

DAILY PREPAREDNESS BRIEF

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A plain-language readiness brief for families



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Tuesday, 2 June 2026 | Op Epic Fury Day 95 | Hormuz Blockade Day 51 | LBN CF Day 2 | Trend: STABLE

COMMUNICATIONS CONDITION: COMCON 4 - INCIDENT POSSIBLE

WEATHER: WX-CON 2 - SLGT - SE corridor + High Plains storms today

SPACE WEATHER: SWX-CON 1 - Minor - Quiet (brief disturbance Saturday, now resolved)

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WHAT TO DO THIS WEEK

Five small actions you can take in under an hour each

- 1. Test your home weather alerting today.** If you live in the Southeast (Tennessee, Kentucky, Mississippi, Alabama, Arkansas) or in Colorado and Kansas, severe storms are possible today. The Southeast risk includes damaging wind gusts and hail from a storm system moving south through the region through this evening. Colorado and Kansas face large hail from strong storms this afternoon. Confirm Wireless Emergency Alerts are ON in your phone settings. Download the [FEMA App](#) if you do not have it. Note: the NOAA Weather Radio transmitters in Shelbyville, Tennessee and Hillsboro, Illinois are both out of service today, right where the storms are heading.
- 2. Secure loose items outside and know where you will shelter.** Damaging winds can turn patio furniture, trash cans, and garden items into hazards. Bring them in or tie them down before this afternoon. Identify an interior room on the lowest floor, away from windows. If you are in a mobile home, arrange to shelter in a sturdier structure when storms are approaching.
- 3. Fill the gas tank if it is low.** Gas prices are down compared to last week: around 4.29 dollars per gallon nationally (\$4.290 as of June 2), down from \$4.322 yesterday and down more than 18 cents from a month ago. The decline is tied to a draft US-Iran deal that has not been signed yet. Topping off this week is still a reasonable low-cost hedge -- if the deal falls through, prices could reverse.
- 4. Refresh your phone's offline maps.** If a storm cuts cell service, you want maps cached. [Google Maps](#) lets you download a region for offline use; do this from a wifi connection.
- 5. Check your software updates this week.** The FBI issued a warning last week about criminals who show up in person at offices pretending to be IT support workers and plugging in USB devices to steal files. This is targeting law offices and businesses with sensitive records. If someone unexpected arrives claiming to be IT support, verify their identity through your official IT contact before letting them touch any computer. Keep home devices on automatic updates.

THIS WEEK'S ONE THING

IF YOU ONLY DO ONE THING THIS WEEK:

Verify your phone Wireless Emergency Alerts are turned ON.

Severe storms are active today across the Southeast and parts of Colorado and Kansas. NOAA Weather Radio is offline in parts of 15 states, including Shelbyville, Tennessee and Hillsboro, Illinois -- right in the path of today's storms. Your phone is your backup alert system.

THE SHORT VERSION

What's happening this week, in five sentences:

1. Iran suspended nuclear and ceasefire talks on June 1 over actions in Lebanon, then reportedly restored the same day. President Trump says a deal is reachable within one week. A deal would reopen the Strait of Hormuz to shipping and ease the global energy disruption -- but it has not been signed yet, and the final decision rests with President Trump. Gas prices are already easing in response: around \$4.29 dollars per gallon nationally as of June 2, down more than 18 cents from a month ago, though still about 37 percent above where they were a year ago. Even if the deal is signed, experts say prices will take time to fully recover because the blockade has caused deep damage to supply chains.
2. Severe storms are active today in two parts of the country. In the Southeast -- Tennessee, Kentucky, Mississippi, Alabama, and Arkansas -- a large storm system is tracking south and southeast through the day, bringing damaging wind gusts and hail; the energy feeding those storms this afternoon is very high, making them capable of widespread damage into this evening. In Colorado and Kansas, strong storms with large hail are expected this afternoon. NOAA Weather Radio is out of service in Shelbyville, Tennessee and Hillsboro, Illinois, right in the storm path.
3. Israel and Hezbollah agreed to a ceasefire in Lebanon on June 1 (Day 2 as of today). The situation remains fragile. The Atlantic hurricane season officially opened June 1. There are no storms forming right now, but this is the time to review your family hurricane plan if you live on or near the Gulf or Atlantic coasts. Check your supplies, know your evacuation route, and make sure you know how your local officials issue hurricane warnings.
4. If you use moringa leaf powder or supplements -- a popular health supplement -- be aware that the CDC is investigating a growing number of Salmonella illnesses linked to these products. The investigation is ongoing; if you have any, check the CDC website for any recalled brands or updated guidance before using them.
5. The Ebola outbreak in Central Africa (the Democratic Republic of the Congo and Uganda) is still growing; the World Health Organization has declared an international emergency. As of this week the confirmed case count is 291 (DRC 282 + Uganda 9) as of 01-JUN with approx 1,046 total suspected and confirmed and at least 241 deaths. Brazil is monitoring 2 patients. There are **no US cases**, and the CDC assesses the risk to the US public as low. If you traveled to or from the DRC, Uganda, or South Sudan in the last three weeks, you may be asked to route your US entry through a designated airport (Atlanta or Dulles) for health screening.

