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WSP USA INSPECTION SERVICES DISASTER AWARENESS REPORT

February 3, 2026

2026 U.S. Spring Outlook

- AccuWeather long-range experts say weather patterns in the United States this spring will be shaped by a rapidly fading La Niña, a slower jet stream and a stronger southern storm track.
- Northeast and Great Lakes: Cooler start to spring with late-season snow and frost potential; some flooding likely later from snowmelt and rain.
- Southeast and Mid-Atlantic: Early-spring fire risk in the interior mid-Atlantic, southern Appalachians, and parts of the Southeast. Drought concerns early, followed by increasing rain and flood risk along the Gulf Coast.
- Midwest and Ohio Valley: Moderate risk of river and flash flooding from snowmelt and spring rain; fewer tornadoes than 2025, but frequent damaging wind events and flooding downpours.
- Northern Plains and Upper Midwest: Late-season snow and frost possible; spring flooding risk increases as snowpack melts.
- Southwest and southern Plains: Faster transition to warmer spring conditions; drought persists and expands, with elevated fire risk in the Southwest and High Plains.
- Western U.S.: Drought remains entrenched in the Interior West; some improvement possible in the Northwest and northern Rockies with lingering snow and rain.
- AccuWeather long-range experts expect a much different severe weather profile this year compared to the destructive spring of 2025.
- "There will likely be fewer tornadoes and hail reports this spring, especially compared to last spring. Storms with damaging straight-line winds will likely be a more frequent threat," Pastelok said. "Flooding is the main hazard this spring, especially with the slower-moving storms that are expected."
- There were 1,559 tornadoes reported across the U.S. in 2025, above the 15-year historical average of 1,392 tornadoes annually.
- The eastern Plains, mid-Mississippi Valley and western Ohio Valley are expected to have multiple severe weather episodes in March and April, while the north-central Plains and Midwest may not experience more typical severe weather activity until late April or May.



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Pending Individual Assistance Declaration Request

State	Event	Date Submitted	Approved/Denied/ Pending	Number of Counties/Tribes
IL*	Severe Storms and Flooding July 25 - 28, 2025 (Appeal)	11/21/2025	Pending	3 Counties
IL*	Severe Storms, Straight-line Winds, and Flash Flooding Aug 16-19, 2025 (Appeal)	11/21/2025	Pending	5 Counties
WA	Severe Storms, Straight-line Winds, Flooding, Landslides/Mudslides. Dec 5-22, 2025	1/21/2026	Pending	10 Counties
TN	Severe Winter Storm Jan 22 & continuing	1/28/2026	Pending	23 Counties

*Award of task order to contractor pending

WSP USA Inspection Services Active Disasters

Disaster Number and State	Disaster Type	Number of Counties Declared	Days Since Launch	Registration Deadline
	N/A			

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