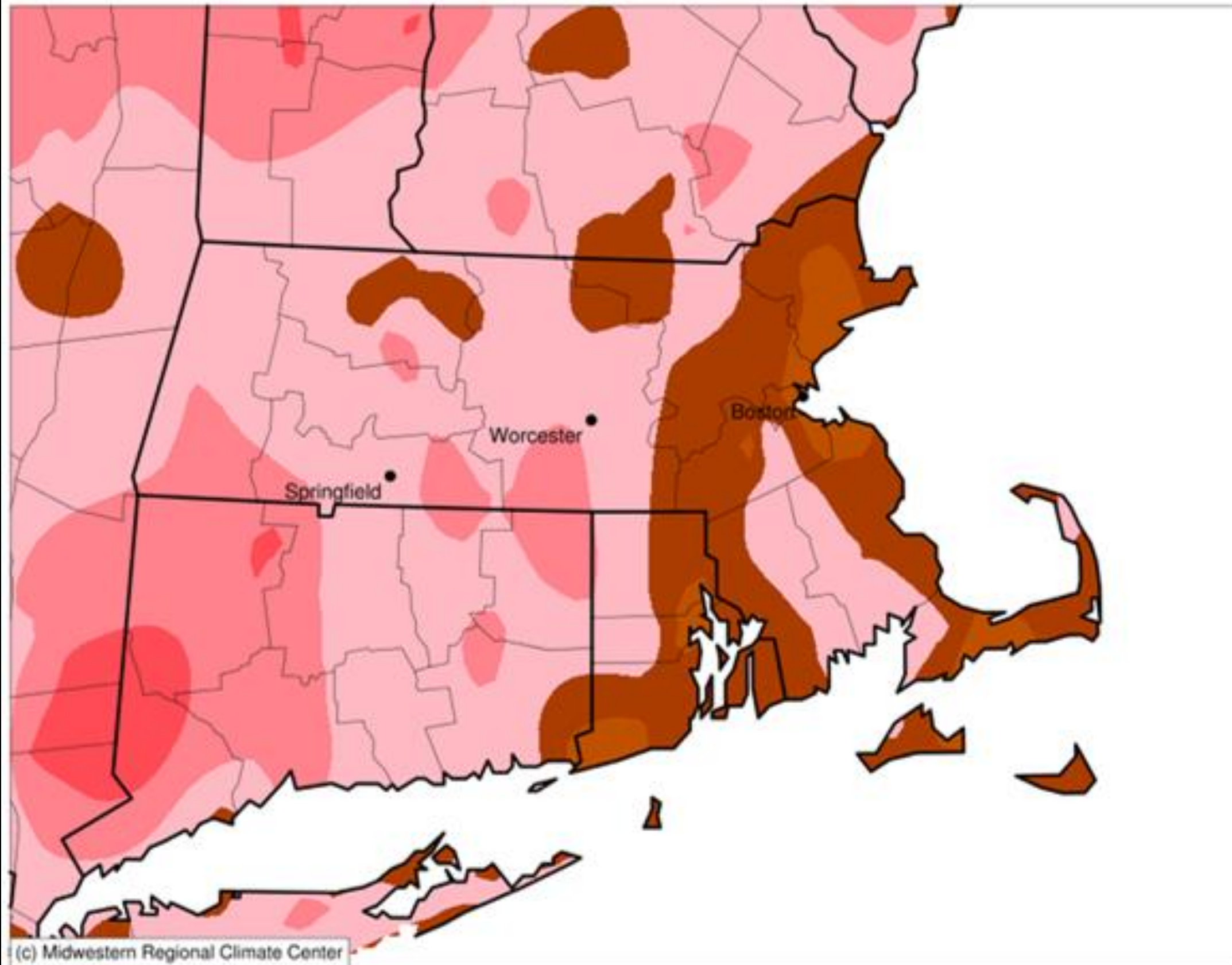
Temperature Departures

Above Normal in January, Below Normal (so far) in February

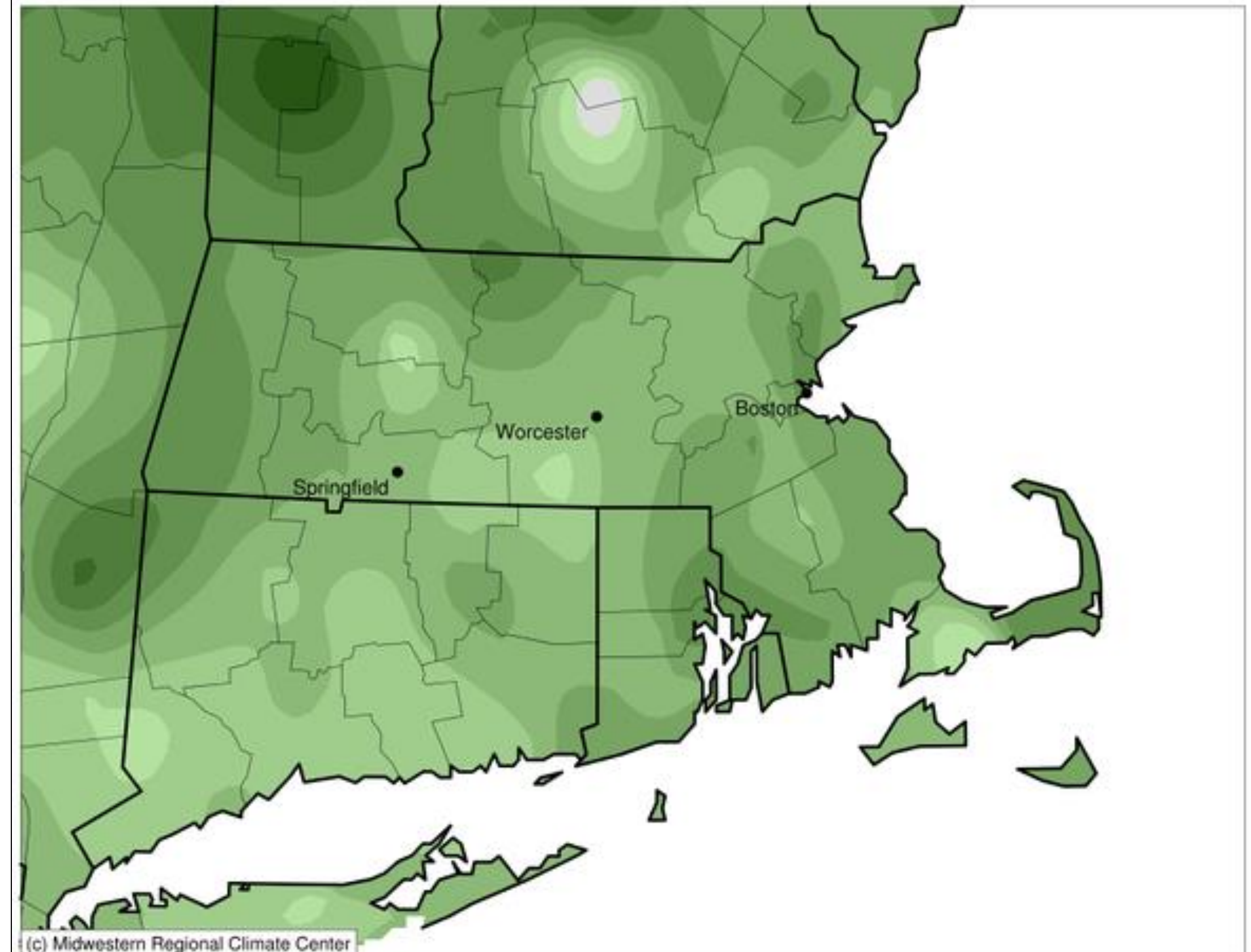


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Average Temperature (°F): Departure from 1991-2020 Normals
January 01, 2023 to January 31, 2023



