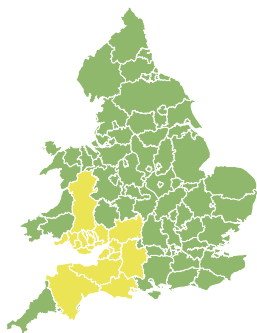


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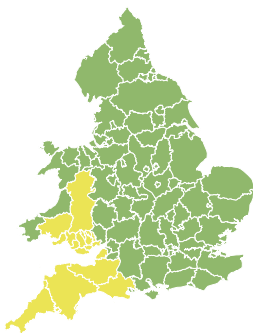


Thursday

22 Jan 2026 10:30-23:59

Trend since last FGS

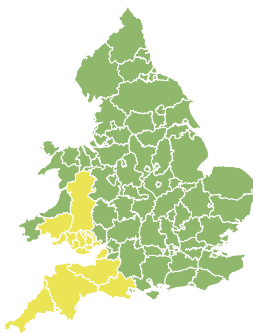
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Friday

23 Jan 2026

Increased



Saturday

24 Jan 2026

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Sunday

25 Jan 2026

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Monday

26 Jan 2026

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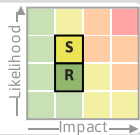
Minor inland flooding is expected in parts of England and Wales on Friday and Saturday and probable today (Thursday). The overall flood risk is LOW.

## Specific Areas of Concern Map 1 - Thursday 22 January 2026

### RISK AREA A

Impact **MINOR**

Likelihood **MEDIUM**



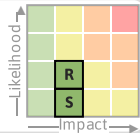
Source River Surface  
Likely duration 1 Day

Heavier bursts of rain leading to probable impacts.

### RISK AREA C

Impact **MINOR**

Likelihood **LOW**



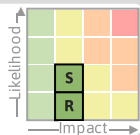
Source River Surface  
Likely duration 4 Days

Elevated river levels today. West Midlands risk until Sunday.

