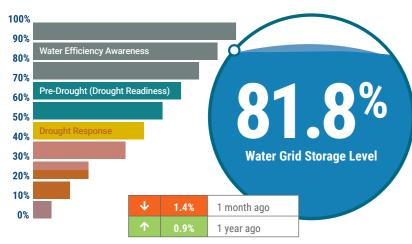
# WATER SECURITY STATUS REPORT

# September 2025



## **Overall water security position**



\*as at 30 September 2025

In September, rainfall was average to very much below average across the region, while maximum temperatures were above average. Water Grid Storage (WGS) level decreased by 1.4% decrease in September 2025.

The El Niño–Southern Oscillation (ENSO) remains in a neutral state. The BOM's model currently predicts the tropical Pacific is likely to meet La Niña levels briefly during spring before returning to neutral by summer.

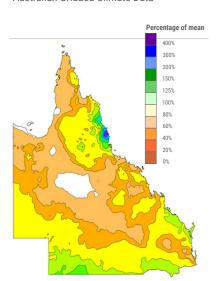
Storage levels are now sitting at 81.8% (at 30 September 2025) meaning the region is in the Water Efficiency Awareness phase of the SEQ Drought Response Plan. BOM advises there is a 60 to 70% chance of above median rainfall in September to November, and a 50 to 70% chance of above median maximum temperatures.

Dayboro remained in Trigger 1 - Drought Readiness. The source is meeting demand in all off-grid communities.

#### **Queensland rainfall percentages**

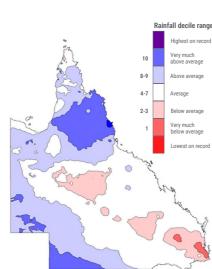
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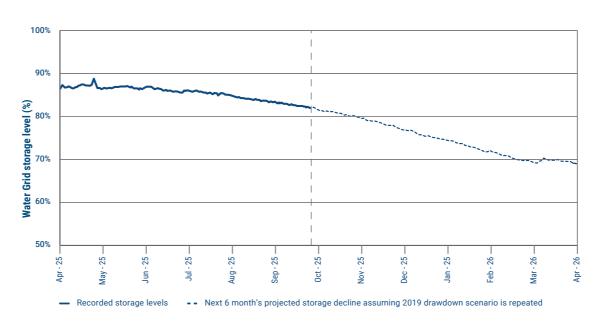
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### **Water Grid storage**

Sea Surface Temperatures (SSTs) in September 2025 were warmer than average.

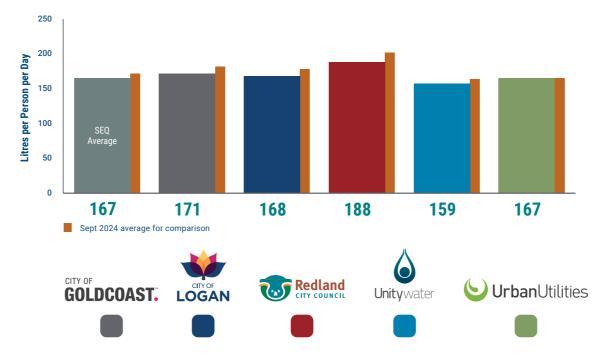
If very dry conditions return (similar to the very dry year of 2019) storages could return to 70% by February 2026, and to a level of 60% by November 2026.



## **Average daily residential consumption**

Average residential consumption in September was 167 litres per person per day (LPD). This represents a decrease in consumption compared to the 172 LPD recorded in the same month last year.

\*Date range is 28/08/2025 - 24/09/2025 and 29/08/2024 - 24/09/2024



## **Water Grid operation**

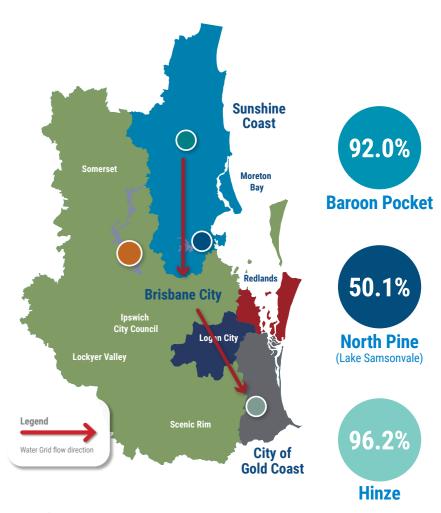
The Northern Pipeline Interconnector has been operated in a southerly flow direction. The Southern Regional Water Pipeline was operated in a southerly flow direction.

# **Purified Recycled Water**

The Western Corridor Recycled Water Scheme continues to provide some PRW to industrial customers.

