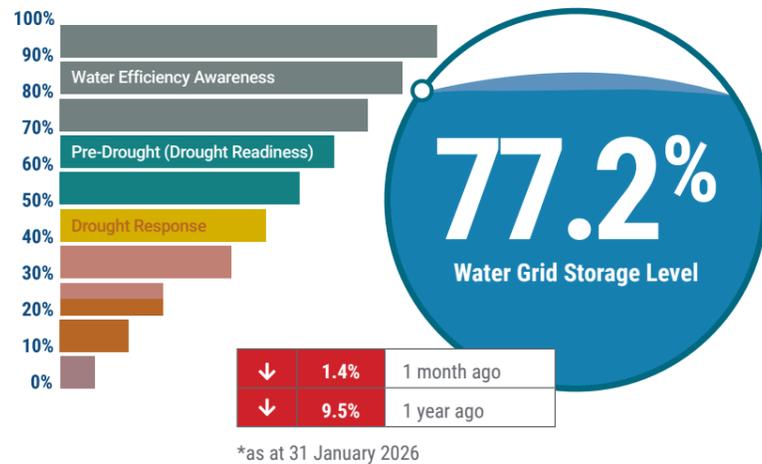


Overall water security position



In January, rainfall was below average to very much below average across the region, while maximum temperatures were above average. Water Grid Storage (WGS) level declined by 1.4% in January 2026.

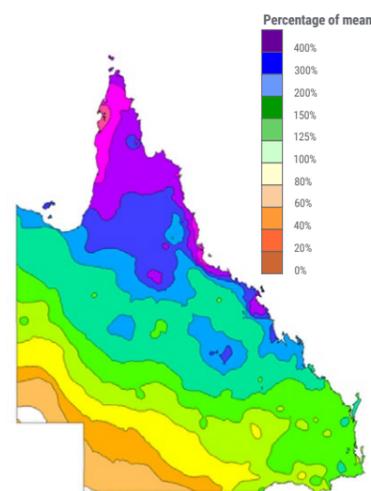
The 2025–26 La Niña continues to weaken. Sea surface temperatures in the central tropical Pacific are now within the neutral ENSO range (between -0.80 °C and +0.80 °C), with the latest relative Niño3.4 index value for the week ending 1 February 2026 rising to -0.75 °C. Recent warming in the sub-surface suggests further decay is likely in the coming weeks.

Storage levels are now sitting at 77.2% (at 31 January 2026) meaning the region is in the Water Efficiency Awareness phase of the SEQ Drought Response Plan. BOM advises there is a 55 to 60% chance of above median rainfall in February to April, and above an 80% chance of above median maximum temperatures.

Dayboro remained in Trigger 1 - Drought Readiness. Canungra fell below the pre-drought trigger of 15ML/day for 3 days at the end of January. The source is meeting demand in all off-grid communities.

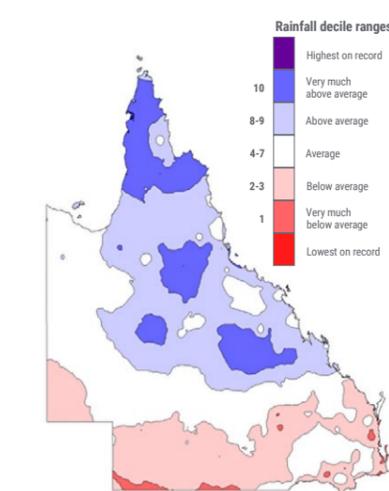
Queensland rainfall percentages

01 January 2026 to 31 January 2026
Australian Gridded Climate Data



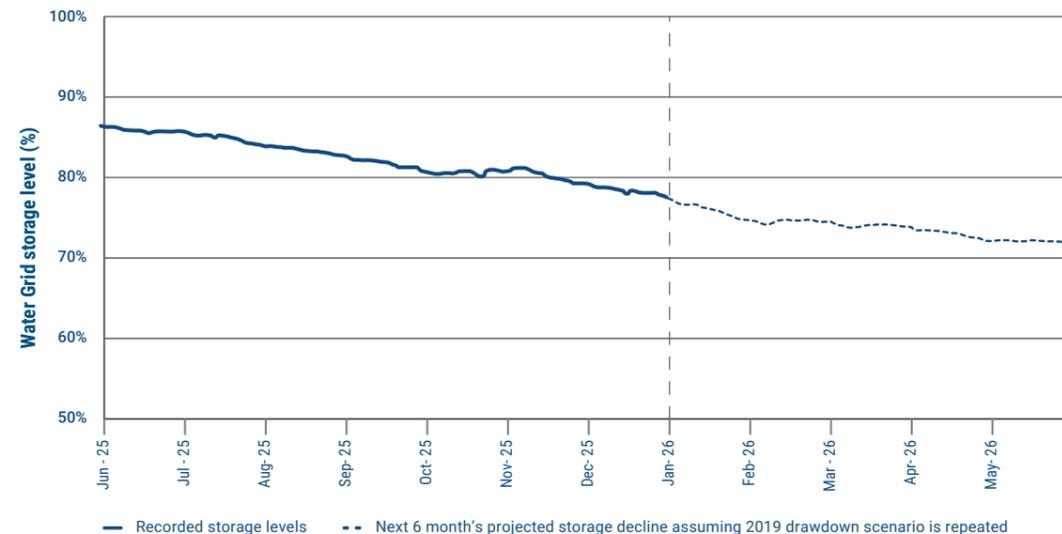
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Water Grid storage

