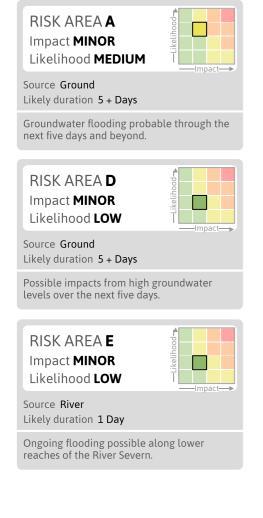


Minor inland flooding is possible across parts of England and Wales on Monday and Tuesday. Minor coastal flooding is possible on Thursday in the East of England. The overall flood risk is LOW.

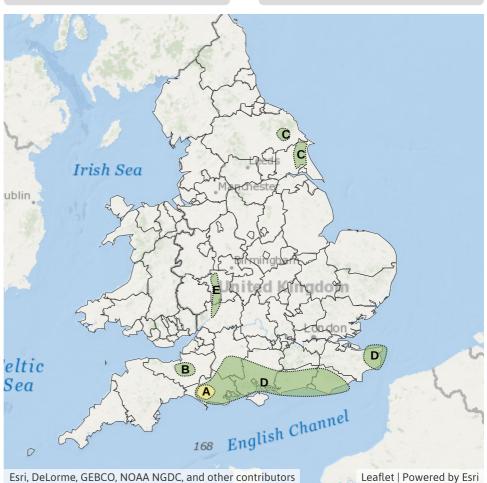
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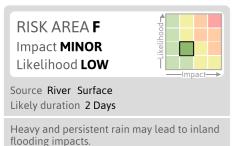
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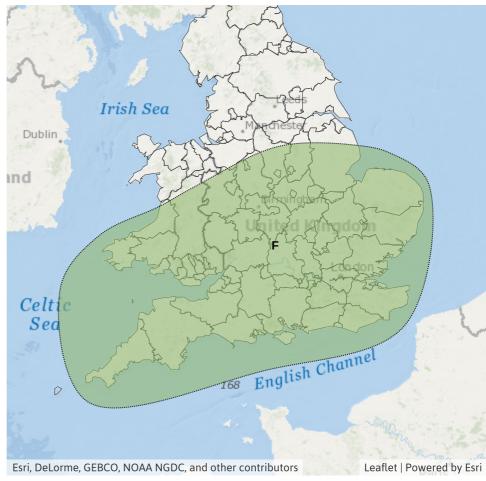






Specific Areas of Concern Map 2 - Monday 18 and Tuesday 19 December 2023





Specific Areas of Concern Map 3 - Thursday 21 December 2023





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Assessment of flood risk



Groundwater

The groundwater flood risk is LOW.

Minor groundwater flooding impacts are probable in parts of West Dorset and are possible in other parts of England throughout the next five days. See Specific Areas of Concern Map 1.



Rivers

The river flood risk is VERY LOW.

Minor river flooding impacts are possible for parts of Somerset for the next five days and from the lower reaches of the River Severn today. See Specific Areas of Concern Map 1.

Minor river flooding impacts are also possible more widely across parts of England and Wales on Monday and Tuesday due to the potential for persistent, heavy rainfall. Flooding impacts may continue to Wednesday from some larger rivers in the Midlands. See Specific Areas of Concern Map 2.



Surface water

The surface water flood risk is VERY LOW for the next five days.

Minor surface water flooding impacts are possible widely across parts of England and Wales on Monday and Tuesday due to the potential for persistent, heavy rainfall. See Specific Areas of Concern Map 2.

Impacts could include localised flooding from urban and fast responding smaller watercourses/catchments, drains, channels and flooding from overland flow.



Coastal/Tidal

The coastal/tidal flood risk is VERY LOW for the next five days.

Minor coastal flooding impacts are possible on the afternoon and evening high tide on Thursday along parts of the East of England coastline. This is due to the potential for a storm surge in the southern North Sea. See Specific Areas of Concern Map 3.

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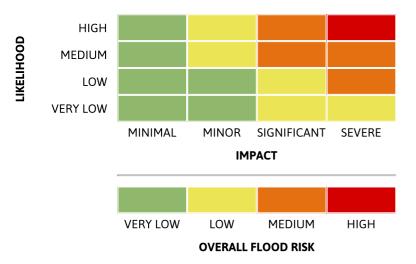
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Flood risk matrix



Summary of potential impacts

MINIMAL

Isolated and minor flooding of low-lying land and roads Isolated spray/wave on coastal promenades
Little or no disruption to travel, but wet road surfaces

MINOR

Localised flooding of land and roads Flooding affecting individual properties Disruption to travel and key sites in flood plans

SIGNIFICANT

Flooding affecting parts of communities
Possible danger to life and damage to buildings/structures
Disruption to travel and key sites in flood plans

SEVERE

Danger to life, severe disruption to travel Widespread flooding affecting whole communities Widespread disruption or loss of infrastructure Large scale evacuation of properties possible

Next statement due 10:30hrs Monday 18 December 2023 (all times are local)

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