

# SEVEN-DAY FORECAST



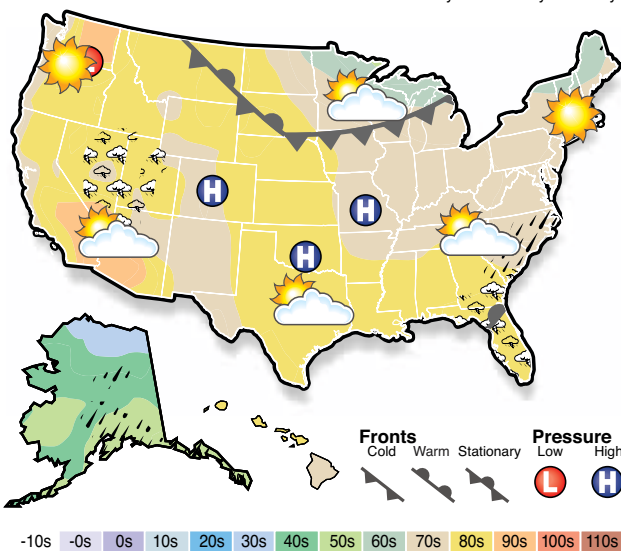
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<b>Today</b> Mostly sunny	<b>Thursday</b> Early clouds, clearing later	<b>Friday</b> Sunny	<b>Saturday</b> Sunny	<b>Sunday</b> P. cloudy, possible late showers	<b>Monday</b> Partly sunny	<b>Tuesday</b> Mostly sunny
High   76 Low   42	High   66 Low   48	High   70 Low   38	High   74 Low   40	High   75 Low   43	High   76 Low   45	High   72 Low   42

## National forecast

Forecast highs for Wednesday, Sept. 17



	YESTERDAY			TODAY			TOMORROW		
	H	Lo	Ptc	H	Lo	Outk	H	Lo	Outk
Albany	69	55		75	47	Clr	66	52	PCldy
Boston	65	58		75	52	Clr	73	52	PCldy
Buffalo	65	52		73	48	Clr	64	50	Clr
Chicago	71	49		76	53	Clr	69	57	PCldy
Cincinnati	76	53		78	48	Clr	79	54	Clr
Cleveland	66	55		75	51	Clr	67	54	PCldy
Columbus, Ohio	73	58		77	48	Clr	77	52	Clr
Denver	81	46		85	50	Clr	85	49	Clr
Detroit	68	53		75	49	PCldy	70	54	Clr
Honolulu	87	76		88	74	Clr	88	73	Clr
Houston	79	62	.01	83	59	PCldy	86	61	PCldy
Los Angeles	82	65		84	63	Clr	84	61	Clr
Nashville	77	58		79	56	Clr	82	58	Clr
New Orleans	80	70		82	68	PCldy	84	68	PCldy
New York City	70	62		77	58	PCldy	76	57	PCldy
Orlando	91	74	.56	90	73	Rain	86	72	Rain
Philadelphia	73	62		78	58	PCldy	79	58	PCldy
Phoenix	96	80		98	79	Clr	98	78	Clr
Pittsburgh	68	50		73	47	Clr	72	51	Clr
Portland, Maine	64	52		73	47	Clr	69	51	Clr
Portland, Ore.	89	58		82	53	PCldy	77	55	PCldy
Providence	69	57		74	54	Clr	74	54	PCldy
Raleigh-Durham	68	67	1.38	72	60	Rain	80	57	PCldy
Reno	90	55		85	55	Clr	84	52	Clr
Sacramento	85	56		81	52	Clr	79	50	Clr
St. Louis	73	56		79	53	Clr	80	57	Clr
St. Petersburg	90	81		87	78	PCldy	86	74	PCldy
Salt Lake City	88	55		86	57	PCldy	83	58	PCldy
San Antonio	84	58		86	57	Clr	86	61	Clr
San Diego	73	66		76	68	PCldy	76	68	PCldy
San Francisco	64	53		66	55	PCldy	66	55	PCldy
Santa Fe	77	45		79	46	Clr	78	47	PCldy
Seattle	80	56		78	53	PCldy	70	53	PCldy
Shreveport	76	57		81	57	PCldy	84	59	PCldy
Sioux Falls	85	45		80	49	Clr	80	55	Clr
Spokane	86	53		91	53	Clr	86	56	PCldy
Syracuse	66	46		75	46	Clr	64	50	Clty

## NEW YORK

**Today** will be mostly sunny with fog early in the morning and highs in the lower 70s.

**Tonight** will be partly cloudy with a chance of sprinkles after midnight and lows in the mid-40s.

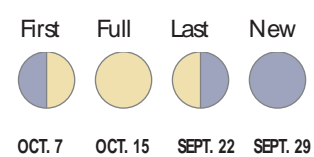
**Thursday** will be mostly cloudy with a chance of sprinkles early and highs in the mid-60s.

