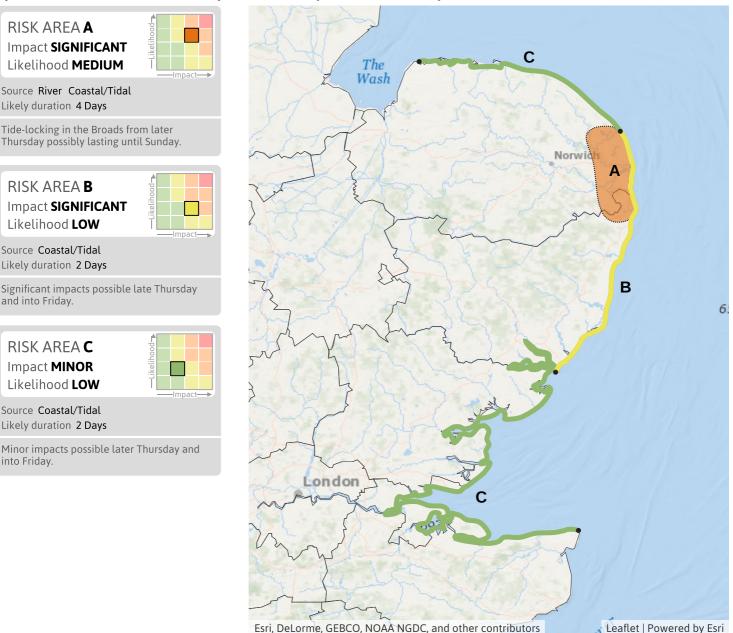


Significant coastal/tidal and river flooding is probable on Thursday and Friday in the East of England. The overall flood risk is MEDIUM.

Specific Areas of Concern Map 1 - Thursday 21 until Sunday 24 December 2023



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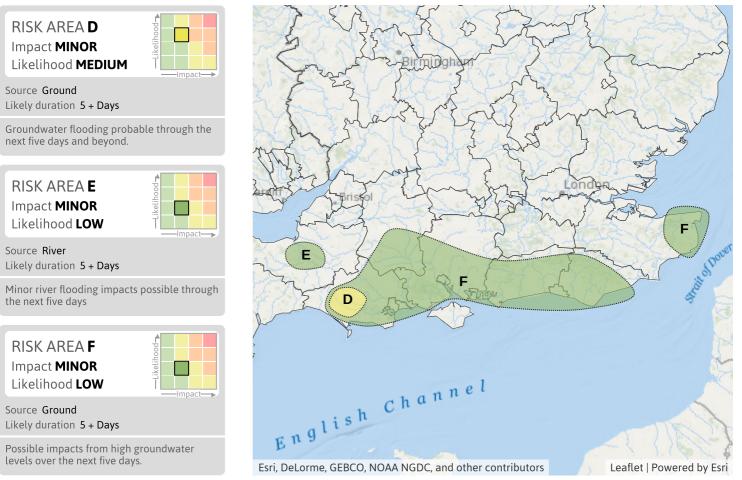
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Specific Areas of Concern Map 2 - Wednesday 20 to Sunday 24 December 2023





Assessment of flood risk



Coastal/Tidal

The coastal/tidal flood risk is MEDIUM.

Significant coastal flooding is probable on Thursday and Friday due to tide locking in the Broads, with impacts possibly continuing through the weekend. Significant coastal flooding impacts are also possible more widely for parts of the Norfolk and Suffolk coastline. This is due to a storm surge. See Specific Areas of Concern Map.



The river flood risk is MEDIUM.

Tide locking in the Norfolk and Suffolk Broads means significant river flooding impacts are probable later Thursday and Friday, possibly continuing through the weekend.

Minor river flooding impacts are possible but not expected on Saturday and Sunday in parts of the north of England due to heavy rain.

Ongoing minor river flooding impacts are also possible for parts of Somerset for the next five days. Refer to Specific Areas of Concern Maps.



The groundwater flood risk is LOW for the next five days.

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



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

Minor surface water flooding impacts are possible but not expected on Saturday and Sunday in parts of the north of England due to heavy rain.

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Flood risk matrix HIGH LIKELIHOOD MEDIUM LOW VERY LOW MINIMAL MINOR SIGNIFICANT SEVERE IMPACT VERY LOW LOW MEDIUM HIGH **OVERALL FLOOD RISK**

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 Thursday 21 December 2023 (all times are local)

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