

Yorkshire Water Drought Permit Application

Exceptional Shortage of Rainfall Evidence

September 2022

V1	August 2022	Submitted with NW pre application
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V6	October 2022	As V 5 updated with September data. To be submitted for south and SW pre apps
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1. Introduction

Yorkshire Water are applying for a number of drought permits and orders to enable us to deal with the serious risk of a deficiency of supplies that will exist if the dry weather continues throughout the autumn and winter of 2022/2023. The spring and summer of 2022 has been one of very low rainfall and high temperatures. This document outlines our analyses of rainfall data to date (and projections for the coming months) and demonstrates that the serious risk of deficiency of supplies is due to an exceptional shortage of rainfall.

The legal criteria that must be met in granting a drought order or permit include:

'If the Secretary of State / Agency is satisfied that, by reason of an exceptional shortage of rain, a serious deficiency of supplies of water in any area exists or is threatened.....'

There is no set definition or methodology to determine that an "exceptional shortage of rainfall" has occurred, because each drought and situation is unique.

In this document we demonstrate an exceptional shortage of rainfall by analysis of monthly rainfall and other metrics.

We have included:

- Plots of 2022 rainfall in relation to long term average
- Calculation of Cunnane Plotting position for long time series
- MORECS Soil Moisture Deficit analysis
- Standard Precipitation Indices

This document summarises the analyses carried out for the region and for catchments, and is a supplementary document to accompany the supporting information for our drought permit applications. Each application refers to the information in this document, and highlights some of the relevant analyses. Each application also shows relevant river flows and reservoir stocks relating to that application.

2. 2022 Weather Summary

2022 started dry, with below average rainfall from November 2021 until January 2022. February 2022 was extremely wet, with more than double the LTA, but all months have been below average since March. There have been periods of extremely hot weather, with heatwaves in July and early August, and the first ever red weather warnings for extreme heat in July. It has been the driest July in England since 1935 (Met Office, 2022), with virtually no rainfall in the south east of the country. In Yorkshire, there has been far less rainfall than usual, and this, combined with the high temperatures has meant that river flows and reservoir inflows have been far lower than usual.

The heatwave conditions resulted in exceptionally high demand for water. July rainfall was lower than average in Yorkshire, but much of the rainfall for the month fell in the last 10 days

of the month. The combination of hot dry periods with occasional rainfall has meant that much of the rainfall was soaked up by the dry ground.

3. Rainfall data

We have used the HADUK river catchment rainfall data provided to us monthly by the Environment Agency. In addition, we have used monthly catchment rainfall data for several of our reservoir group catchments throughout the region. The ones relevant to the south and south West area applications are listed in

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Little Don Valley group	South catchment	EA data request-HADUK
Washburn Valley reservoirs	North catchment	EA data request-HADUK

Table 1. These data have been provided from the HADUK/EA by EA NE regional hydrology team. The use of the HADUK rainfall data allows analysis of long time series since it starts in 1891.

Figure 1 shows the Yorkshire River catchments and all of our reservoir catchments on a map, with the reservoir catchments we have analysed rainfall data for in this report labelled. It is clear how small the reservoir catchments are in proportion to even the smaller river catchments.

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Table 1: Rainfall Catchments

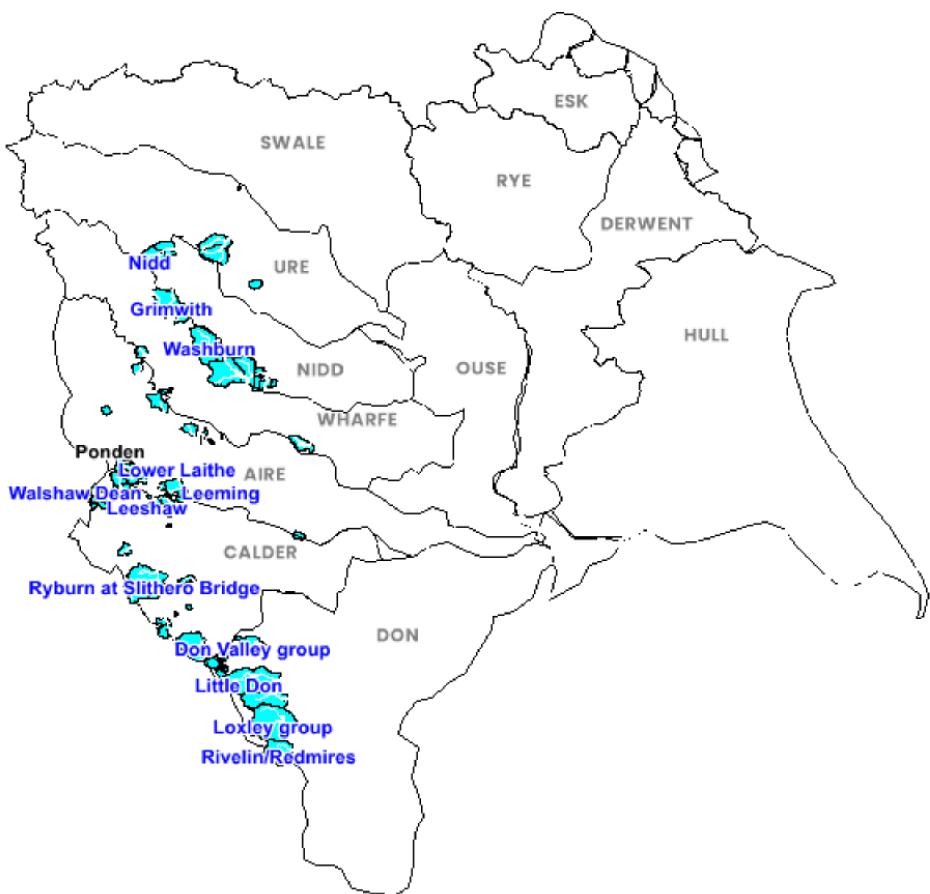


Figure 1: River and reservoir catchments

4. Rainfall and climate data analyses

The following analyses are included in our rainfall and climate analyses;

- Standardised Precipitation Index (SPI) calculations
- Rainfall ranking
- Rainfall probability bands
- Rainfall percentage of Long Term Average
- Reservoir Stocks
- Soil Moisture Deficit maps over time
- SPI maps from CEH Water Resources Portal
- River flow maps and graphs from CEH Water Resources Portal

5. Rainfall as percentage of Long Term Average (LTA)

Figure 2 shows the monthly rainfall values as percentage of the 1961–1990 long term average (LTA) for regional Yorkshire rainfall series from October 2021. In this graph red bars show rainfall below the LTA, and blue bars show monthly rainfall above the LTA.

It is clear that there has been a substantial rainfall deficit since rainfall has been below LTA in all but 3 months since October, with September being only just above LTA for the regional series. A dry autumn 2021 meant that reservoirs were below the normal control line until the very wet February, but rainfall has been below average since then. In both June and July, much of the rainfall occurred in the last 10 days of the month, with dry conditions followed by a short period of rainfall, much of which soaked into dry ground.

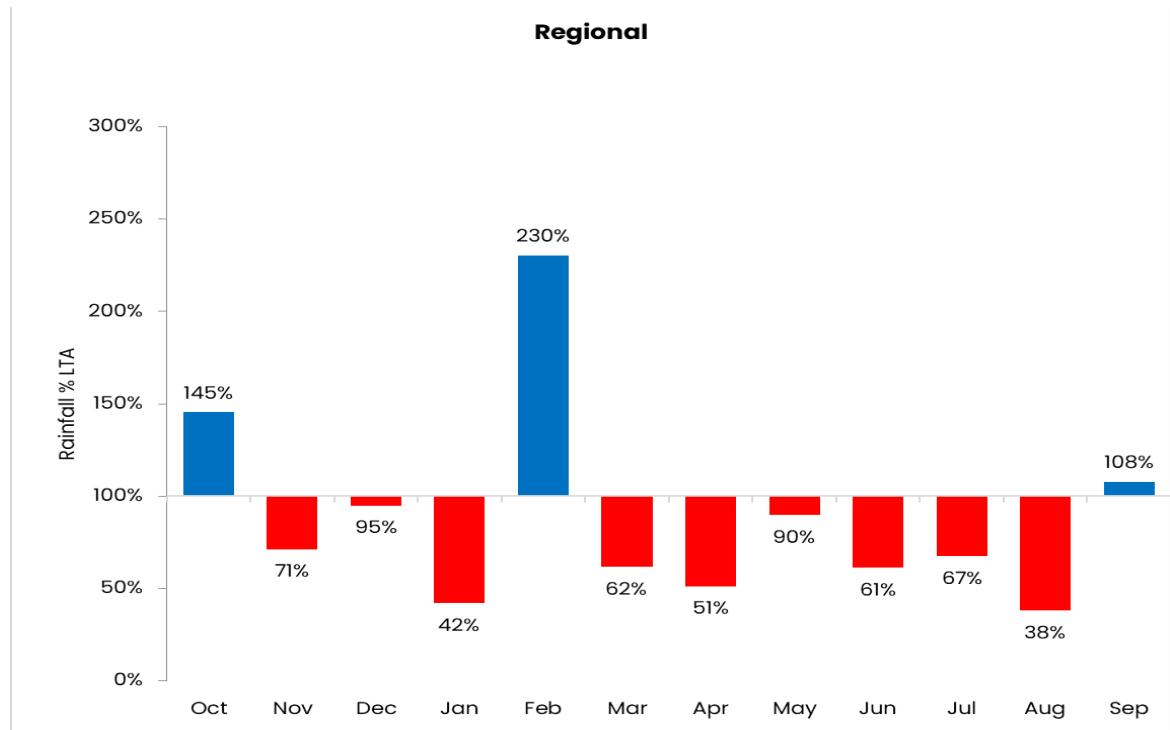


Figure 2: 2021-22 Regional rainfall as percentage of long term average (1961-1990 LTA)

Graphs for all of the river and reservoir catchments listed in

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Table 1 are shown in Appendix 1. These all show a dry November–January period, wet February, and dry period from March onwards. The graphs in Appendix 1 show only October and February have had higher than average rainfall since October 2021. It is worth noting that our reservoirs are located in very wet areas, and although the actual rainfall has been similar in some of the larger catchments and some of the small reservoir catchments, the proportion of what we would expect in those areas is low in comparison to what the systems are used to. The regional data is HADUK data supplied by the Environment Agency for the Yorkshire region. We have shown this for illustrative purposes in the main part of this document, but show data for the selected river and reservoir catchments in appendix 1. September has been just above average regionally, although for the river and reservoir catchments shown in appendix 1, rainfall is close to the LTA in September—just below in some areas and just above in others.

Appendix 1 also contains a table showing the March–August and March–September rainfall as percentage of the LTA for each catchment.

6. Ranking of rainfall

Table 2 shows the rank of rainfall for the Yorkshire region in the 131 or 132 year period of record, for periods of up to 12 months ending from September 2021 to August 2022. (131 years for data to 2021, 132 years for data to 2022). Each cell is shaded to indicate how the 2022 rainfall is classified according to the Cunnane plotting position (See Appendix 2).

Tables for the other rainfall catchments listed in

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Table 1 are shown in Appendix 2a.

Table 2 shows that the 4 months to July are the 5th ranked April- July in the Yorkshire region since 1891, and the 5 and 6 months until August are the 4th and 3rd ranked respectively.

These, and the other periods shaded red are classified as “exceptionally low” rainfall according to the Cunnane plotting position.

Appendix 2b shows tables of the driest ranked event for each of the rainfall catchments, and Appendix 2c shows the last year that was drier than 2022 for each month ending and duration.

Appendix 2a shows that 2022 ranks in the top 10 of the period of record for some of the larger river catchments, but for some of the small reservoir catchments in the south and west of the region, it is higher ranked. The 6 months ending in August have exceptionally low rainfall for all of the catchments, and is the driest in the period of record for the Walshaw Dean, Brownhill Digley and Little Don Valley catchments, and 2nd driest for Calder river catchments and the Don Valley Group reservoir catchments. This illustrates just how extreme the weather of 2022 has been in some of our Pennine catchments where our supply reservoirs are located. Using the Cunnane plotting position, the driest in the 132 year record has a return period of 220 years, and the second driest has a return period of 82 years, although to more accurately calculate the return period an extreme value analysis (EVA) distribution would need to be fitted.

September rainfall has been close to average, at 108% regionally, but the 6 and 7 month periods ending in September are still ranked in the top 6, and so in the exceptionally low category.

end month	Rank of 2022 rainfall in period since 1891											
	duration											
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
10	94	74	51	74	47	87	60	60	72	97	106	95
11	27	51	51	36	49	33	69	42	44	54	84	94
12	57	32	54	44	32	47	32	64	41	40	49	78
1	9	22	13	25	21	14	24	13	44	25	27	37

2	127	90	80	63	71	61	49	62	43	75	56	54
3	41	116	72	68	49	59	58	45	57	37	70	49
4	27	20	91	52	56	36	45	45	33	45	33	55
5	64	25	16	87	47	48	33	39	44	34	43	27
6	35	29	14	12	66	30	36	25	33	33	20	35
7	26	14	14	5	8	41	17	19	12	22	19	17
8	10	9	5	6	4	3	19	6	11	6	9	9
9	84	29	18	10	9	5	6	23	12	15	10	12

Key

Exceptionally low	Notably low	Below normal	Normal	Above normal	Notably high	Exceptionally high
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Table 2: Yorkshire Regional rainfall ranking of 2022 rainfall (from 1891-2022)

Appendix 2b shows that for many ending months and durations, 1995 was the driest, but for a few locations and durations 2022 is now the driest.

Appendix 2c shows that for many durations ending in August, 2022 is the driest since 1995/1996 for the regional rainfall series, and for a few durations ending in August for the Walshaw Dean reservoir and Calder river catchments.

7. Soil Moisture Deficit (SMD)

Rainfall is just one of the many indicators of drought, although it is the primary one. We have used the *Met Office Rainfall and Evaporation Calculation System (MORECS)* to show Soil Moisture Deficit (SMD) throughout the region. Ground conditions were fully saturated in all of the region in February after the high rainfall, but low rainfall and high temperatures led to a relatively early increase in SMD, with values showing very dry conditions of over 100mm (shaded dark orange in the maps below) for one area at the start of June and over 110mm in almost all areas by the start of July. It has been extremely dry earlier in the year compared to other years. The maps below show the SMD from May 2022.



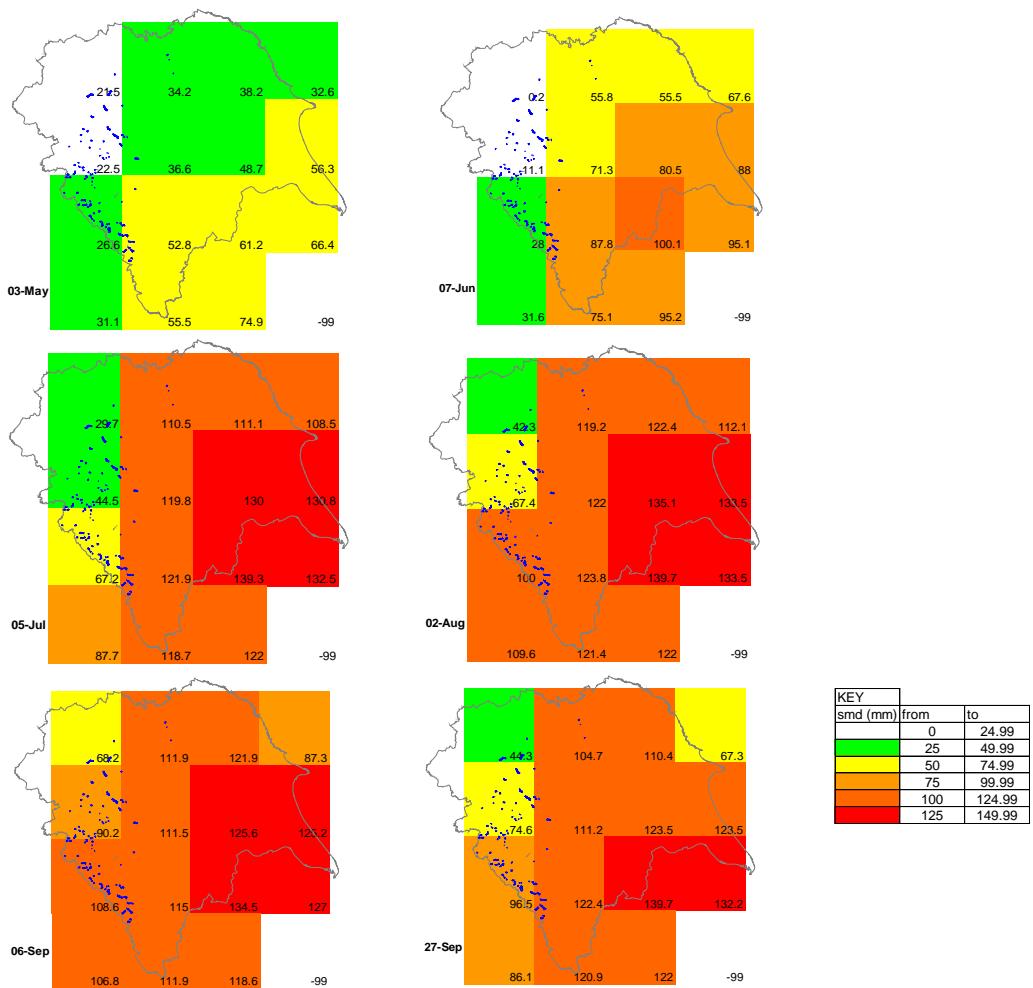


Figure 3: Soil Moisture Deficit for Yorkshire 2022

8. Standardised Precipitation Index (SPI)

The Standardised Precipitation Index (SPI) values can be interpreted as the number of standard deviations by which the observed anomaly deviates from the long-term mean. The SPI can be calculated for differing periods using monthly input data. We have calculated the SPI for all the monthly rainfall data listed in

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Table 1 for a 1 month, 3 month, and 6 month duration, and these are shown in Appendix 3. We have followed the methodology described in report *Environment Agency Standardised Precipitation Index (SPI) Tool*. We have not used the Environment Agency Tool, as the spreadsheet macros do not work on our computers, but we have used the methodology described and our results are the same as those provided by the Agency.

Catchment	1 month SPI	3 month SPI	6 month SPI
Wharfe	-0.62	-1.78	-2.01
Ure	-0.54	-1.46	-1.80
SwaleNE	-0.06	-1.24	-1.69
Rye	-0.17	-1.60	-2.04
Ouse	-0.24	-1.91	-2.08
Nidd	-0.46	-1.67	-1.86
Don	-0.30	-1.43	-1.89
DerwentNE	-0.44	-1.96	-2.31
Dales NSTribs	-0.47	-1.74	-2.22
Hull and Humber	-0.33	-1.86	-2.25
Calder	-0.94	-2.07	-2.43
Aire	-0.73	-2.04	-2.31
Yorkshire regional	0.37	-1.18	-1.78
Nidd group	0.47	-0.61	-0.98
Washburn group	0.33	-1.15	-1.62
Walshaw group	0.03	-1.50	-2.07
Leeshaw/Leeming	0.07	-1.37	-1.80
Ponden/Lower Laithe	0.04	-1.46	-1.92
Grimwith	0.31	-0.83	-1.14
Brownhill_Digley_group	0.07	-1.22	-1.79
Don_Valley_group	0.12	-1.17	-1.80
Little_Don_Valley_group	0.15	-1.19	-1.94
Loxley_group	0.28	-0.95	-1.67
Rivelin_Redmires	0.24	-0.83	-1.47
Ryburn_us_slitheroe_bridge	-0.01	-1.16	-1.74
Key			
Extremely dry			Severely dry
			Moderate dry

Table 3 shows the SPI values calculated for August for our rainfall catchments. The 3 month SPI is severely dry for most catchments (7 from 12), and extremely dry for the Aire and

Calder catchments. The 6 month SPI (April–September) is extremely dry for 8 out of the 12 catchments, and for the regional Yorkshire rainfall series is severely dry, along with the 4 other catchments.

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DerwentNE	-0.44	-1.96	-2.31
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Aire	-0.73	-2.04	-2.31
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Nidd group	0.47	-0.61	-0.98
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Ponden/Lower Laithe	0.04	-1.46	-1.92
Grimwith	0.31	-0.83	-1.14
Brownhill_Digley_group	0.07	-1.22	-1.79
Don_Valley_group	0.12	-1.17	-1.80
Little_Don_Valley_group	0.15	-1.19	-1.94
Loxley_group	0.28	-0.95	-1.67
Rivelin_Redmires	0.24	-0.83	-1.47
Ryburn_us_slitheroe_bridge	-0.01	-1.16	-1.74
Key			



Table 3: September SPI values for Yorkshire catchments

Appendix 3 shows maps of the SPI from the Centre For Ecology and Hydrology Water Resources Portal for August and September for the 1, 3 and 6 month durations. The catchment for the River Wharfe is outlined. The CEH SPI calculates SPI in the same way as the EA recommended method, but currently has a slightly different rainfall dataset, and uses a different method to fit the Gamma distribution, so the calculated values may differ slightly to those shown below, but the maps provide a good visual indication of the SPI.

9. River Flows

The graphs below taken from our weekly Water situation report show river flows in 2022 compared to recent years and 1995 and 1996- our worst drought years. These show that river flows have been low in 2022, and for some rivers they have been at low levels relatively early in the year, even when compared to some of our worst drought years such as 1995.

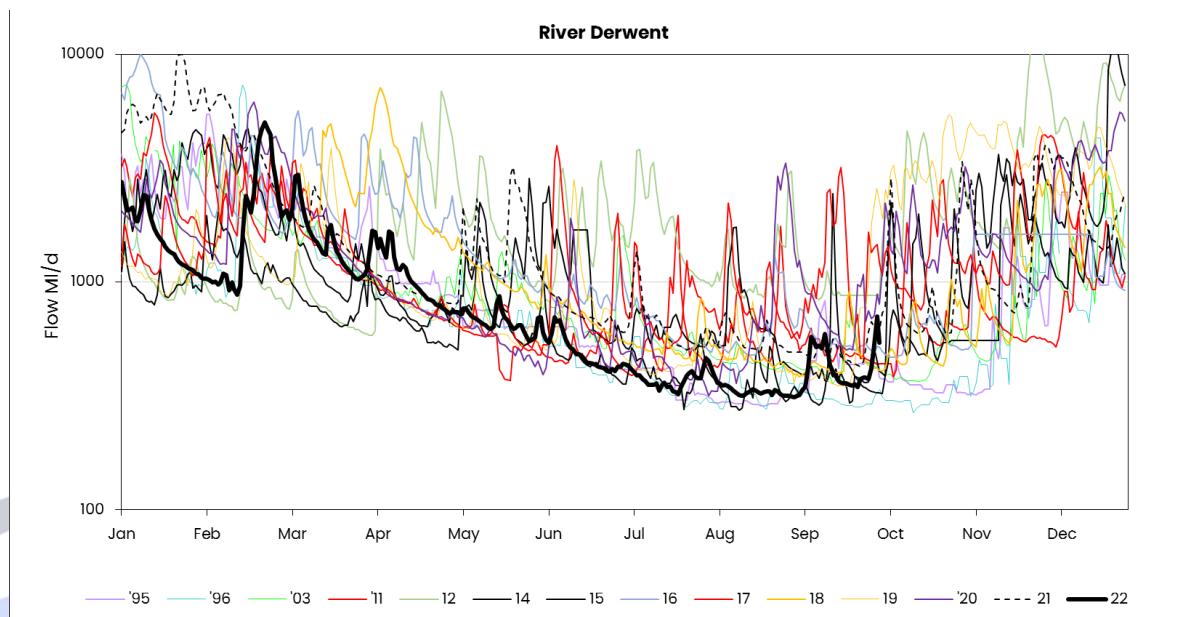


Figure 4: River Derwent flows

Flows in the River Derwent during June and July have been as low as they were in 1995 and 1996.

