

FEMA National Watch Center

Daily Operations Briefing

Monday, December 28, 2020

8:30 a.m. ET



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National Current Ops / Monitoring

New Significant Incidents/Ongoing Ops:

- COVID-19
- Explosion – Nashville, TN-FINAL

Hazard Monitoring:

- Freezing Rain possible – Southern/Central Plains, Central Appalachians, and Northeast

Disaster Declaration Activity:

- Emergency Declaration Request – TN

Event Monitoring:

- Nothing significant to report



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Explosion – Nashville, TN - *FINAL*

Current Situation: Metropolitan Nashville PD reported a large explosion at 7:30 a.m. ET, Dec 25th in Nashville, TN (pop. 693k) believed to have been intentionally detonated from an RV parked directly adjacent to the AT&T Regional Communications Switching Facility. Widespread damage occurred within the area causing multiple communication outages. Investigation into the incident and efforts to repair the damage are ongoing. Currently no imminent danger to the city

Lifeline Impacts:

Safety and Security:

- 41 buildings damaged; several water main breaks
- Mandatory Evacuations in effect for impacted area; [curfew extended through today](#)

Health and Medical:

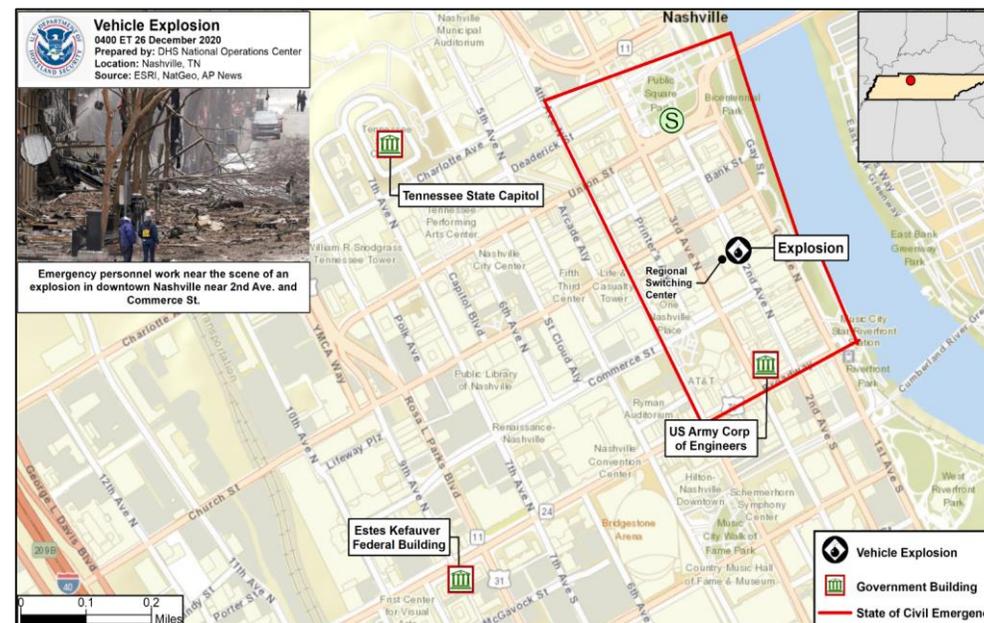
- Three injuries; confirmed human remains (1) found on scene

Communications:

- AT&T experiencing service outages across TN, KY, OH, AL, GA, and LA; affecting 911 systems, TV, phone, and internet customers
 - [17 portable cell sites established in downtown Nashville; FirstNet/Band sites prioritized for first responders](#)
 - [96% of the wireless network, 60% of business services, and 86% of consumer broadband services are restored](#)
- Degraded comms at Vanderbilt University Medical Center

State/Local Preparations:

- TN Governor requested an Emergency Declaration
- TN EOC at Partial Activation (COVID-19); EOC has phone/internet issues
- First Responders established a 10-block radius around the site of the explosion



FEMA / Federal Response:

- FBI, ATF, and state partners on scene investigating; FBI National Tip Line established; DOJ resources are available
- FAA issued temporary flight restriction of 1 mile around explosion site; designated as National Defense Airspace
- DHS NOC directed personnel accountability; all accounted for
- Region IV RRCC rostered; RWC monitoring
 - Disaster Emergency Communications team in coordination with state counterparts
- NRCC at Level III (COVID-19); NWC continues to monitor

