

Current Drought Status

Aquarion Water Company of New Hampshire

As of July 5, 2017

Normal

**Voluntary Lawn Watering Practices
are Recommended**

Drought Summary

July 2017

- Drought conditions have dissipated in Aquarion's service territory
- Precipitation over the last six months has been above normal and has relieved the Severe Drought conditions of last summer and fall
- Aquarion customers are being asked to be good stewards of the local water resources by observing efficient lawn watering practices.
 - Using water wisely will help minimize the probability of Mandatory Water Use Restrictions later this summer.






U.S. Drought Monitor

New Hampshire



New Hampshire Drought Conditions

Intensity:

-  D0 Abnormally Dry
-  D1 Moderate Drought
-  D2 Severe Drought
-  D3 Extreme Drought
-  D4 Exceptional Drought

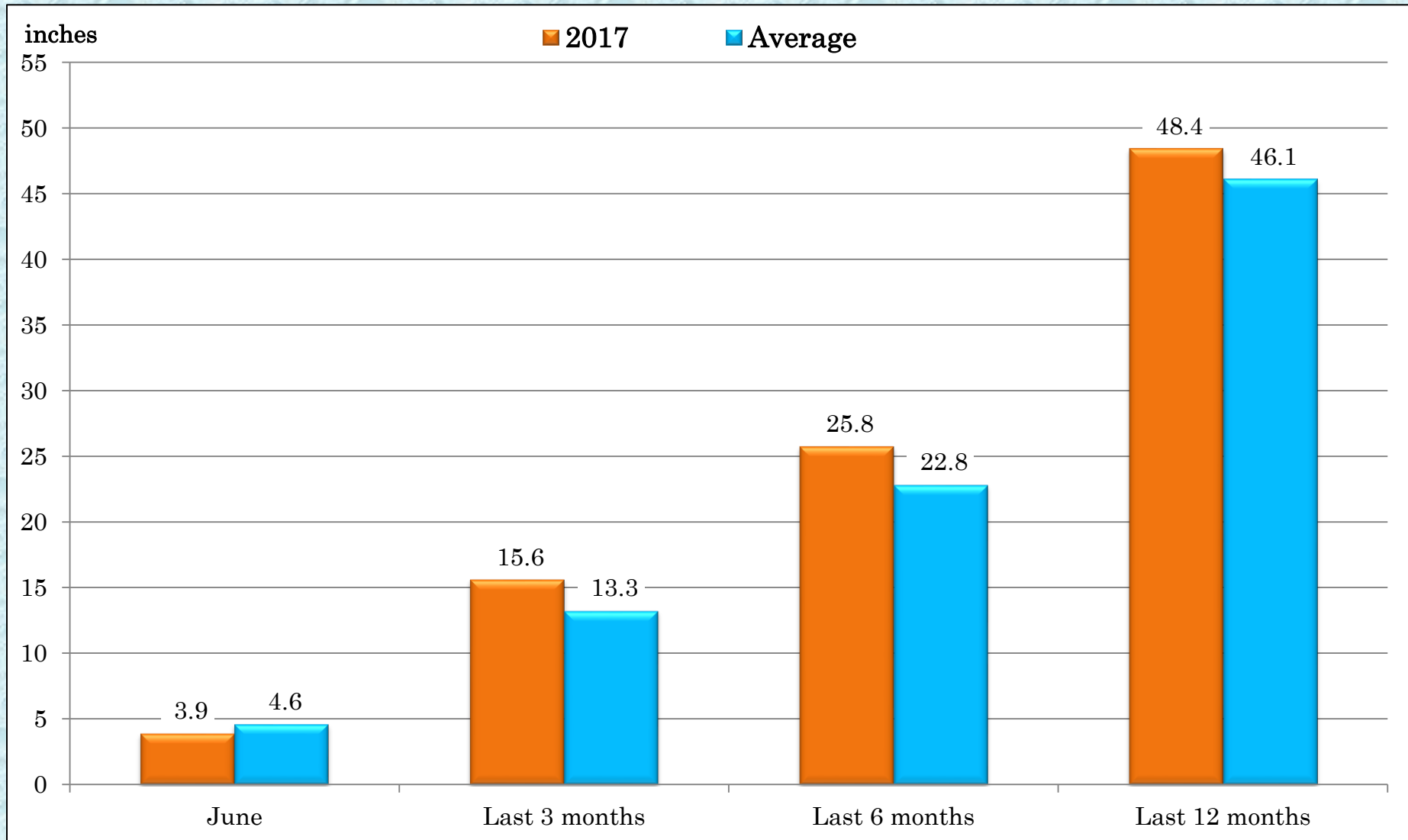
The Drought Monitor focuses on broad-scale conditions. Local conditions may vary. See accompanying text summary for forecast statements.