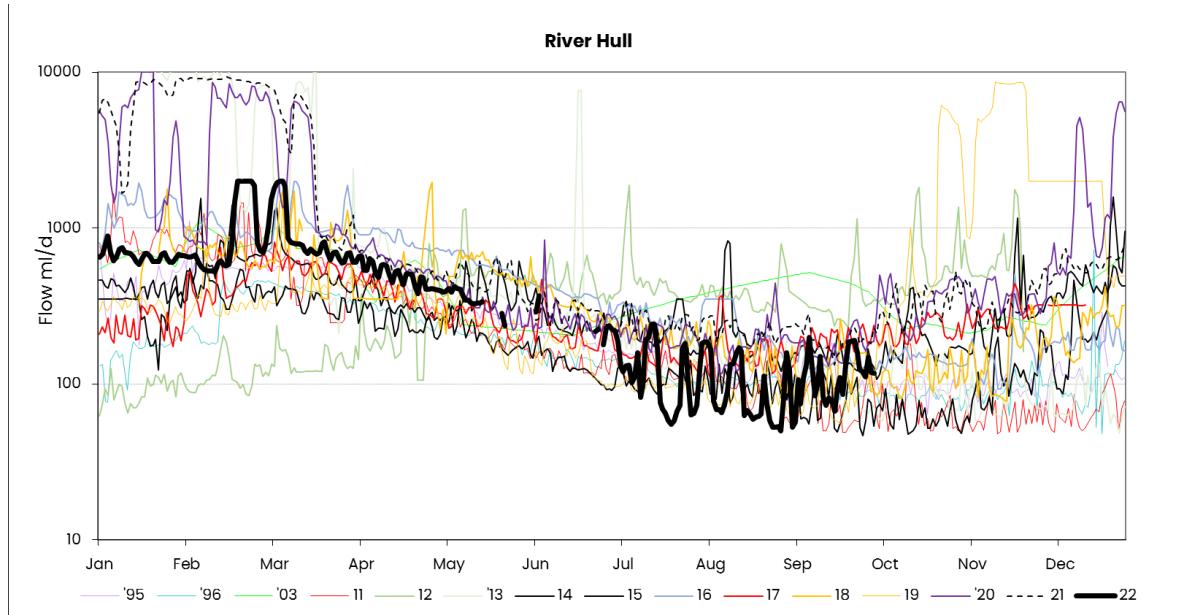


Figure 5: River Hull flows

Flows in the River Hull have had very low periods in July and August 2022.

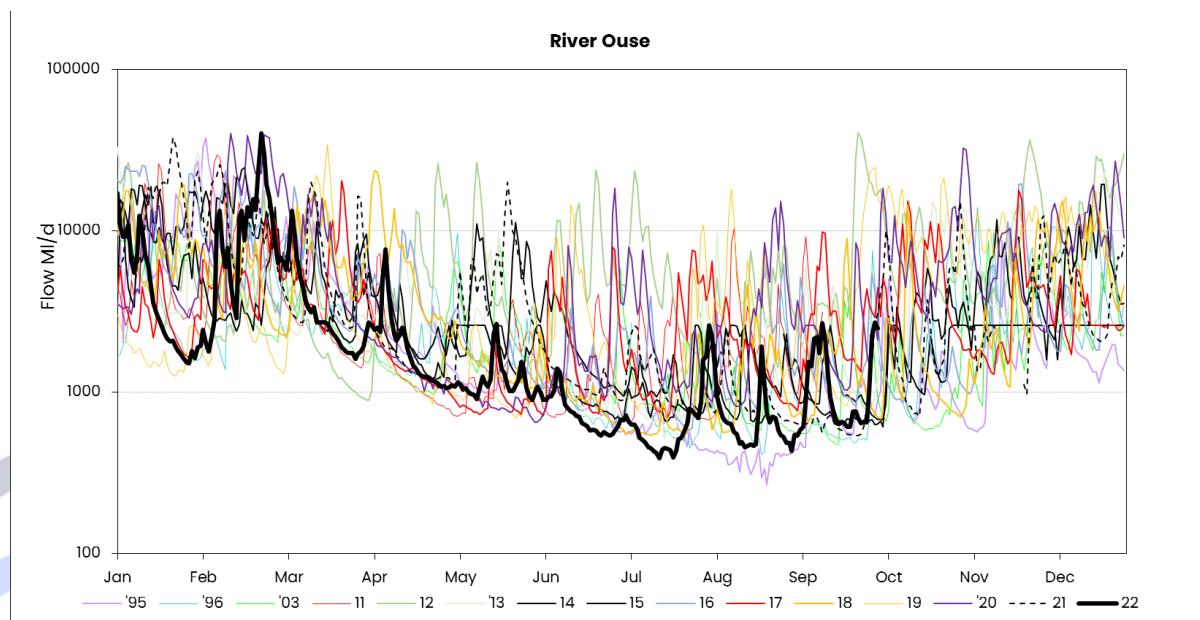


Figure 6: River Ouse flows

Flows in the River Ouse were lower in periods of June and July 2022 than they were in 1995 and 1996.

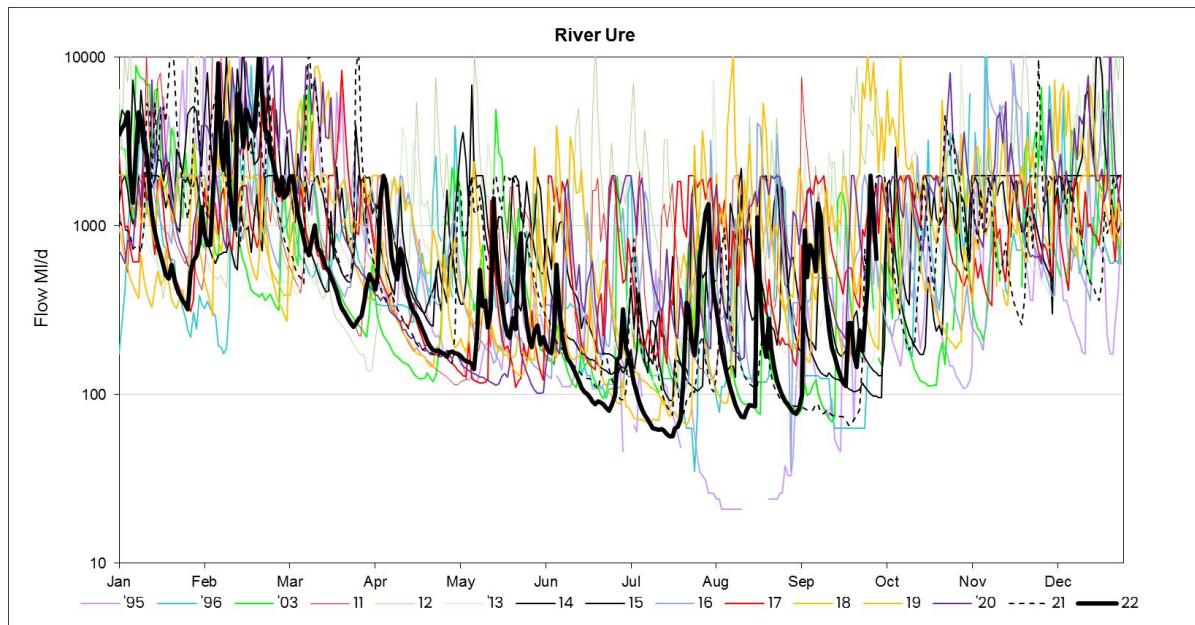


Figure 7:River Ure flows

Flows in the River Ure were lower in periods of June and July 2022 than they were in 1995 and 1996.

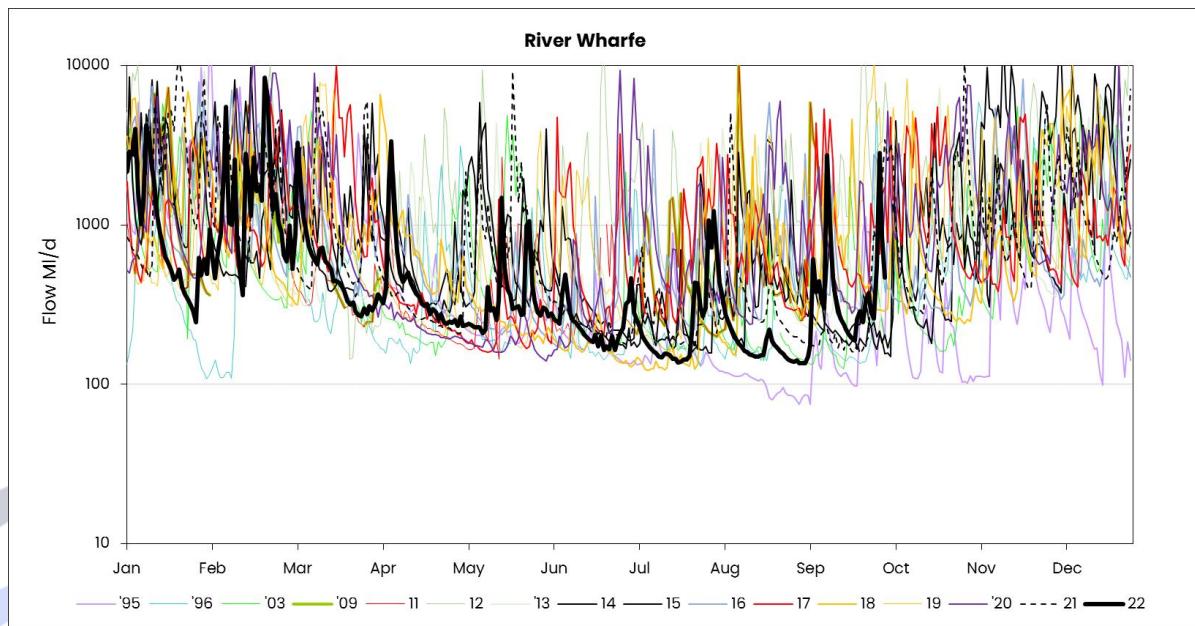


Figure 8:River Wharfe flows

The graphs below taken from the CEH Water Resources portal show river flows and the accompanying rainfall for the River Ouse. It shows that for both June and July 2022, although the monthly rainfall is only a little below average, the river flows have been very low for periods of time and then recovered when rainfall has occurred late in the month. Intermittent rainfall and high SMD have meant that more of the rainfall than usual is soaked up by the dry ground. It can be seen that at times in July river flows were "exceptionally low" (see Appendix 4 for a description of the regime bandings shown below), but the rainfall at the end of the month brought flows into the "above normal" range, meaning that average

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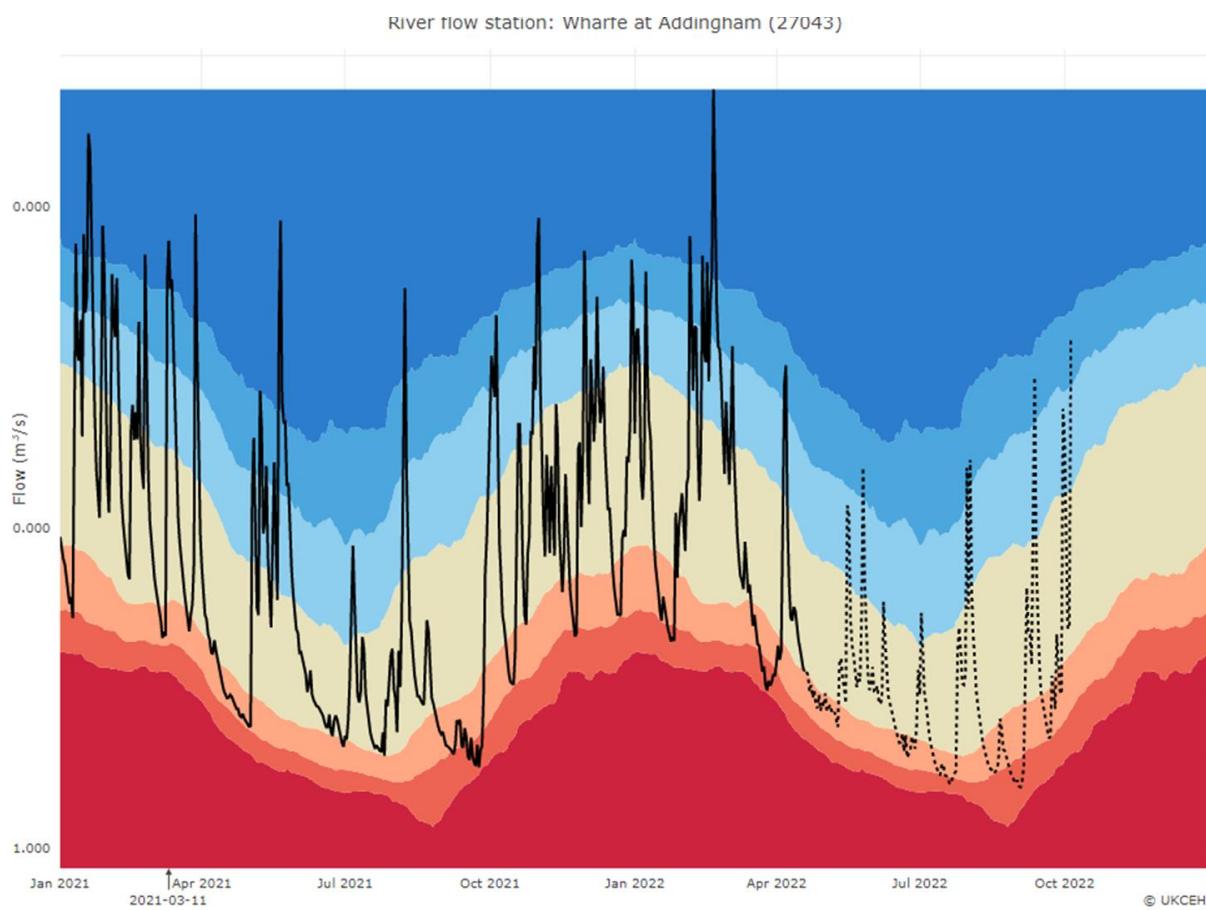


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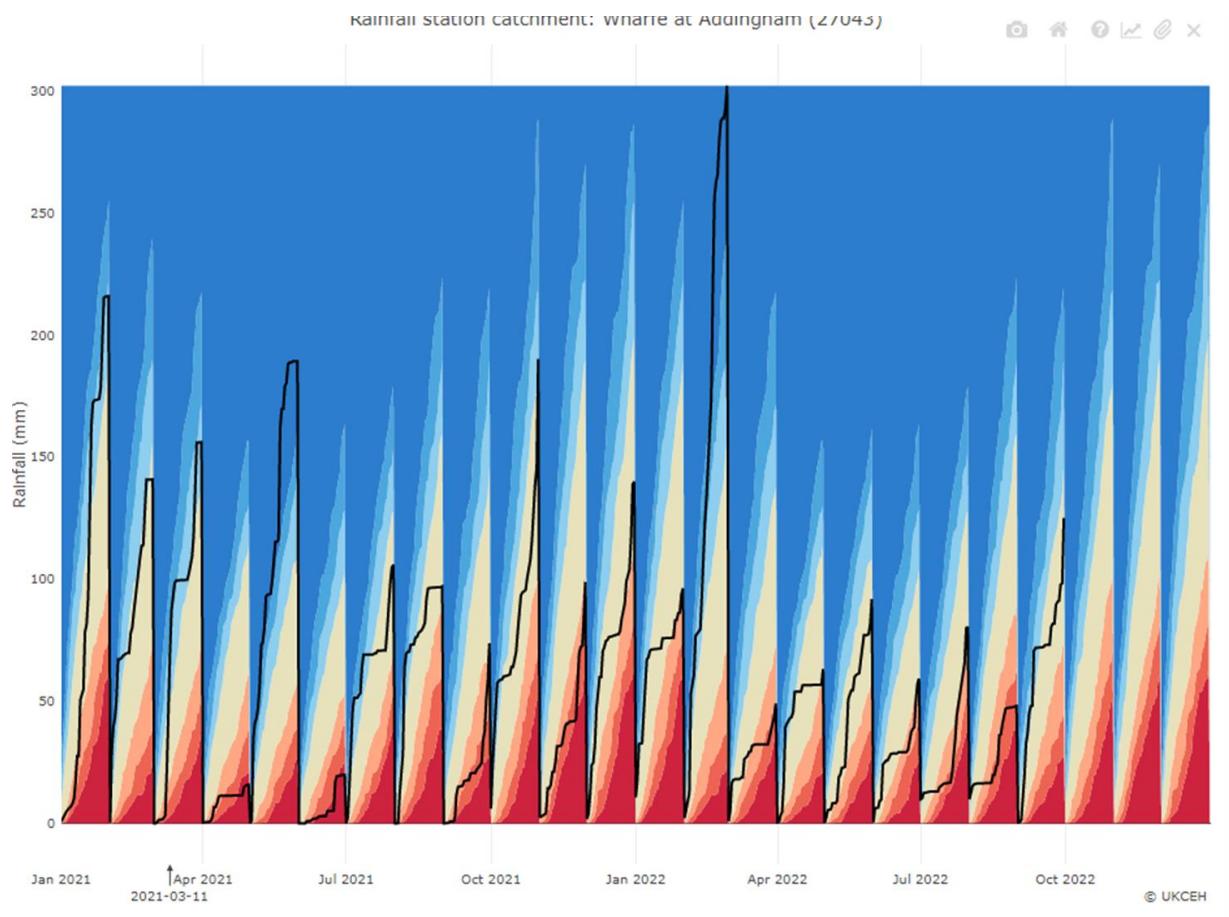


Figure 10: CEH Rainfall station catchment rainfall:River Wharfe

10. Reservoir stocks

The graphs below show the stocks of our regional reservoir group and our 5 major reservoir groups, East, North, North West, South and south West for the last 12 years and selected other dry years- 2003, 1995 and 1996. They all show 2022 stocks falling earlier and more steeply than in most recent years. In 2020 stocks fell earlier, but then recovered. Since mid June stocks have been lower than at the same time of year in previous years, other than the 1995 drought. This further illustrates how dry 2022 has been in comparison to other years. Area reservoir stocks and group and individual reservoir stocks are shown in the supporting information documents for each set of drought permit applications.

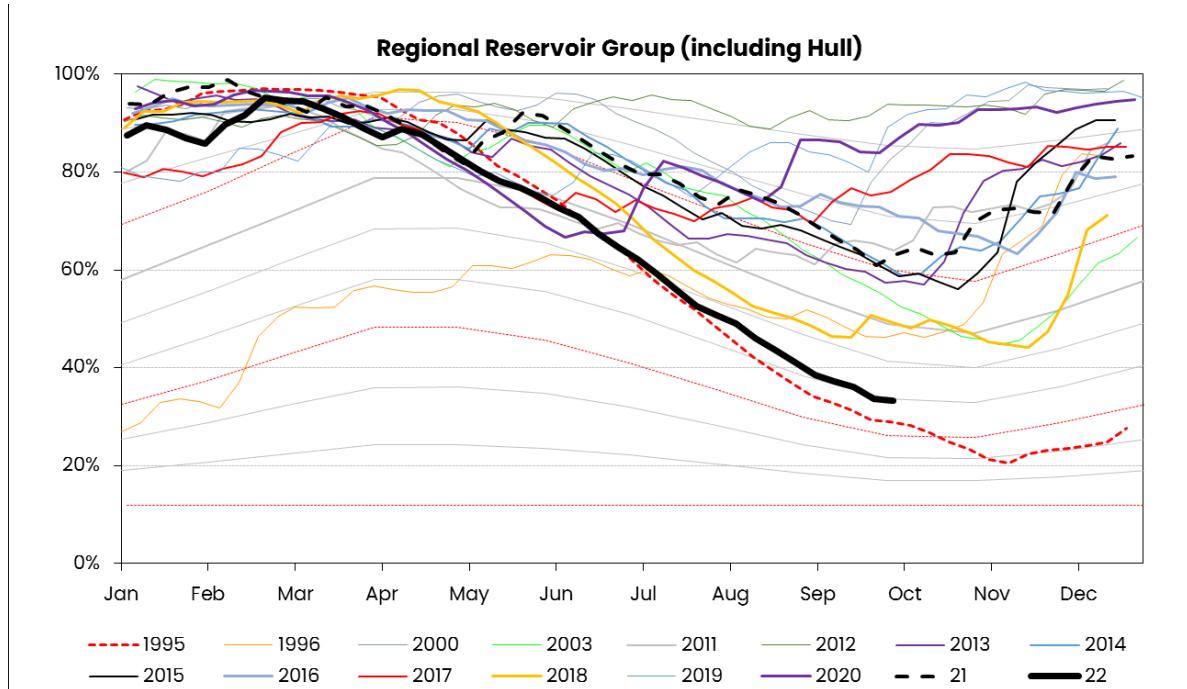


Figure 11: Regional reservoir stocks

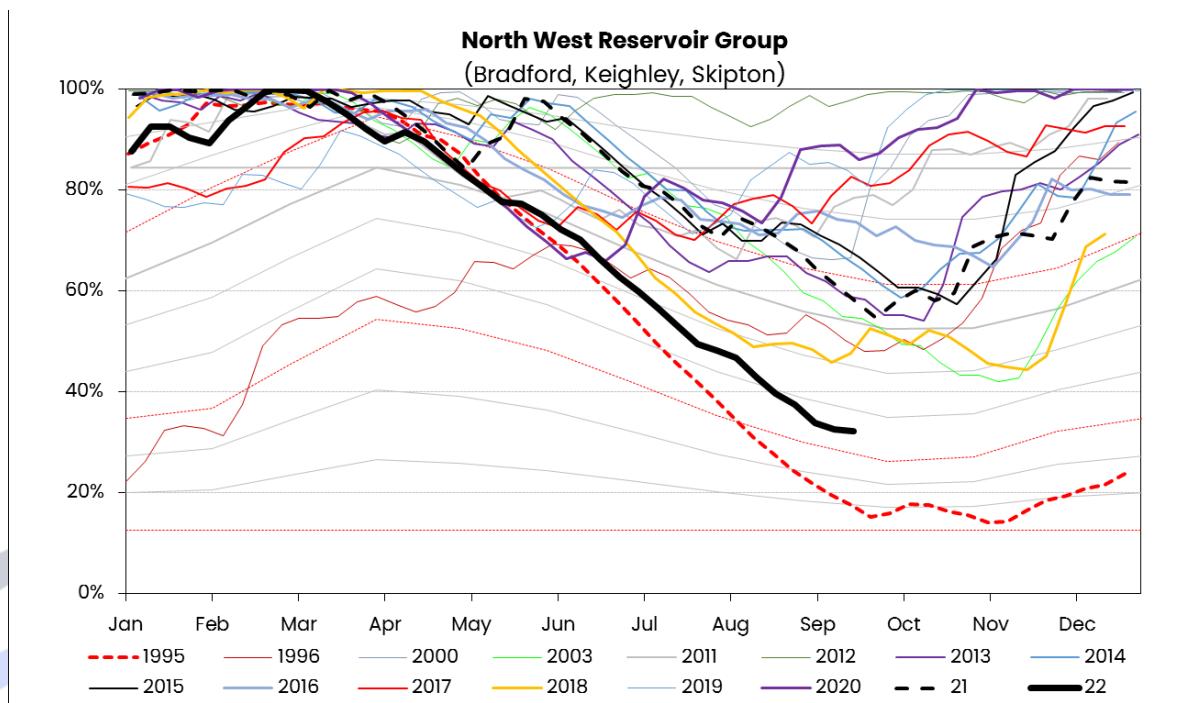


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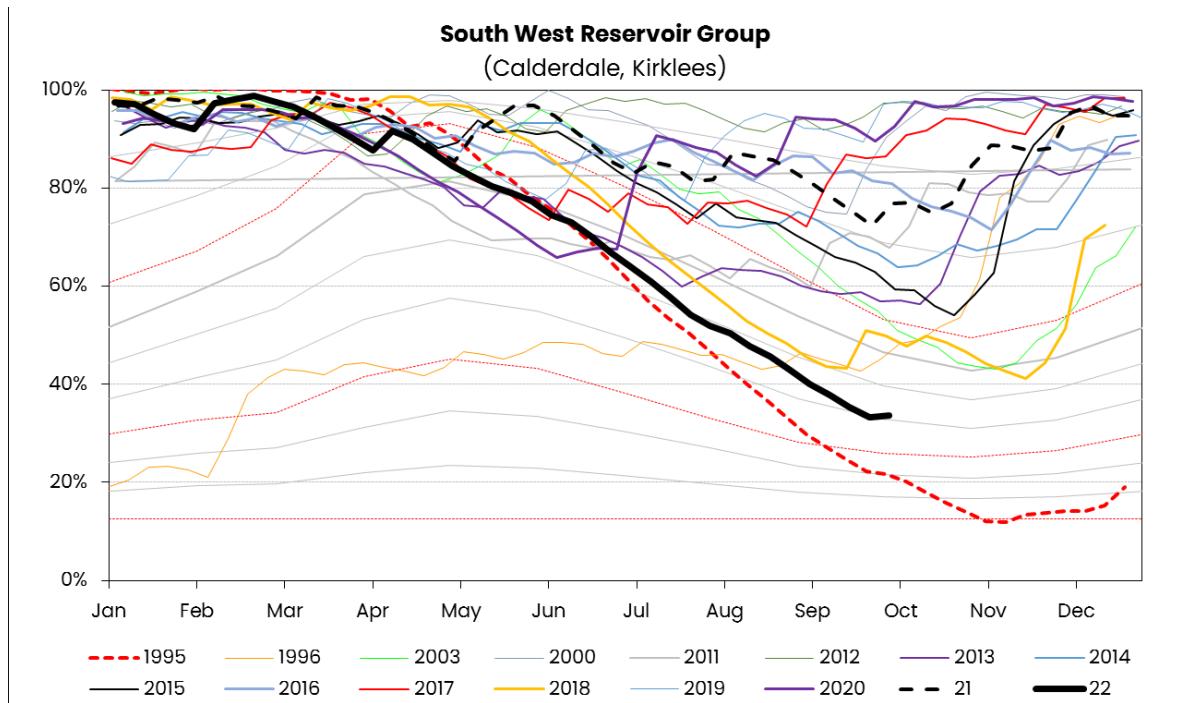


