

# Flood Guidance Statement

10:30hrs Friday 16 January 2026

FLOOD  
FORECASTING  
CENTRE

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Friday

16 Jan 2026 10:30-23:59

Trend since last FGS

Increased

Saturday

17 Jan 2026

Steady

Sunday

18 Jan 2026

Steady

Monday

19 Jan 2026

Steady

Tuesday

20 Jan 2026

Steady

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Minor river flooding is possible in parts of England today (Friday) with minor surface water flooding possible but not expected. The overall flood risk is **VERY LOW**.

## Specific Areas of Concern Map 1 - Friday 16 January 2026

### RISK AREA A

Impact **MINOR**

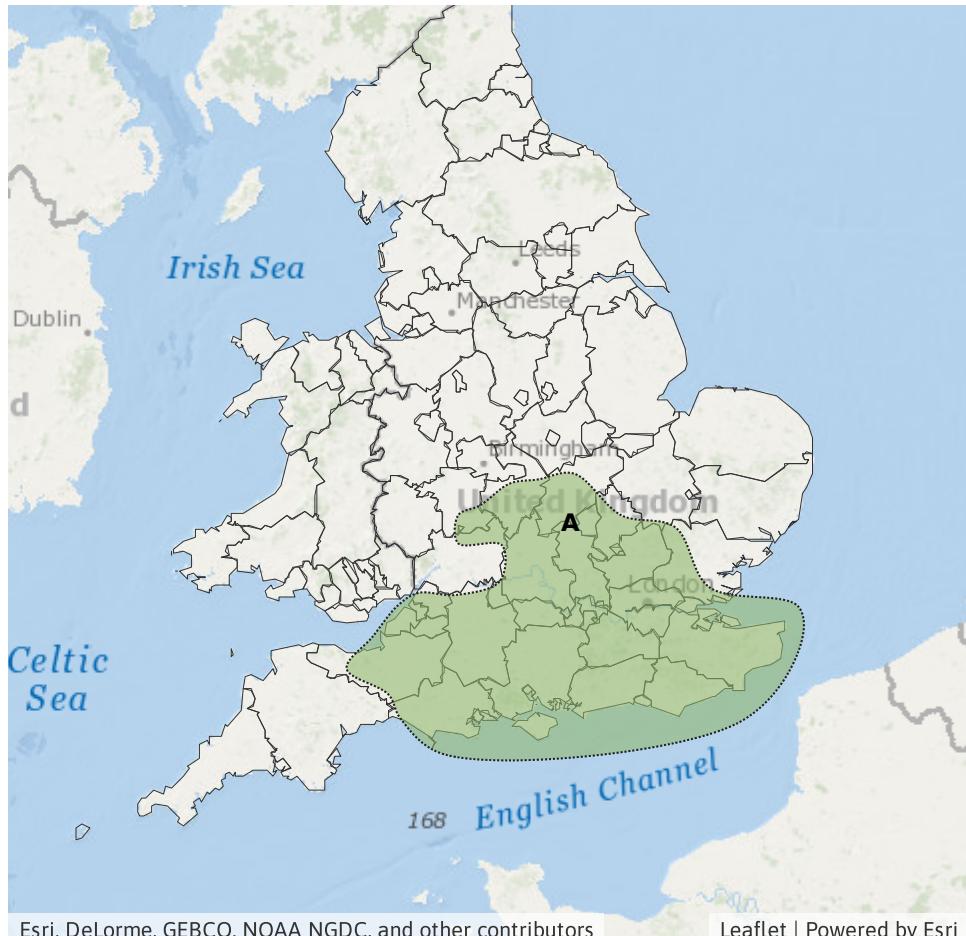
Likelihood **LOW**



Source River

Likely duration 1 Day

Rivers responding to Thursday's rainfall.



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## Assessment of flood risk



### Rivers

The river flood risk is **VERY LOW** for the next five days.

Minor river flooding is possible across parts of England today (Friday) as rivers respond to yesterday's rain. See Specific Areas of Concern Maps for details.

Minor river flooding is possible but not expected across other parts of England today and is also possible but not expected on Saturday as larger rivers continue to respond to recent rainfall.



### Surface water

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

Isolated, minor surface water flooding is possible but not expected across parts of England today (Friday). This is due to localised heavy rain falling on wet ground.

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



### Coastal/Tidal

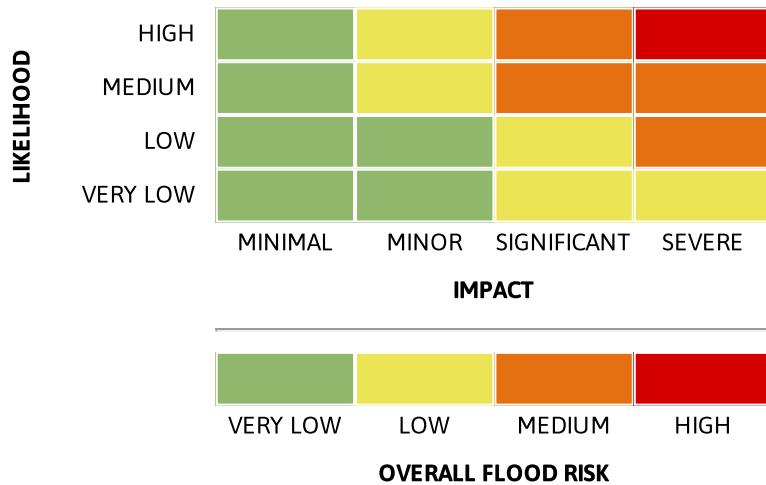
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### Groundwater

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

## 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 Saturday 17 January 2026 (all times are local)**

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More information <https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/flood-forecasting-centre>