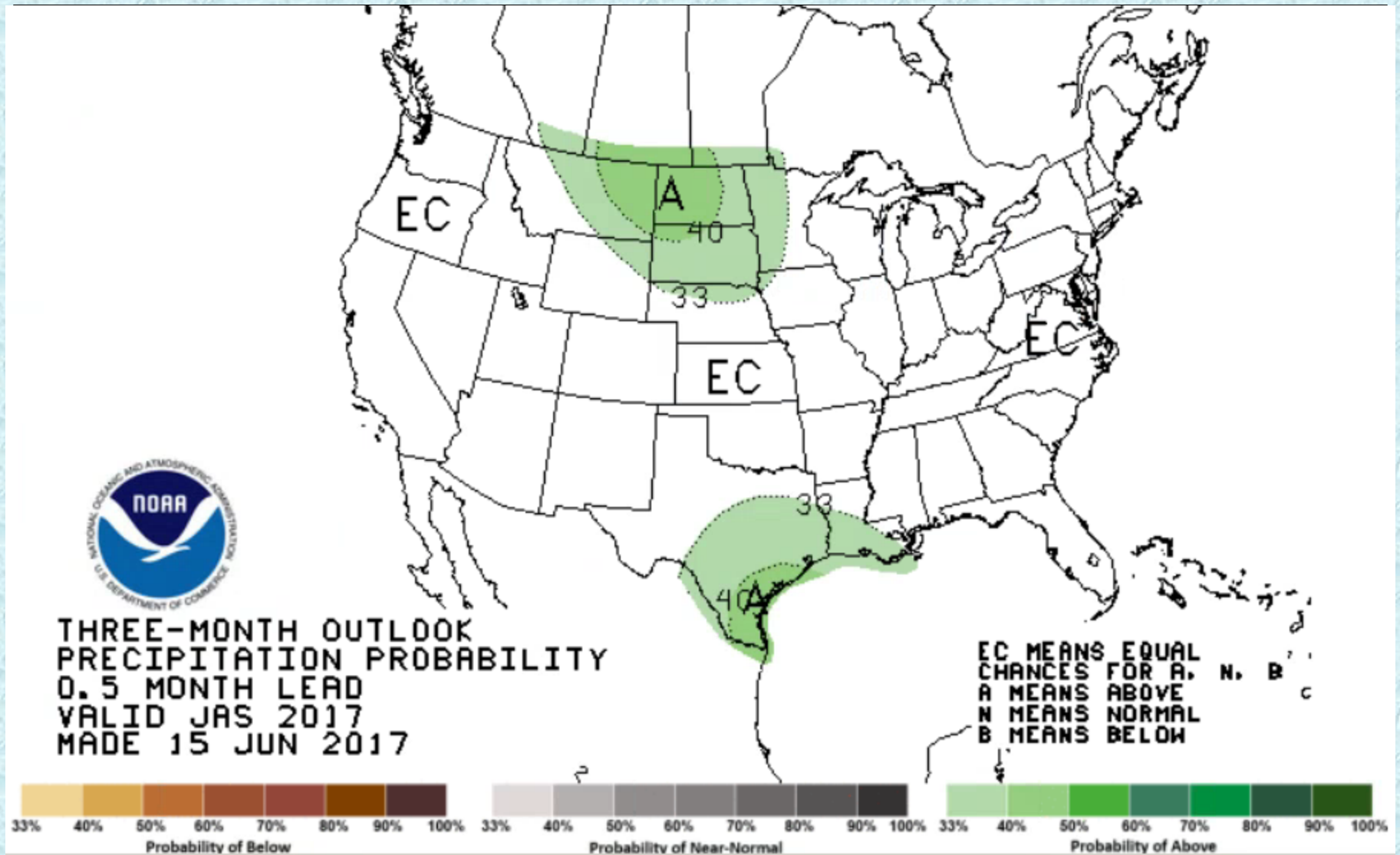
<http://droughtmonitor.unl.edu/>

Local Precipitation Data

(through June 30, 2017)



Precipitation Forecast for July through September 2017



Voluntary Lawn Watering Practices

Conserve water, reduce your water bill and help avoid mandatory water use restrictions by following these guidelines.

Lawn watering guidance:

Unmanned, spray lawn watering systems can be one of the most inefficient outside water uses. Make every drop count by doing the following:

- Don't overwater.
 - 1-inch of water per week is sufficient to keep lawns green and healthy. Use a rain gauge to measure how much water, both from rain fall and irrigation, actually falls on your lawn. Do not water when it is not needed.
 - Ensure that sprinkler systems do not run within 3 days of the last rain storm.. Postpone lawn watering if rain is forecast within the next day or so.
 - Use smart irrigation technology that senses rainfall to avoid overwatering.
 - Water no more than twice per week; a half-inch per watering.
- Water the grass, not the road, driveway, sidewalk, and other impervious surfaces.
- Water between sunrise and 9 am to minimize evaporation.

For other outside water uses

- Water small gardens, flowers & ornamentals by hand; use non-potable water
- Go to http://www.skyjuice.us/html/nh_aquarion_water_co_.html to order a rain barrel, or purchase one at a local hardware store or garden center