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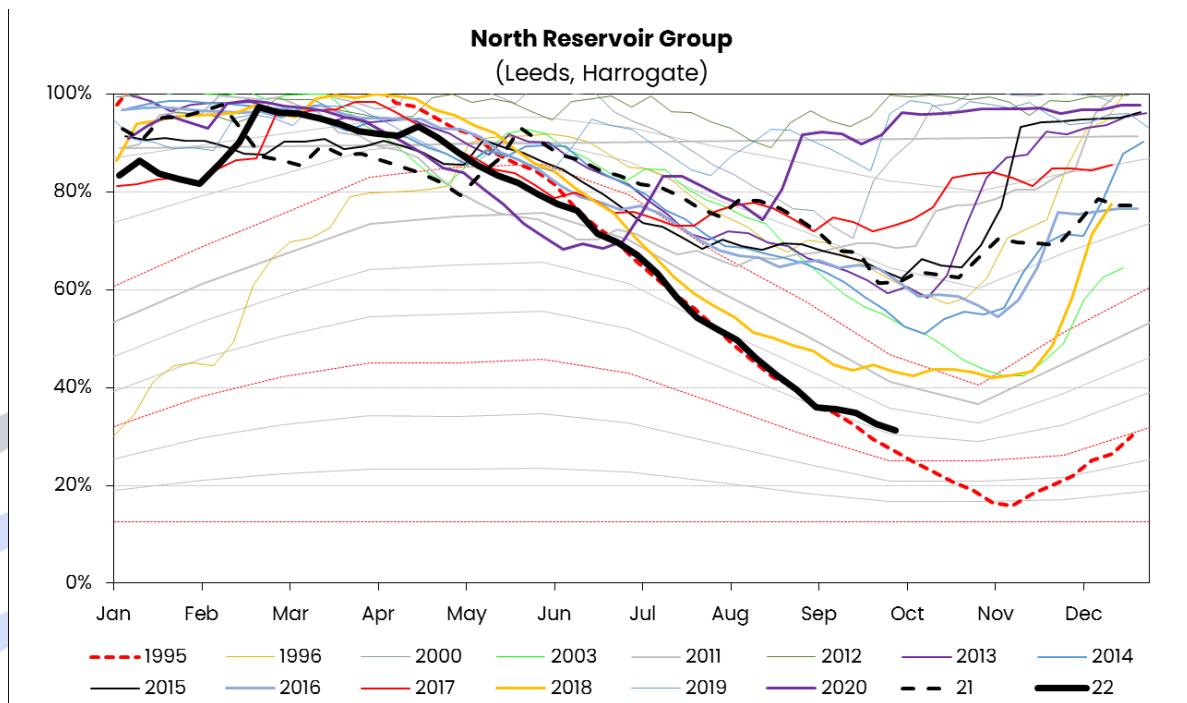


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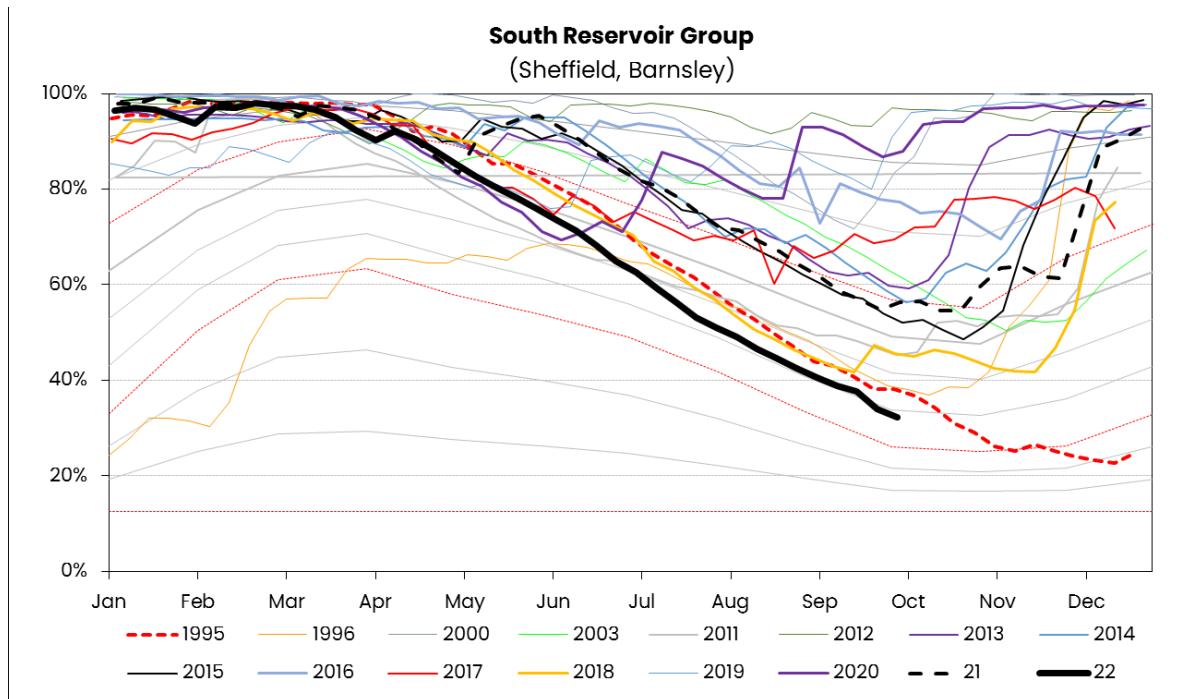


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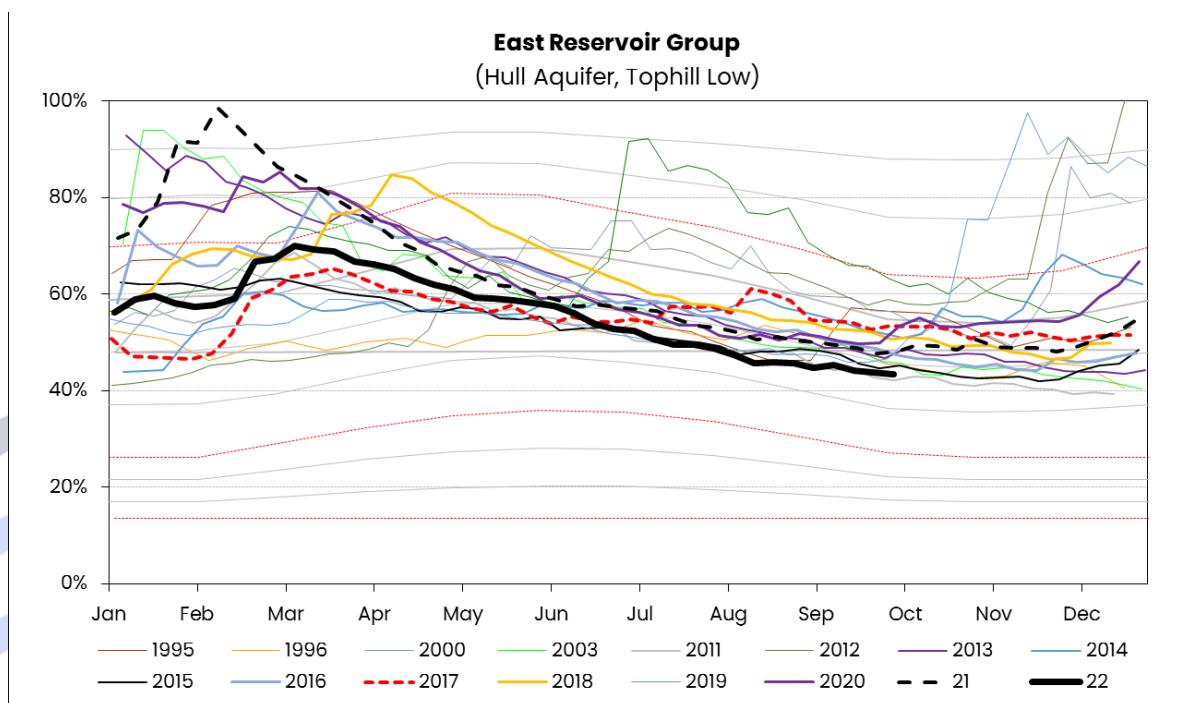


Figure 16: East reservoir stocks

11. Weather Forecast

The Met Office long range weather forecast (30 September) is for cloud and occasionally heavy rain in the northwest with a shift towards drier and more settled weather by mid October.

There is no clear signal for an end to the dry weather we have been experiencing, and so we are making preparations on the assumption that the dry weather will continue. If we have a repeat of 1995 autumn and winter rainfall, rainfall totals from the start of March 2022 would be among the lowest in our 132 year record.

12. Conclusions

The spring and summer of 2022 has been exceptionally hot and dry.

For several of our catchments, the 6 month period to August has been among the driest since records began in 1891, although the July figures disguise just how dry most of July was, with the majority of the rainfall in July occurring in the last week of the month. The SPI and ranking analyses indicate conditions are extremely or exceptionally dry in several catchments.

The low rainfall in the summer was accompanied by periods of extremely hot weather, and this combination of hot dry weather resulted in very high SMD values throughout the region, as well as extremely high demands.

River flows have been low due to the low rainfall, and high SMD, meaning that when there has been intermittent rainfall, it has not resulted in significant runoff to rivers.

Whilst the rainfall is not the lowest we've had in most catchments, the period March–August is the driest on the period of record for the Walshaw Dean and Little Don Valley reservoir catchments, and the 2nd driest in the 132 year record for the Calder and Aire river catchments, and the Leeming/Leeshaw and Ponden reservoir catchments. For all the catchments we have analysed the March–August period is in the top 6 driest years and classified as exceptionally low. It is the combination of low rainfall and high temperatures (so high evaporation) that has reduced the inflows into our rivers and reservoirs. Our Pennine reservoirs are situated in wet uplands, and when the inflows are below normal for long periods of time, our crucial resources are at risk even when the rainfall totals we have seen have been far higher than the south of England. The record breaking high temperatures have also led to very high demands, which have accelerated the rate of reservoir drawdown.

Our analyses have been based on rainfall until the end of August, and we believe this demonstrates that the current deficiency in supplies is a direct result of the exceptional shortage of rainfall.

Our analyses show that if we had a repeat of inflows from most years from the current date (September 2022), reservoir stocks would recover, but if we had a repeat of some of the drier years in our historic record, reservoir stocks would fall to very low levels, and fail to refill in winter. Our analyses also show that the temporal pattern of rainfall we have had in 2022 has been similar to that in 1995 (We have had 66% of LTA March–July in 2022 compared to 61% for the same period in 1995). When August values are included we have had 61% March–August (51% in 1995), so although the situation is not as bad as in 1995, it is still

extremely dry. We therefore think it prudent to plan for an autumn and winter like the one that followed the hot dry summer of 1995, as both have been a result of similar prevailing meteorological conditions.

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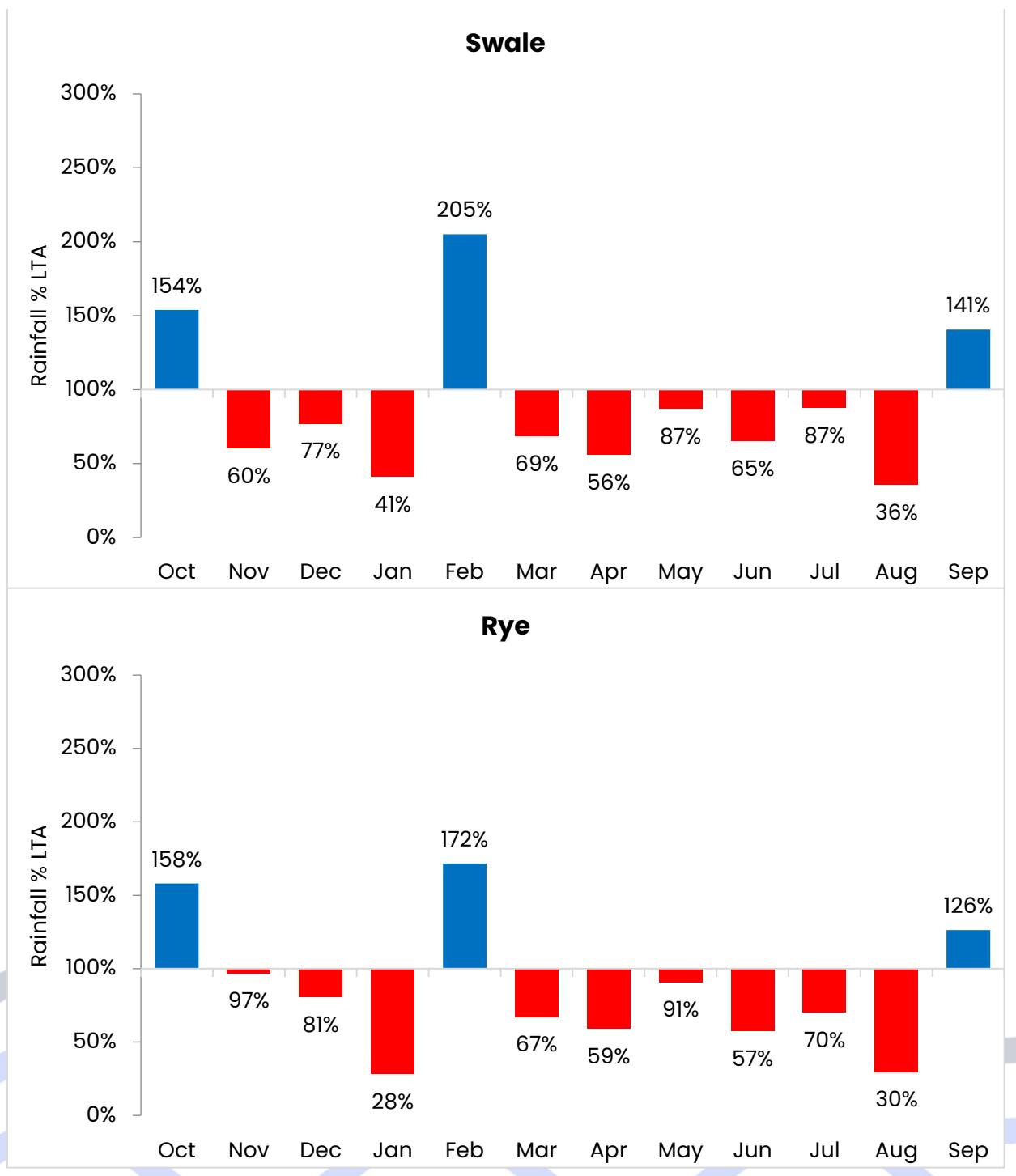
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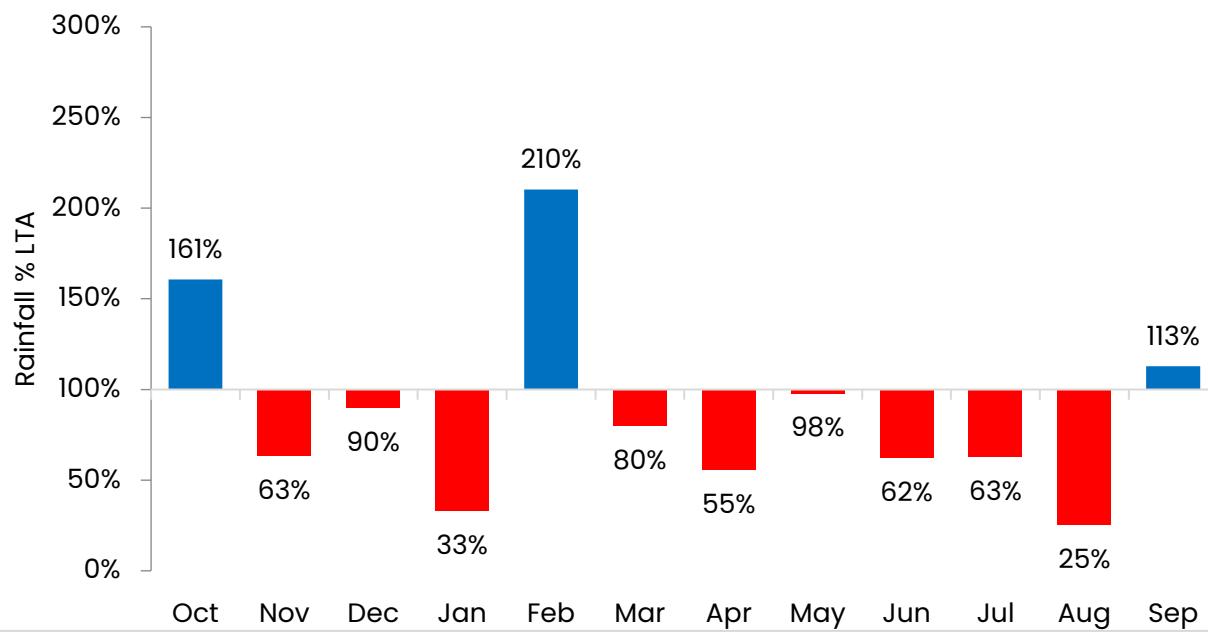