**Thursday night** will be mostly clear with possible frost after midnight and lows in the mid-30s.

## WEATHER HISTORY

In 1963, nearly two and a half inches of rain fell in 24 hours in Yuma, Ariz. It was the most intense rain for Yuma during the period from 1909 to 1977.

## MOON PHASES



## SUNRISE | SUNSET

Sunrise today	6:43
Sunset today	7:27
Sunrise Thursday	6:45
Sunset Thursday	7:26

# OFFSHORE

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50-mile coastal buffer, while imposing new taxes on the largest oil companies.

But House Speaker Nancy Pelosi, D-Calif., said the bill "represents a new direction in energy policy" and a "bold step forward that will end our dependence on foreign oil" by using billions of dollars collected in taxes on large oil companies to promote alternative fuels and energy efficiency.

Republicans called the drilling measure a ruse to provide political cover to Democrats feeling pressure to support more drilling at a time of high gas prices.

"How much new drilling do we get out of this bill? It's zero. Just zero," declared House Republican leader John

Boehner of Ohio. "It's a hoax on the American people. This is intended for one reason ... so the Democrats can say we voted on energy."

The measure would allow drilling in waters 50 miles from shore almost everywhere from New England to Washington state as long as a state agrees to go along with energy development off its coast. Beyond 100 miles, no state approval would be required. The drilling ban would remain in the eastern Gulf of Mexico.

Each year for the past 26 years, Congress has passed drilling bans on the Atlantic and Pacific coasts because of environmental concerns and pressure from some coastal states worried that drilling might hurt the tourist business. Unlike bills offered by House Republicans and others

being considered in the Senate, the House-passed legislation would not share royalties from energy production with the adjacent states. Boehner said without royalty sharing, states probably would not opt for drilling off their beaches.

Republicans also cited Interior Department estimates that 88 percent of the 18 billion barrels of oil believed to be in waters now under drilling bans would remain off-limits because they are within the 50-mile protective coastal buffer.

The House voted to roll back nearly \$18 billion in tax breaks over 10 years for the five largest oil companies and require energy companies to pay billions of dollars in royalties they avoided because of an Interior Department contracting error.

# KUHL

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contain vast amounts of oil and natural gas.

He also said even areas where drilling would be permitted by the new bill wouldn't be immune from court challenges.

"One of the issues that needs to be dealt with is the current law, which allows environmentalists to block leasing the outer continental shelf," Kuhl said.

Kuhl said he and his Republican colleagues favor an approach that would speed up the legal proceedings that block drilling.

Kuhl said he objected not only to the bill's content, but the manner the Democratic majority brought the bill to the floor. He complained the bill wasn't introduced until 9:30 p.m. Monday. He said, as of Tuesday morning, he still hadn't read the bill.

Kuhl's opponent, Democrat Eric Massa, said Tuesday he

was in favor of the House bill. "This comprehensive energy bill provides for \$20 billion in tax incentives for companies that invest in renewable energy and create green jobs," Massa said. "It also expands offshore drilling by millions of acres so we can start getting more domestic oil now. The only reason to vote against this plan is because it eliminates the Bush tax handouts to Big Oil that Randy Kuhl voted for in 2005."

# BALLOTS

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the unofficial lead with 3,089 votes. Cole received 3,011 votes and Waight's tally dropped to 2,211 votes during the review.

Election officials blamed the mistakes on human error in five polling places.

On Tuesday, Waight, Cole and county Board of Elections commissioners Republican Shylene Thompson and Democrat Sandra Dennison were present as attorneys for both sides hammered out the agreement in Furfure's court. Ordway did not attend the hearing.

The most immediate issue for the candidates is the

remaining, 362 Republican absentee ballots not yet counted. With the race in a virtual dead heat, the absentee ballots could decide the primary winner.

County Attorney Frederick Ahrens said there was no dispute over the mistaken primary tallies, telling Furfure, "Basically, we're not that far apart."

Ordway's attorney William Pulos said the hearing was needed to find a remedy that would work for all three candidates.

Pulos said the absentee count should be in two parts, with the candidates' teams first inspecting each absentee application and ballot for irregularities. After the inspection, all valid absentee ballots

should be counted, Pulos said.

But Ahrens said a two-part absentee ballot count duplicated the workload. Teams should be allowed enough time to inspect the envelopes, applications and ballots, with the vote recorded immediately after inspection, he said.

Any objections would be set to the side for more review by the elections commissioners, with the court having the final say, according to Ahrens.

Furfure agreed to Ahrens' proposal, but also gave Ordway the right to request a recanvass of the machines after the final absentee count.

"He's already got the lead, he still wants to recanvass?" Ahrens said. "Be careful what you ask for."

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