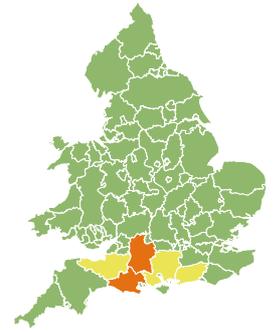
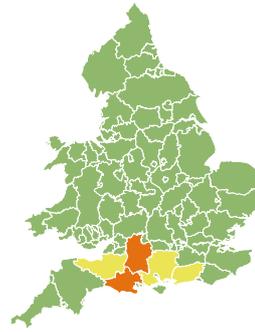
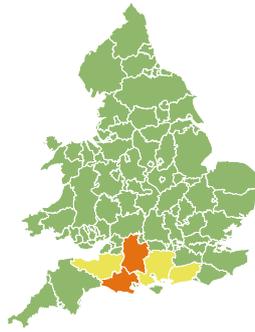
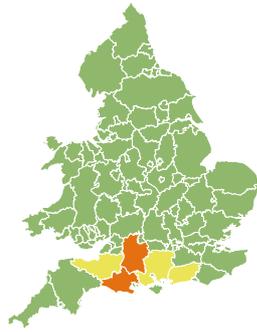
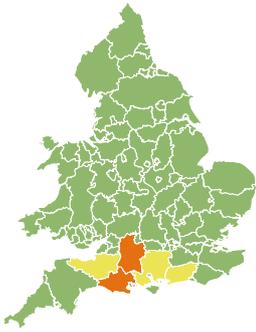


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10:30hrs Monday 16 February 2026



Monday

16 Feb 2026 10:30-23:59  
Trend since last FGS

Steady →

Tuesday

17 Feb 2026

Steady →

Wednesday

18 Feb 2026

Increased ↑

Thursday

19 Feb 2026

Increased ↑

Friday

20 Feb 2026

Steady →

Significant groundwater flooding impacts are probable in Dorset and Wiltshire and significant river flooding impacts are possible in Somerset during the next five days. The overall flood risk is MEDIUM. See 6-10 day section.

## Specific Areas of Concern Map 1 - Monday 16 to Friday 20 February 2026

**RISK AREA A**  
Impact **SIGNIFICANT**  
Likelihood **MEDIUM**

Source Ground  
Likely duration 5 + Days

High groundwater levels in Dorset and Wiltshire.

**RISK AREA B**  
Impact **SIGNIFICANT**  
Likelihood **LOW**

Source River  
Likely duration 5 + Days

Ongoing river impacts in Somerset Levels.