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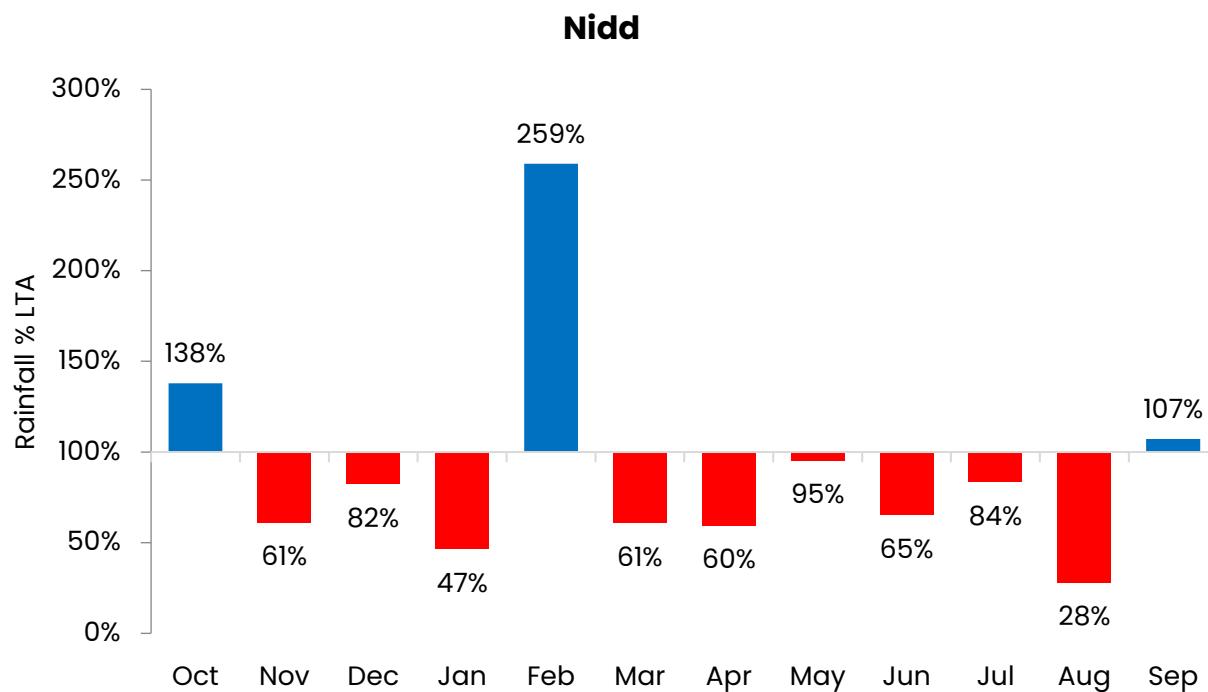
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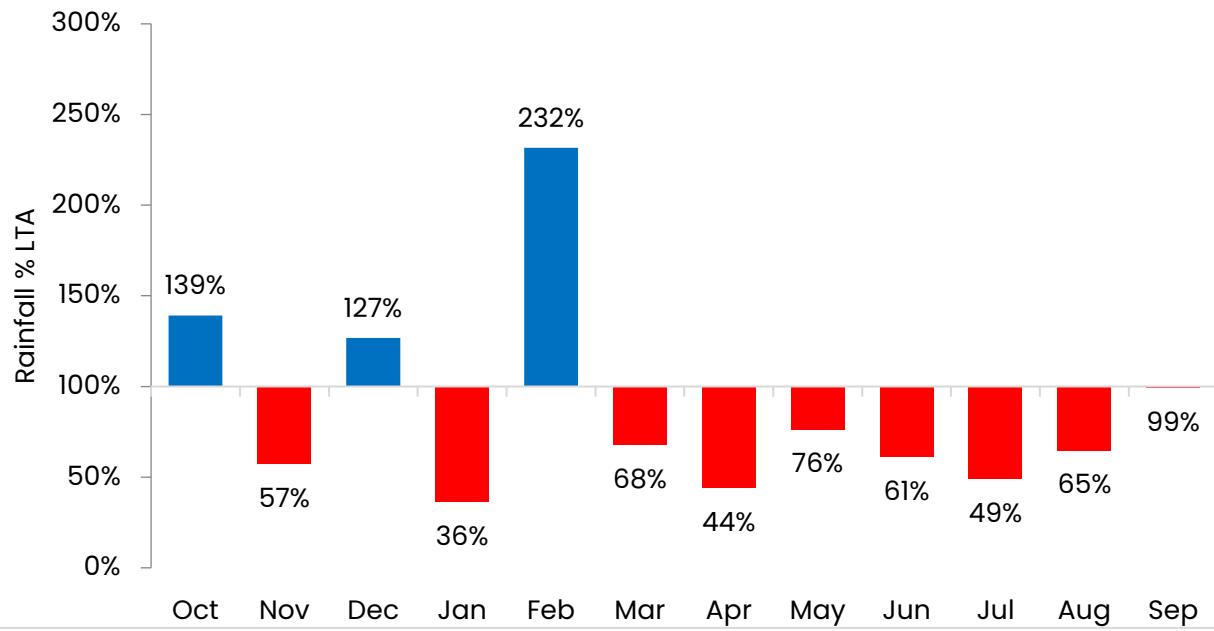
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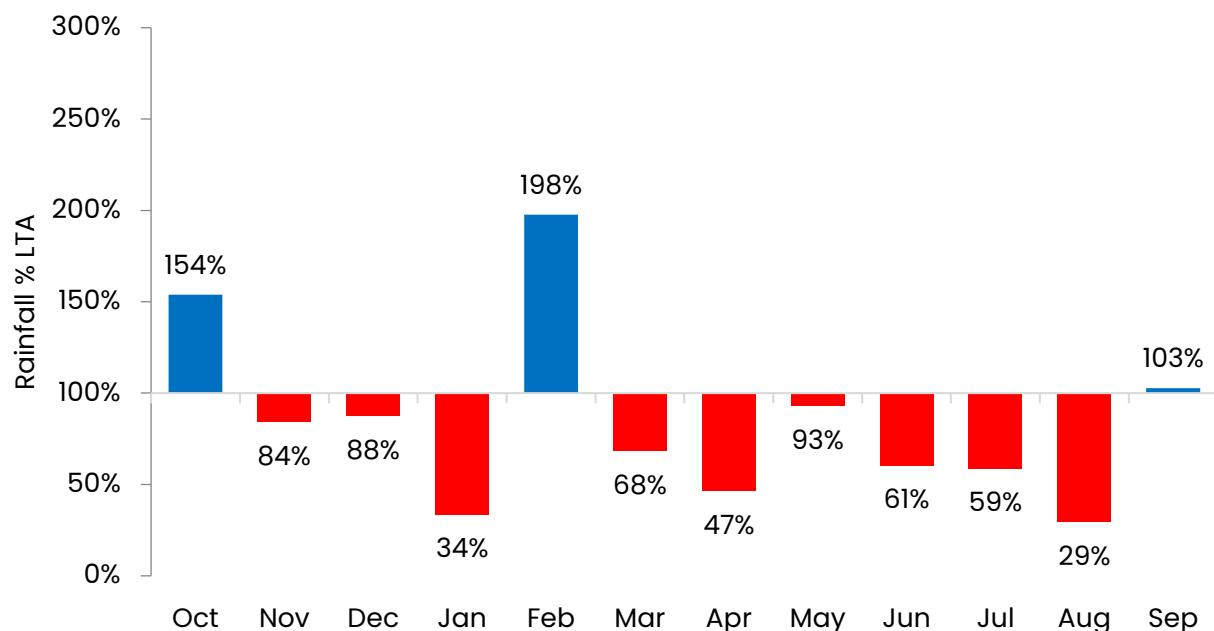
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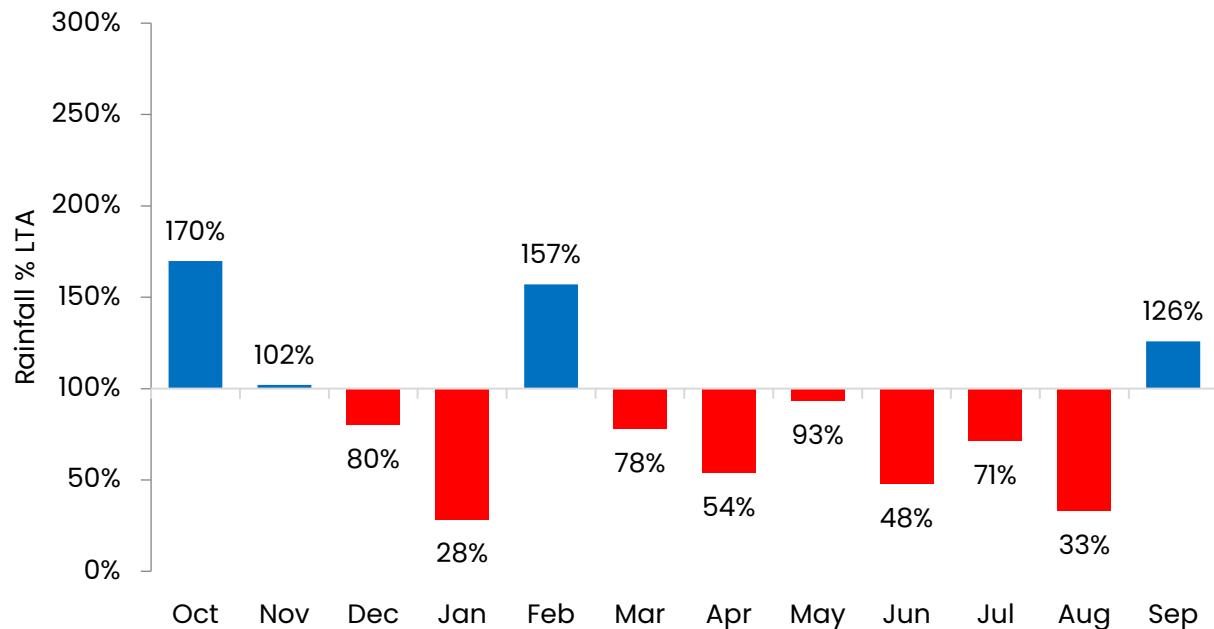
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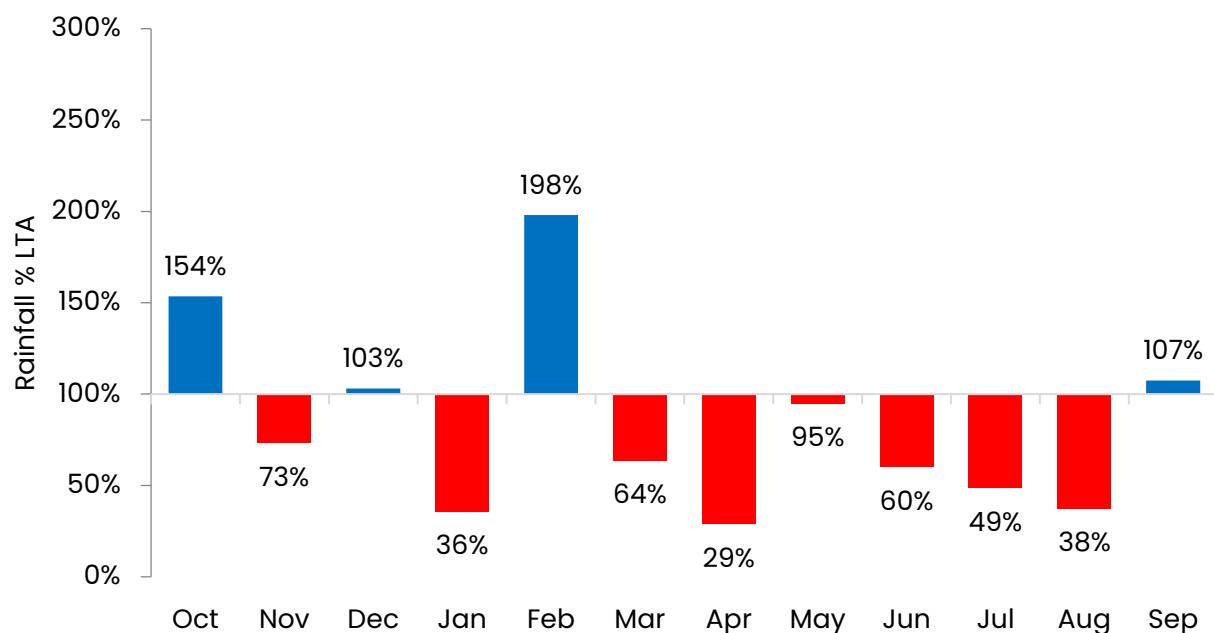
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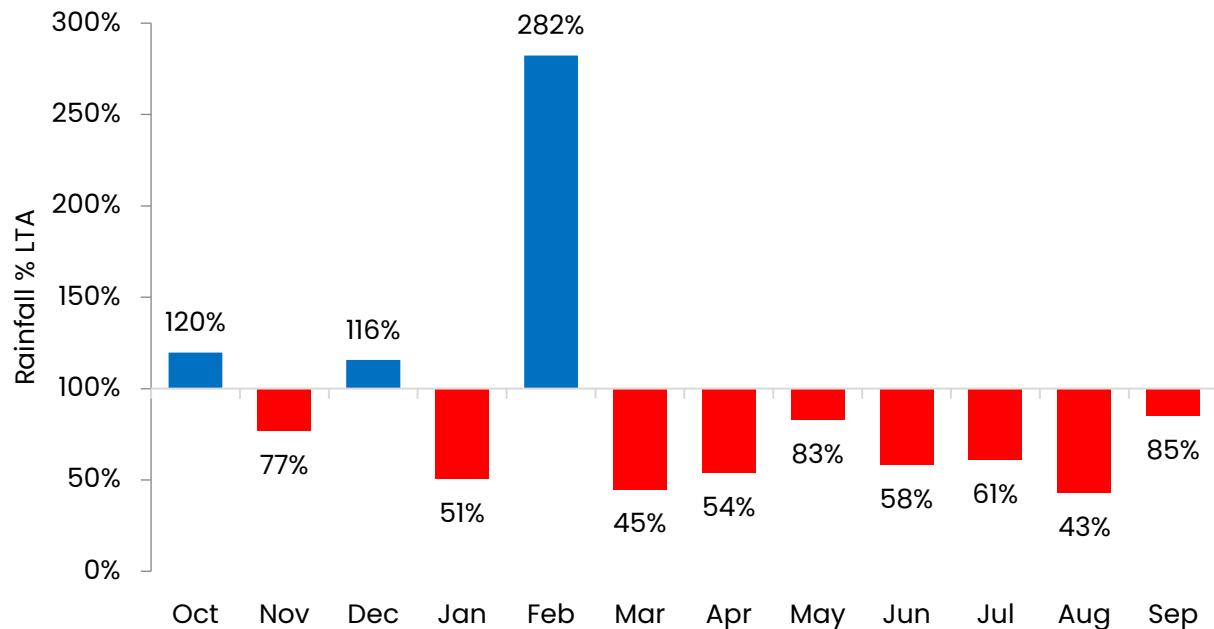
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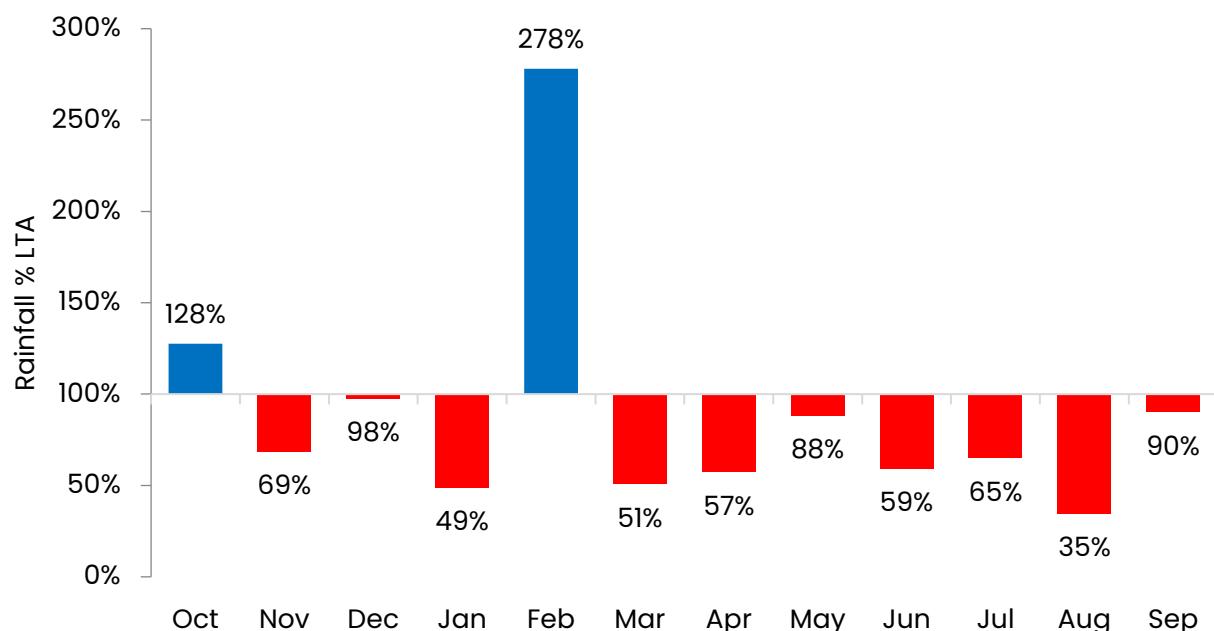
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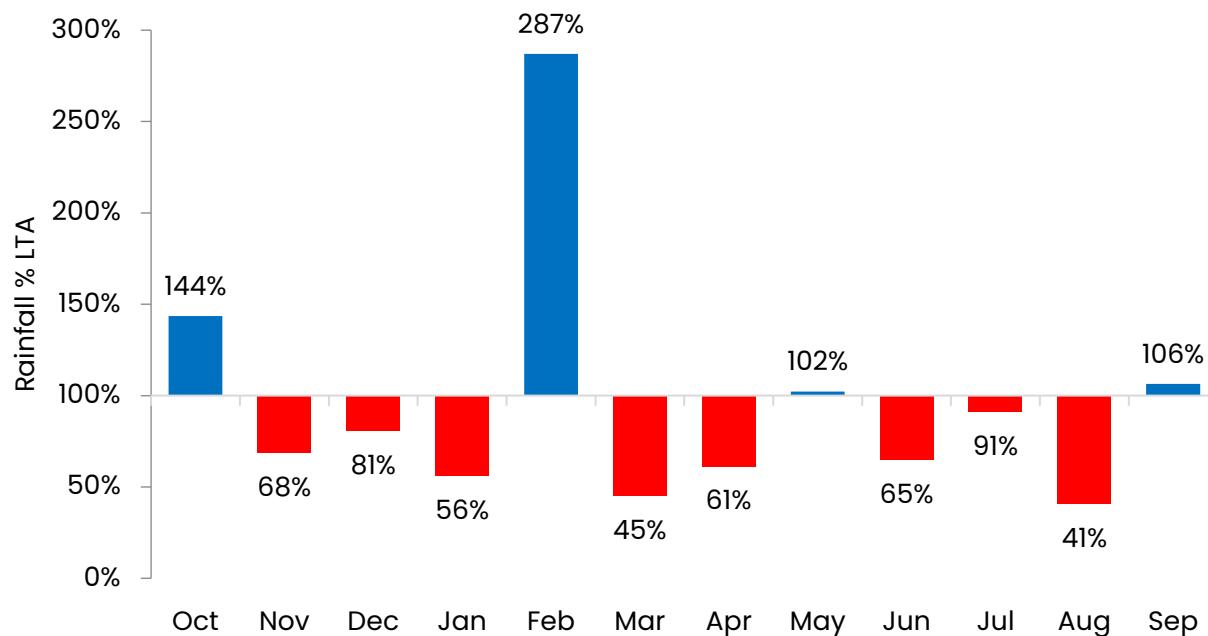
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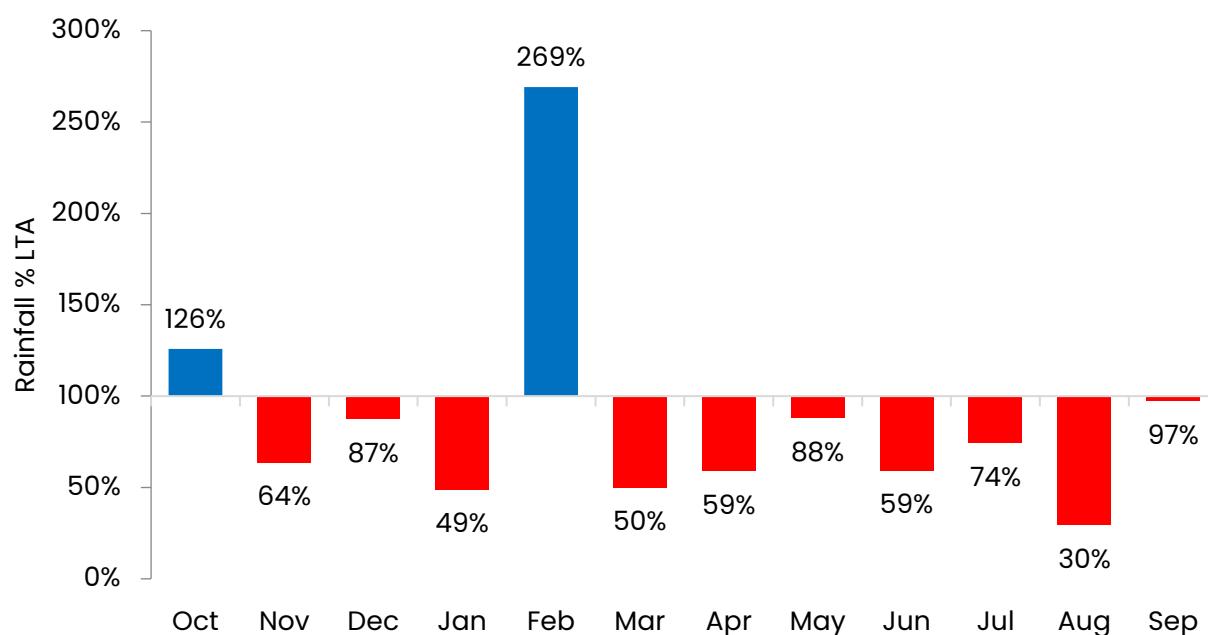
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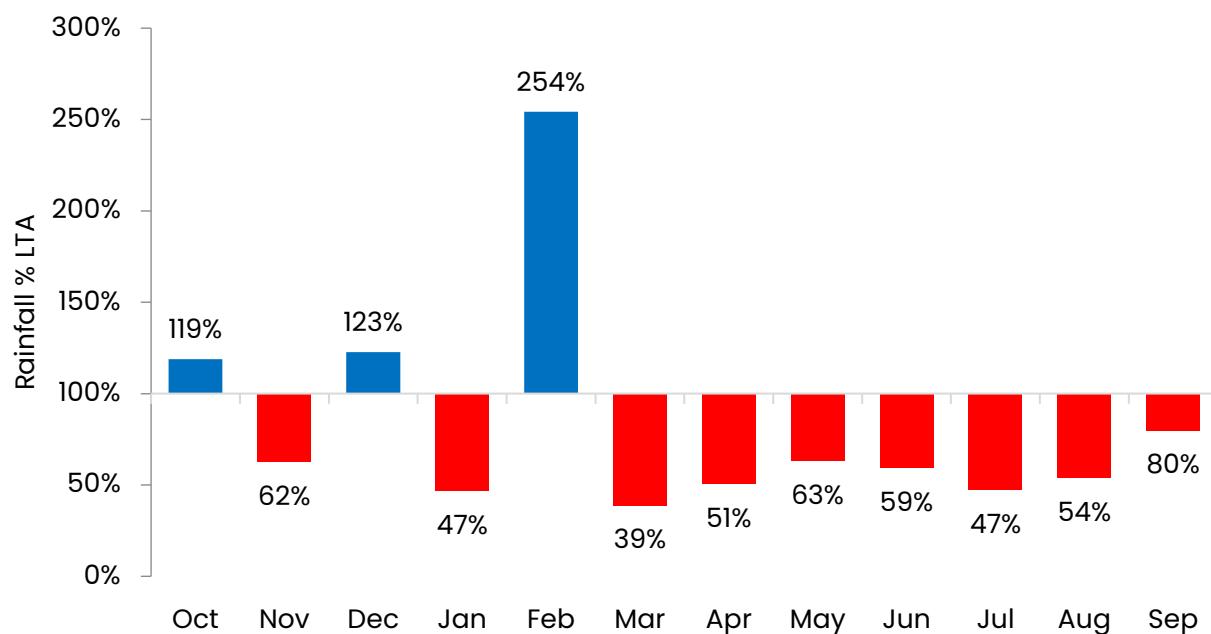
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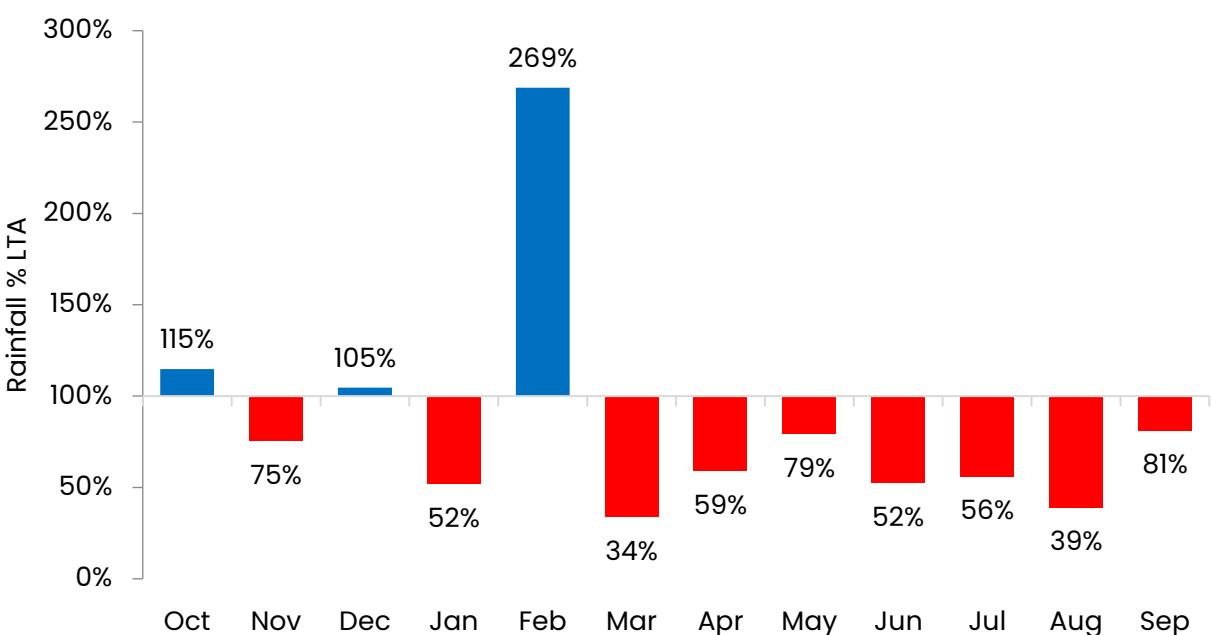
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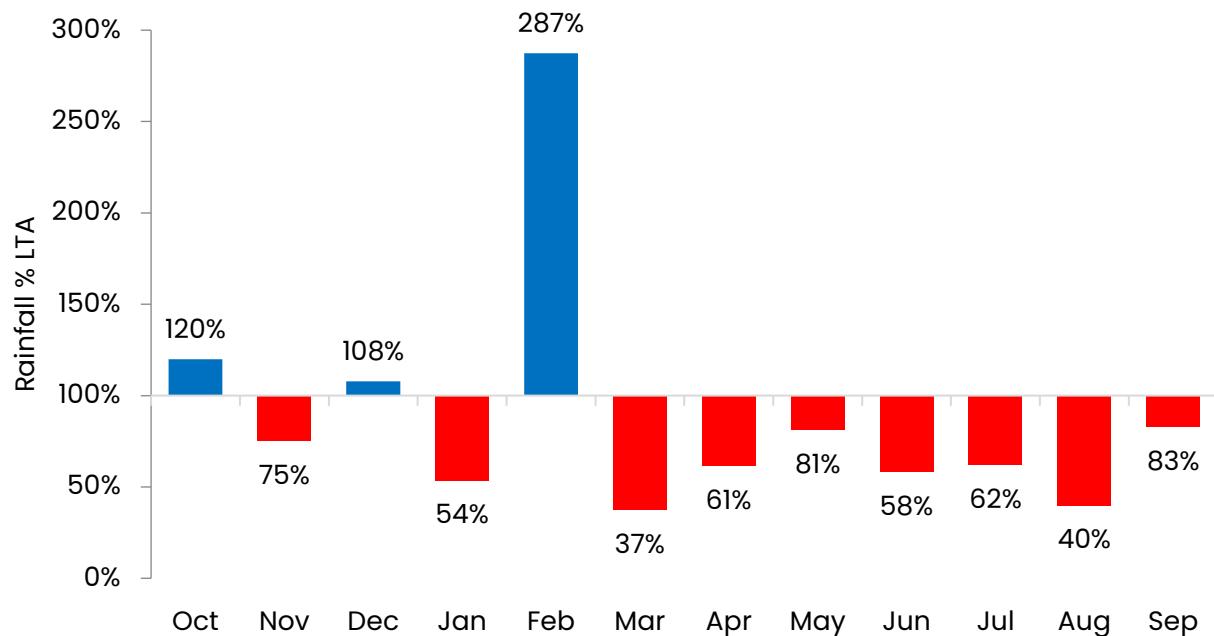
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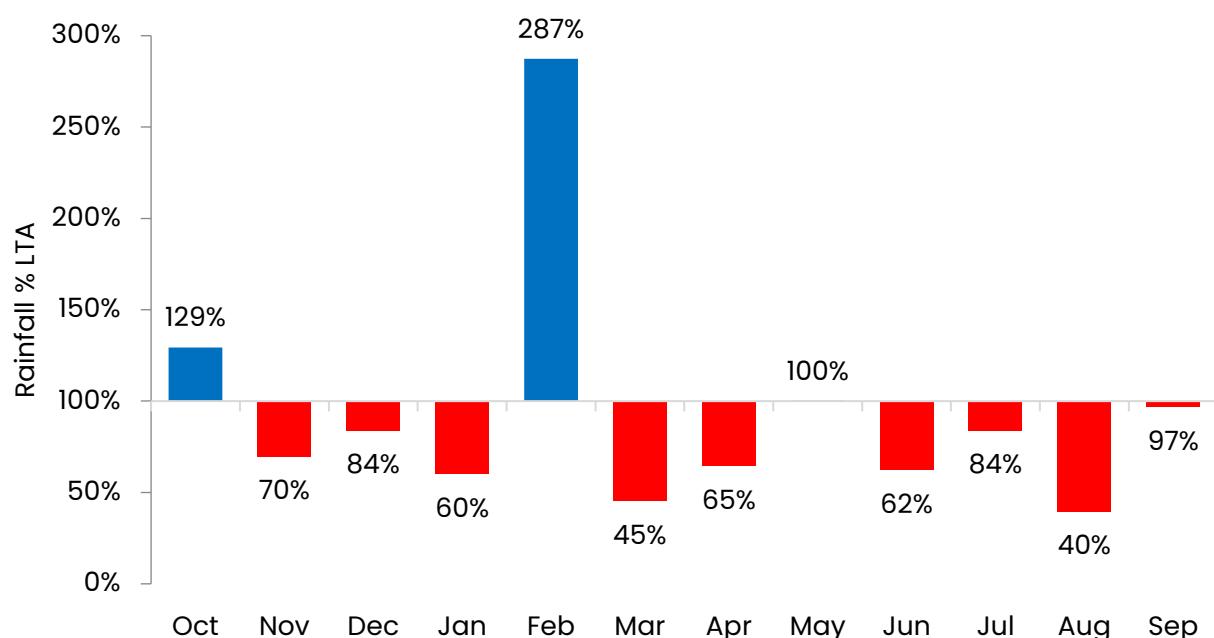
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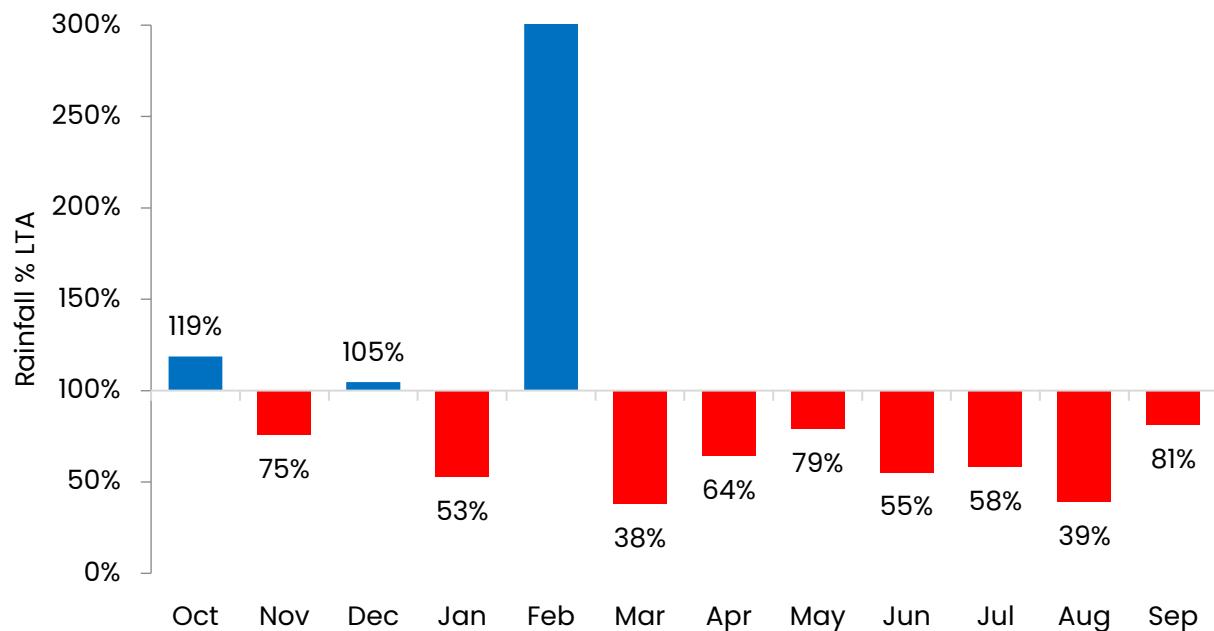
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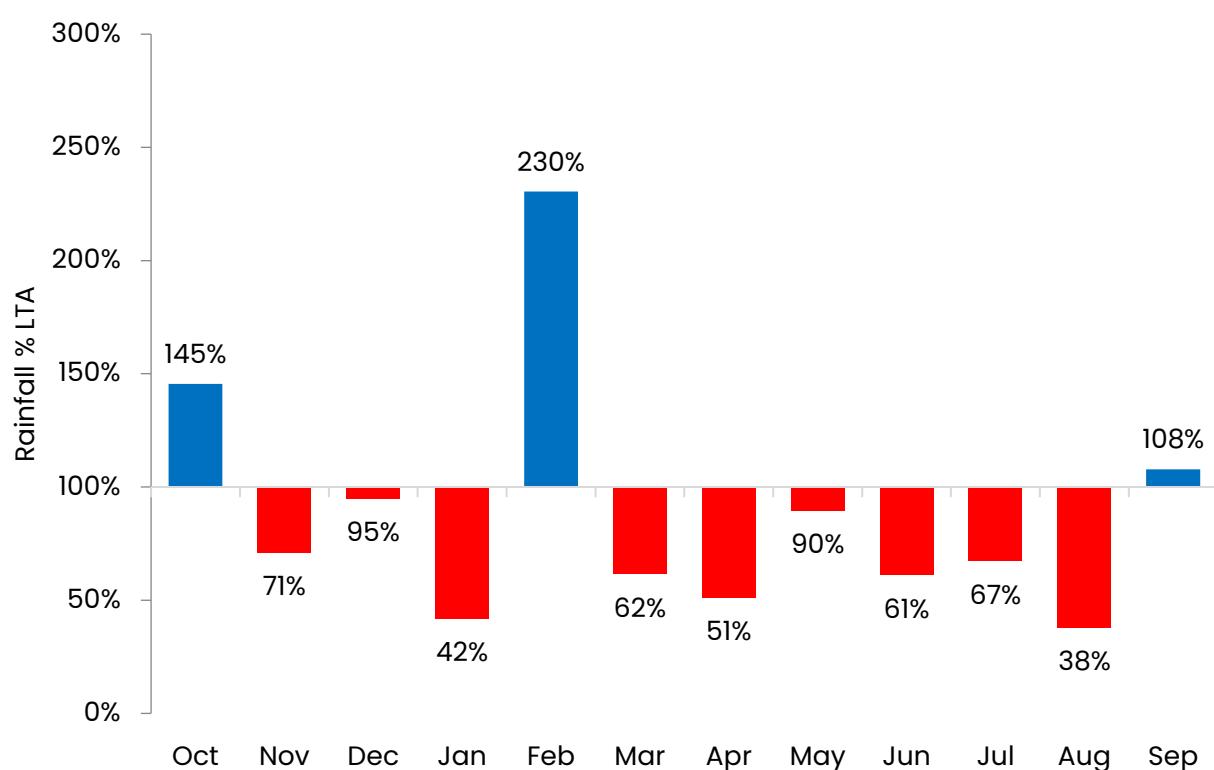