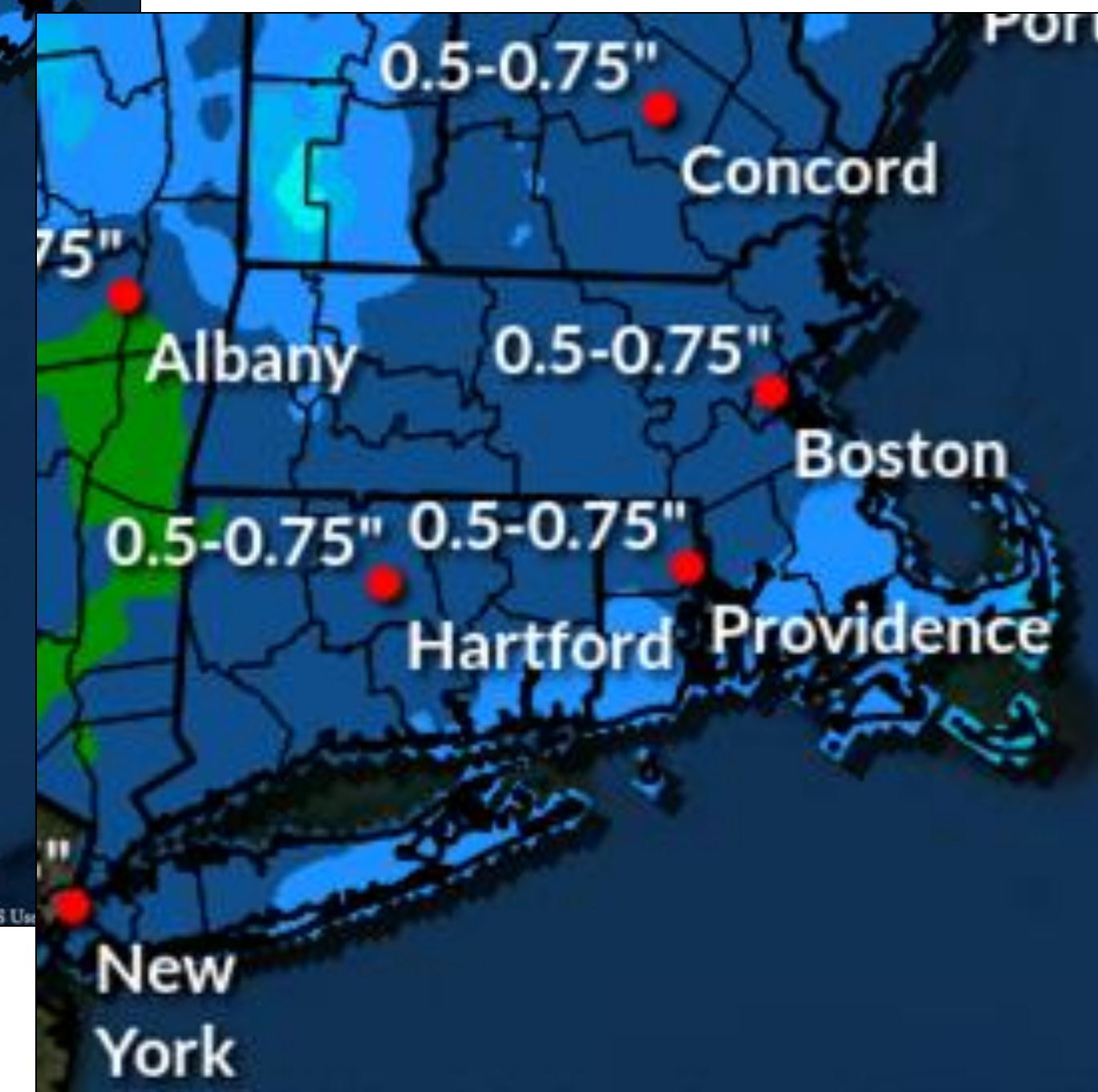
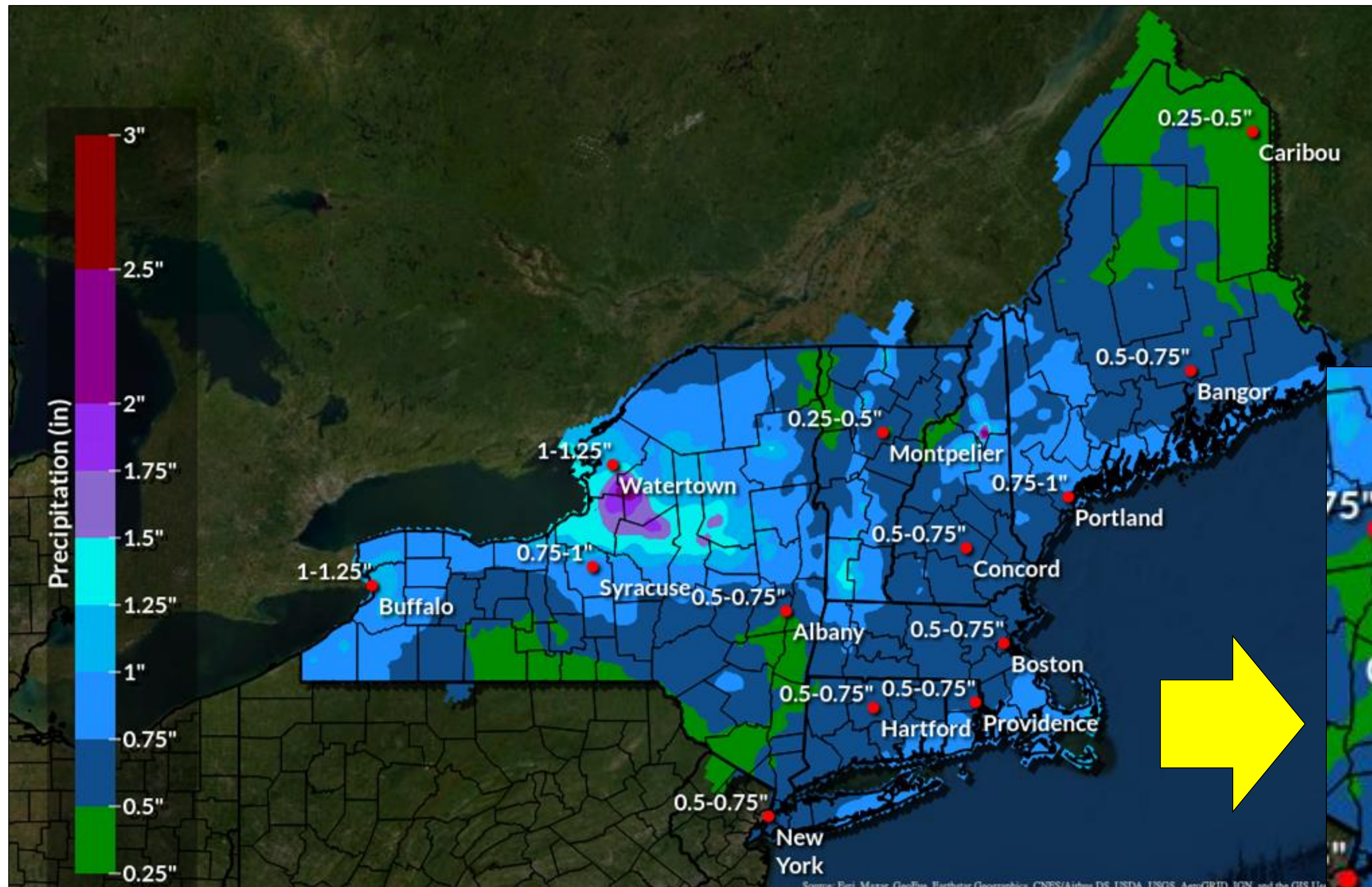
Average Temperature (°F): Departure from 1991-2020 Normals
February 01, 2023 to February 07, 2023





Forecast through Sunday:

- Thursday: Rain in the afternoon/night, possibly starting as a wintry mix in western MA.
- Friday: Dry and mild (record warmth possible).
- Saturday: Rain possible, with a little wet snow at the start inland late Friday night.
- Sunday: Dry and seasonable.