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Declaration Request – Tennessee

Declaration Type: Emergency Declaration – TN
Requested: Dec 26

Incident: Explosion

Incident Period: Dec 25 and continuing

Requested:

- **PA:** 1 county



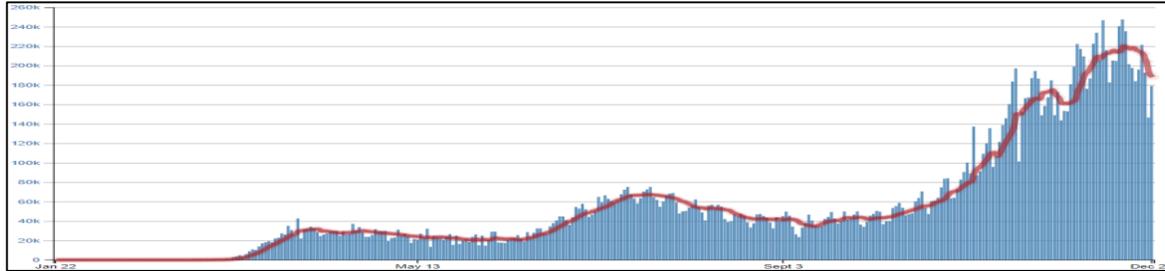
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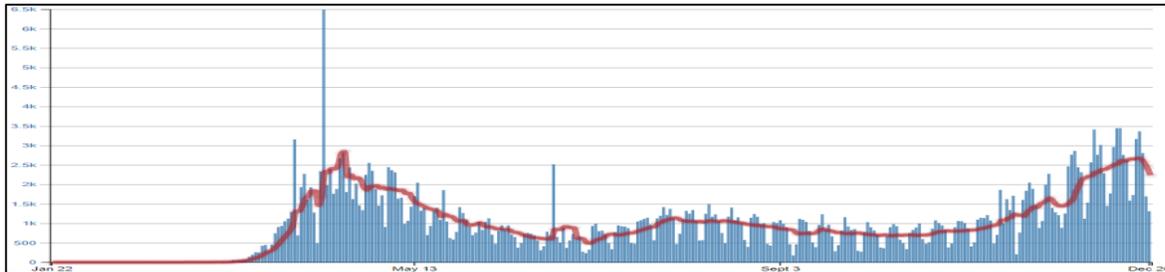
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COVID-19 Weekly Update *(CDC data, as of December 27)*