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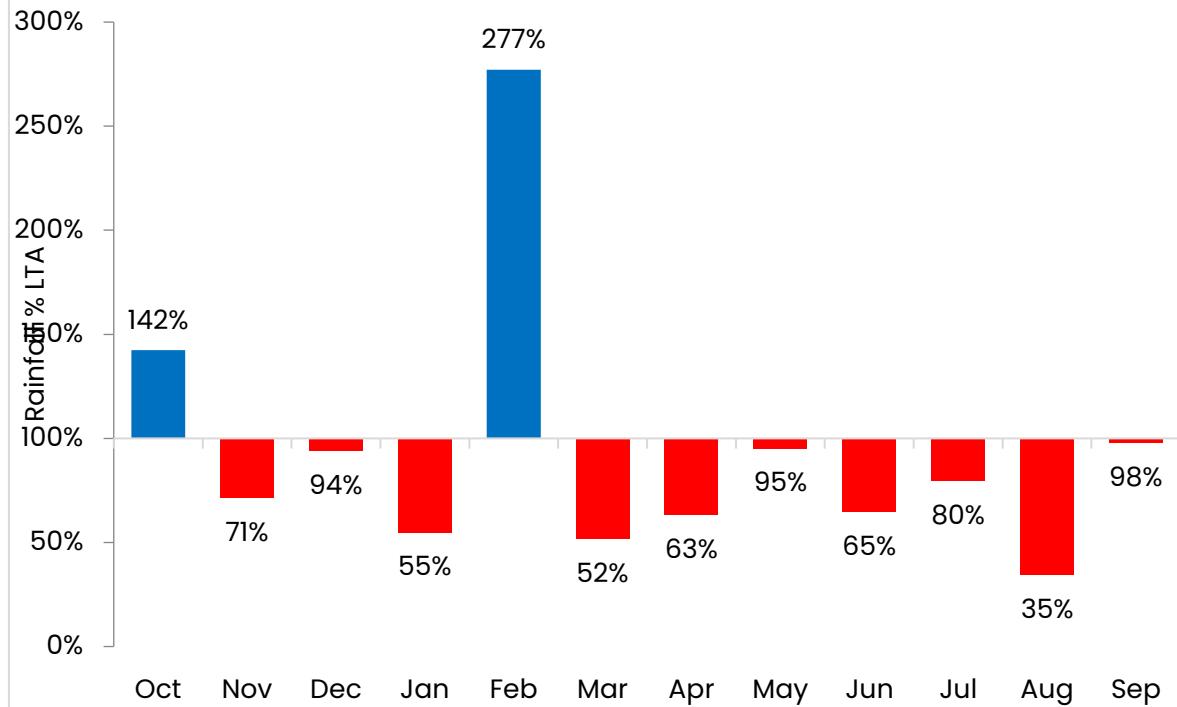
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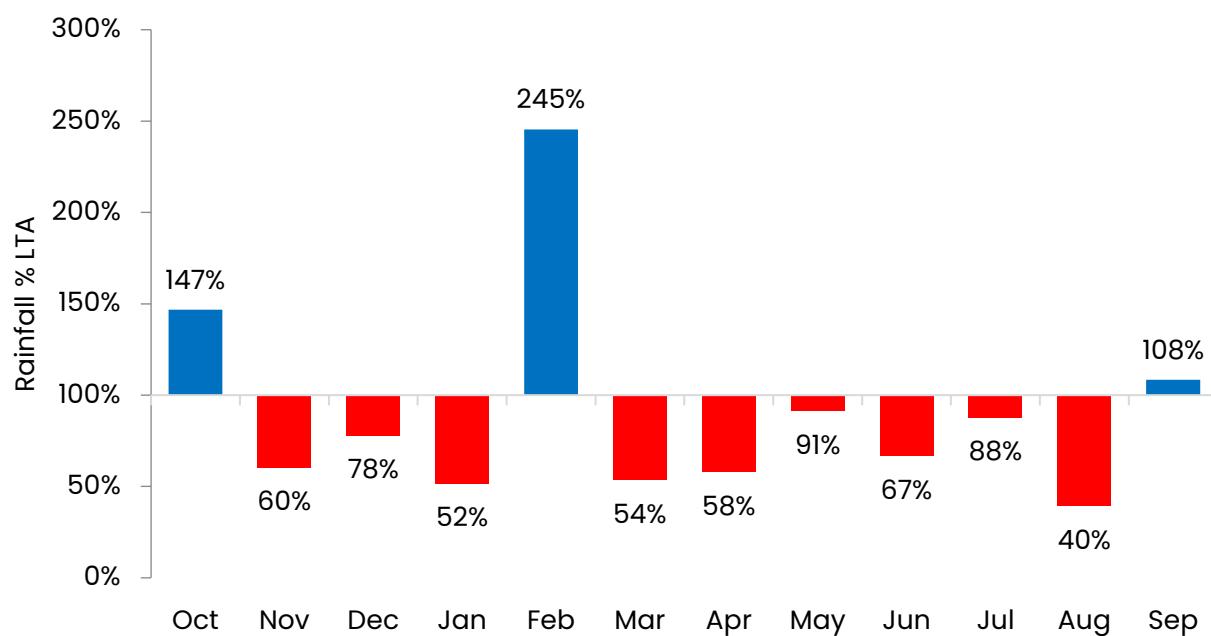
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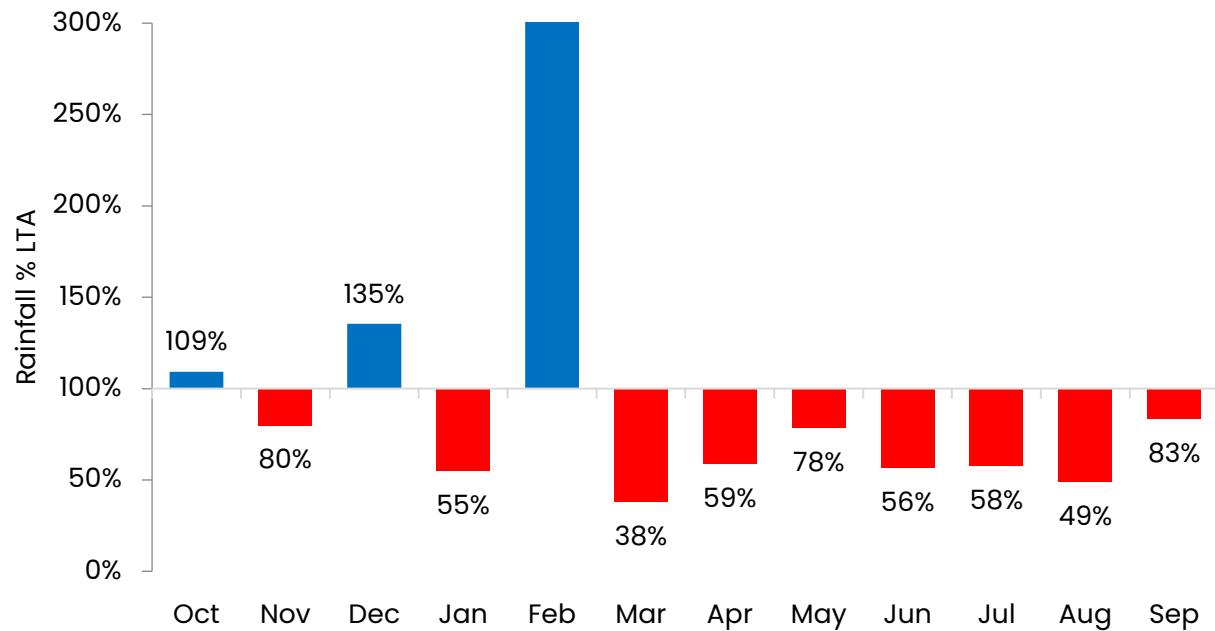
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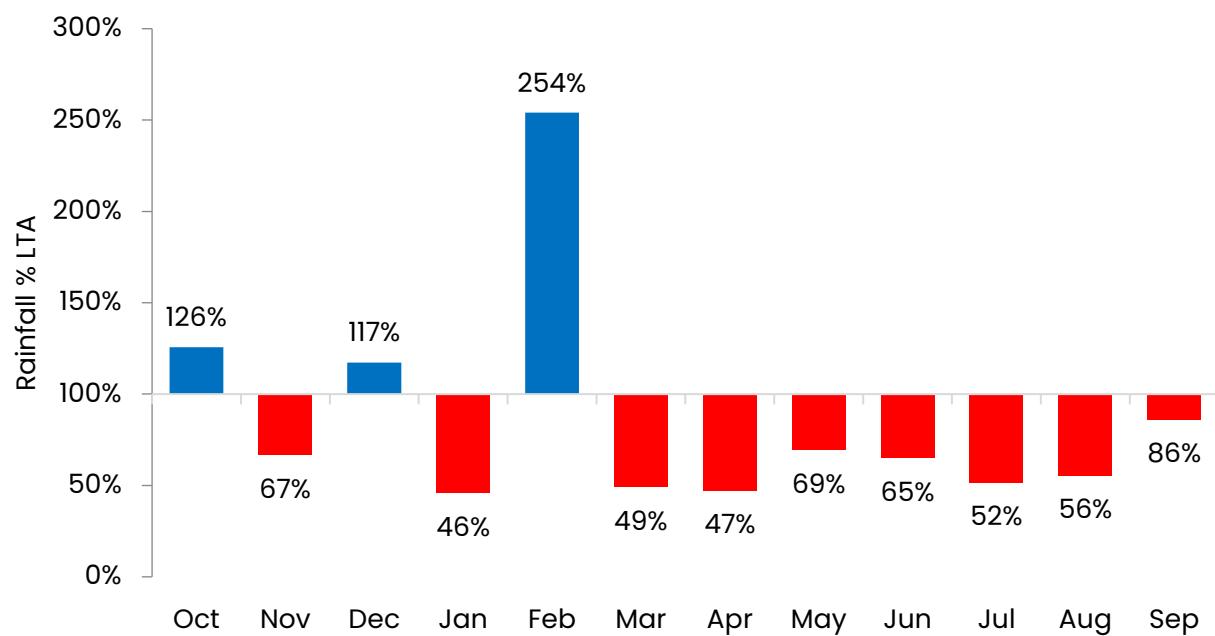
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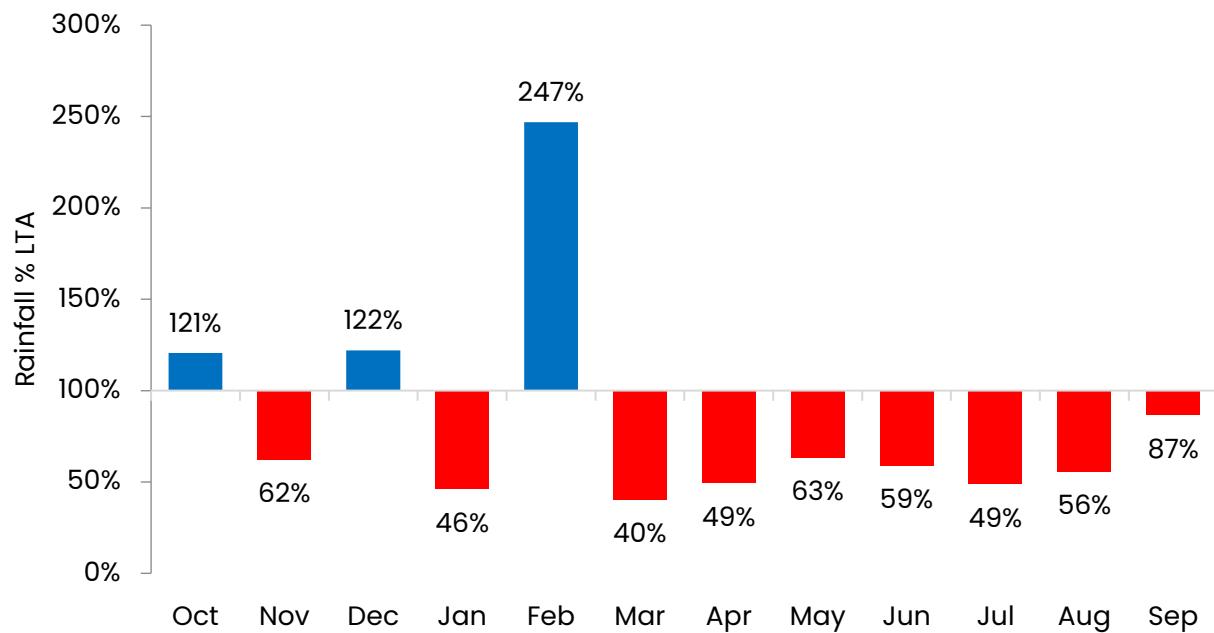
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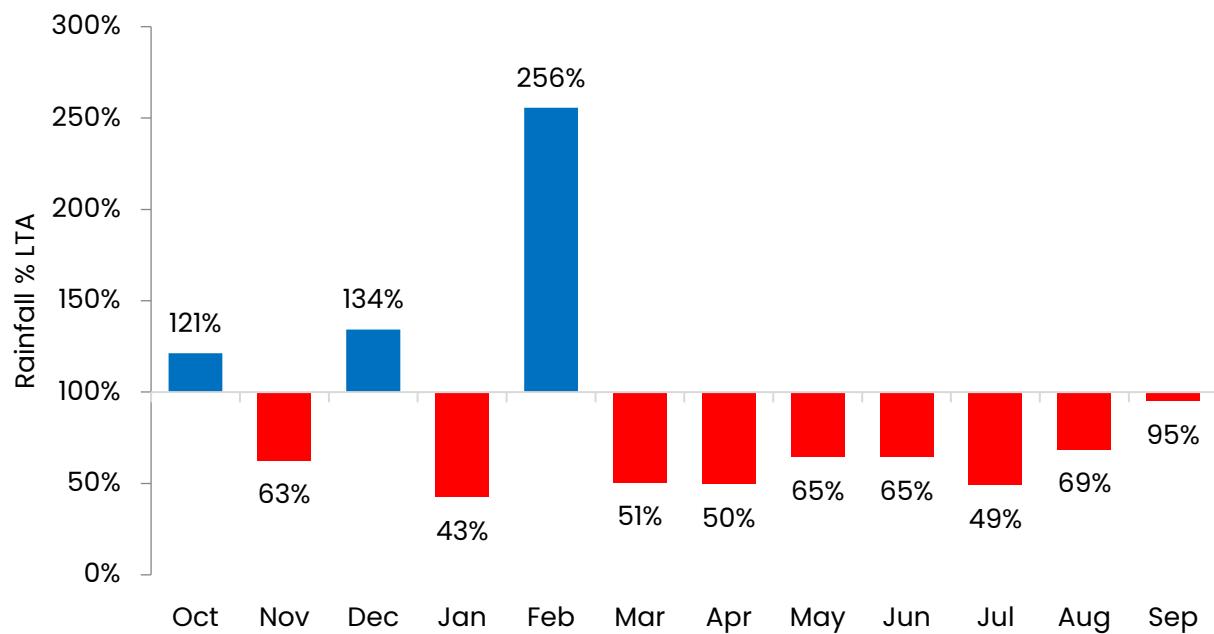
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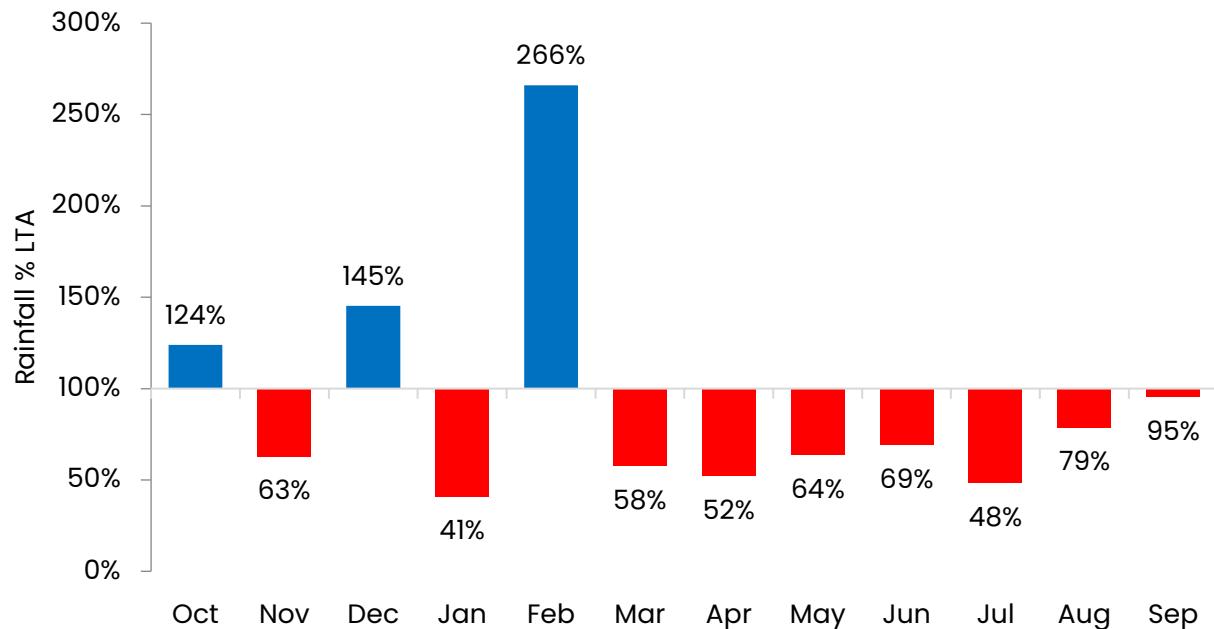
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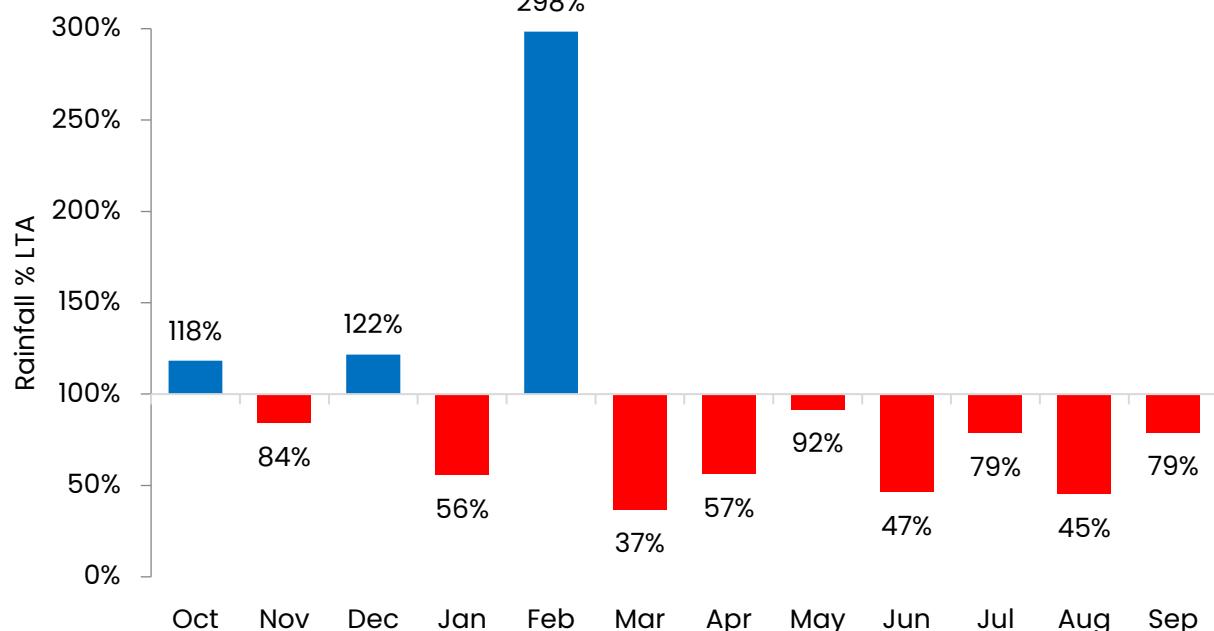
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Catchment	Cumulative rainfall as % of LTA	
	March-August	March-September
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Ure	64%	71%
Swale	65%	77%
Rye	61%	71%
Ouse	62%	70%
Nidd	64%	71%
Don	61%	66%
DerwentNE	59%	65%
Dales NSTribs	62%	72%
Hull and Humber	55%	63%
Calder	56%	61%
Aire	58%	63%
Regional	61%	68%
Nidd reservoir group	65%	71%
Washburn group	58%	65%
Walshaw group	52%	57%
Leeming/Leeshaw	55%	60%
Grimwith	63%	69%
Ponden/Lower Laithe	54%	59%
Brownhill_Digley_group	55%	60%
Don_Valley_group	56%	61%
Little_Don_Valley_group	52%	58%
Loxley_group	58%	63%
Rivelin_Redmires	62%	67%
Ryburn_us_slitheroe_bridge	58%	61%