### RISK AREA D

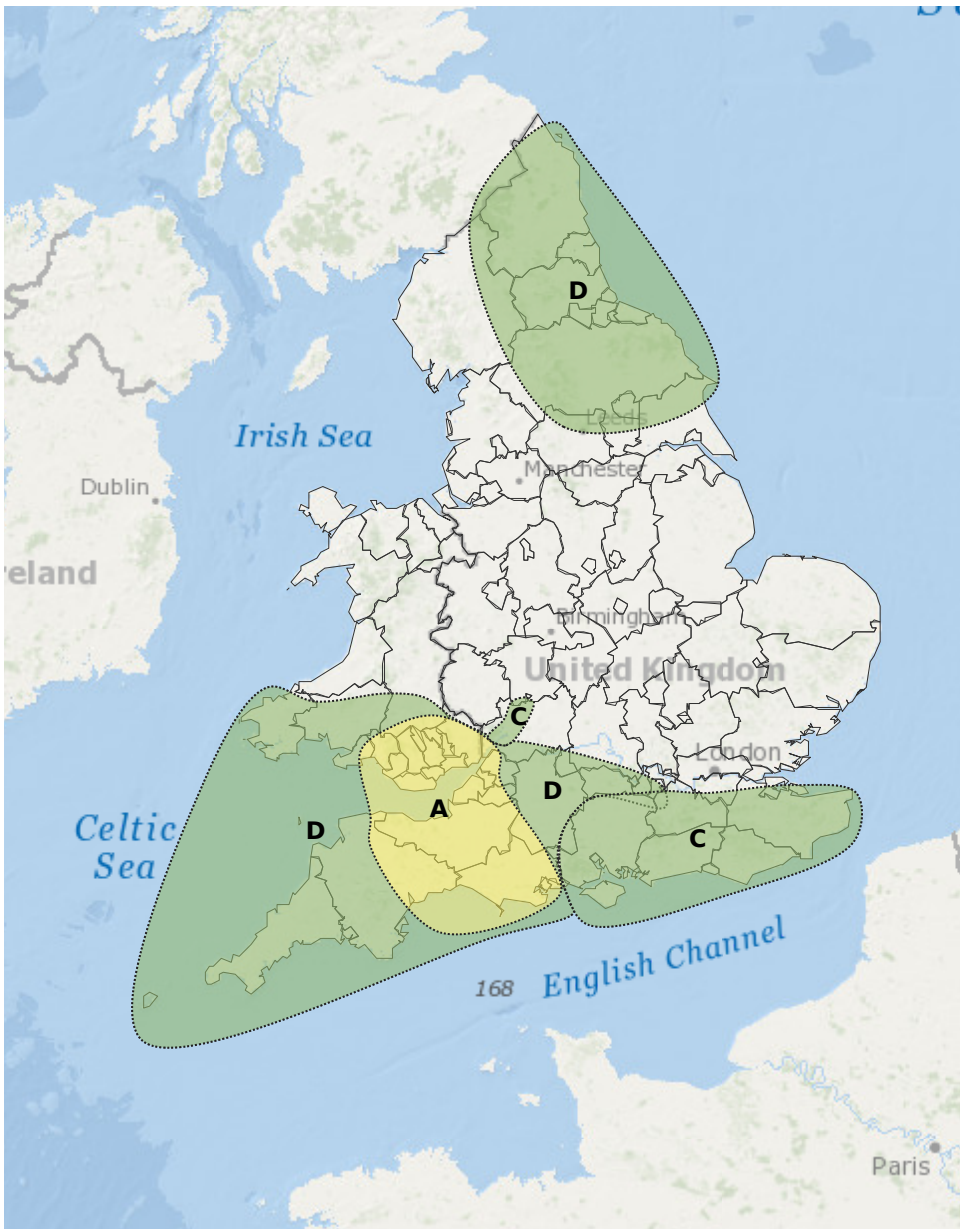
Impact **MINOR**

Likelihood **LOW**



Source River Surface  
Likely duration 3 Days

Persistent rain may lead to inland flooding today.

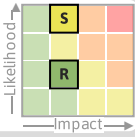


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## Specific Areas of Concern Map 2 - Friday 23 and Saturday 24 January 2026

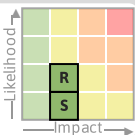
**RISK AREA B**  
Impact **MINOR**  
Likelihood **HIGH**



Source River Surface  
Likely duration 2 Days

Minor impacts probable from Friday evening into Saturday. Reduced river risk in south Wales.

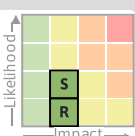
**RISK AREA C**  
Impact **MINOR**  
Likelihood **LOW**