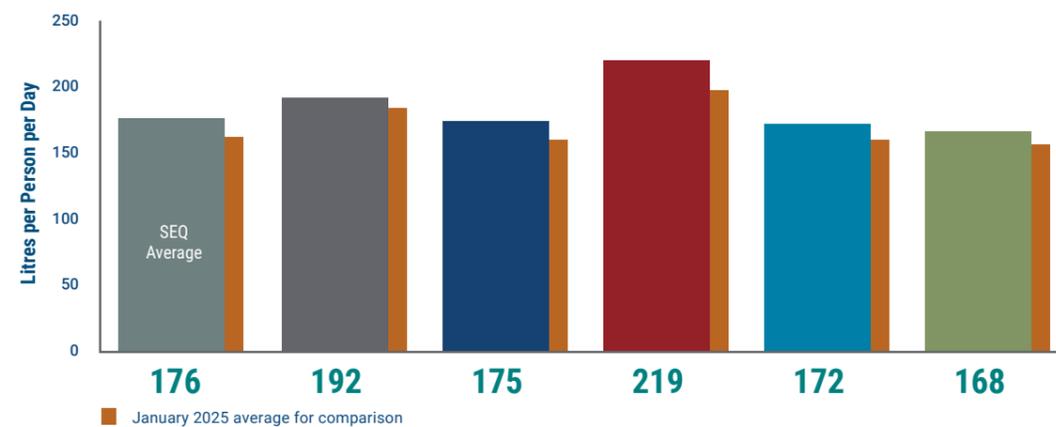
Sea Surface Temperatures (SSTs) in December 2025 were the third warmest on record. If very dry conditions return (similar to the very dry year of 2019) storages could return to 70% by August 2026, and to a level of 60% by early January 2027.



Average daily residential consumption

Average residential consumption in January was 176 litres per person per day (LPD). This represents an increase in consumption compared to the 164 LPD recorded in the same month last year.

*Date range is 02/01/2025 - 29/01/2025 and 01/01/2026 - 28/01/2026



Water Grid operation

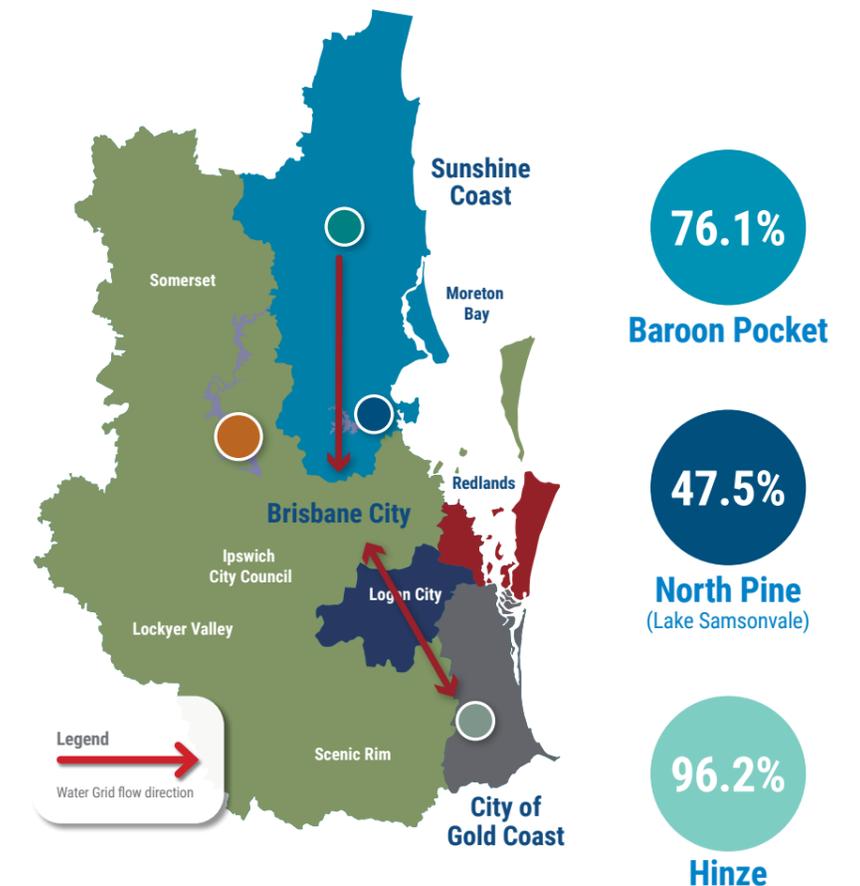
The Northern Pipeline Interconnector has been operated in a southerly flow direction. The Southern Regional Water Pipeline was operated in a dual flow direction.