TODAY'S IMPACTS AT A GLANCE

What's happening today + what to do, by category.

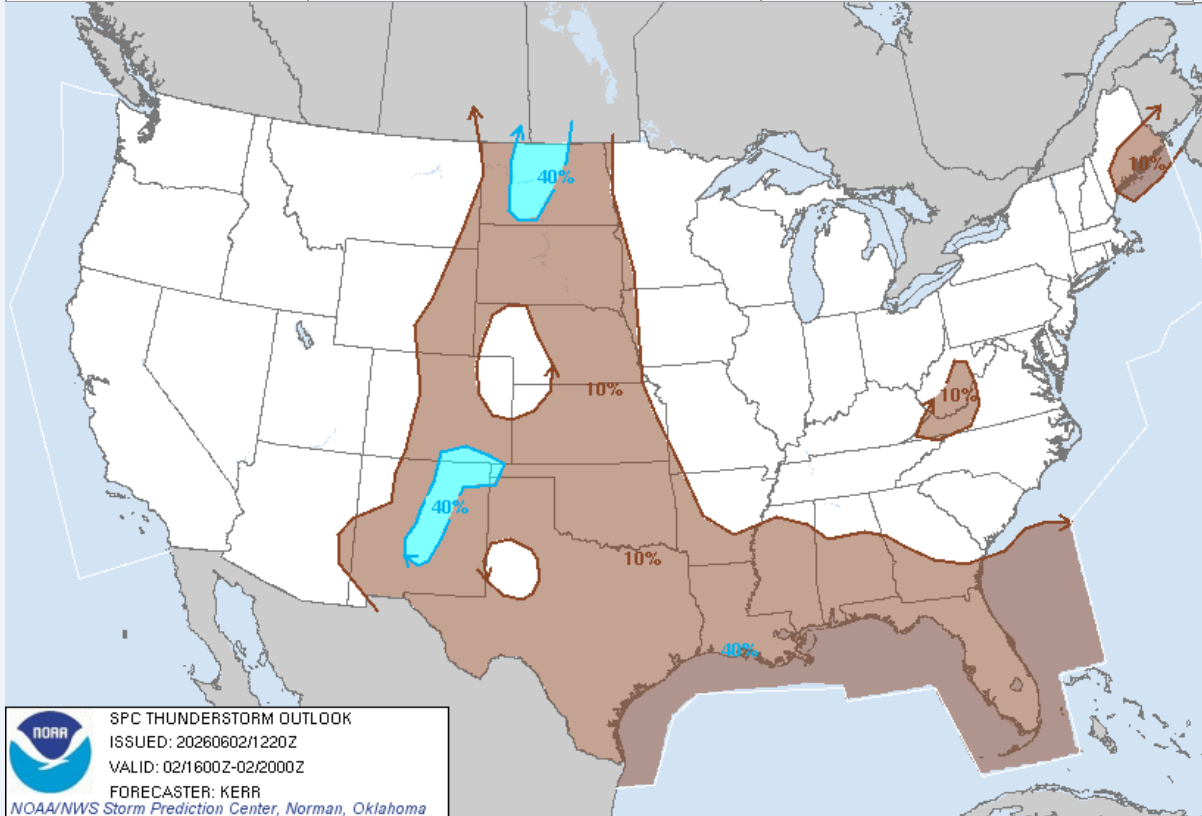
CATEGORY	WHAT'S HAPPENING	YOUR ACTION
Weather	Active storms today: (1) Northern Plains (WY/ND/SD) - supercell threat, large hail, possible tornadoes, active this afternoon; (2) Florida and Georgia - isolated gusty storms. Hail through	Northern Plains (WY/ND/SD) and FL/GA residents: Shelter plan ready; phone WEA alerts ON; secure loose outdoor items before