Source River Surface  
Likely duration 4 Days

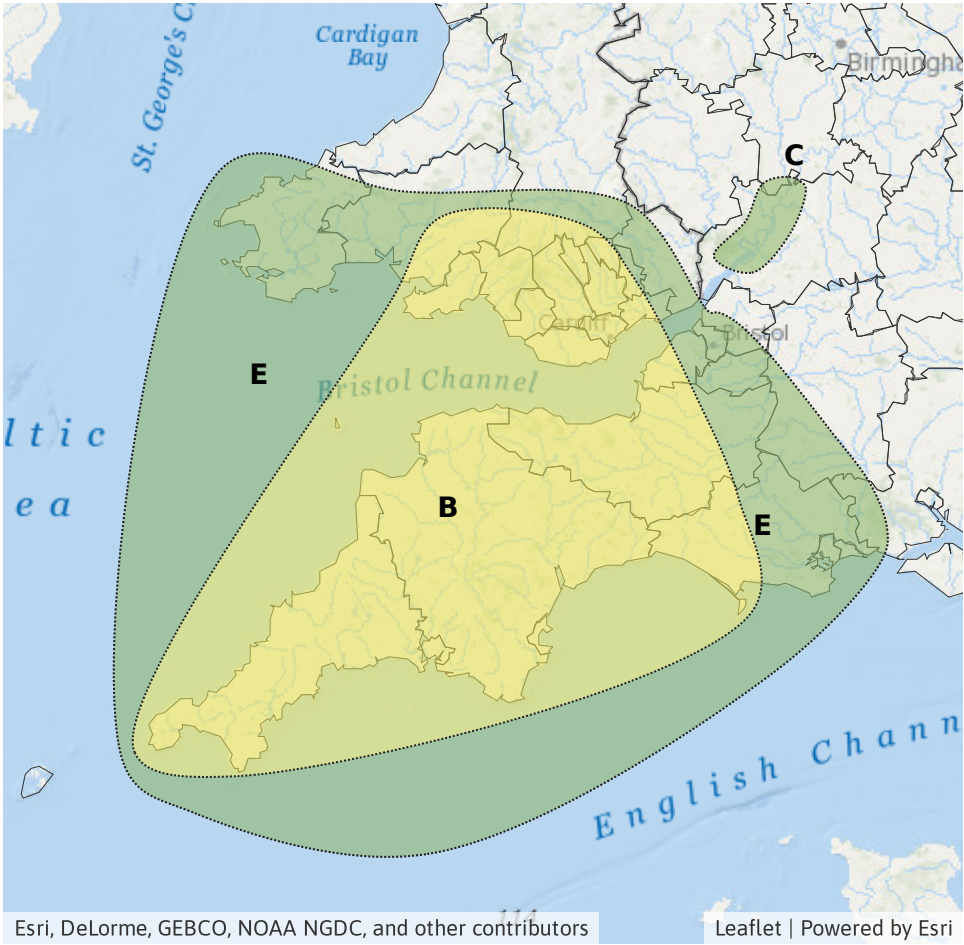
Elevated river levels continue until Sunday

**RISK AREA E**  
Impact **MINOR**  
Likelihood **LOW**




Source River Surface  
Likely duration 3 Days

Persistent and frequent bands of rain or showers.



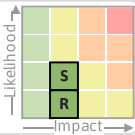
## Specific Areas of Concern Map 3 - Sunday 24 January 2026