Purified Recycled Water

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

Desalinated water production

Gold Coast Desalination Plant (GCDDP) was operated at around 50% capacity on average throughout January to support the Grid.



Wivenhoe/ Somerset (Combined)

Full supply capacity 1,545,089 ML Current capacity 1,211,530 ML

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

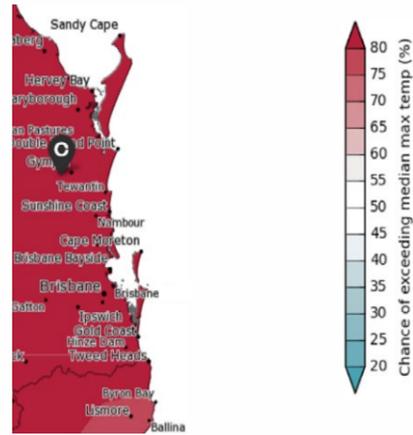
↓	0.45%	1 week ago
↓	1.50%	1 month ago
↓	7.8%	1 year ago

90.3%

Weather outlook

Temperature

The Bureau of Meteorology (BOM) outlook is that there is an 80% chance of exceeding median maximum temperature from February to April 2026.

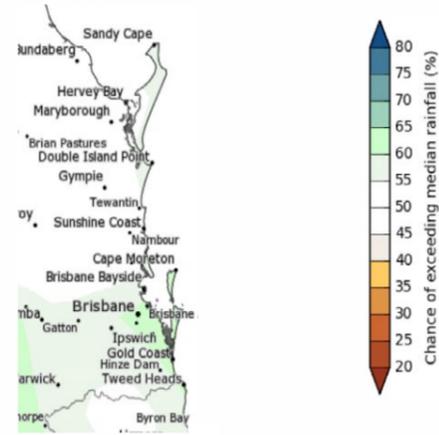


<http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/outlooks/#/temperature/maximum/median/seasonal/0>

*as at 29 January 2026

Rainfall

The BOM outlook is that there is a 50 to 60% chance of receiving above average rainfall from February to April 2026 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 31 January 2026

Sunshine Coast Regional Council

1 Kenilworth	Mary River at Bellbird Creek flow: 45 ML/day	●	●
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Moreton Bay Regional Council

2 Dayboro	Groundwater Well No 1 standing water level: 40.41	●	●
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Somerset Regional Council

3 Jimna	Yabba Creek flow - Big Hole Weir has stopped flowing.	●	●
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4 Linville	Brisbane River at Linville 45 ML/day	●	●
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Redland City Council

5 Amity Point		●	●
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6 Point Lookout	North Stradbroke Island Groundwater standing water level (primary bore): 20.5 m AHD	●	●
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7 Dunwich		●	●
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Scenic Rim Regional Council

