

TROPICAL UPDATE 10 AM EDT Saturday, October 1, 2016 Hurricane Matthew

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Atlantic Basin Satellite Image



Hurricane Matthew 8 AM EDT Sat-Oct 01 2016 Position 13.4 N 73:1W Maximum Winds 155 mph Gusts 190 mph Movement W at:6 mph Minimum Pressure 947 mb (27.95 inches)

Blue Marble basemap imagery courtesy NASA

Satellite 2:18 PM UTC 10:18 AM EDT

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5% 10%	20%	30%	40%	50%	60%	70%	80%	90%	100%

Steering Currents

Matthew is expected to continue moving generally westward over the next 24 hours, turning northwestward after that around the area of high pressure in the western Atlantic. Matthew is then expected to turn north, steered by the area of low pressure currently over the southeastern U.S as it pushes further southeast.

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Weather Forecast for Sat, Oct 01, 2016, issued 5:05 AM EDT DOC/NOAA/NWS/NCEP/Weather Prediction Center Prepared by Kong based on WPC, SPC and NHC forecasts



Weather Forecast for Sun, Oct 02, 2016, issued 5:09 AM EDT Sat, Oct 01, 2016 DOC/NOAA/NWS/NCEP/Weather Prediction Center Prepared by Kong based on WPC, SPC and NHC forecasts



Weather Forecast for Mon, Oct 03, 2016, issued 5:21 AM EDT Sat, Oct 01, 2016 DOC/NOAA/NWS/NCEP/Weather Prediction Center Prepared by Kong based on WPC, SPC and NHC forecasts

Wednesday (10/5) Weather Map

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For tropical cyclone information, please see 🖒 the latest advisories from the NHC.

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Thursday (10/6) Weather Map

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Current Wind Shear (Shaded) and Shear Tendency (Lines)



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Sea Surface Temperatures Near Matthew



Hurricane MATTHEW Model Track Guidance

Initialized at 12z Oct 01 2016

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Hurricane MATTHEW Model Intensity Guidance Initialized at 12z Oct 01 2016



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Intensity forecasts for Matthew so far have been difficult, and they continue to show little agreement. After Matthew's rapid intensification to Category 5, it is back to a Category 4 storm and most models indicate a leveling off with fluctuations in strength through 48 hours due to continued interaction with wind shear. Beyond that, the models spread even more, from Category 1 to Category 5. Land interaction and whether wind shear decreases or not will be huge factors in Matthew's future

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Two-Day Graphical Tropical Weather Outlook

National Hurricane Center Miami, Florida





Current Disturbances and Two-Day Cyclone Formation Chance: 🗱 < 40% 🗱 40-60% 🗰 > 60% Tropical or Sub-Tropical Cyclone: O Depression 🥑 Storm ∮ Hurricane ⊗ Post-Tropical Cyclone × Remnants



Five-Day Graphical Tropical Weather Outlook

National Hurricane Center Miami, Florida





Tropical Cyclone Formation Potential for the Five-Day Period Ending at 8:00 am EDT Thu Oct 6 2016 Chance of Cyclone Formation in Five Days: Low < 40% Medium 40-60% High > 60% X indicates current disturbance location; shading indicates potential formation area.

Tropical Summary:

- At 8am EDT, Hurricane Matthew was located about 400 miles southeast of Kingston, Jamaica, or approximately 970 miles south-southeast of Miami, Florida.
- Matthew reached Category 5 status overnight, but maximum sustained winds are currently 155 mph with higher gusts, making Matthew a Category 4 hurricane on the Saffir-Simpson scale.
- It is moving to the west at 7 mph. A turn to the west-northwest is expected later today, and a turn to the north-northwest is expected on Sunday.
- Forecast models are in fairly good agreement on Matthew's forecast track, but remain in disagreement on its future intensity.
- Most intensity guidance models indicate some weakening or some fluctuation in strength over the next 48 hours.
 However, intensity forecasts for Matthew have proven difficult, and the intensity forecast beyond 48-72 hours is complex due to land interaction and how much wind shear Matthew will encounter.
- The official forecast calls for Matthew to mostly maintain its strength over the next 24 hours, followed by some weakening at 36 hours and then a leveling off again through 72 hours.
- As for its track, Matthew is currently being steered west by a strong area of high pressure in the central Atlantic, but a strong area of low pressure is slowly moving into the southeast U.S. with a stationary front draped from North Carolina to the eastern Gulf of Mexico this morning.
- The current forecast calls for the area of low pressure to push further southeast and the area of high pressure to weaken, causing Matthew to gradually turn northwest and then north-northwest late this weekend and early next week toward Jamaica and eastern Cuba, continuing north toward the central Bahamas toward the middle of next week.
- However, there is still some uncertainty as to when Matthew makes the northward turn. A weaker and/or faster moving storm could make it to Jamaica before moving across central Cuba, while a stronger and/or slower-moving storm may turn earlier toward the Windward Passage between Cuba and Haiti.
- Also, the average NHC track errors at days 4 and 5 are on the order of 180 and 240 miles, respectively, so it is important not to focus on the "black skinny line" of the forecast track since the range of possibilities remains between central Cuba and Haiti.
- Elsewhere, a broad area of low pressure in the central tropical Atlantic is producing winds near tropical storm force this morning along with disorganized showers and storms.
- Environmental conditions are not favorable for development, and it has a 10% (low) chance of development over the next 48 hours and a 20% (low) chance over the next five days as it moves northwest over the next few days toward Bermuda.
- This disturbance is not a threat to Florida.

Florida Outlook:

- At this time, it is still too early to say exactly what, if any, impacts Matthew will have on Florida.
- Parts of the southeastern Florida Peninsula are now within the 5-day average error cone. Also, parts of South Florida now have a 10% to 20% chance of seeing tropical storm force winds sometime within the next five days.
- Any possible impacts remain 4-6 days away, but Matthew is a very large storm and it has the potential to generate occasionally gusty winds and rough seas along the East Coast of Florida, with minor coastal flooding and erosion. Any additional impacts are dependent on the future track of the storm, which remains uncertain at this time.

Another briefing packet will be issued Saturday afternoon. For more information, please visit the NHC website at <u>www.nhc.noaa.gov</u>.



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