**RISK AREA C**  
Impact **MINOR**  
Likelihood **MEDIUM**

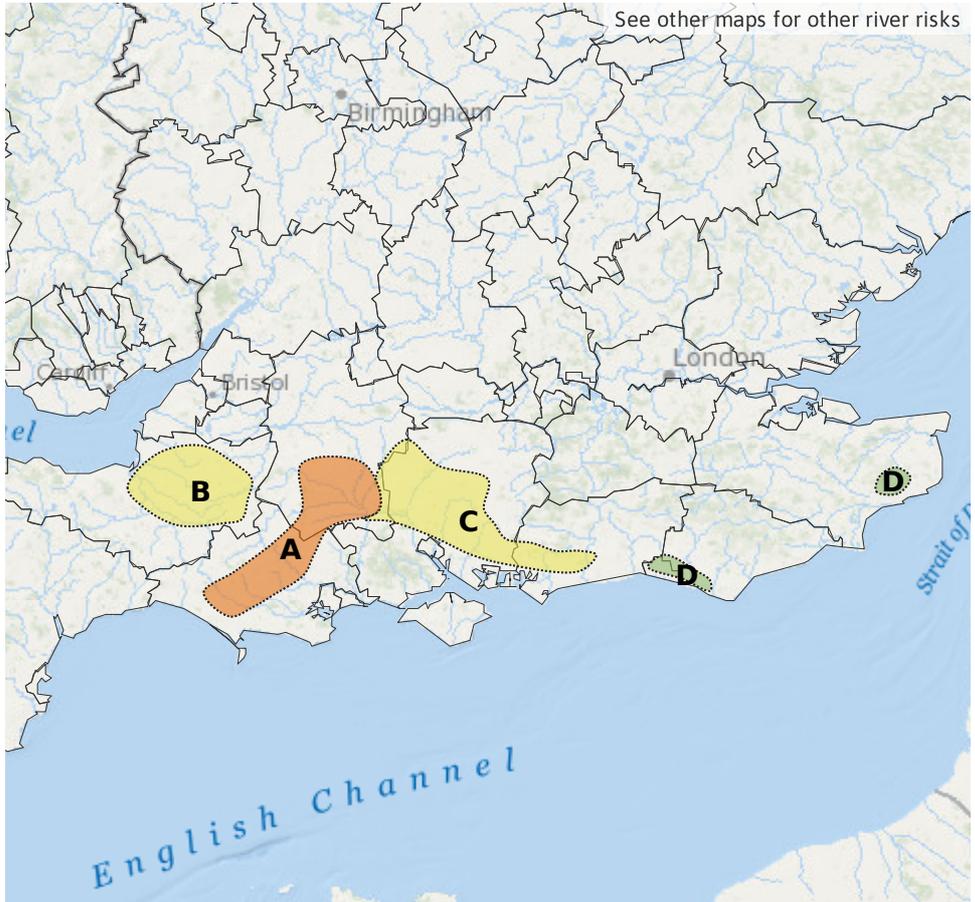
Source Ground  
Likely duration 5 + Days

High groundwater levels in Hampshire and West Sussex.

**RISK AREA D**  
Impact **MINOR**  
Likelihood **LOW**

Source Ground  
Likely duration 5 + Days

High groundwater levels in Kent and East Sussex.



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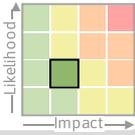
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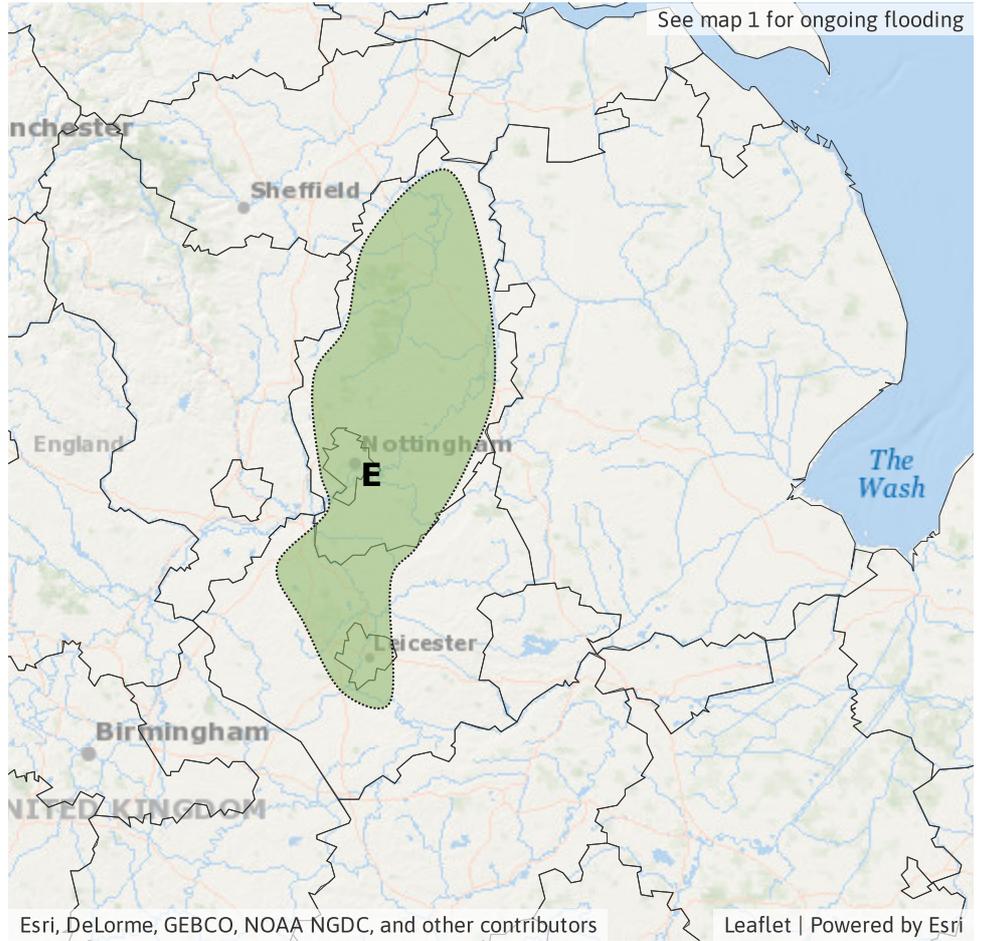
## Specific Areas of Concern Map 2 - Monday 16 and Tuesday 17 February 2026