	evening; (2) CO/KS - large hail from strong storms this afternoon. Wildfire: Santa Rosa Island CA 18,379 acres, evacuations in effect.	afternoon. have interior shelter identified.
Gas / Pump	Regular: \$4.29/gal (down from \$4.32 yesterday, down \$0.22 from one week ago). Brent crude \$94.58/bbl (volatile; surged to \$96 on 01-JUN Iran suspension news, pared back). Down about 19% in May on deal optimism. Iran deal not yet signed; if it collapses, prices could spike.	Fill tank this week if low; \$4.29 today could rise sharply if Iran talks collapse.
Food / Groceries	Stable. USDA next crop report June 11. No current-week change.	No urgent action.
Communications	NOAA Weather Radio: 31 transmitters affected across 17 states. Critical gaps today: Shelbyville TN and Hillsboro IL both out of service, directly in the SE storm corridor. MD/Baltimore also newly out.	Use phone Wireless Emergency Alerts + FEMA App; especially SE states where NWR is out.
Public Health	Ebola: WHO emergency active; 291 confirmed cases (approx 1,046 total suspected+confirmed); DRC + Uganda. No US cases ; CDC risk low. Screening at Atlanta and Dulles. Also: Salmonella/moringa supplement investigation growing -- check CDC if you use moringa.	No household action unless you use moringa supplements -- check CDC. Travelers from DRC/Uganda/South Sudan: route through Atlanta or Dulles.
GPS / Internet	Quiet today. A brief geomagnetic disturbance occurred Saturday (30 May) and has fully resolved. No effect on home GPS, phones, or internet. Atlantic hurricane season opened today (June 1) -- no active storms.	No action. Gulf/Atlantic coast residents: review hurricane plan for the season.

WEATHER - WHERE IT MATTERS THIS WEEK

REGION	HAZARD	WHAT TO DO
Southeast - TN / KY / AR / MS / AL	Slight Risk today: active storm system south of St. Louis tracking southeast; damaging wind gusts and hail this afternoon and into the evening. Very high storm energy (MLCAPE near 4,000 J/kg) in AR/TN/MS/AL means storms can produce widespread damaging winds. Note: NWR transmitters in Shelbyville TN and Hillsboro IL are both out of service today in the storm path.	Secure outdoor items NOW; identify interior shelter room; phone WEA alerts ON; if in mobile home, arrange to shelter elsewhere when storms approach.

Colorado + Kansas	Strong to severe storms developing over Colorado foothills this afternoon, moving east into Kansas this evening. Primary hazard: large to very large hail. Storm energy also enough for damaging wind gusts tonight.	Park vehicles under cover if you can; phone alerts ON; cover or shelter small outdoor equipment.
Wyoming + Nebraska + South Dakota panhandles	Isolated severe storms possible today with large hail and damaging wind gusts spreading from southeast Wyoming into the Nebraska panhandle and southwest South Dakota.	Phone alerts ON; park vehicles under cover if possible.



Wildfire - Southern California	Santa Rosa Island Fire at Channel Islands National Park: 18,379 acres, evacuations in effect. A second California fire at 17,116 acres also active. 18 large uncontained fires nationwide; 2.3+ million acres burned so far this year.	Southern CA: follow evacuation orders immediately if issued. All fire-prone areas: check InciWeb and keep a go-bag ready.
Rest of the country	No active severe-weather signals this week.	No action.

Source: [NOAA Storm Prediction Center](#) Day 1 outlook; [NWS](#) regional forecast discussions; [National Interagency Fire Center](#) wildfire situation report.

SPACE WEATHER & GPS - Quick Status

Today (Mon 01 Jun): The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration's [Space Weather Prediction Center](#) reports quiet conditions today. A brief geomagnetic disturbance occurred Saturday

evening (30 May) and has completely resolved. Space weather is currently calm. Scale reference: [NOAA Space Weather Scales](#).

Household impact: None today. Home uses of GPS, phones, and internet are working normally. The Saturday disturbance briefly made the aurora visible in Canada and Alaska; that has ended. No current solar events to watch.

Ham radio + emergency communications operators: Conditions are near-normal today after the Saturday K4 event resolved. Mid-latitude HF conditions are quiet. Monitor [spaceweather.gov](#) if you operate transpolar paths.

Looking ahead: Nothing to act on today. Atlantic hurricane season opened June 1 -- no storms forming yet. Note: GPS spoofing and jamming is ongoing near the Strait of Hormuz (Persian Gulf area). This does not affect home GPS in the US, but note if you have family traveling in the Gulf region.

SUPPLY CHAIN - What It Means at the Store

Gas pump: Down to \$4.29 per gallon nationally (regular, as of June 2). That is down 3 cents from last week and about 18 cents below the peak earlier this month, driven by optimism about a US-Iran deal. The deal is not signed yet. Even if it is signed, experts say it will take months for oil production and shipping to fully recover. A deal breakdown could push prices back up 8 to 15 cents quickly. Bottom line: top off this week; prices may improve but are not guaranteed to.

