# RIVER AND WEATHER CONDITIONS 

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## WEATHER RECAP

August was close to seasonal normal for both precipitation and temperatures across Western PA. However, above normal precipitation occurred over portions of central OH and northern WV with temperatures a touch below seasonal averages.

| Location | Aug 2023 <br> Precipitation | Departure <br> (Inches) |
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| Pittsburgh | 2.71 | -0.81 |


| Location | Aug Average <br> Temperature | Departure <br> Degrees | Extreme <br> High | Extreme <br> Low |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Pittsburgh | 72.4 | +0.6 | 89 on Aug 21 | 52 on Aug 19 |


| Wednesday <br> Night | Thursday | Thursday <br> Night | Friday | Saturday |
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| Night <br> Chance <br> Showers | Partly Cloudy |  |  |  |

## OUTLOOK

This week: Some scattered showers will be possible Wednesday before high pressure builds through the weekend. Temperatures will remain a few degrees below seasonal averages through the end of the week before returning to near normal values.
Week of September $18^{\text {th }}$ : Next chance for precipitation looks like Mon-Tues with upper low/troughing in place. Temperatures will remain near or slightly below average with below average precipitation.
Week of September $\mathbf{2 5}^{\text {th }}$ : Temperatures near average with near normal precipitation.
Outlook for October: Temperatures near or slightly above normal and belwo average precipitation.
Fall Outlook: Precipitation near normal and near or slightly warmer temperatures.
Winter Outlook: El Nino conditions likely to continue into the winter months. Dry and Warm.

## HIGH WATER POTENTIAL

Streamflows are running near normal across the region. On average, we will need 2.00-3.00 inches in 12 hours to get streams near bankfull.

Average Yearly precipitation Pittsburgh: 39.61 inches. In 2023: 24.79 (-4.22)
Totals for: 2022: 42.58" (+2.97); 2021: 40.53" (+0.92); 2020: 39.33" (+1.14); 2019: 52.46" (+14.27); 2018: 57.83"
(+19.64); 2017: 42.15"; 2016: 35.01"; 2015: 40.56"; 2014: 36.84"; 2013: 36.65"; 2012: 41.74"
Average snowfall Pittsburgh (Nov- Apr): 44.1 inches. In 2022-23: 17.6 (-26.5); 2021-22: 44.8" (+0.7); 2020-21:

Departure from Normal Precipitation (in)
8/1/2023-8/31/2023


Departure from Normal Temperature ( F )
8/1/2023-8/31/2023



