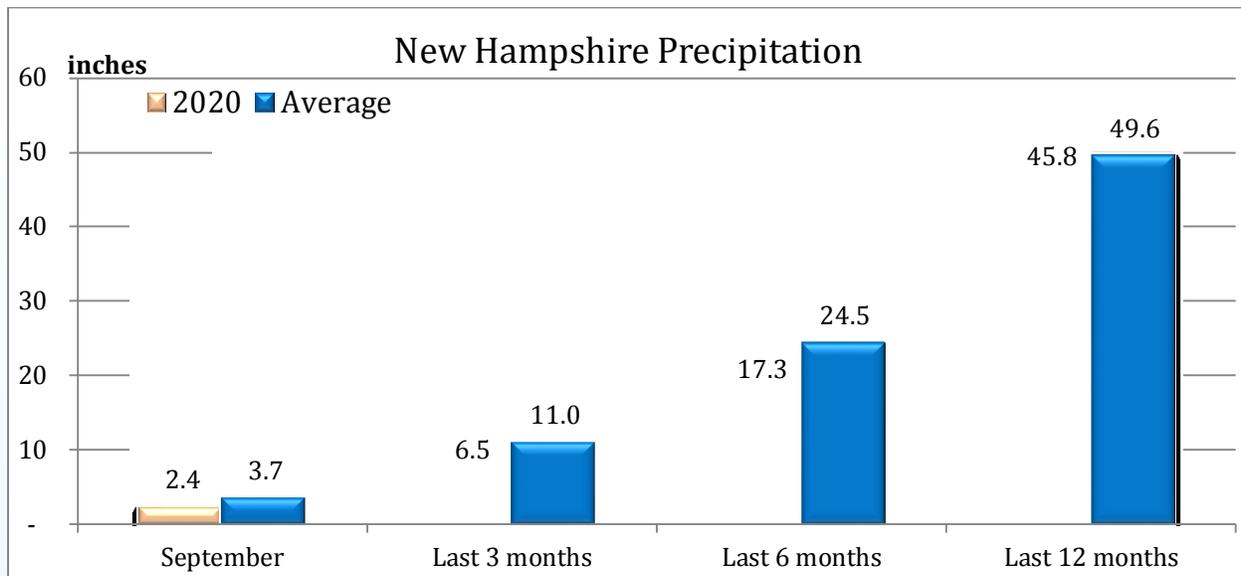


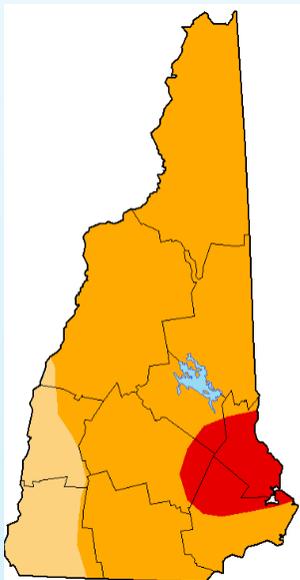
Water Supply Update

Serving the Communities of Hampton, North Hampton, & Rye

Weather Trends/Outlook

Severe Drought conditions continue to persist on the seacoast as rainfall in September continued to be less than average. Monthly precipitation was 2.4 inches; compared to an average of 3.7 inches.



<i>Current Drought Status as of August 27, 2020</i>	
Intensity	
None	
D0 (Abnormally Dry)	
D1 (Moderate Drought)	
D2 (Severe Drought)	
D3 (Extreme Drought)	
D4 (Exceptional Drought)	

Current Water Use Restrictions

The U.S. Drought Monitor (<https://droughtmonitor.unl.edu>) currently shows **Severe Drought** conditions on the New Hampshire seacoast.

No restrictions are currently in place, but residents and businesses are strongly encouraged to follow the **Best Practices for Outside Watering** at <https://www.aquarionwater.com/conservation/lawn-and-garden-irrigation-tips>

Following these practices will reduce the probability of mandatory water use restrictions in the future.



Water Main Cleaning



The fall season is typically the time when Aquarion staff flushed water mains. This important maintenance activity removes minerals and sediment that accumulates in water mains, which can cause discolored water. While discolored water is not a health issue, it does reduce the aesthetic quality of water for domestic uses.

Due to the drought, water main cleaning is limited to key areas that produce the most benefit. Cleaning of water mains in Hampton, North Hampton and Rye started on Monday, September 28. This activity is expected to continue for approximately six weeks if water supplies allow. When this work occurs in your area, you might notice temporary discoloration in your water and/or low pressure. You may want to store tap water in the refrigerator ahead of time for drinking and cooking. And, if your water is discolored, delay using hot water and washing clothes until it is clear.

For questions, please contact our Customer Service Center at 1-800-732-9678 or cs@aquarionwater.com.