Bread + pasta: Stable. The US Department of Agriculture's May report shows an ample wheat supply baseline. The next USDA crop report is June 11.

Shipping containers: Strait of Hormuz traffic remains far below normal after more than two months of US naval blockade. Some ships are now starting to get through -- about 29 of the 109 large tankers held up have now exited. A deal could speed this recovery but mine clearing, port reopening, and ship scheduling will take months. Goods from the Middle East and South Asia continue to face longer shipping times and higher costs. Expect this to affect prices on some consumer goods through the summer regardless of deal outcome.

Travel: US-bound travelers from the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Uganda, or South Sudan within the past 21 days must enter the United States through Atlanta or Dulles airports for health screening. If you have travel booked from or through the affected region, check with your airline before departure. If you have moringa leaf powder or supplements at home, check the CDC website -- there is a growing investigation into Salmonella illnesses linked to moringa products.

CYBER, COMMS & LOCAL IMPACTS

Government computer systems: The FBI issued a warning about criminals physically entering offices to steal data. Called the "Silent Ransom Group," these criminals pose as IT support workers and plug in USB drives to copy sensitive files from law offices and businesses. They have hit more than 38 firms this year. If someone shows up at your office claiming to be IT support and you did not expect them: stop, verify through your official IT contacts, and do not let them touch any computer or device. This tactic could spread beyond law offices to any business with sensitive records.

Household impact: Low for most households. If your small business hosts a website, ask your web host if they have patched recent security flaws (the LiteSpeed and Daemon Tools updates were due last week). Keep your home devices (phones, laptops, router firmware) on automatic updates as always.

NOAA Weather Radio: 31 transmitters affected across 17 states (18 fully out of service, 13 degraded), per a June 2 operator roster. The most critical gaps today: Shelbyville, Tennessee (out of service) and Hillsboro, Illinois (out of service) are both directly in the path of today's Southeast severe weather. Baltimore, Maryland is also newly out of service. A cluster of transmitters in the Juneau, Alaska area is degraded, but well away from today's storm areas.

Workaround: In affected areas, rely on phone Wireless Emergency Alerts (built into iPhone and Android), the [FEMA App](#), and local broadcast Emergency Alert System (television and AM/FM radio).

SIGNALS THAT CONDITIONS ARE GETTING WORSE

Watch for these in the news this week. If you see them, raise your readiness one notch.

- The US-Iran deal collapses without being signed, or new fighting breaks out in the Persian Gulf -- gas prices would jump within days.
- The Storm Prediction Center upgrades today's storm risk to a higher category, or a large tornado or derecho forms in the Southeast corridor.
- A first US case of Ebola, a new Ebola case in a country outside Africa, or the CDC raising its US risk level above low.
- A major hurricane forms in the Atlantic or Gulf -- hurricane season opened today, June 1.
- A Salmonella recall linked to moringa products that you have at home -- check the brand against any CDC recall list.
- Electricity or internet outages in your area after today's storms -- be ready to rely on battery-powered radio and phone alerts.

SETTING YOUR OWN HOUSEHOLD POSTURE

This brief gives you four Fortune Favors the Prepared conditions - [PREP-CON](#), [COMCON](#), [WX-CON](#), and [SWX-CON](#). Your family sets the fifth one yourself: your [CONCON \(Continuity Conditions\)](#) - the readiness level your own household is operating at this week. Use the conditions above to decide where to set it.

RESOURCES

Sources for this brief + tools you can use at home

Weather: [NOAA Storm Prediction Center](#) | [NWS](#) | [NOAA Weather Radio outage status](#)

Emergency alerts: [FEMA App](#) (download to phone) | Wireless Emergency Alerts (turn ON in phone settings).

Space weather: [SWPC 3-Day Forecast](#) | [Geophysical Institute Aurora Forecast](#)

Gas prices: [AAA Daily National Average](#)

Food + Agriculture: [USDA WASDE Report](#)

Public health: [CDC Health Alert Network](#) | [WHO Disease Outbreak News](#)

Cybersecurity: [CISA Known Exploited Vulnerabilities catalog](#)

Conditions reference: [PREP-CON](#) | [COMCON](#) | [WX-CON](#) | [Space Weather](#).

Analytical methodology: [fortunefavorstheprepared.com / analytical-standards](#) (sourcing standards, estimative-language scale, risk-score formula, alt-hypothesis discipline).

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