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



Source River  
Likely duration 2 Days

River levels remain high until Tuesday.

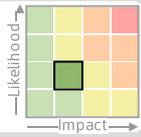


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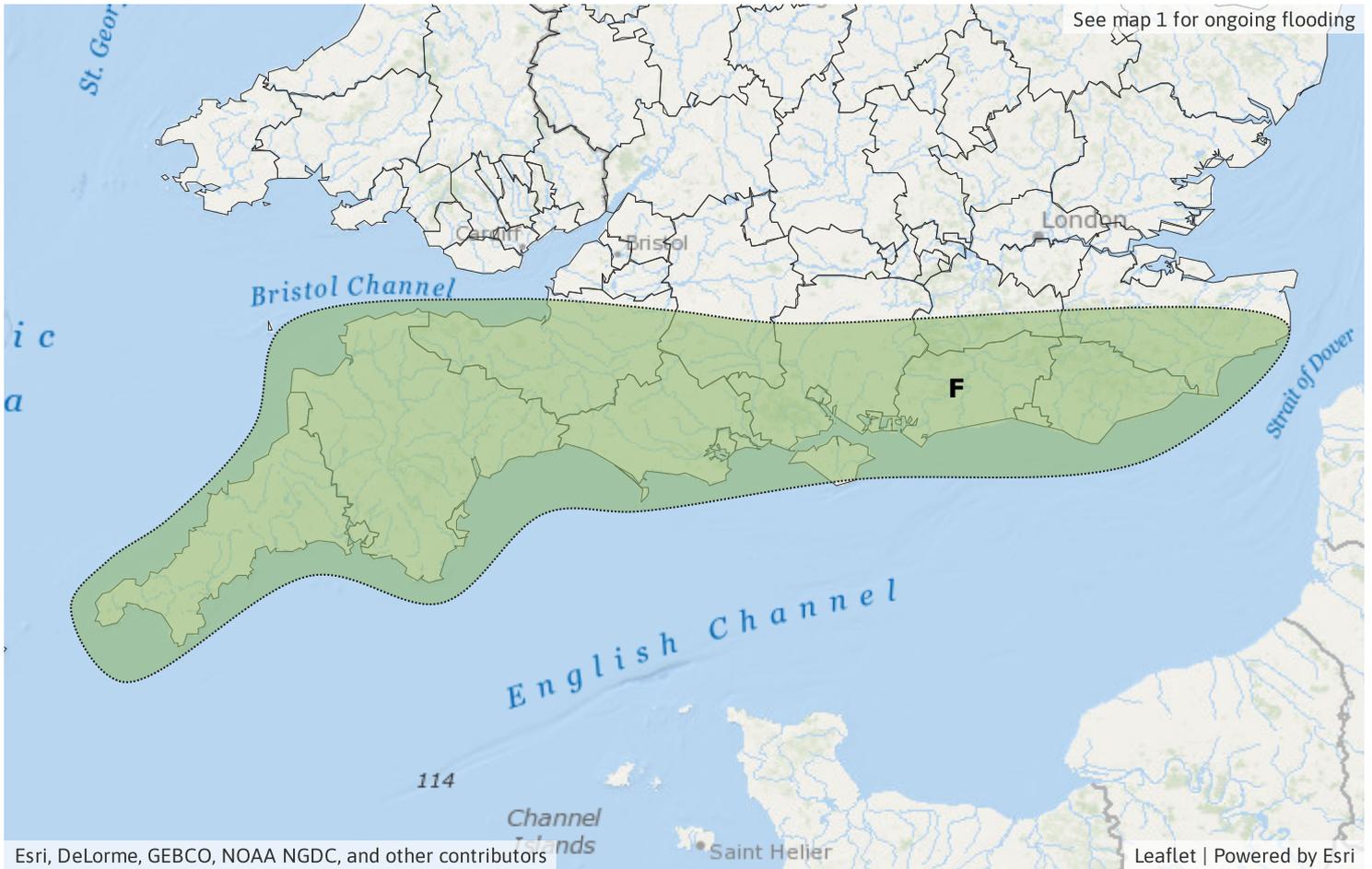
## Specific Areas of Concern Map 3 - Wednesday 18 and Thursday 19 February 2026