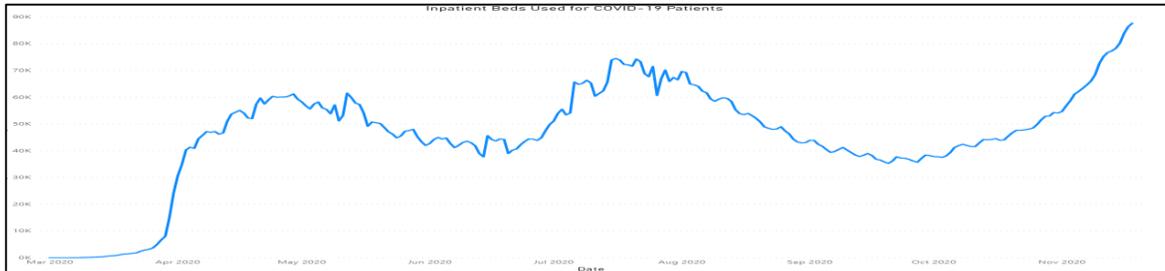
Daily trends of COVID-19 Cases



Daily trends of COVID-19 Deaths

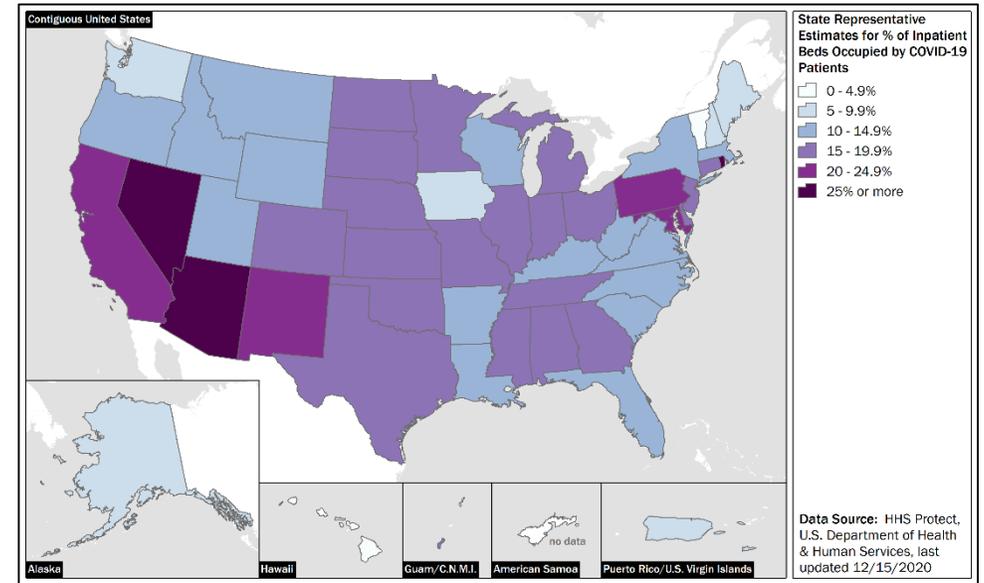


National Inpatient beds used – COVID-19 Patients



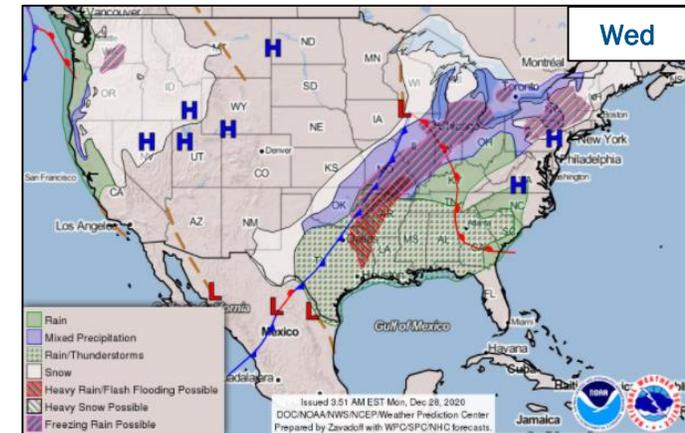
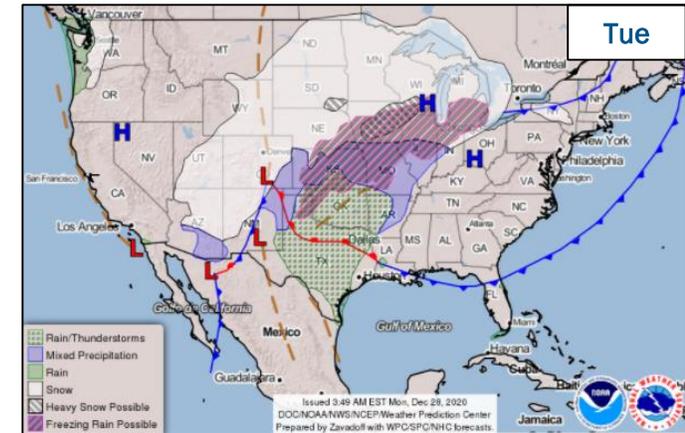
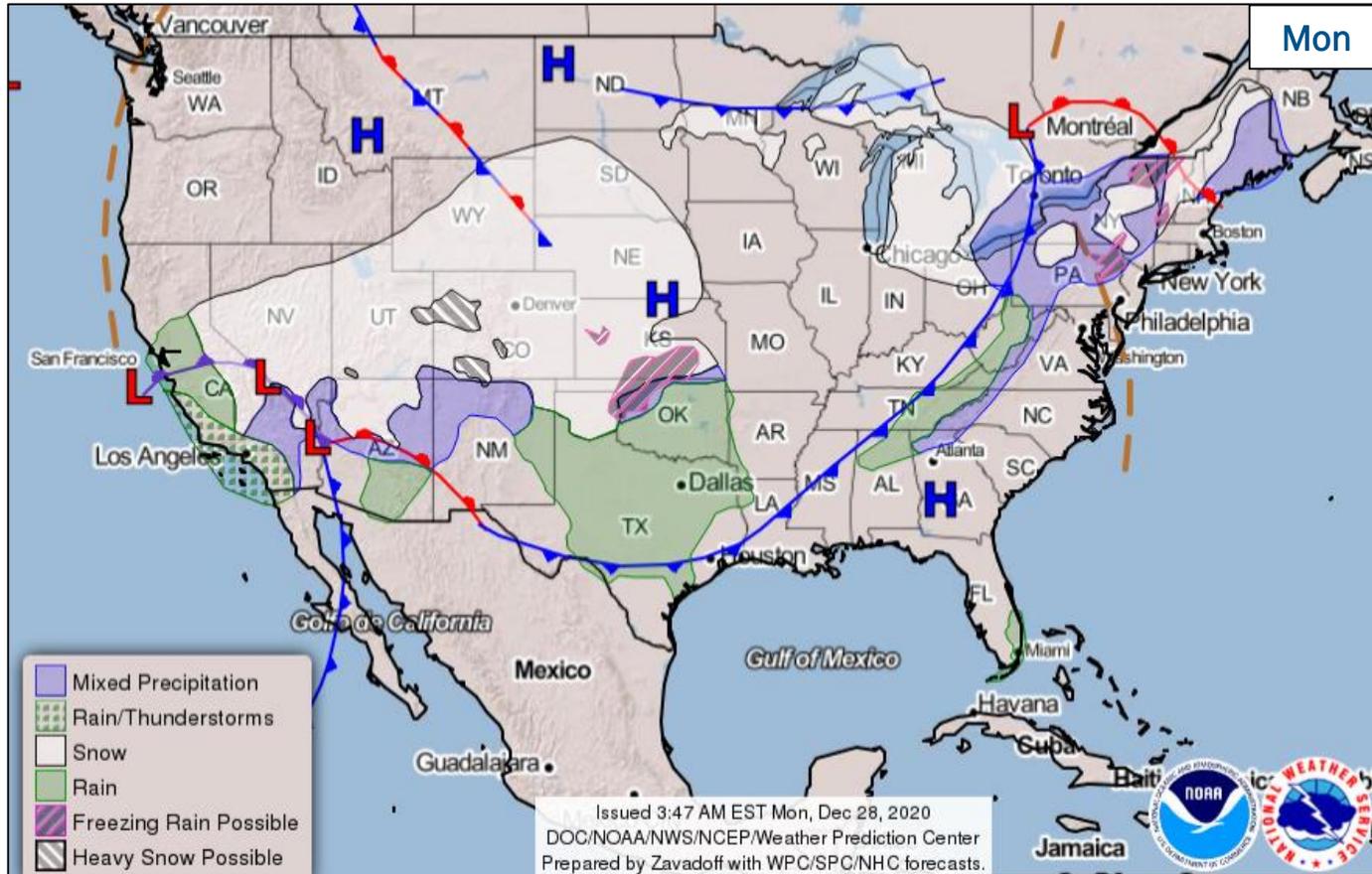
Key Updates:

- U.S. COVID-19 totals:
 - Confirmed Cases: **18,909,910 (+179,104)**
 - Confirmed Deaths: **330,901 (+1,309)**
- Major Disaster Declarations approved for COVID-19: 57
- Emergency Disaster Declarations approved for COVID-19: 43
- Public Assistance obligated for COVID-19 Response: \$108.2 billion
- FEMA NRCC activated in support of COVID-19 operations