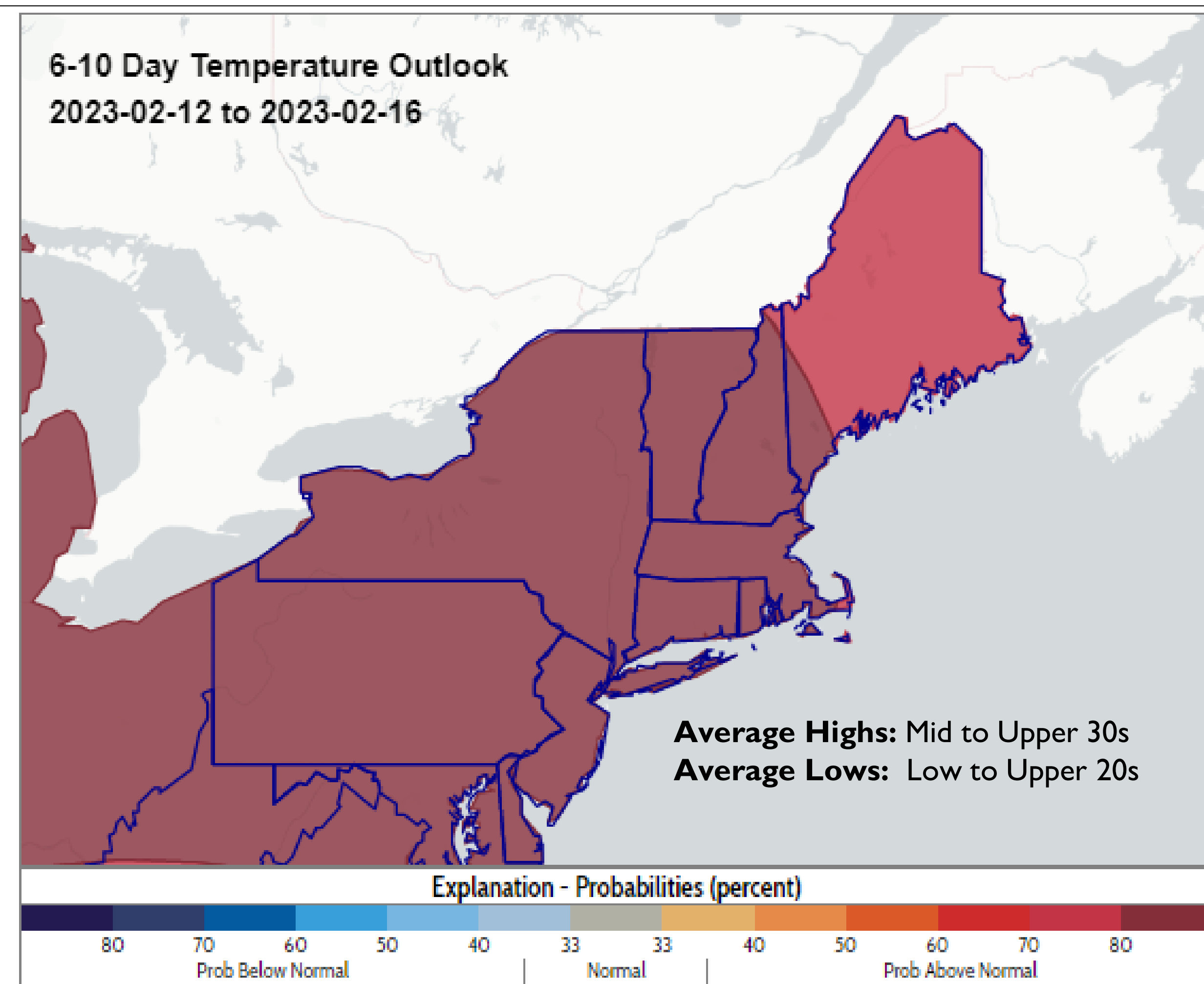
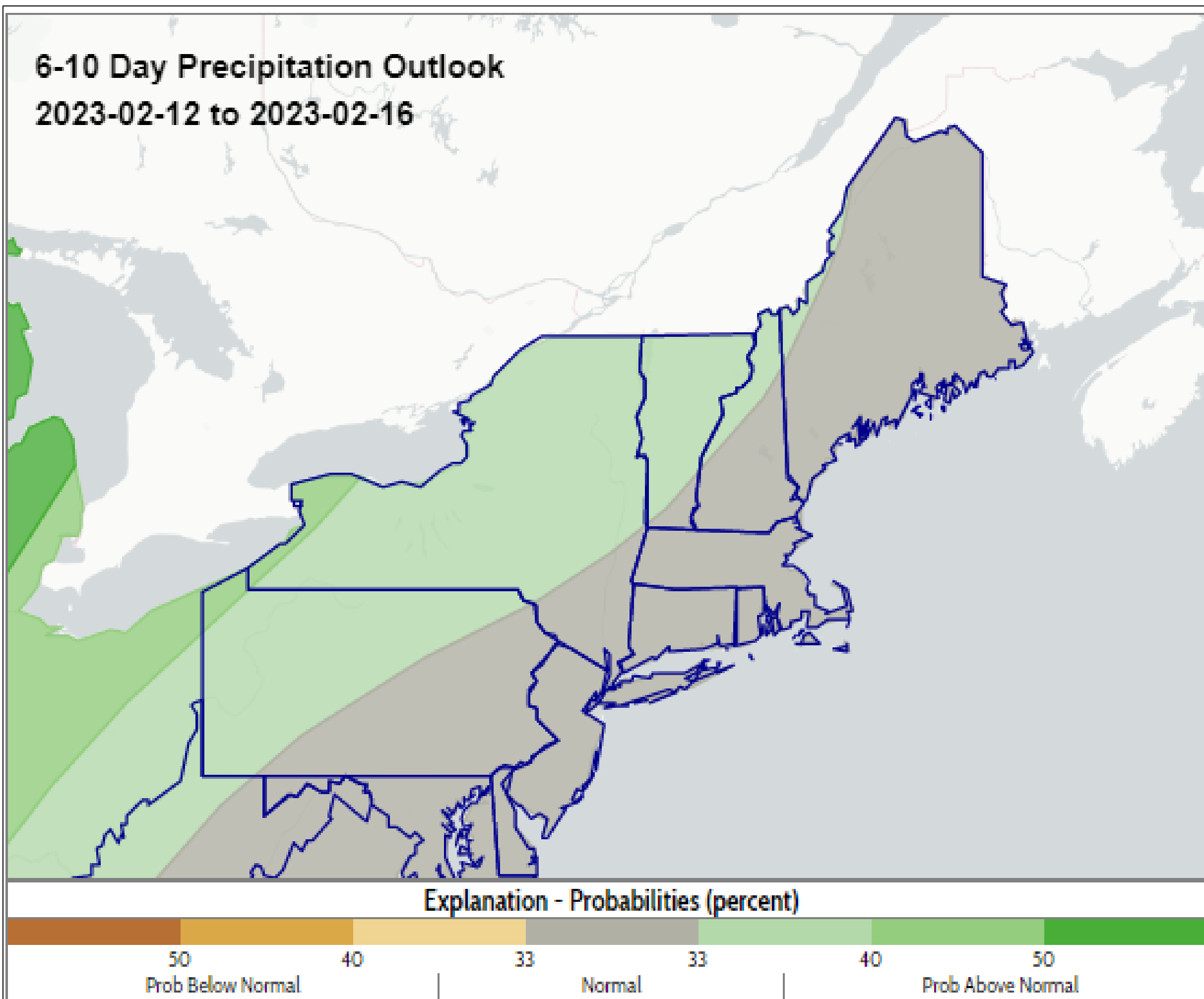
Outlook: February 12-16