RISK AREA **F**  
Impact **MINOR**  
Likelihood **LOW**



Source River Surface  
Likely duration 2 Days

Risk of inland flooding from heavy rain.  
River impacts continue to Thursday



## Assessment of flood risk



### Groundwater

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

Significant groundwater flooding impacts are probable in parts of Dorset and Wiltshire, with minor impacts probable for parts of Hampshire and West Sussex for the next five days.

Minor groundwater flooding impacts are also possible in Kent and East Sussex due to steadily rising levels. See Specific Areas of Concern Maps.



### Rivers

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

Ongoing significant river flooding impacts remain possible on the Somerset Levels for the next five days.

Minor river flooding impacts are possible in parts of England today (Monday) through until Thursday. Minor river flooding impacts are also possible but not expected more widely in parts of England and Wales on Wednesday and Thursday, particularly in the south of England.

See Specific Areas of Concern Maps.



### Surface water

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

Minor surface water flooding impacts are possible across the south of England on Wednesday and Thursday. See Specific Areas of Concern Maps.

Minor surface water flooding impacts are possible but not expected more widely across parts of England and Wales on Wednesday and Thursday, particularly in the south of England.

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



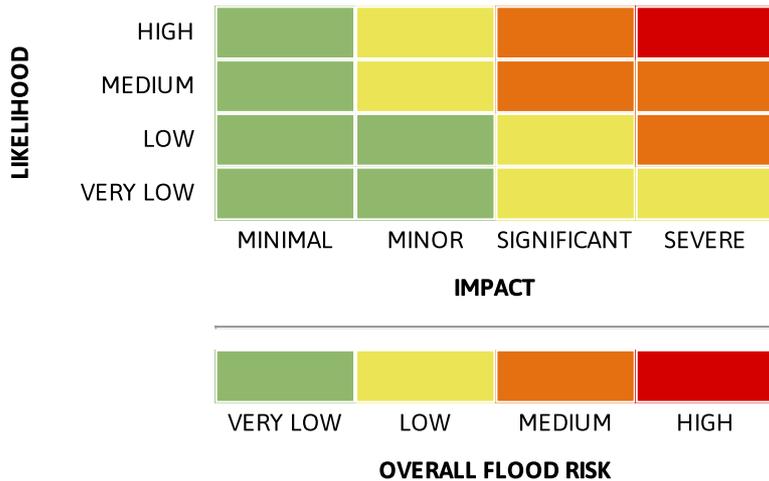
### Coastal/Tidal

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

## 6-10 day forecast

Significant groundwater impacts are likely to continue through this period. Catchments will remain sensitive to any further rainfall, although conditions may begin to turn slightly less unsettled.

### 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 Tuesday 17 February 2026 (all times are local)**

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

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