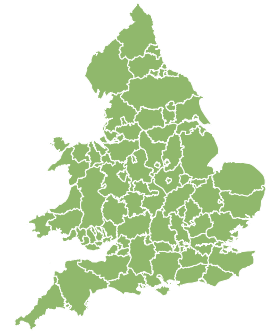
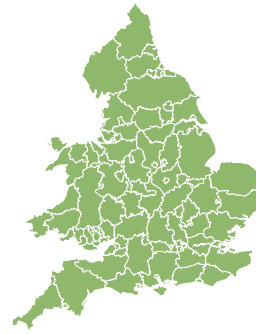
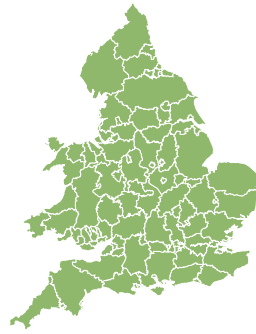
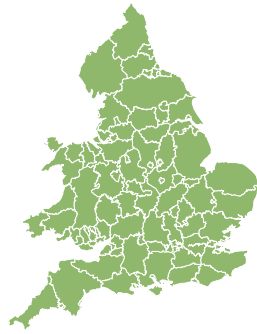
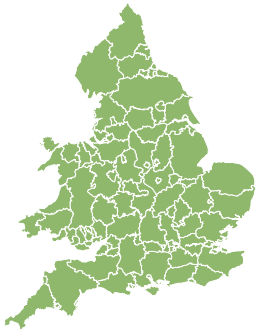


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FLOOD
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Sunday

18 Oct 2026 10:30-23:59

Trend since last FGS

Increased



Monday

19 Oct 2026

Steady



Tuesday

20 Oct 2026

Steady



Wednesday

21 Oct 2026

Steady



Thursday

22 Oct 2026

Steady



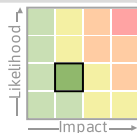
Moderate surface water flooding impacts are possible for parts of Kent and Essex today (Sunday). The overall flood risk for England and Wales for the next five days is VERY LOW.

Specific Areas of Concern Map 1 - Sunday 18 October 2026

RISK AREA A

Impact **MODERATE**

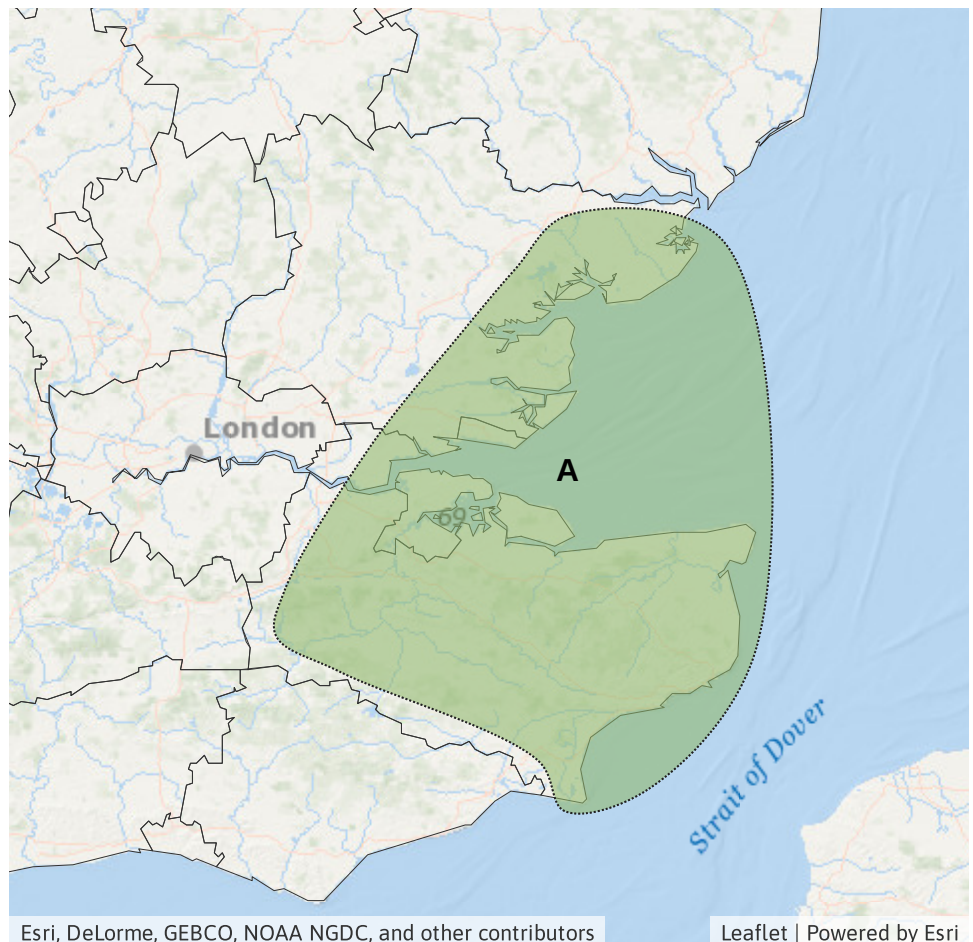
Likelihood **MEDIUM**



Source Surface

Likely duration 1 Day

Frequent heavy showers may lead to moderate surface water flooding impacts



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Assessment of flood risk



Surface water

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

Moderate surface water flooding impacts are possible for parts of Kent and Essex today (Sunday).

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.



Coastal/Tidal

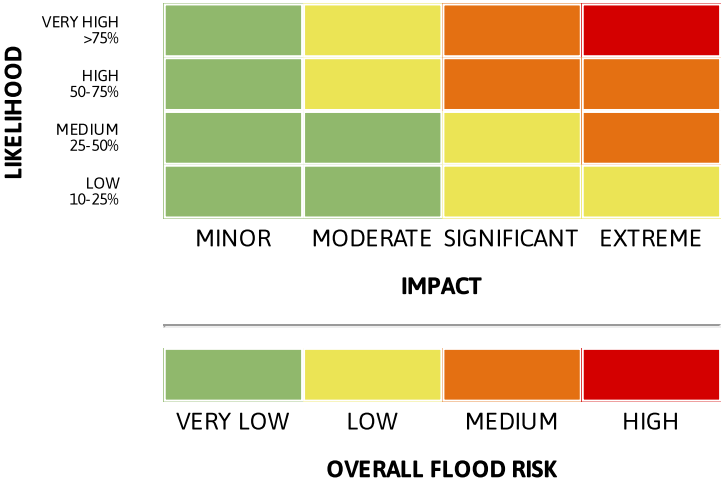
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Groundwater

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

Flood risk matrix



Summary of potential impacts

- MINOR**
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
- MODERATE**
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
- EXTREME**
Danger to life, extreme 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 19 October 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>