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No clear signal for above or below average precipitation

High probability of above average temperatures



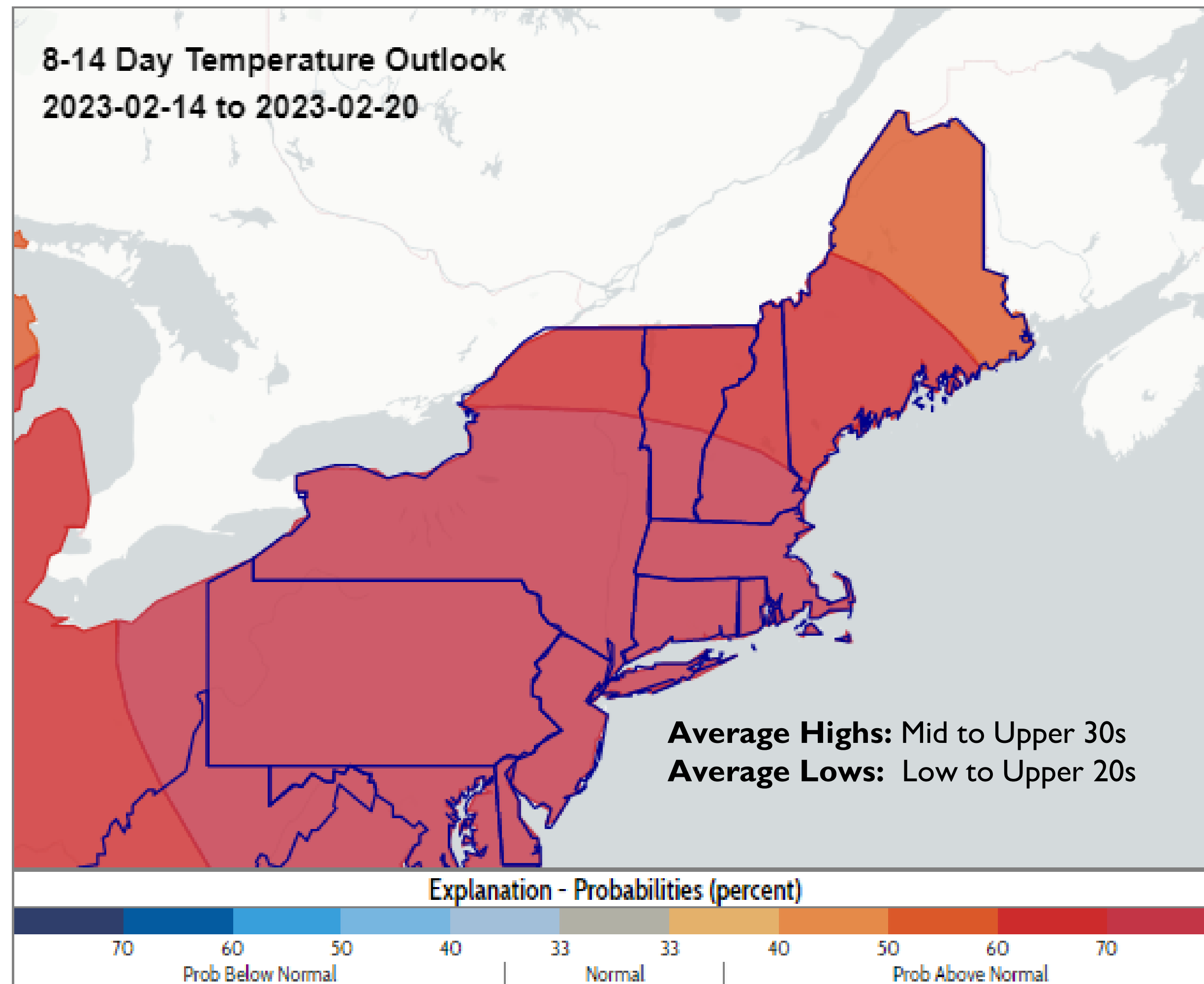
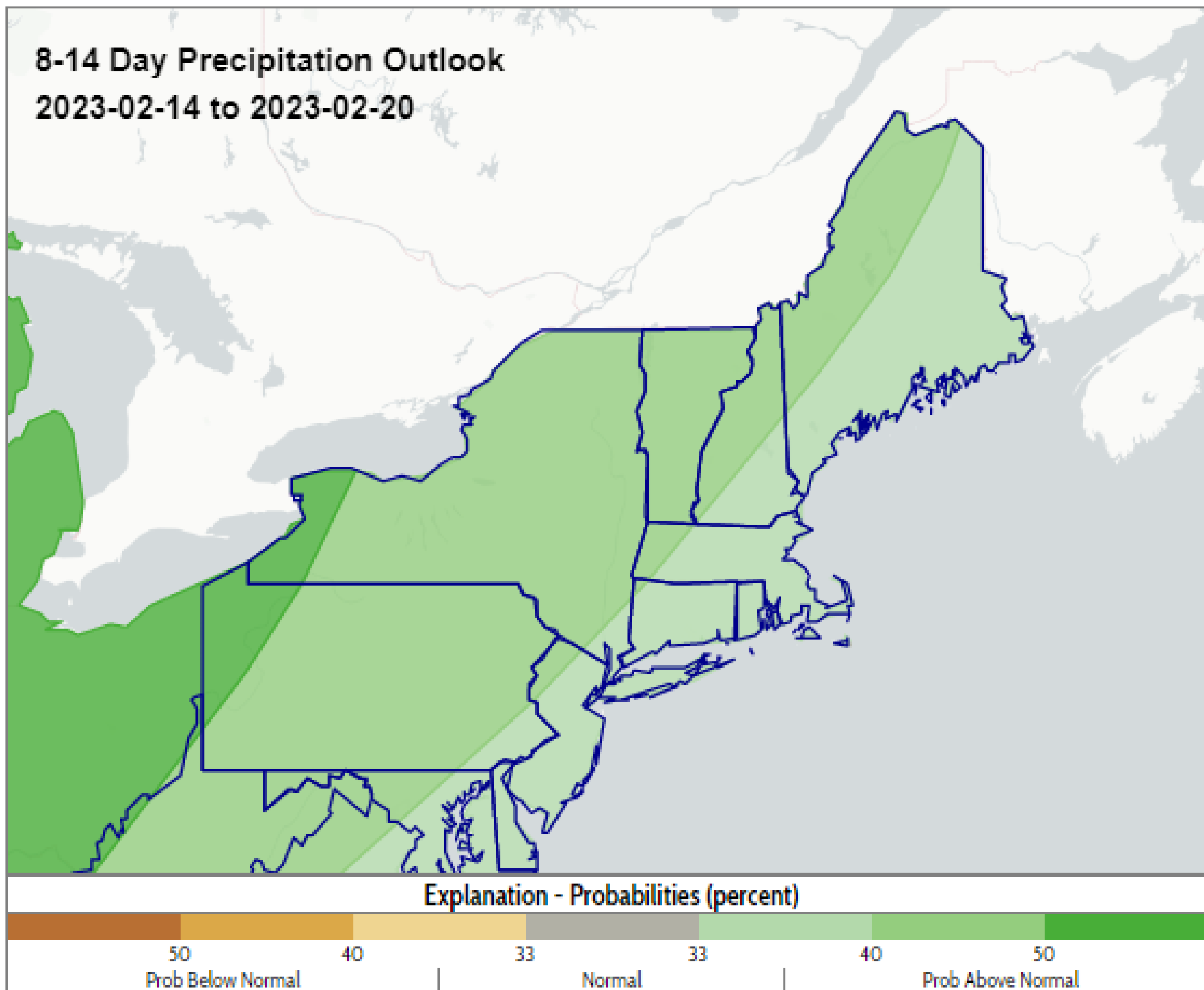
Outlook: February 14-20



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Odds favor above average precipitation