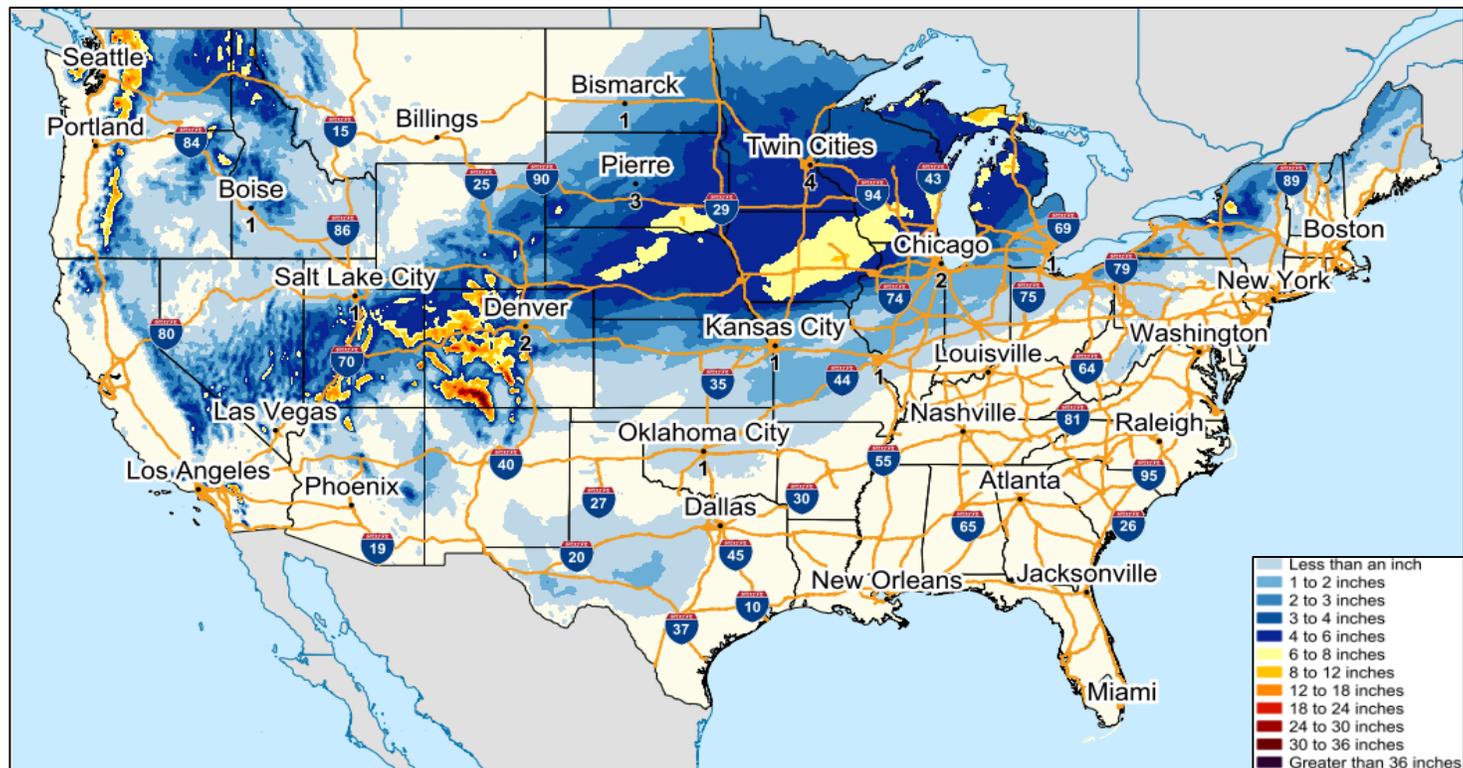
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National Weather Forecast