Appendix 2a: Ranking of Rainfall Results

The following tables show the rank of the rainfall from October 2021 until September 2022 for the 131 (October–December 2021) or 132 (2022) years of data, for periods of 1 to 12 months duration.

In the tables below values have been shaded according to their category as calculated using Cunnane's plotting position, which calculates the probability of one of the ranked values being lower than expected.

The equation below shows the formula for the Cunnane plotting position, and the table shows the thresholds for the different categories.

$$\text{Cunnane plotting position} = \frac{\text{Rank} - 0.4}{n + 0.2}$$

Category	Probability of value being surpassed by lower value P(X)	Probability of occurrence
Exceptionally high	>0.95	0.05 (5%)
Notably high	0.87 – 0.95	0.08 (8%)
Above normal	0.721 – 0.869	0.15 (15%)
Normal	0.28 – 0.72	0.44 (44%)
Below normal	0.131 – 0.279	0.15 (15%)
Notably low	0.05 – 0.13	0.08 (8%)
Exceptionally low	<0.05	0.05 (5%)

		Rank of 2022 rainfall in period since 1891												
		duration												
		end month	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Wharfe		10	106	82	58	79	56	94	73	72	86	106	110	109
		11	39	68	57	44	66	41	82	60	69	77	97	101
		12	60	42	64	51	37	57	39	79	58	63	72	92
		1	21	30	15	35	28	22	37	22	60	37	45	55
		2	129	115	98	88	103	89	83	86	74	101	80	86
		3	29	124	98	87	73	82	79	63	74	63	90	71
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		5	70	42	23	105	79	77	61	68	65	53	68	57
		6	41	35	23	15	91	70	65	48	61	55	47	62
		7	36	23	26	14	7	85	54	54	41	54	49	43
Ure		8	9	12	7	9	4	4	42	28	28	17	35	29
		9	34	7	6	5	7	3	3	30	18	21	12	22
		10	102	75	44	49	35	67	44	55	75	97	99	100
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		Rank of 2022 rainfall in period since 1891											
		duration											
	end month	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Dales NSTribs	10	106	94	71	73	60	90	68	55	65	114	122	114
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Hull and Humber	10	100	98	75	82	68	95	73	59	74	100	110	90
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		duration											
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orkshire regional	10	94	74	51	74	47	87	60	60	72	97	106	95
	11	27	51	51	36	49	33	69	42	44	54	84	94
	12	57	32	54	44	32	47	32	64	41	40	49	78
	1	9	22	13	25	21	14	24	13	44	25	27	37
	2	127	90	80	63	71	61	49	62	43	75	56	54
	3	41	116	72	68	49	59	58	45	57	37	70	49
	4	27	20	91	52	56	36	45	45	33	45	33	55
	5	64	25	16	87	47	48	33	39	44	34	43	27
	6	35	29	14	12	66	30	36	25	33	33	20	35
	7	26	14	14	5	8	41	17	19	12	22	19	17
	8	10	9	5	6	4	3	19	6	11	6	9	9
	9	84	29	18	10	9	5	6	23	12	15	10	12
Nidd reservoirs	10	103	81	53	63	39	76	47	63	89	105	111	112
	11	47	74	57	39	45	25	59	29	55	70	96	104
	12	47	32	59	45	32	37	22	48	31	43	60	83
	1	23	26	18	29	23	18	18	12	34	21	28	46
	2	128	115	100	85	102	84	72	74	57	85	61	79
	3	24	124	106	82	67	79	70	54	59	43	72	49
	4	35	14	114	82	69	56	70	55	48	51	37	64
	5	75	48	23	108	84	71	56	68	57	50	54	39
	6	45	44	26	17	102	75	59	48	61	56	45	46
	7	51	40	37	21	10	96	70	57	42	63	52	38
	8	11	18	12	21	14	5	67	41	35	24	43	32
	9	89	38	39	30	28	22	13	76	50	42	33	46
Washburn	10	93	61	46	74	56	90	64	62	74	96	105	104
	11	33	51	32	31	52	37	73	47	49	56	82	89
	12	54	29	41	28	23	45	29	61	42	45	52	76
	1	16	25	14	18	16	15	25	18	39	27	26	36
	2	129	112	95	80	85	74	61	79	64	93	69	70
	3	32	124	92	82	64	68	60	50	65	53	81	56
	4	36	20	111	76	74	54	58	49	44	58	40	71
	5	66	33	18	105	76	69	47	50	48	44	56	42
	6	34	32	21	12	88	60	57	38	44	41	37	46
	7	36	19	21	9	8	74	45	46	28	33	29	25
	8	8	8	6	7	3	3	39	23	20	14	17	14
	9	81	26	17	11	15	11	6	43	28	26	17	20
Walshaw Dean	10	82	59	39	67	42	72	50	57	62	87	87	89
	11	49	65	41	32	55	37	63	42	47	52	81	79
	12	76	55	69	46	35	56	37	64	44	46	56	77
	1	18	38	29	35	25	19	32	20	42	27	31	39
	2	129	112	102	93	98	77	72	83	64	87	72	78
	3	10	122	80	80	69	76	62	50	65	49	76	56
	4	33	9	101	64	70	58	59	51	44	59	40	63
	5	53	26	10	93	59	64	54	56	46	42	57	37
	6	30	23	16	4	72	41	55	41	47	40	35	45
	7	16	10	9	6	1	48	24	35	26	36	27	19
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	9	61	20	9	6	6	3	1	25	11	20	13	16

		Rank of 2022 rainfall in period since 1891												
		duration												
	end month	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	
Feshaw/Leeming	10	87	61	42	75	51	84	62	73	82	100	101	97	
	11	49	62	46	34	64	40	70	51	56	69	91	92	
	12	76	52	64	48	36	64	44	73	54	61	73	86	
	1	20	44	29	38	28	22	41	23	54	37	41	53	
	2	129	119	107	96	103	89	83	95	82	98	87	91	
	3	14	125	94	91	82	86	73	62	82	66	89	75	
	4	38	12	117	84	81	75	73	63	53	71	58	82	
	5	59	33	12	106	78	81	66	71	57	52	70	59	
	6	32	27	19	7	93	66	71	55	63	50	43	62	
	7	24	12	11	6	3	76	43	59	48	52	41	33	
	8	8	9	4	4	4	2	42	23	30	26	35	26	
	9	65	20	13	6	9	5	3	40	27	35	28	30	
Grimwith	10	96	70	48	63	39	85	57	68	81	101	101	106	
	11	40	61	44	39	47	30	68	42	56	66	92	96	
	12	48	34	55	37	29	40	24	57	38	52	62	83	
	1	27	30	16	30	22	16	25	13	41	29	34	48	
	2	129	115	102	89	97	81	73	78	63	89	71	79	
	3	24	125	103	85	74	78	62	52	64	47	77	61	
	4	39	19	113	89	74	65	71	55	50	56	44	69	
	5	72	49	25	111	89	78	64	65	53	48	60	44	
	6	41	45	27	20	97	79	63	55	58	52	45	50	
	7	47	33	37	19	10	96	64	61	47	57	47	43	
	8	12	14	11	17	10	6	60	32	35	27	36	28	
	9	80	32	31	21	22	22	11	63	41	42	32	38	
Horden/Lower Laithes	10	86	58	43	69	44	79	59	66	76	97	101	97	
	11	54	63	43	34	59	36	70	50	53	63	89	90	
	12	73	55	67	49	36	59	36	72	50	55	67	86	
	1	20	42	27	33	24	18	35	20	47	32	37	44	
	2	129	121	105	100	103	92	86	92	79	97	86	86	
	3	13	126	98	89	79	84	74	64	78	59	86	72	
	4	40	12	116	84	78	74	75	58	51	72	53	80	
	5	56	35	13	107	77	80	66	71	58	53	71	48	
	6	30	22	20	4	94	66	68	54	59	49	45	58	
	7	20	9	8	6	1	75	43	53	39	49	40	32	
	8	8	8	4	3	3	2	39	20	30	24	32	21	
	9	64	20	11	6	5	3	2	34	24	32	24	27	
Brownhill Digley	10	74	70	53	84	60	86	66	80	81	105	103	98	
	11	61	56	57	49	73	48	76	56	70	77	99	98	
	12	102	78	81	80	65	82	62	90	69	80	80	102	
	1	19	63	48	56	56	46	61	44	69	49	66	68	
	2	129	118	120	115	110	106	100	108	95	108	96	105	
	3	15	126	98	107	98	97	92	83	95	83	99	84	
	4	34	8	115	85	92	87	89	84	75	85	77	94	
	5	54	29	9	105	75	89	78	86	80	69	82	74	
	6	30	22	14	6	92	60	81	72	74	71	61	75	
	7	21	10	5	5	2	75	51	69	59	59	57	55	
	8	12	7	6	4	4	1	44	28	54	48	48	43	
	9	65	27	14	10	6	4	2	47	28	45	44	43	

		Rank of 2022 rainfall in period since 1891												
		duration												
		end month	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
on Valley Group	10	90	79	52	83	59	92	72	76	80	107	108	97	
	11	45	56	55	40	61	40	76	55	59	69	93	97	
	12	87	62	62	67	56	69	50	85	63	71	72	95	
	1	15	45	27	38	42	33	45	31	63	48	52	56	
	2	128	104	100	86	92	89	75	87	77	95	78	85	
	3	26	121	87	88	74	78	82	68	80	65	92	73	
	4	22	10	102	69	74	62	65	67	53	66	54	81	
	5	35	15	8	89	64	70	51	54	57	53	63	51	
	6	41	25	11	6	78	48	58	44	49	54	44	56	
	7	17	12	7	4	3	60	27	42	33	36	40	30	
LDV supply and comp	8	21	7	8	7	4	2	37	20	29	23	30	31	
	9	71	29	16	13	9	5	4	37	20	30	23	28	
Loxley Group	10	84	71	47	74	46	86	59	69	69	102	104	94	
	11	36	47	46	28	50	31	67	40	51	54	90	93	
	12	96	62	66	62	47	66	44	77	55	64	63	96	
	1	14	47	29	39	37	23	41	24	54	39	45	45	
	2	128	104	104	90	94	87	74	85	73	91	73	85	
	3	18	118	83	89	74	77	76	63	71	56	81	63	
	4	26	7	98	65	74	62	58	60	49	60	47	74	
	5	33	14	6	85	53	65	51	54	54	43	55	42	
	6	33	13	6	5	69	35	55	40	41	43	34	45	
	7	10	9	4	3	1	39	18	36	26	29	29	20	
	8	25	8	6	3	3	1	26	16	23	16	23	25	
	9	72	33	16	13	7	3	3	27	18	29	18	24	

		Rank of 2022 rainfall in period since 1891											
		duration											
	end month	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Rivelin Redmires	10	82	70	42	62	41	79	50	60	67	90	99	92
	11	35	46	44	25	43	25	62	31	44	50	80	87
	12	111	78	77	68	49	67	46	79	56	62	64	90
	1	10	59	36	43	46	25	39	22	63	35	43	47
	2	128	112	116	102	101	101	86	92	78	98	80	87
	3	37	126	91	106	89	96	90	75	83	67	88	73
	4	28	20	113	76	91	78	85	81	69	74	59	82
	5	35	20	16	97	68	83	67	74	71	58	68	52
	6	49	22	10	10	88	54	74	59	63	64	50	61
	7	14	17	7	8	8	61	33	57	44	43	47	37
Ryburn Slithero Bridge	8	45	19	14	11	7	6	48	23	51	38	37	41
	9	76	52	22	28	18	12	11	51	33	47	37	39
	10	84	74	61	88	60	85	63	80	87	107	100	96
	11	63	70	62	60	81	60	81	62	73	82	99	98
	12	96	75	84	79	71	87	66	87	70	77	83	102
	1	20	53	50	59	55	51	67	46	72	56	68	71
	2	129	120	115	105	107	104	96	109	89	105	96	98
	3	13	125	96	95	91	95	87	83	93	81	96	83
	4	33	7	110	83	83	77	82	77	72	83	74	92
Wetherby	5	65	34	14	105	78	90	75	79	77	71	79	71
	6	22	21	14	4	84	56	73	62	69	65	60	70
	7	38	13	13	7	2	75	46	65	56	65	56	56
	8	9	13	6	8	4	3	35	23	38	35	42	39
	9	60	21	17	9	7	4	4	37	25	43	35	35



Appendix 2b: Driest period on record

														driest	
														duration	
Wharfe	10	1972	1972	1972	1972	1995	1995	1995	1995	1959	1929	1929	1959		
	11	1945	1956	1915	1937	1995	1995	1995	1995	1995	1921	1955	1964		
	12	1933	1945	1995	1904	1995	1995	1995	1995	1995	1995	1995	1975		
	1	1997	1964	1893	1963	1905	1996	1996	1996	1996	1996	1996	1996		
	2	1921	1963	1964	1934	1963	1963	1934	1996	1996	1996	1996	1996		
	3	1944	1993	1929	1929	1953	1963	1949	1996	1996	1996	1996	1996		
	4	1980	1938	1929	1929	1893	1996	1938	1938	1996	1996	1996	1996		
	5	1970	2020	1929	1929	1929	1929	1953	1963	1905	1996	1996	1996		
	6	1925	1940	2010	1929	1929	1929	1929	1929	1996	1929	1996	1996		
	7	1984	1925	1921	1984	1984	1921	1929	1929	1929	1996	1905	1996		
Ure	8	1995	1995	1995	1995	1995	1995	1984	1929	1929	1976	1976	1976		
	9	1959	1959	1959	1959	1959	1995	1995	1959	1929	1929	1959	1959		
	10	1969	1915	1972	1972	1995	1959	1995	1915	1959	1929	1929	1959		
	11	1945	1922	1915	1915	1955	1995	1995	1995	1915	1921	1964	1964		
	12	1933	1945	1975	1904	1995	1995	1995	1995	1995	1995	1975	1975		
	1	1997	1964	1893	1963	1905	1905	1996	1996	1996	1996	1996	1976		
	2	1921	1964	1964	1963	1963	1905	1934	1905	1905	1996	1996	1996		
	3	1929	1929	1929	1929	1953	1963	1905	1973	1996	1996	1996	1996		
	4	1980	1938	1929	1929	1929	1929	1976	1929	1996	1996	1996	1996		
	5	1989	2020	1929	1929	1929	1929	1929	1963	1905	1996	1996	1996		
SwaleNE	6	1925	1940	1921	1929	1929	1929	1929	1929	1996	1905	1996	1996		
	7	1911	1925	1905	1984	1984	1921	1929	1929	1929	1905	1905	1905		
	8	1995	1995	1995	1995	1995	1995	1929	1929	1929	1976	1976	1976		
	9	1910	1959	1959	1959	1959	1995	1990	1959	1929	1929	1959	1959		
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	11	1945	1964	1964	1964	1955	1964	1989	1995	1990	1921	1964	1964		
	12	1905	1945	1975	1971	1947	1947	1995	1989	1995	1995	1921	1964		
	1	1997	1964	1893	1905	1905	1973	1905	1905	1996	1996	1996	1976		
	2	1921	1896	1964	1909	1905	1905	1973	1973	1905	1992	1996	1996		
	3	1929	1929	1929	1929	1953	1973	1973	1973	1973	1973	1996	1996		
Rye	4	1912	1938	1938	1929	1929	1893	1976	1973	1973	1973	1996	1976		
	5	1989	2020	2020	1929	1929	1929	1929	1929	1905	1973	1973	1905		
	6	1925	1940	1915	1915	1921	1929	1929	1929	1949	1905	1973	1973		
	7	1911	2006	1905	1984	1984	1921	1929	1929	1929	1905	1905	1905		
	8	1947	1995	1995	1995	1995	1959	1959	1959	1929	1976	1976	1976		
	9	1910	1959	1959	1959	1959	1959	1959	1959	1929	1959	1959	1959		
	10	1962	1964	1959	1972	1959	1959	1964	1996	1959	1959	1964	1959		
	11	1964	1964	1964	1964	1964	1964	1964	1964	1964	1964	1964	1964		
	12	1905	2004	1964	1964	1964	1964	1964	1964	1964	1964	1964	1964		
	1	1997	1989	1989	1909	1965	1973	1965	1965	1965	1965	1992	1965		
	2	1985	1896	1899	1949	1949	1949	1973	1973	1965	1965	1965	1992		
	3	1953	1943	1973	1973	2012	1973	1973	1973	1973	1973	1965	1965		
	4	1912	2011	1938	1997	2011	1949	1949	1949	1973	1973	1973	1914	1965	
	5	1992	2020	2020	1929	1896	1896	1989	1989	1949	1973	1973	1914		
	6	1925	1960	1960	1960	1921	1949	1929	1949	1949	1949	1973	1973		
	7	1935	1976	1921	1984	1921	1921	1921	1989	1921	1949	1949	1921		
	8	1947	1976	1976	1995	1995	1976	1976	1976	1976	1976	1976	1976		
	9	1898	1959	1959	1959	1959	1991	1959	1959	1959	1989	1989	1949		