**RISK AREA C**  
Impact **MINOR**  
Likelihood **LOW**



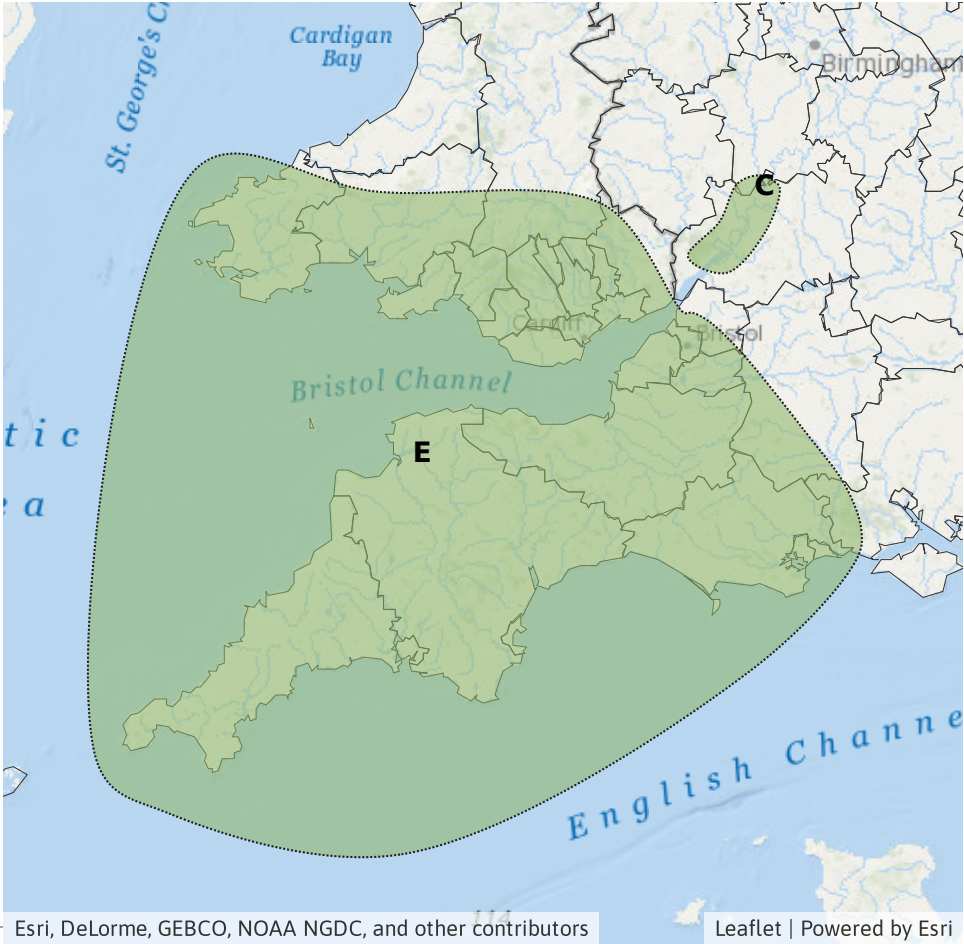
Source River  
Likely duration 4 Days

**RISK AREA E**  
Impact **MINOR**  
Likelihood **LOW**



Source River Surface  
Likely duration 3 Days

Persistent and frequent bands of rain or showers.



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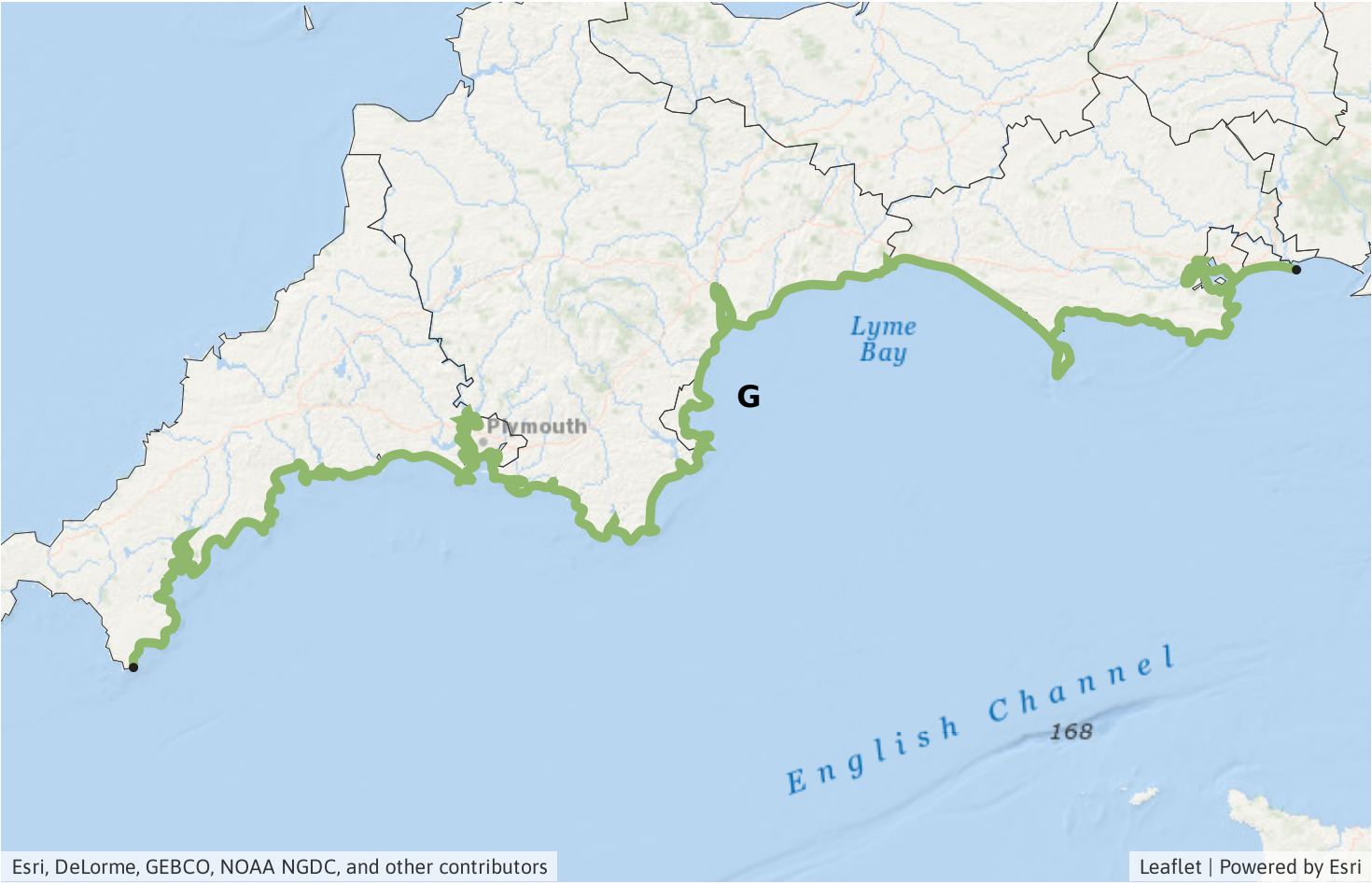