8 Kalbar (Boonah, Aratula and Mount Alford)	Moogerah Dam storage level: 92.5%	●	●
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9 Canungra	Canungra Creek flow: 13.2 ML/day	●	●
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10 Beaudesert		●	●
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11 Kooralbyn	Maroon Dam storage level: 99.3%	●	●
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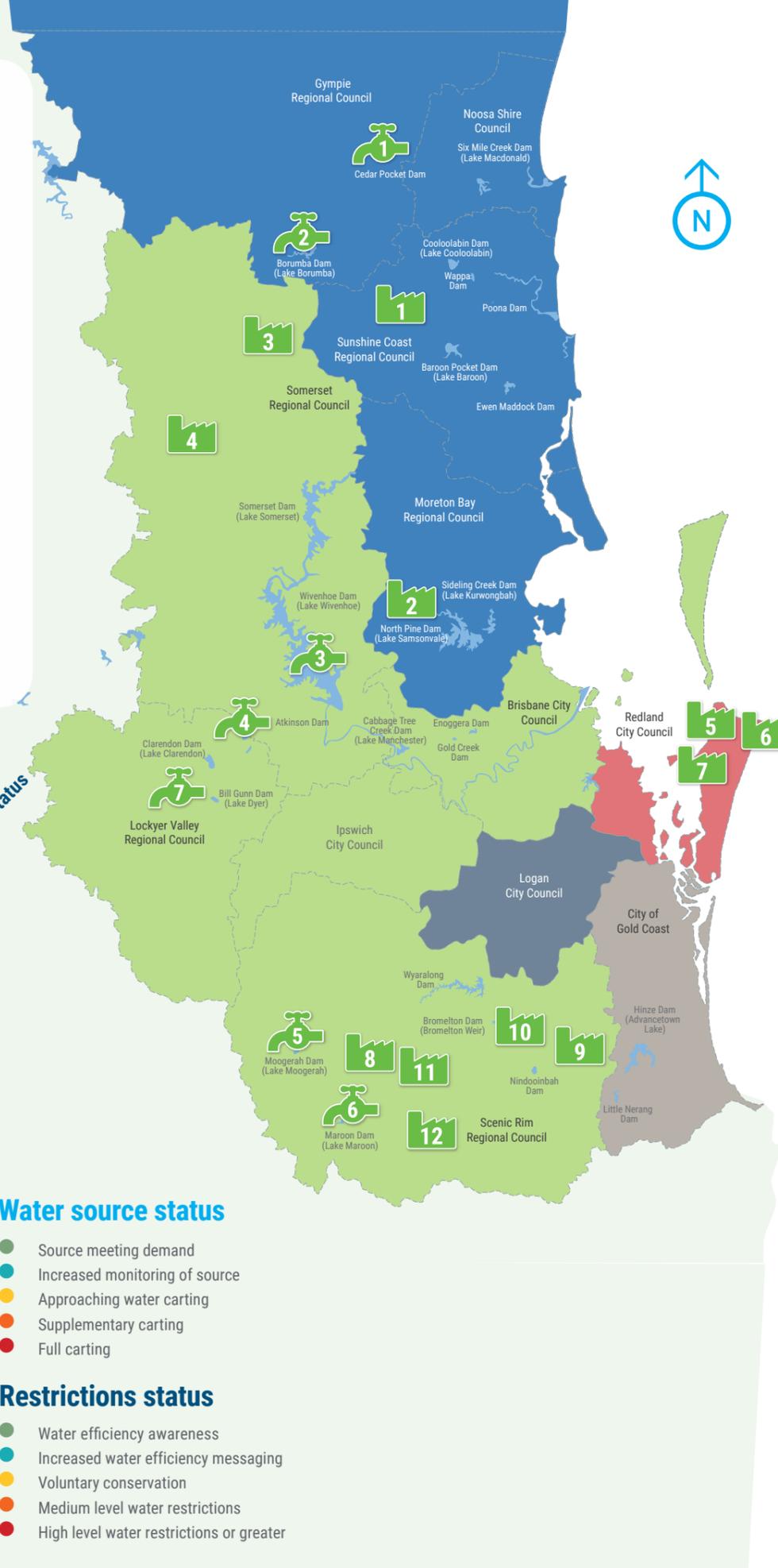
12 Rathdowney		●	●
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Water source status

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

Restrictions status

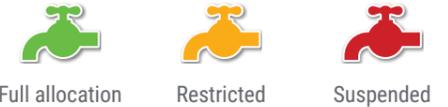
- Water efficiency awareness
- Increased water efficiency messaging
- Voluntary conservation
- Medium level water restrictions
- High level water restrictions or greater



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.

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- 1 Cedar Pocket Water Supply Scheme**
Cedar Pocket Dam currently 98.5% (Down 1.6% from last month)
Announced Allocations Medium Priority 100%
- 2 Mary Valley Water Supply Scheme**
Borumba Dam currently 98.9% (Down 1% from last month)
Announced Allocations Medium Priority 100% (also supplies high priority)
- 3 Central Brisbane Water Supply Scheme**
Wivenhoe Dam/Somerset Dam currently 78.4% (Down 1.5% from last month)
Announced Allocations Medium Priority 100% (also supplies high priority)
- 4 Lower Lockyer Water Supply Scheme**
Atkinson Dam currently 88.4% (Down 2.5% from last month)
Announced Allocations Medium Priority 100%
- 5 Warrill Valley Water Supply Scheme**
Moogerah Dam currently 92.5% (Down 2.3% from last month)
Announced Allocations Medium Priority 100% (also supplies high priority)
- 6 Logan River Water Supply Scheme**
Maroon Dam currently 99.3% (Down 0.4% from last month)
Announced Allocations Medium Priority 100% (also supplies high priority)
- 7 Central Lockyer Water Supply Scheme**
Clarendon Dam & Bill Gunn Dam currently 97.7% (Down 0.3% from last month)
Announced allocation (surface water) Morton Vale 100%, Medium Priority Zones 100%
Announced allocation (groundwater) Medium Priority 100%, Low Priority 100%