		driest												
		duration												
	end month	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	
Ouse	10	1972	1972	1959	1959	1959	1959	1991	1959	1959	1959	1959	1959	
	11	1909	1978	1964	1947	1964	1964	1991	1991	1990	1959	1959	1964	
	12	1905	2004	1964	1964	1964	1964	1991	1991	1991	1991	1991	1991	
	1	1997	1989	2005	1909	1905	1992	1992	1992	1992	1992	1992	1992	
	2	1985	1896	1964	1909	1909	1965	1965	1992	1992	1992	1992	1992	
	3	1929	1993	1973	1973	1949	1973	1973	1973	1973	1992	1992	1992	
	4	2011	1938	1938	1997	2015	1893	1973	1973	1973	1914	1992		
	5	2020	2020	2020	1929	1896	1929	1893	1957	1905	1973	1973	1914	
	6	1925	1960	1960	1960	1929	1929	1929	1921	1949	1949	1921	1992	
	7	1935	1976	1921	1995	1921	1921	1921	1921	1921	1921	1921	1921	
	8	1995	1995	1976	1995	1995	1995	1976	1976	1976	1976	1976	1976	
	9	1959	1959	1959	1959	1959	1991	1959	1959	1929	1959	1959	1959	
Nidd	10	1969	1972	1972	1972	1995	1959	1995	1995	1959	1929	1929	1929	
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	12	1933	1945	1975	1904	1937	1995	1995	1995	1995	1975	1975	1975	
	1	1997	1964	1893	1963	1905	1996	1996	1996	1996	1996	1996	1996	
	2	1921	1896	1934	1934	1963	1905	1934	1934	1996	1996	1996	1996	
	3	1944	1929	1929	1929	1953	1949	1949	1973	1996	1996	1996	1996	
	4	1938	1938	1938	1929	1929	1929	1976	1938	1938	1996	1996	1996	
	5	1970	2020	1990	1929	1929	1929	1963	1905	1938	1914	1996		
	6	1925	1970	1995	1929	1929	1929	1929	1949	1929	1973	1996		
	7	1911	1925	1995	1995	1921	1921	1929	1929	1905	1905	1905	1905	
	8	1995	1995	1995	1995	1995	1929	1929	1929	1976	1976	1976	1976	
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Don	10	1978	1904	1947	1947	1995	1959	1995	1995	1959	1929	1929	1959	
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	12	1933	1945	1904	1904	1975	1995	1995	1995	1995	1995	1975	1975	
	1	1997	1964	1989	1905	1905	1909	1996	1996	1996	1996	1996	1996	
	2	1959	1964	1964	1934	1905	1905	1909	1992	1905	1996	1996	1996	
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	7	1911	1921	1921	1921	1921	1921	1929	1929	1921	1921	1921	1921	
	8	1995	1995	1976	1995	1995	1976	1976	1929	1929	1976	1976	1976	
	9	1959	1959	1959	1959	1959	1990	1990	1959	1929	1929	1959	1959	
DerwentNE	10	1962	1972	1959	1972	1959	1959	1991	1991	1959	1959	1989	1989	
	11	1958	1978	1964	1947	1964	1964	1964	1964	1991	1964	1989	1989	
	12	1905	2004	1964	1964	1947	1964	1964	1964	1964	1991	1964	1964	
	1	1997	1989	1989	1905	1905	1973	1973	1914	1992	1992	1992	1992	
	2	1985	1896	1989	1949	1949	1949	1973	1973	1914	1992	1992	1992	
	3	1929	1943	1973	1973	1949	1949	1973	1973	1973	1973	1973	1973	
	4	2011	2011	1938	1997	2015	1949	1949	1949	1973	1973	1914	1973	
	5	1991	2020	2011	1929	1896	1896	1989	1949	1905	1973	1973	1914	
	6	1925	1970	1960	1960	1921	1921	1929	1949	1949	1949	1949	1973	
	7	1935	1976	1921	1984	1921	1921	1921	1929	1921	1921	1921	1921	
	8	1995	1976	1976	1995	1995	1976	1976	1976	1976	1989	1976	1976	
	9	1959	1959	1913	1913	1959	1991	1991	1959	1989	1989	1949	1949	



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		duration												
	end month	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	
Dales NSTrib	10	1969	1904	1947	1972	1996	1959	1964	1996	1959	1964	1989	1949	
	11	1920	1964	1964	1964	1964	1964	1964	1964	1964	1964	1964	1964	
	12	1905	1932	1964	1964	1947	1964	1964	1964	1964	1964	1964	1964	
	1	1905	1989	1949	1949	1949	1973	1973	1965	1965	1965	1992	1965	
	2	1985	1949	1989	1949	1949	1949	1973	1973	1905	1965	1992	2012	
	3	1938	1943	1973	1973	2012	1949	2012	1973	1973	1973	1973	1973	
	4	1912	1938	1938	1997	2015	1949	1949	1949	1973	1973	1914	1914	
	5	1992	2020	2020	1929	1896	1989	1949	1949	1949	1973	1973	1914	
	6	1976	1970	1960	1960	1921	1949	1949	1949	1949	1949	1949	1949	
	7	1935	1976	1905	2010	1976	1921	1905	1905	1949	1949	1949	1905	
	8	1995	1976	1976	1995	1995	1976	1976	1976	1949	1976	1949	1949	
	9	1898	1959	1991	2022	1959	1991	1991	1959	1949	1989	1949	1949	
Hull and Humber	10	1962	1977	1947	1947	1959	1959	1959	1959	1959	1929	1959		
	11	1958	1978	1964	1947	1947	1947	1947	1947	1991	1959	1959	1989	
	12	1905	2004	1964	1964	1947	1947	1913	1991	1991	1921	1964		
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	3	1929	1943	1973	1973	1949	1949	1973	1973	1973	1973	1973	1992	
	4	2011	2011	1938	1997	1929	1949	1949	1949	1973	1973	1914	1914	
	5	1991	2020	2020	1929	1929	1929	1949	1949	1949	1973	1973	1914	
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Walshaw Dean	10	1947	1915	1947	1995	1995	1995	1995	1995	1959	1959	1929	1959
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	8	1947	1995	1995	1995	1995	2022	1976	1976	1929	1959	1996	1996
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		duration											
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Grimwith	10	1922	1904	1947	1947	1995	1995	1995	1995	1921	1929	1929	1959
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Hinden/Lower Leithe	10	1947	1904	1947	1995	1995	1995	1995	1995	1959	1955	1929	1959
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LDV supply and comp	8	1947	1955	1976	2018	1995	2011	1976	1929	1929	1934	1996	1976		
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Loxley Group	6	1925	1970	2010	2011	1929	1929	1929	1934	1996	1949	1996	1996		
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WYR Group	4	2007	2011	1929	1929	1929	1893	1996	1954	1996	1996	1996	1996		
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	8	1995	1976	1976	2018	1995	2011	1976	1929	1929	1959	1996	1976		
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	11	1945	1995	1904	2003	1955	1995	1995	1995	2011	1921	2003	2011		
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		duration												
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Ryburn Slithero Bridge	10	1972	1915	2003	1947	1995	1995	1995	1901	1901	1929	1959		
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Appendix 2c: Last Year drier than 2021/22 for durations 1-12 months

The table below shows the last year drier than 2021/22. Cells are highlighted if the last year drier than this year was before 1996. Cells are blank and highlighted if this year is the driest on record.



		driest SINCE (OR LAST YEAR DRIER THAN...)												
		duration												
		end month	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
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	4	2021	2011	2021	2019	2019	2019	2019	2019	2019	2019	2019	2019	2019
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	6	2021	2018	2018	2011	2021	2019	2018	2018	2018	2019	2017	2017	2019
	7	2006	2018	2018	2018	1995	2018	2018	2018	2018	2018	2018	2017	2017
Ure	8	2003	1995	1995	2018	1995	1995	2018	2018	2013	2011	2005	2018	2010
	9	2015	1989	1991	1995	1995	1995	1995	2018	2013	2013	2010	1996	1996
	10	2018	2018	2018	2018	2018	2018	2018	2018	2018	2018	2018	2018	2018
	11	2004	2018	2018	2007	2018	2003	2018	2018	2018	2018	2018	2018	2018
	12	2017	2017	2017	2016	2007	2016	2003	2018	2016	2016	2018	2018	2018
	1	2019	2017	1996	2019	2017	2017	1997	2019	2019	2017	2019	2019	2019
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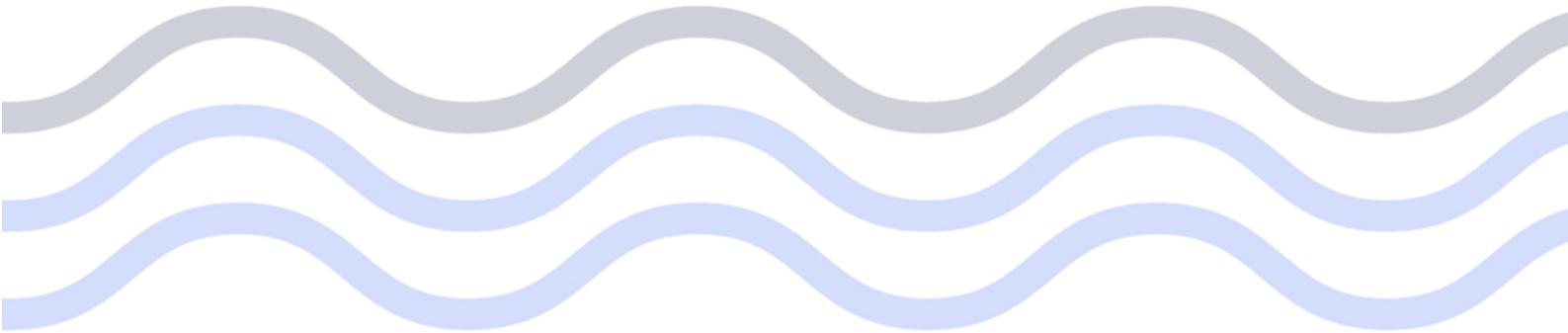
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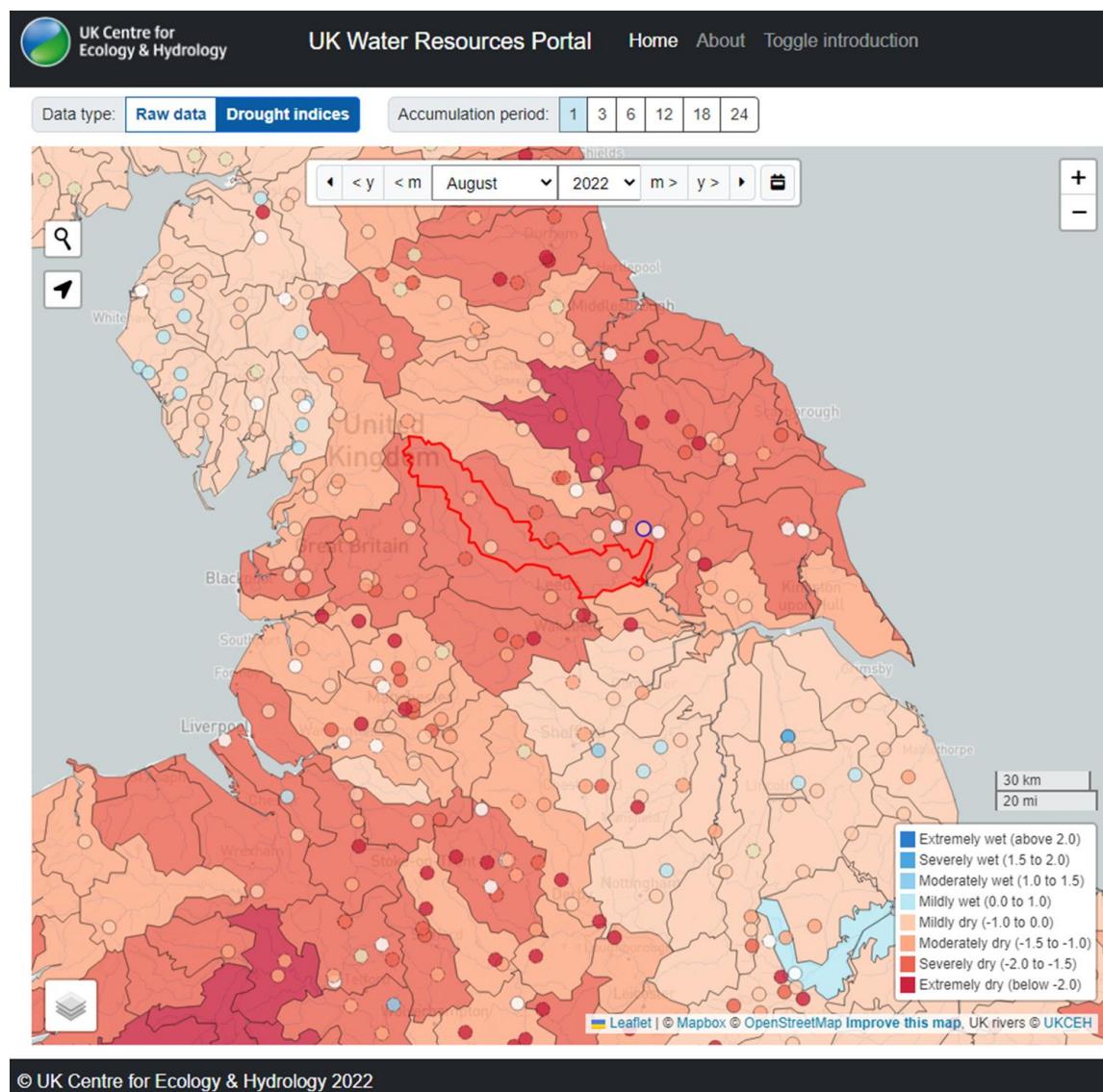
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		duration											
	end month	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Rivelin Redmires	10	2018	2020	2018	2018	2018	2018	2018	2018	2018	2018	2018	2018
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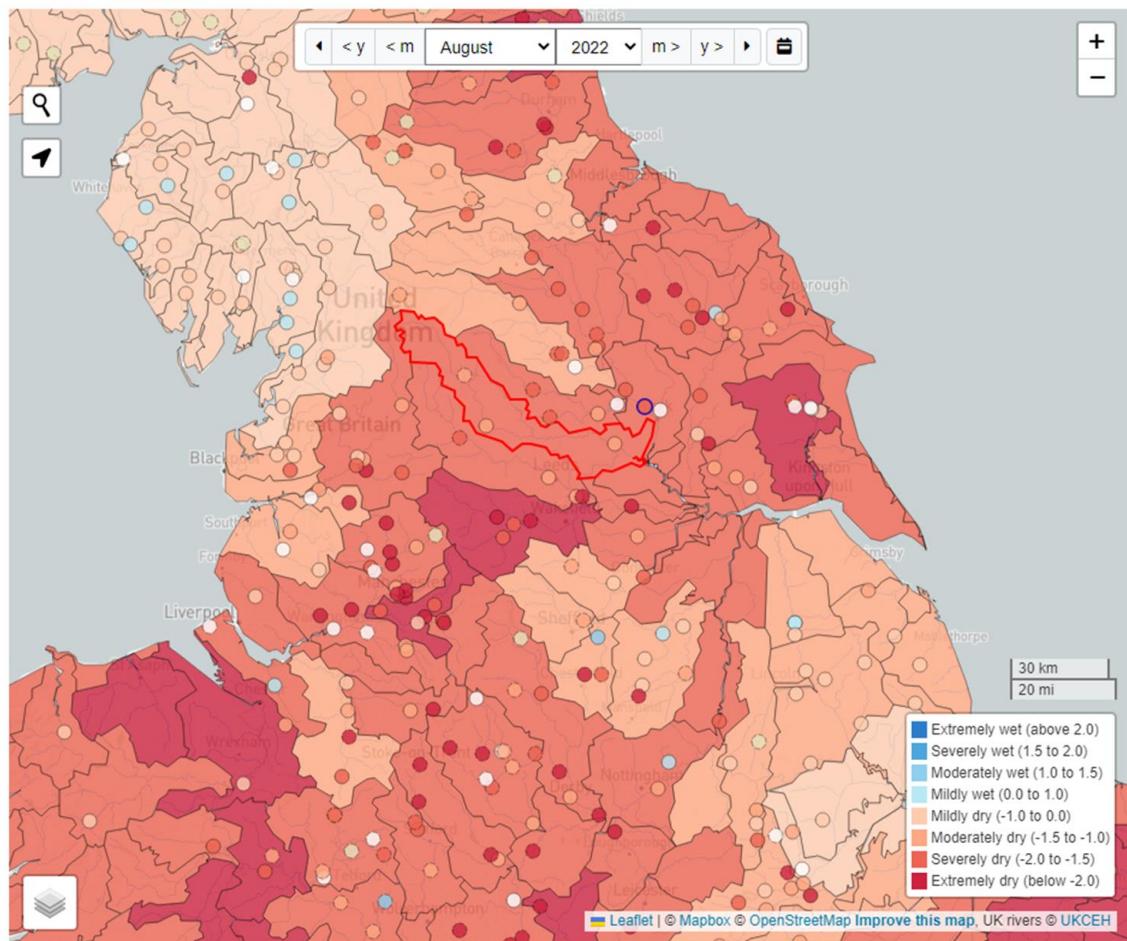