## Specific Areas of Concern Map 4 - Friday 23 and Saturday 24 January

**RISK AREA G**  
Impact **MINOR**  
Likelihood **LOW**

Source Coastal/Tidal  
Likely duration 2 Days

High tides and large waves lead to spray and wave over-topping.





## Assessment of flood risk



### Surface water

The surface water flood risk is LOW from today (Thursday) until Saturday.

Minor surface water flooding impacts are expected on Friday and Saturday and are probable today (Thursday). Minor surface water flooding is also possible more widely across England and Wales from today until Sunday. See Areas of Concern Maps.

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



### Rivers

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

Minor river flooding impacts are possible in parts of England and Wales, and possible but not expected more widely, from today (Thursday) until Sunday. See Areas of Concern Maps.



### Coastal/Tidal

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

Minor coastal flooding impacts are possible along the south coast of Devon and the Dorset coast on Friday and Saturday and possible but not expected around parts of the coast of England today (Thursday) and Friday due to high tides and large waves resulting from strong winds. Impacts may include isolated spray on low-lying roads and coastal promenades.

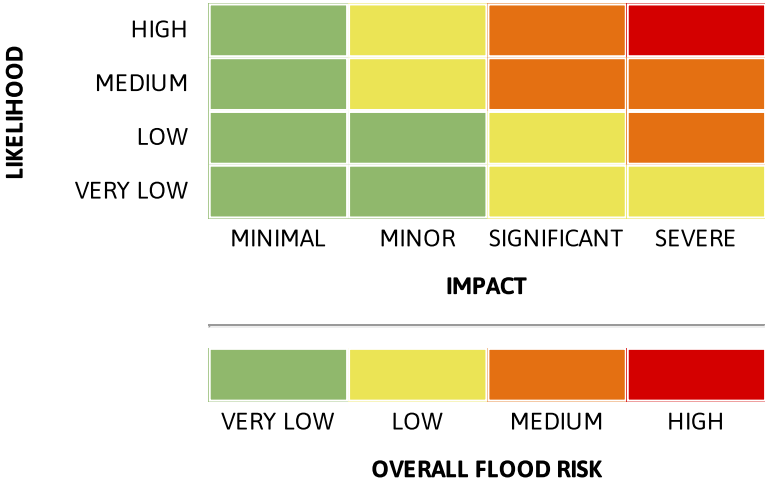


### Groundwater

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

Minor groundwater flooding impacts are possible but not expected in parts of England from Sunday.

## 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 Friday 23 January 2026 (all times are local)**

Contact details **Flood Forecasting Centre Duty Hydrometeorologist - 0330 135 4400**

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