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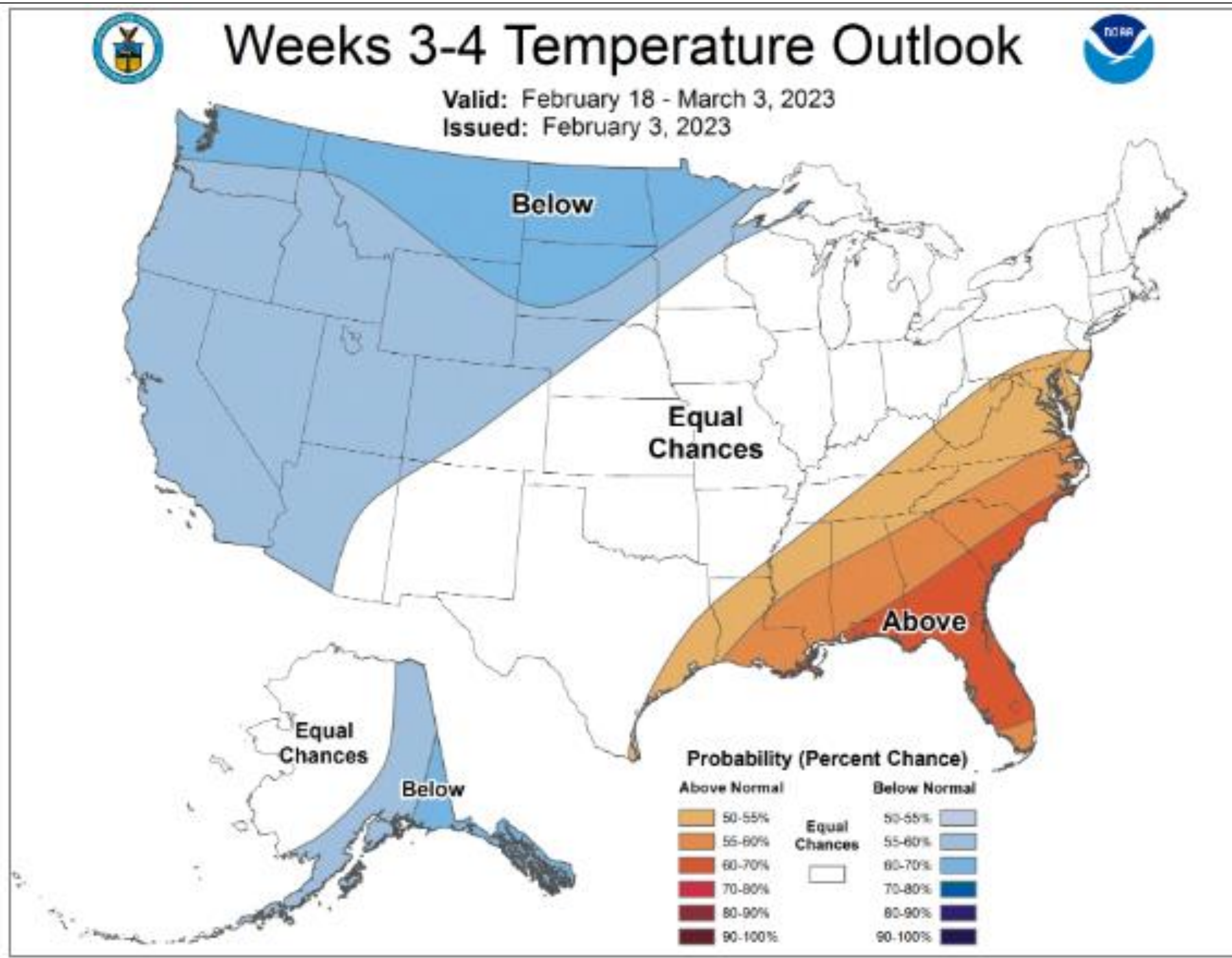
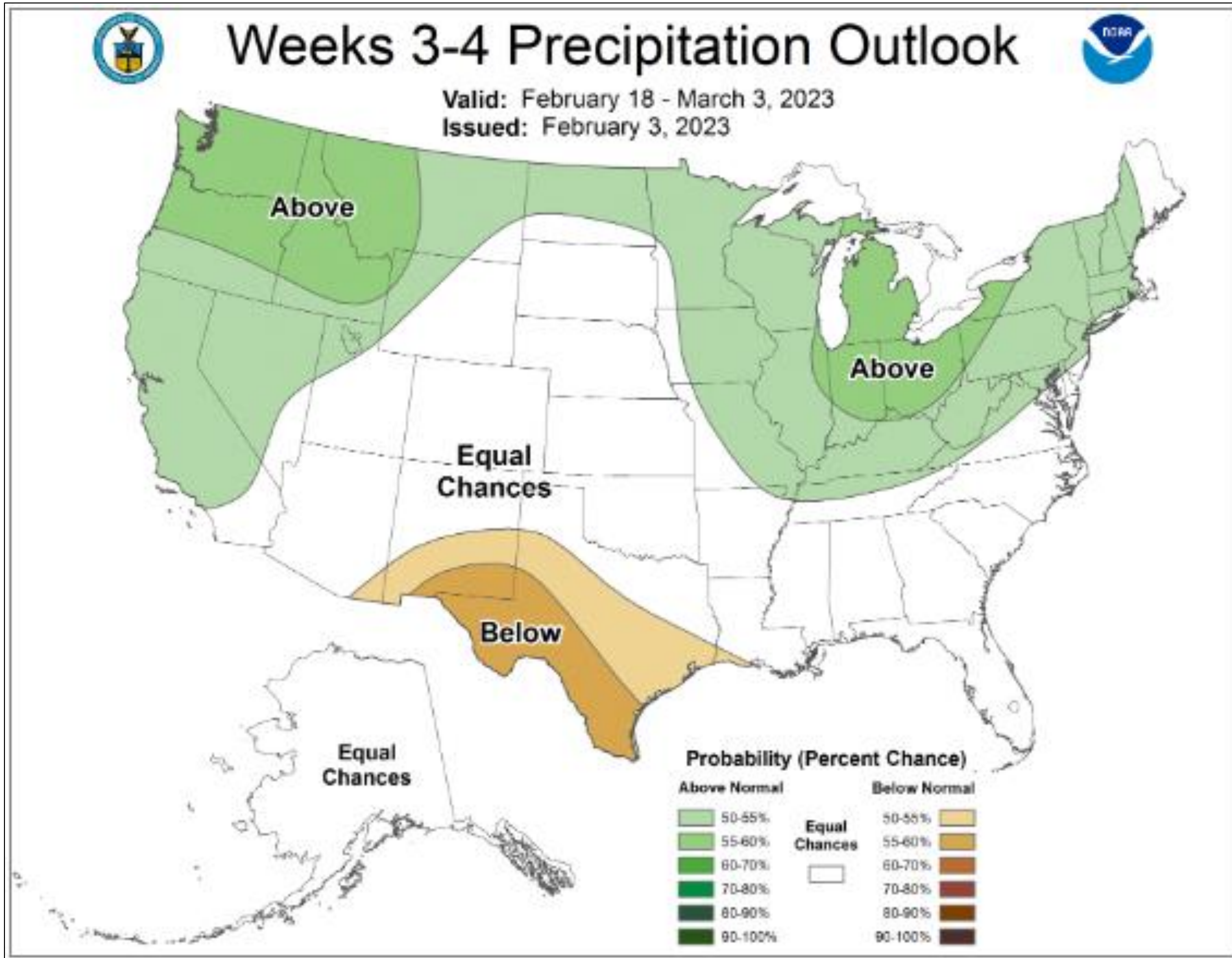
Outlook: February 18 - March 3



