



NOAA's Pathetic Weather Forecast From Last November

NOAA's forecast just 10 weeks ago proves that they have no idea of what they are talking about. Northern temps have been as much as 40 degrees below normal, all-time cold records have been recorded throughout the northern states and snowfall has been one of the heaviest ever. The problem? NOAA is full of Technocrats who cuddle their faulty data in a windowless room and then rely on faulty computer models to make predictions. □ TN Editor

A mild winter could be in store for much of the United States this winter according to NOAA's Climate Prediction Center. In the U.S. Winter Outlook for December through February, **above-average temperatures are most likely across the northern** and western U.S., Alaska and Hawaii.

Additionally, El Nino has a 70 to 75 percent chance of developing. **"We**

expect El Nino to be in place in late fall to early winter,” said Mike Halpert, deputy director of NOAA’s [Climate Prediction Center](#). “Although a weak El Nino is expected, it may still influence the winter season by bringing wetter conditions across the southern United States, and warmer, drier conditions to parts of the North.”

[El Nino](#) is an ocean-atmosphere climate interaction that is linked to periodic warming in sea surface temperatures in the central and eastern equatorial Pacific. During the winter, typical El Nino conditions in the U.S. can include wetter-than-average precipitation in the South and drier conditions in parts of the North.

Other climate patterns that can affect winter weather are challenging to predict on a seasonal time scale. The [Arctic Oscillation](#) influences the number of arctic air masses that penetrate into the South and could result in below-average temperatures in the eastern part of the U.S. The [Madden-Julian Oscillation](#) can contribute to heavy precipitation events along the West Coast - which could play a large role in shaping the upcoming winter, especially if El Nino is weak, as forecasters predict.

The 2018 U.S. Winter Outlook (December through February):

Temperature

- **Warmer-than-normal conditions are anticipated across much of the northern and western U.S.**, with the greatest likelihood in Alaska and from the Pacific Northwest to the Northern Plains.
- The Southeast, Tennessee Valley, Ohio Valley and Mid-Atlantic all have equal chances for below-, near- or above-average temperatures.
- **No part of the U.S. is favored to have below-average temperatures.**

Precipitation

- Wetter-than-average conditions are favored across the southern tier of the U.S., and up into the Mid-Atlantic. Northern Florida and southern Georgia have the greatest odds for above-average precipitation this winter.
- **Drier-than-average conditions are most likely in parts of the northern Rockies and Northern Plains, as well as in the Great Lakes and northern Ohio Valley.**

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