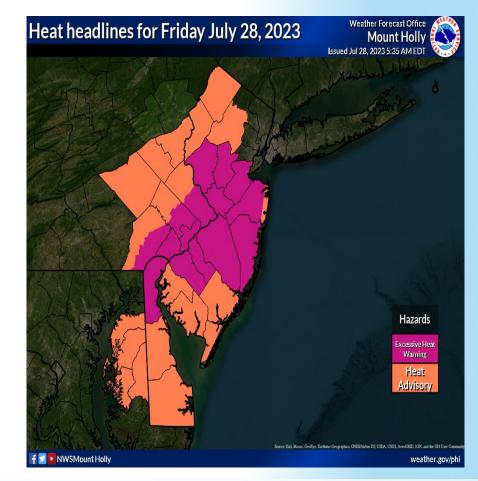




Heat and Severe Weather July 28-29, 2023

Decision Support Briefing #2 As of: 6 AM, Friday, July 28, 2023

What Has Changed? Routine update – few changes.



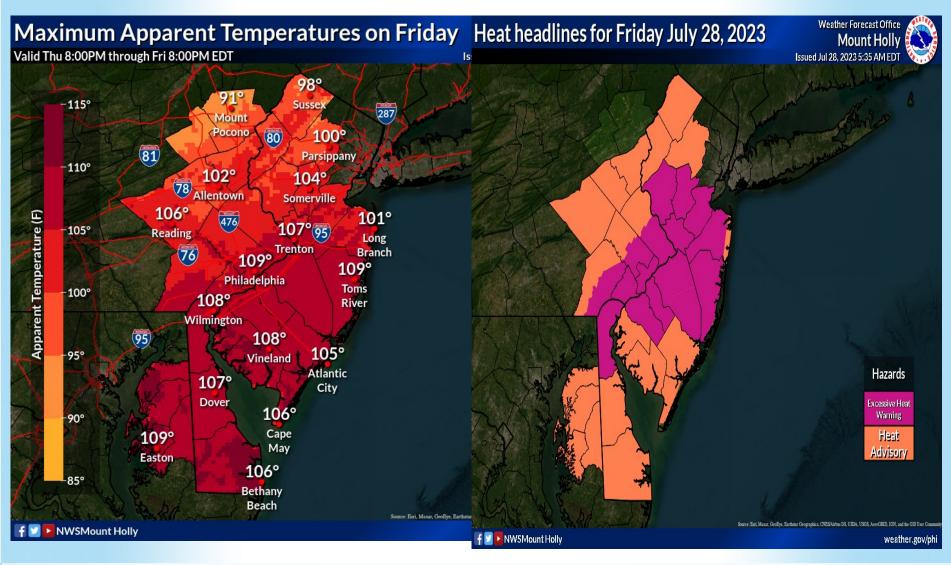








Heat Index and Hazards for Today

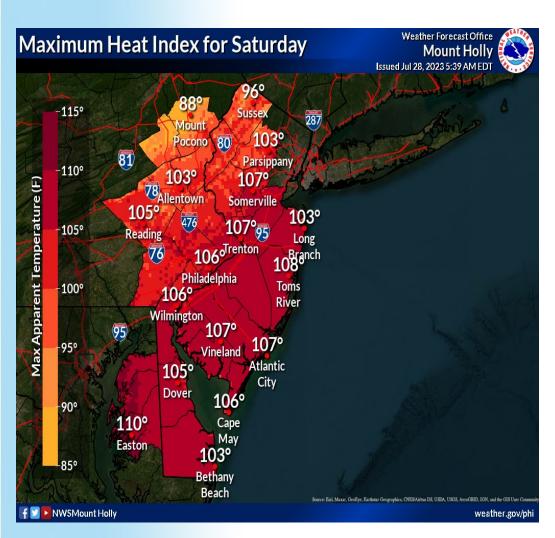








Heat Index for Saturday



A Heat Advisory may be needed for the Urban Corridor and portions of southern New Jersey on Saturday.

