



Snowpack and Streamflow Comparisons May 1, 2026

Snow Water Content

Location	% Avg
Colorado's Statewide Snowpack	20%
Upper Colorado River ⁽¹⁾	30%
South Platte Tributaries ⁽²⁾	16%

Snow-Water Content Comparisons (inches)

Watershed	May 1, 2026 Snow-Water Content			May 1 Comparative Snow-Water Content			
	2026	Average	% Avg	2025	2024	2023	2002
Blue River	4.1	13.8	30%	71%	109%	101%	33%
Upper Colorado River	4.7	15.0	31%	58%	100%	105%	36%
Willow Creek	3.1	8.8	35%	43%	106%	143%	36%
Fraser River	4.5	20.5	22%	72%	116%	101%	31%
Poudre River	2.0	13.8	14%	59%	94%	101%	47%
Big Thompson River	2.7	14.8	18%	44%	105%	134%	38%
St. Vrain River	1.0	10.8	9%	52%	117%	115%	12%
Boulder Creek	2.2	10.6	21%	41%	122%	111%	14%

Apr-Jul Maximum, Minimum and Most Probable Streamflow Forecasts (1000 af)

Watershed	Forecast Minimum	Most Probable	Forecast Maximum	Apr-Jul Avg ⁽³⁾	Most Prob % Avg
Blue River	41	90	139	283	32%
Upper Colorado River	63	98	133	226	43%
Willow Creek	3	18	33	50	36%
Fraser River	9	40	71	118	34%
Poudre River	24	85	146	230	37%
Big Thompson River	14	44	74	91	48%
St. Vrain River	24	42	60	90	47%
Boulder Creek	19	29	39	54	54%
South Platte Tributaries	--	200	--	465	43%

Precipitation within District Boundaries ⁽⁴⁾

Month	Totals	Avg	% Avg
April	0.32	1.73	18%
Nov - Apr	1.47	4.65	32%

⁽¹⁾ Includes the Colorado, Willow Creek, Fraser and Blue River watersheds

⁽²⁾ Includes the Poudre, Big Thompson, St. Vrain and Boulder Creek watersheds

⁽³⁾ Average for the period 1991-2020

⁽⁴⁾ Computed using CoCoRaHS and Northern Water stations