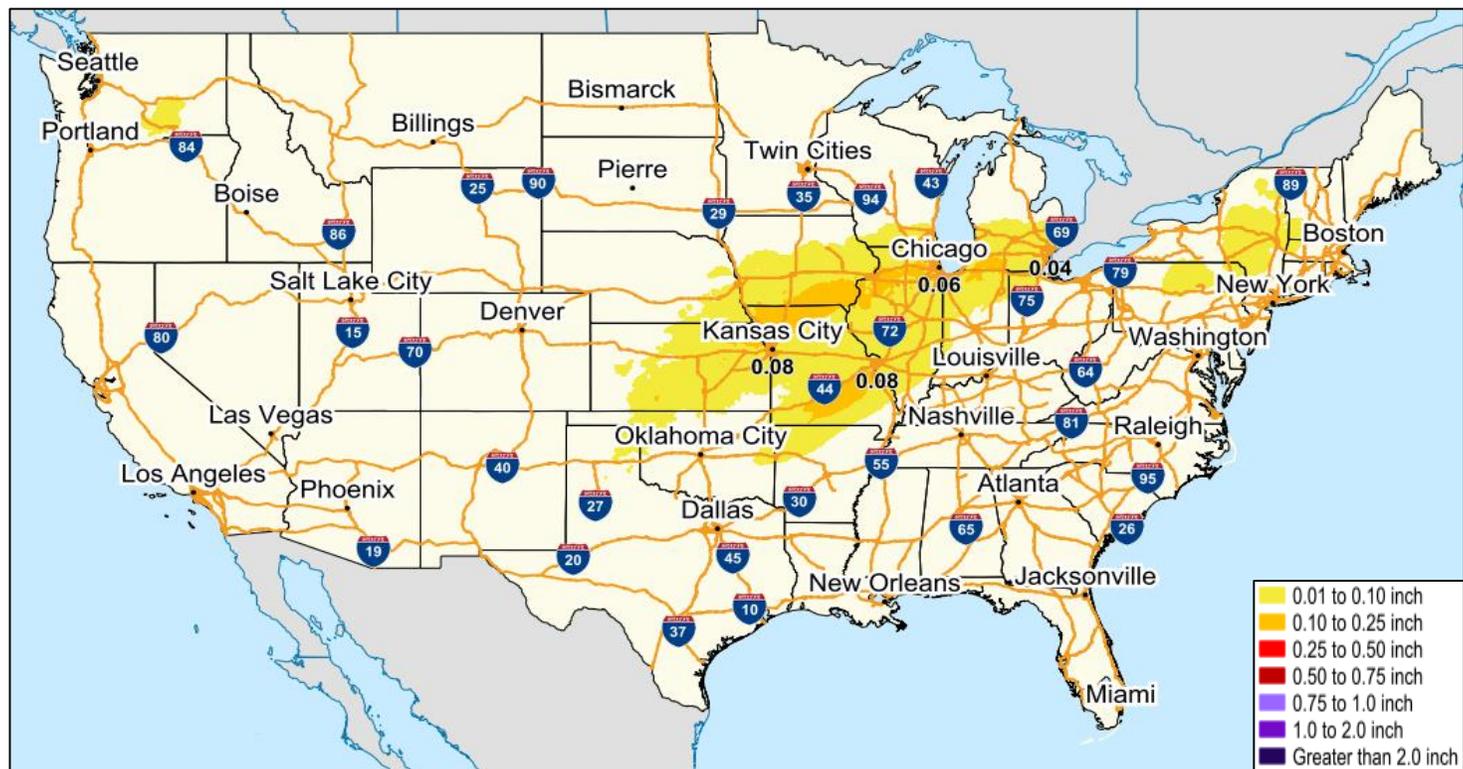
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Forecast Snowfall



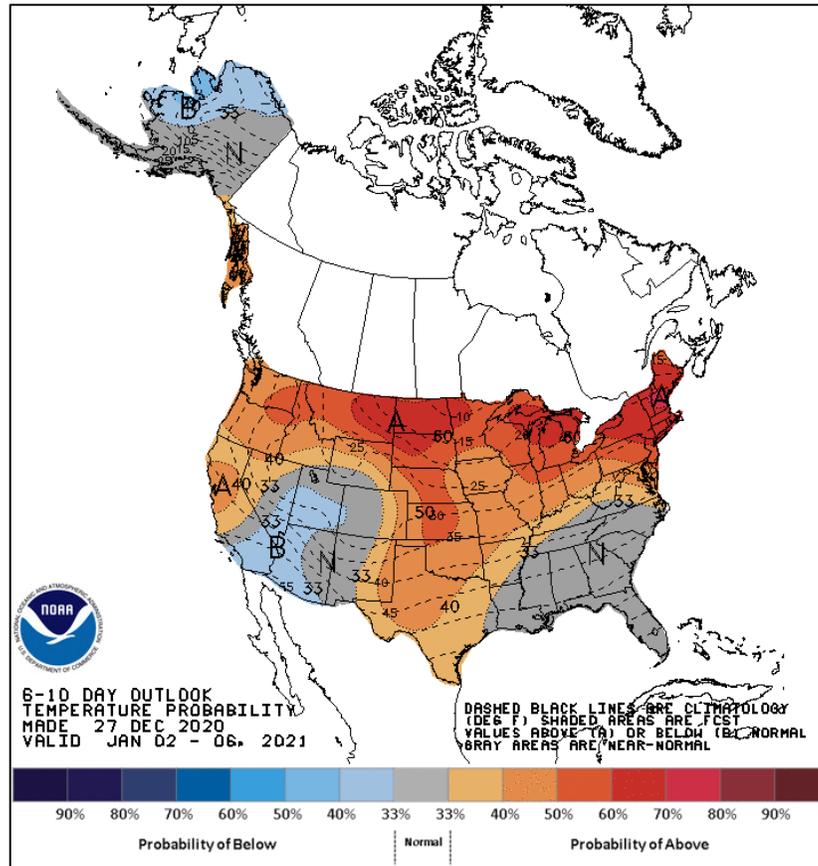
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Ice Accumulation Forecast