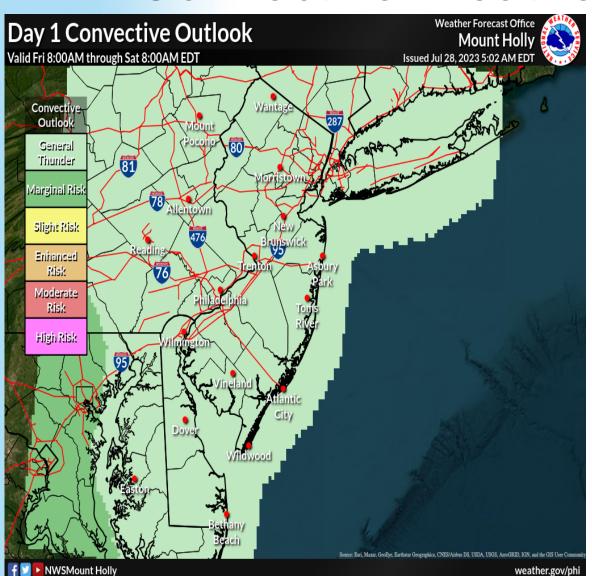








Convective Weather Outlook



Friday afternoon through Friday evening:

General thunderstorms possible: Low risk

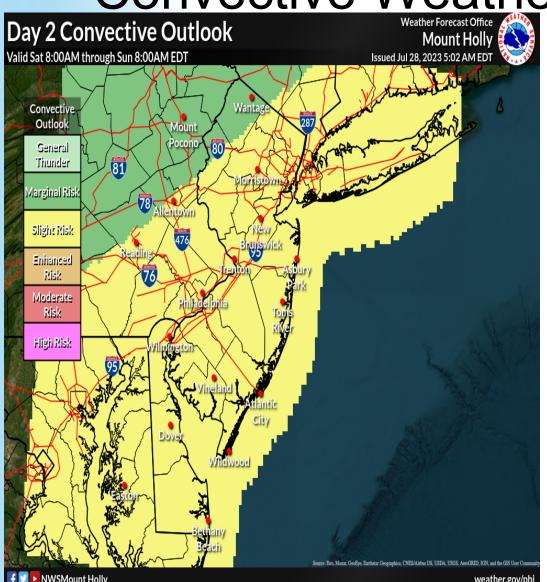








Convective Weather Outlook



Saturday afternoon through Saturday evening:

Primary threat:

Damaging wind gusts of 60 to 70 mph. There is a lesser threat for hail.

Localized flash flooding.

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Convective Weather Outlook

Understanding Severe Thunderstorm Risk Categories

2 - SLIGHT 3 - ENHANCED THUNDERSTORMS - MARGINAL 4 - MODERATE 5 - HIGH (no label) (MRGL) (SLGT) (ENH) (MDT) (HIGH) Scattered Widespread Widespread No severe* Isolated severe Numerous thunderstorms thunderstorms severe storms severe storms severe storms severe storms likely expected possible possible possible expected Limited in duration Short-lived and/or Long-lived, very Lightning/flooding More persistent Long-lived. threats exist with and/or coverage not widespread. and/or widespread, widespread and widespread and a few intense particularly intense all thunderstorms and/or intensity isolated intense storms possible Winds 40-60 mph One or two tornadoes A few tornadoes Strong tornadoes Tornado outbreak Winds to 40 mph Reports of strong · Several reports of Widespread wind Derecho · Hail up to 1" Small hail winds/wind damage wind damage Low tornado risk Hail ~1", isolated 2" Damaging hail, 1 - 2" Destructive hail. 2" +







^{*} NWS defines a severe thunderstorm as measured wind gusts to at least 58 mph, and/or hail to at least one inch in diameter, and/or a tornado. All thunderstorm categories imply lightning and the potential for flooding. Categories are also tied to the probability of a severe weather event within 25 miles of your location.





Excessive Rainfall Outlook



Saturday afternoon through Saturday night:

Localized flash flooding.

Understanding WPC Excessive Rainfall Risk Categories



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Event Summary

- High heat and humidity will be in place through Saturday.
- ✓ Heat Advisories and Excessive Heat Warnings are in effect for today (Friday July) 27) as Heat Index values will range from 100° to 110°.
- ✓ Only a widely scattered thunderstorm is expected today, but more widespread thunderstorms are expected Saturday.
- ✓ Excessive Heat Warnings are in effect for the urban corridor, including Philadelphia, and parts of NJ for Heat Index Values 105° to 109° today, July 28. Heat Advisories in effect most elsewhere, including Delmarva and southern NJ, though criteria for Excessive Heat Warnings are higher there.
- ✓ Heat Advisories may be needed Saturday for the urban corridor and parts of New Jersey. Late day and evening showers and thunderstorms are likely with damaging winds and localized flash flooding possible.







Contact and Next Briefing Information



Next Briefing

When: 7 am Saturday, July 29, 2023 UNLESS there are changes to the forecast.

Briefing Webpage:

www.weather.gov/media/phi/current briefing.pdf







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