# **Desalinated water production**

Gold Coast Desalination Plant (GCDP) continues to operate at minimal levels, with Water Grid Storage levels above 70%, supporting planned works across the grid as required.



#### Wivenhoe/ Somerset (Combined)

Full supply capacity 1,545,089 ML Wivenhoe and Somerset Dams are SEQ's largest storages, and combined make up about 70% of the region's water supply (dams).

 Current capacity
 1,276,578 ML

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 0.58%
 1 week ago

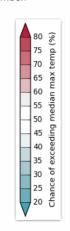
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 1.18%
 1 month ago

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 3.47%
 1 year ago

# **Weather outlook Temperature**

The Bureau of Meteorology (BOM) outlook is that there is an 50 to 70% chance of exceeding median maximum temperature from October to December.



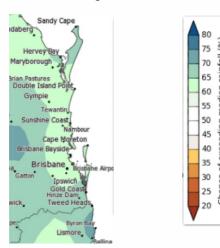


http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/outlooks/#/temperature/maximum/median/seasonal/0

\*as at 30 September 2025

#### Rainfall

The BOM outlook is that there is a 60 to 70% chance of receiving above average rainfall from October to December across the SEQ region.



http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/outlooks/#/rainfall/median/seasonal/0

# **Off-grid community drought status**

The SEQ Water Grid allows us to move treated drinking water around the region. Off-grid communities are not connected to the SEQ Water Grid. \*This data has been updated as at 30 September 2025

#### **Sunshine Coast Regional Council**

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Kenilworth	Mary River at Bellbird Creek flow: 75.1 ML/day	•	

#### **Moreton Bay Regional Council**

2 Dayboro	Groundwater Well No 1 standing water level: 40.43	•	

#### **Somerset Regional Council**

3	Jimna	Yabba Creek flow - Big Hole Weir is flowing.	
4	Linville	Brisbane River at Linville 12.6 ML/day	

#### **Redland City Council**

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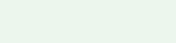
North Stradbroke Island Groundwater standing water level **Point Lookout** (primary bore): 20.3 m AHD

Dunwich

Scenic Rim Regional Council					
8	Kalbar (Boonah, Aratula and Mount Alford)	Moogerah Dam storage level: 97.9%	•		
9	Canungra	Canungra Creek flow: 17.1 ML/day	•		
10	Beaudesert				
11	Kooralbyn	Maroon Dam storage level: 99.8%	•		
12	Rathdowney				

Lockyer Valley

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#### Water source status

- Source meeting demand
- Increased monitoring of source
- Approaching water carting
- Supplementary carting
- Full carting

#### **Restrictions status**

- Water efficiency awareness
- Increased water efficiency messaging
- Voluntary conservation
- Medium level water restrictions
- High level water restrictions or greater

# **Water supply scheme status**

Seqwater supplies water to rural landholders and businesses that are licensed to take water from dams and waterways via water supply schemes. The amount of water that can be extracted by licensed irrigators varies according to local water conditions. In times of drought or low flows, irrigation entitlements may be restricted or suspended.

\*as at 30 September 2025







Full allocation

Restricted

Suspended

# **Cedar Pocket Water Supply Scheme**

Cedar Pocket Dam currently 96% (Down 4.2% from last month) **Announced Allocations** Medium Priority 100%



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#### **Mary Valley Water Supply Scheme**

Borumba Dam currently 99.7% (Down 0.8% from last month) Announced Allocations Medium Priority 100% (also supplies high priority)



## **Central Brisbane Water Supply Scheme**

Wivenhoe Dam/Somerset Dam currently 82.6% (Down 1.2% from last month)

nounced Allocations Medium Priority 100% (also supplies high priority)



## **Lower Lockyer Water Supply Scheme**

Atkinson Dam currently 97.5% (Up 1.9% from last month) **Announced Allocations** Medium Priority 100%



#### **Warrill Valley Water Supply Scheme**

Moogerah Dam currently 97.9% (Down 2.1% from last month) **Announced Allocations** Medium Priority 100% (also supplies high priority)



## **Logan River Water Supply Scheme**

Maroon Dam currently 99.8% (Down 0.2% from last month)

**Announced Allocations** Medium Priority 100% (also supplies high priority)



#### **Central Lockyer Water Supply Scheme** Clarendon Dam & Bill Gunn Dam currently 97.2%

(Down 1.5% from last month)

**Announced allocation** Morton Vale 100%, (surface water)

Medium Priority Zones 100%

(groundwater)

**Announced allocation** Medium Priority 100%, Low Priority 100%