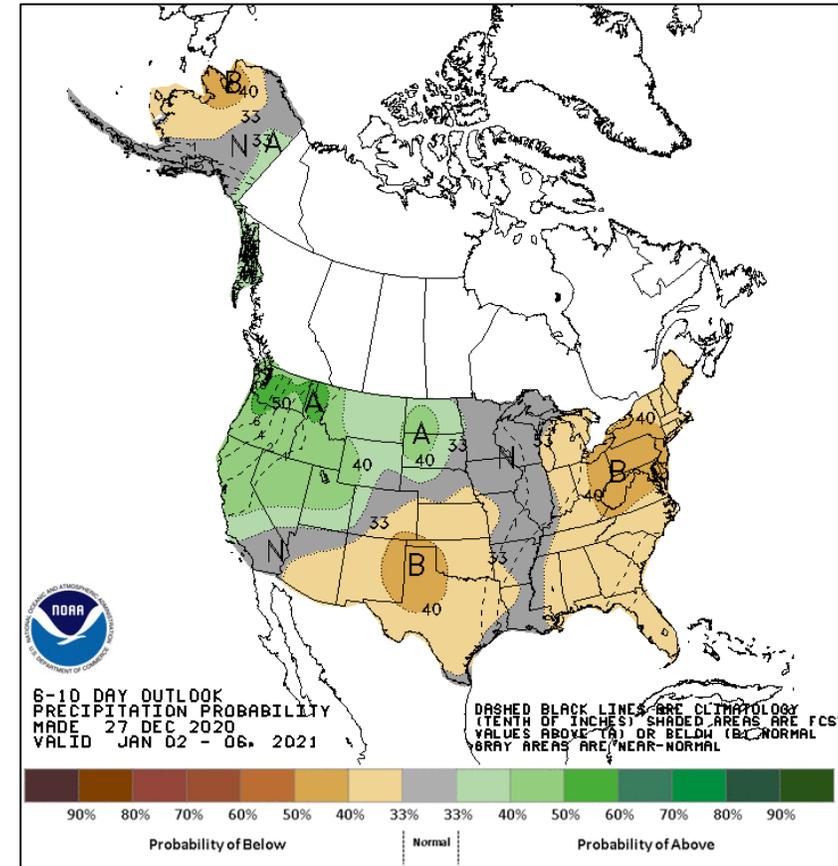


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Long Range Outlooks – Jan 2–6



6-10 Day Temperature Probability



6-10 Day Precipitation Probability



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Joint Preliminary Damage Assessments

Region	State / Location	Event	IA	Number of Counties		Start - End
			PA	Requested	Complete	
IV	NC	Tropical Cyclone Eta Nov 12-19	IA	0	0	N/A
			PA	15	0	12/9 - TBD
X	AK	West Coast Storm & Flooding Nov 5-7	IA	0	0	N/A
			PA	1	1 (+1)	12/22 - 12/24