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Less of a signal for above/below average temperatures



Outlook for March, April, and May



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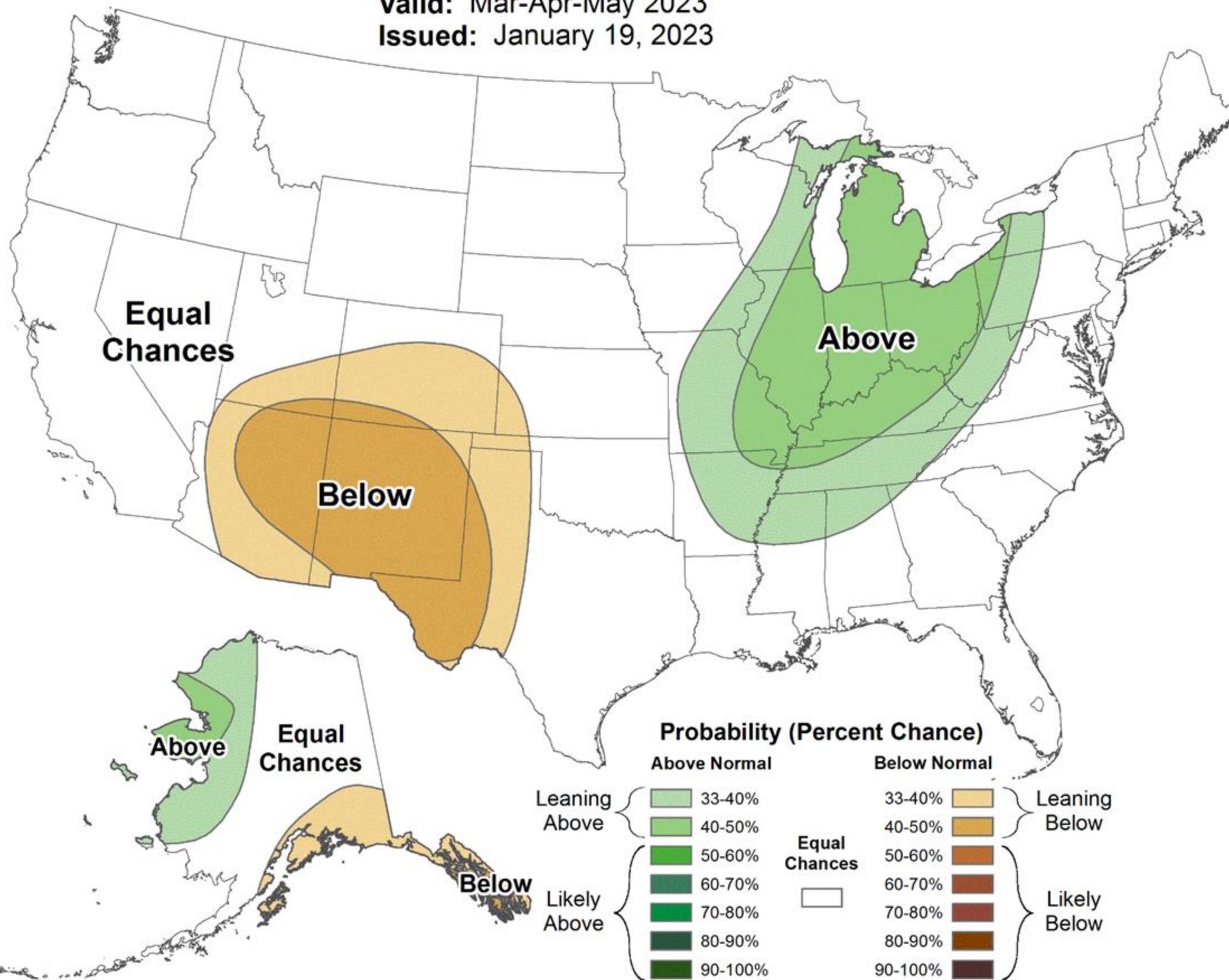
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Seasonal Precipitation Outlook



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Seasonal Temperature Outlook



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