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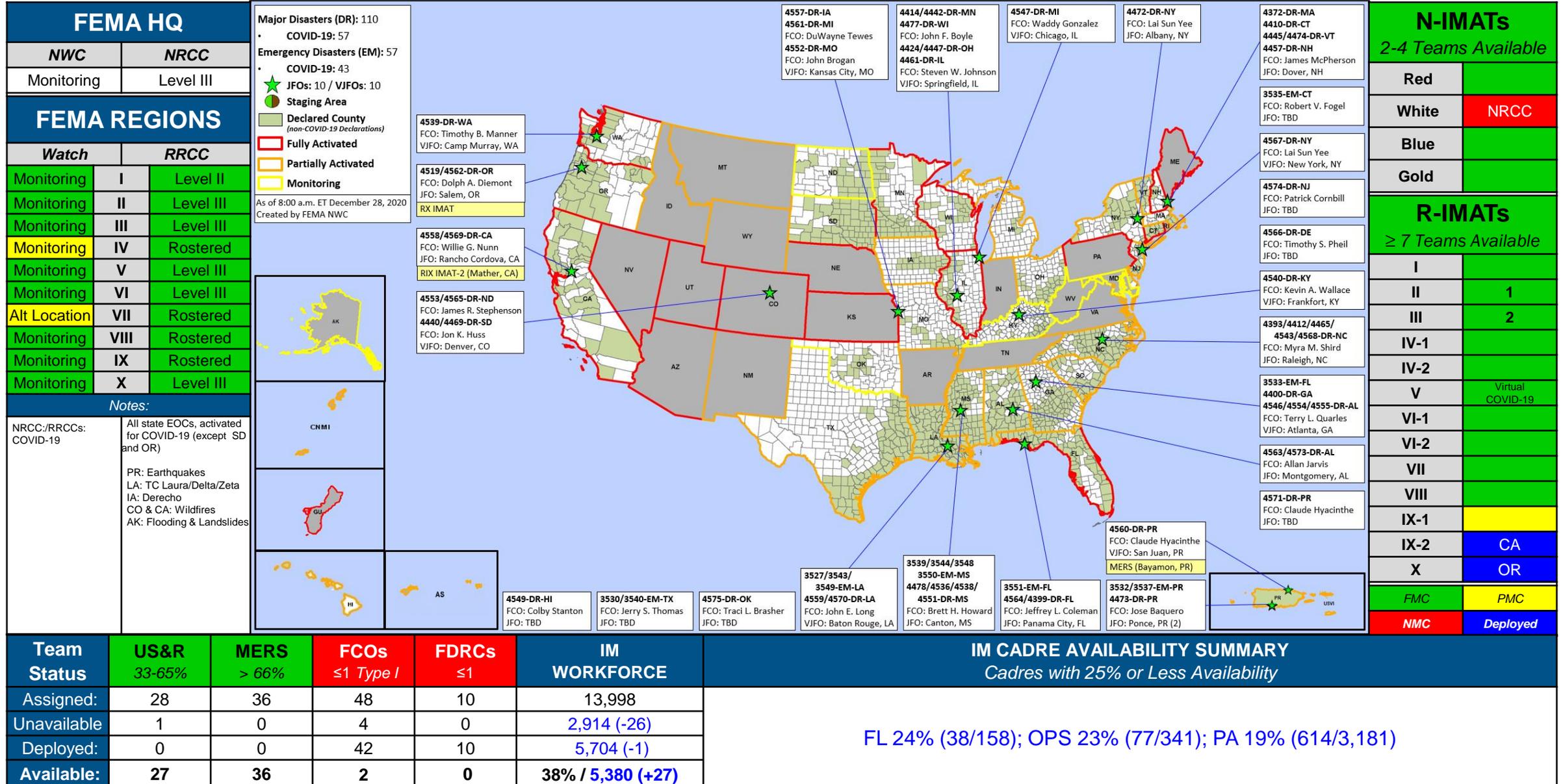
Declaration Requests in Process – 12

State / Tribe / Territory – Incident Description	Type	IA	PA	HM	Requested
Poarch Band of Creek Indians – COVID-19 Pandemic	DR	X	X		5/15
WA – Wildfires and Straight-Line Winds	DR	X	X	X	9/16
CT – Tropical Storm Isaias	DR		X	X	9/30
TX – Hurricane Hanna	DR		X	X	9/30
UT – Severe Storm and Straight-line Winds	DR		X	X	10/7
MD – Tropical Storm Isaias (Appeal)	DR		X	X	11/12
LA – Hurricane Zeta	DR	X	X	X	11/24
MS – Hurricane Zeta	DR	X	X	X	11/24
GA – Hurricane Zeta	DR		X	X	11/18
Navajo Nation – COVID-19 Pandemic	DR	X	X	X	12/3
CO – Wildfires	DR	X	X	X	12/21
TN – Explosion	EM		X		12/26



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FEMA Common Operating Picture





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