Appendix 3: SPI graphs and maps from CEH Water Resources portal



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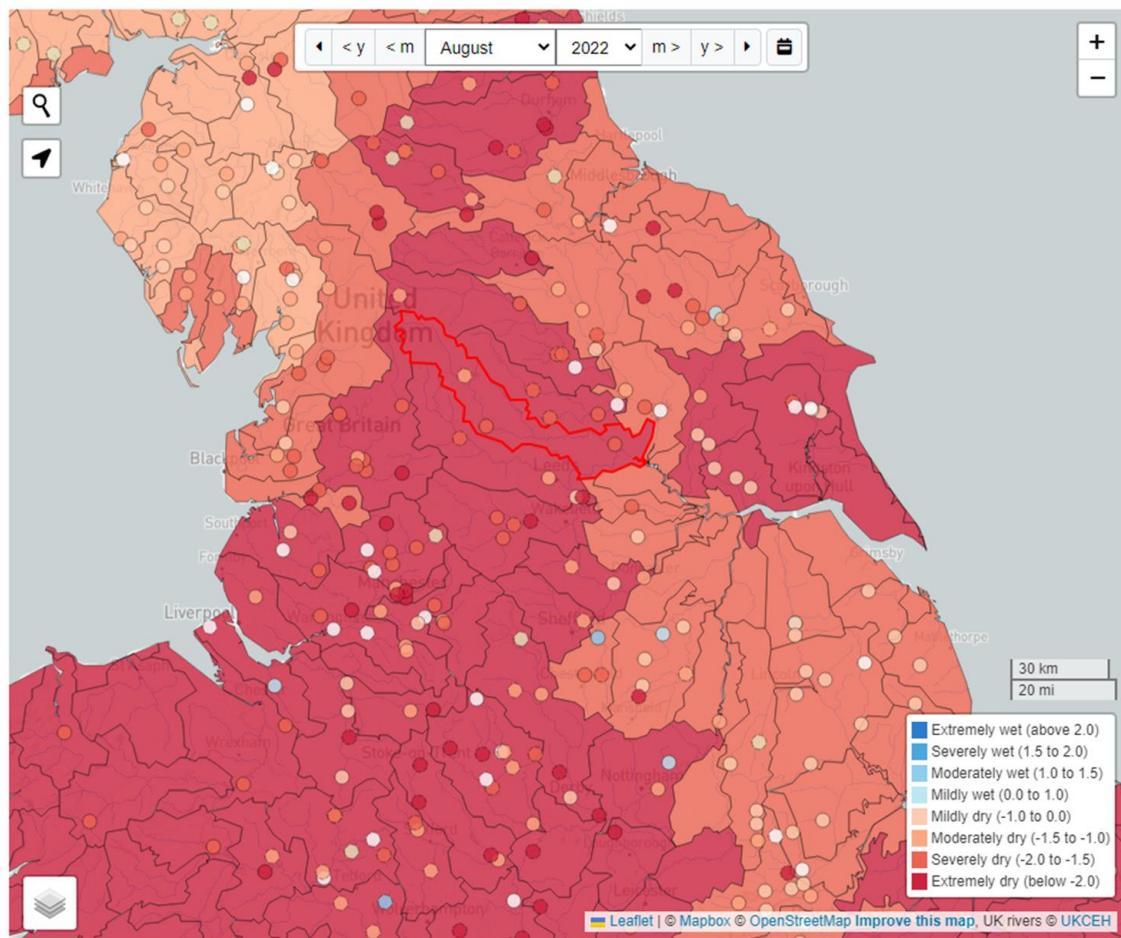
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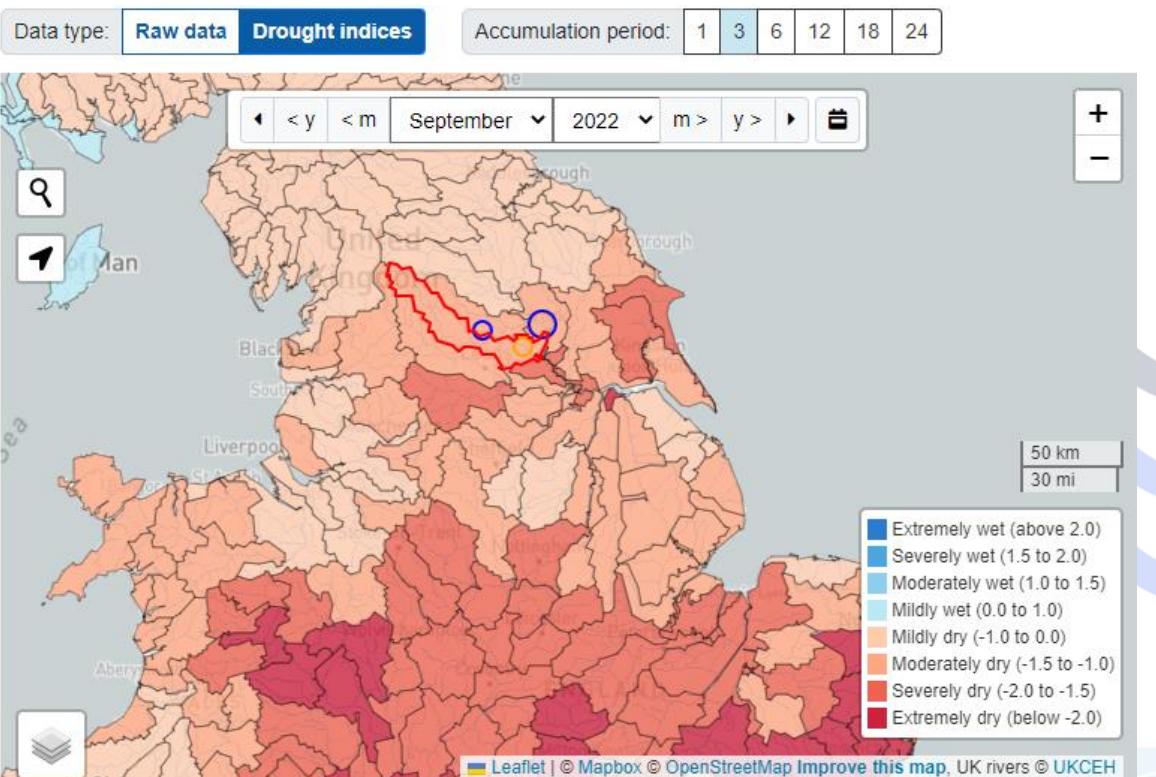
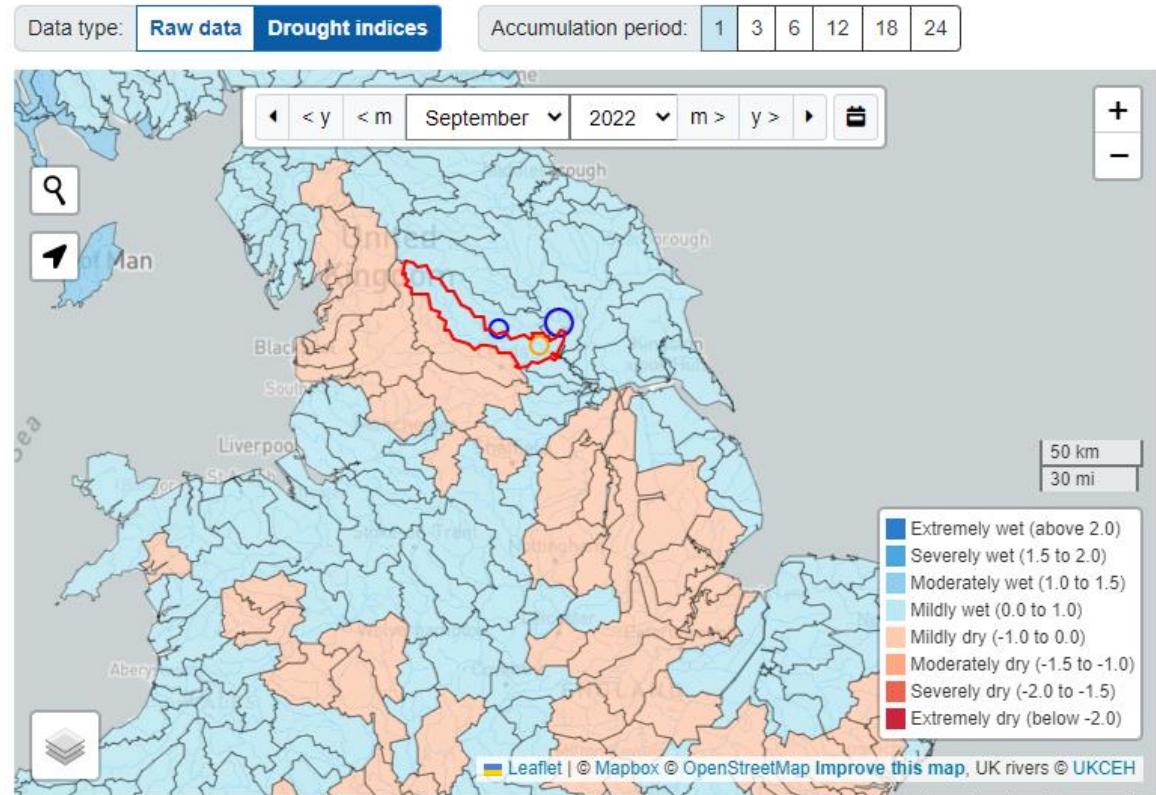
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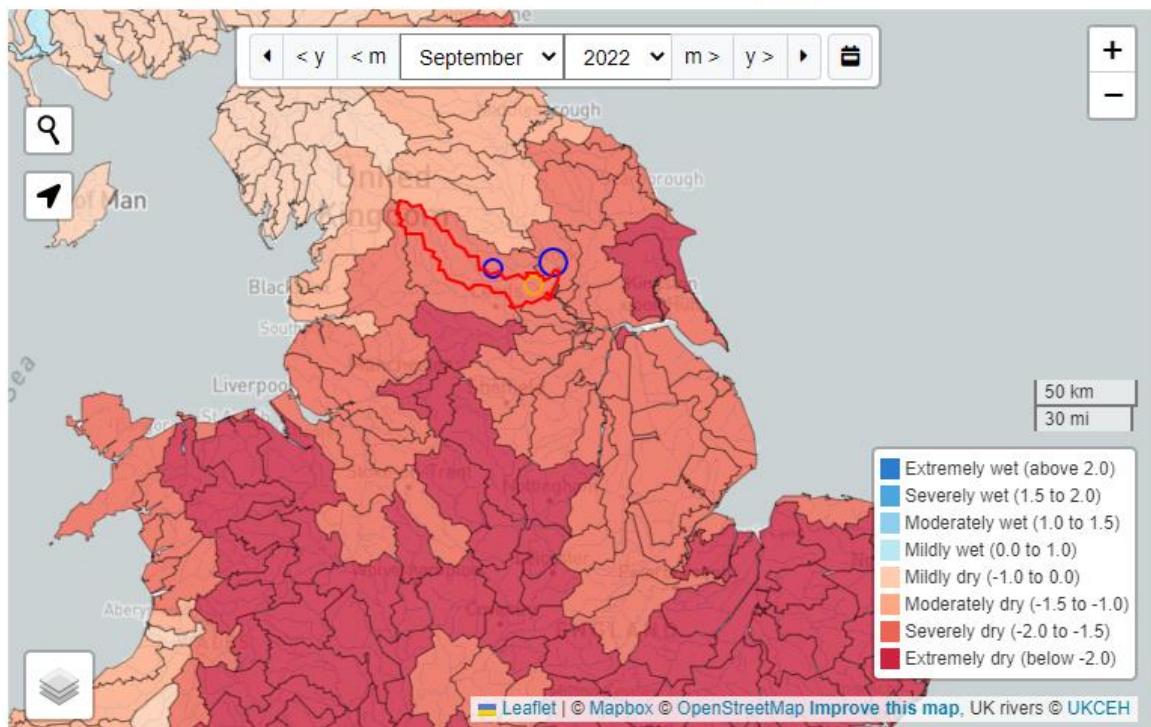
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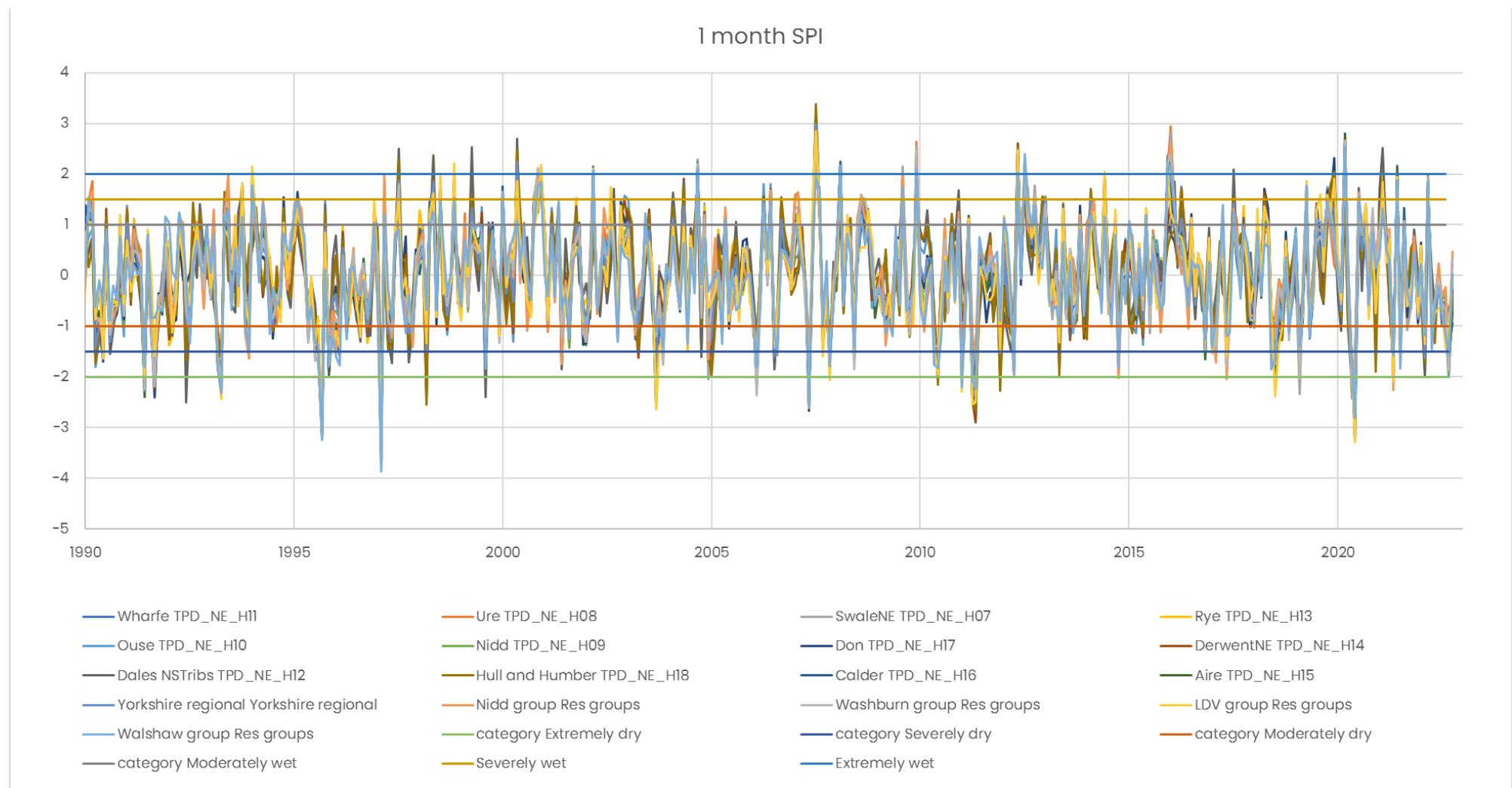


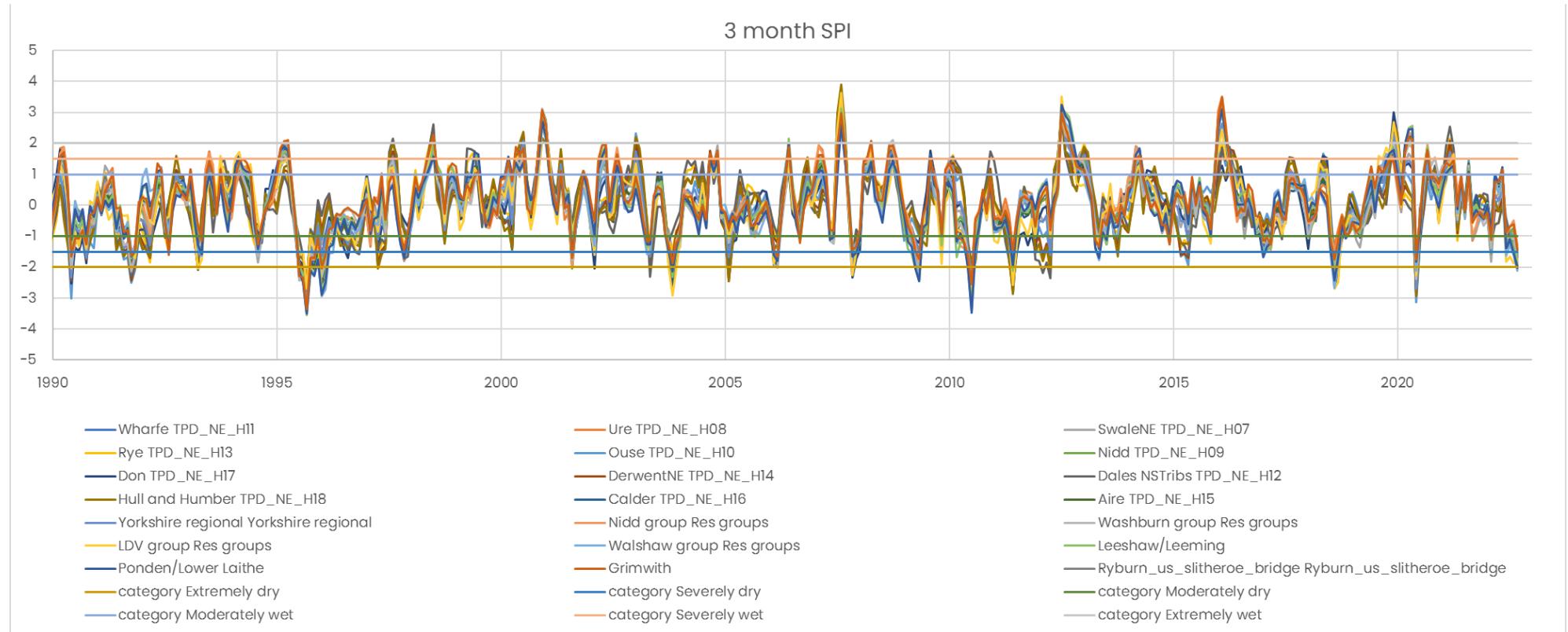
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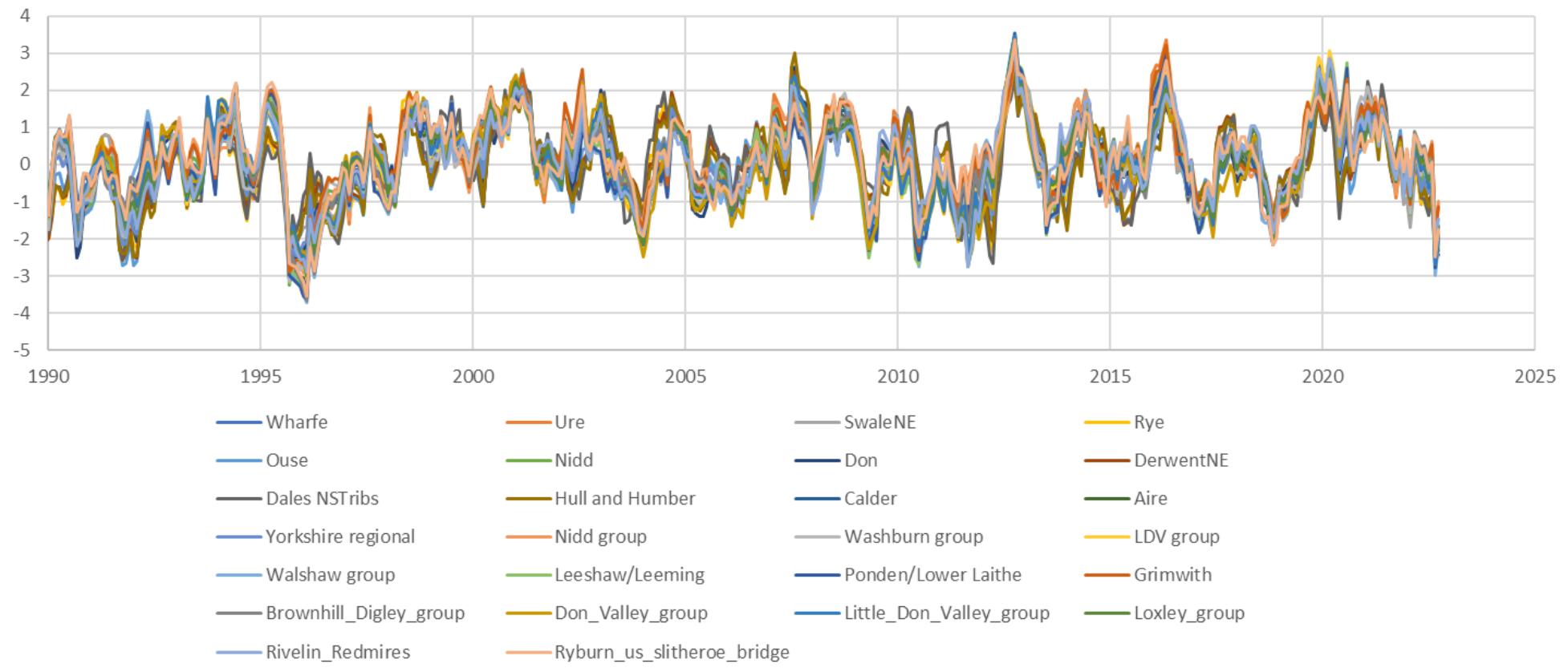
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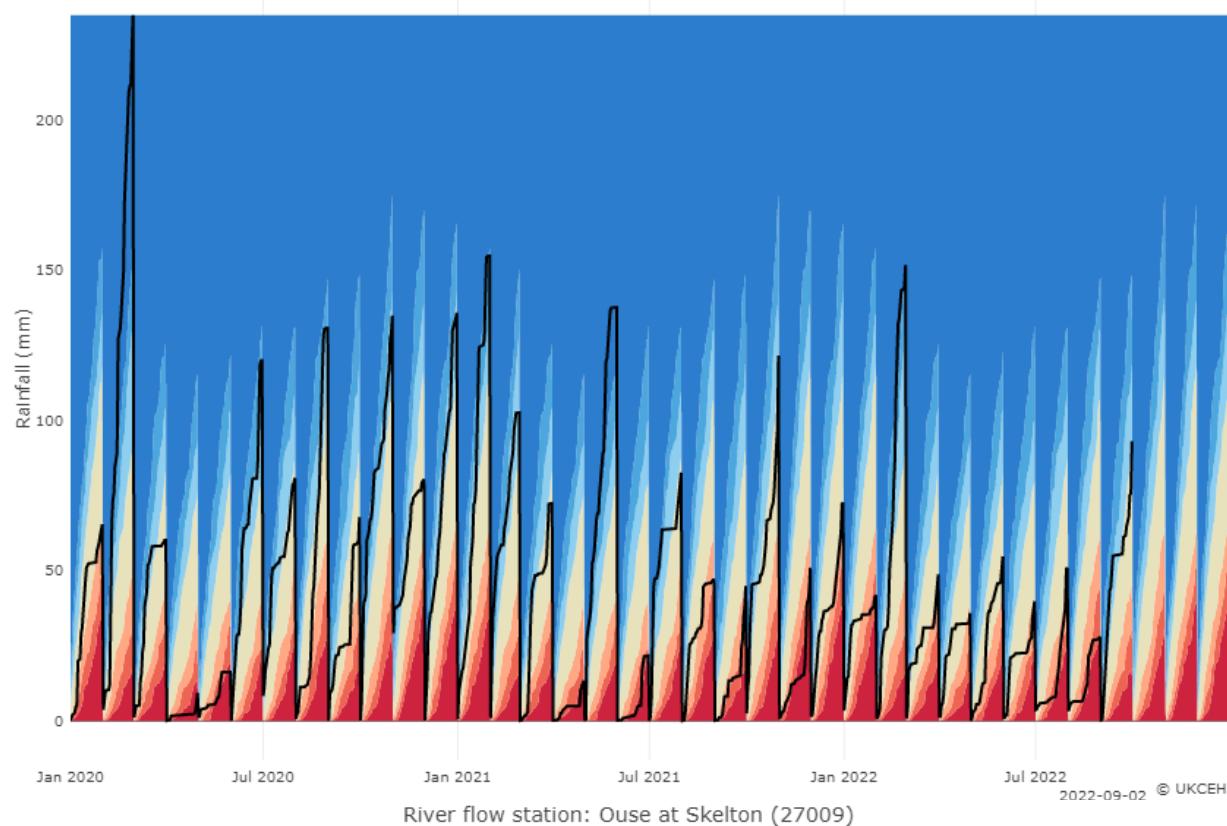
Appendix 4: River flow graphs from CEH Water Resources portal

The River flow graph in this appendix are taken from the CEH Water resources portal, and are shown in river flow bandings as used by the Environment Agency. The associated rainfall graphs are only plotted until the end of July, as are not available on the CEH portal currently.

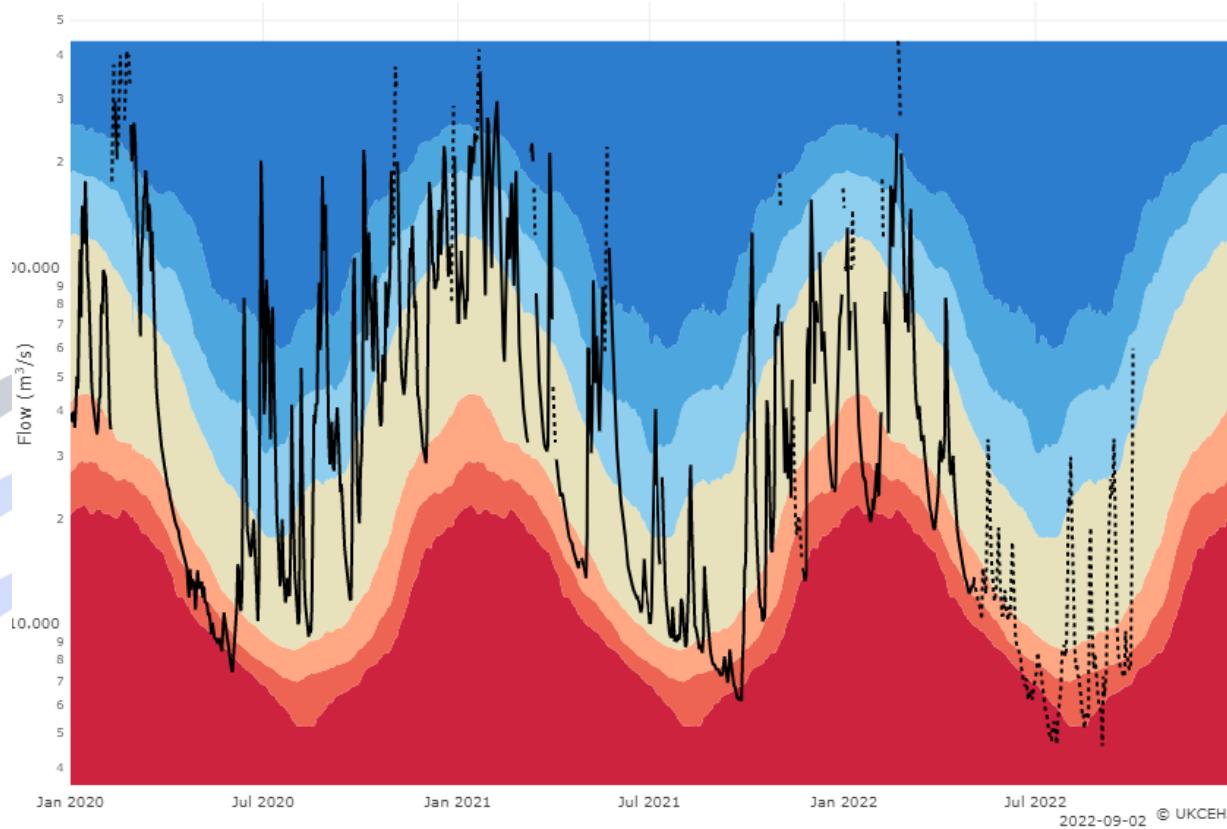
The Water Resources daily river flow banding procedure follows that developed by the Environment Agency, in order to provide information and visualisations consistent with their Water Situation Reports (<https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/water-situation-reports-for-england>). Essentially, values for 7 flow bands are calculated for each day ("Exceptionally high", "Notably high", "Above normal", "Normal" through to "Exceptionally low") corresponding to thresholds of 5, 13, 28, 72, 87, and 95 percentiles (defining bands for 0-5, 5-13, 13-28. etc.). Values for a given day are calculated using all flows within a 30-day window around that day (15 days before and 14 days after). The values are pooled and the percentile values calculated for each day. All data is used from the beginning of the record up to a standard end date, which is updated on a regular basis (currently 31/12/2017). Only series with 20 years of data (up to this end date) are included. Note that the validated gauged daily flow data from the NRFA is used to provide the bands, whereas the time series data plotted against the bands is live data from EA / SEPA APIs, which may differ slightly from that in NRFA archives.

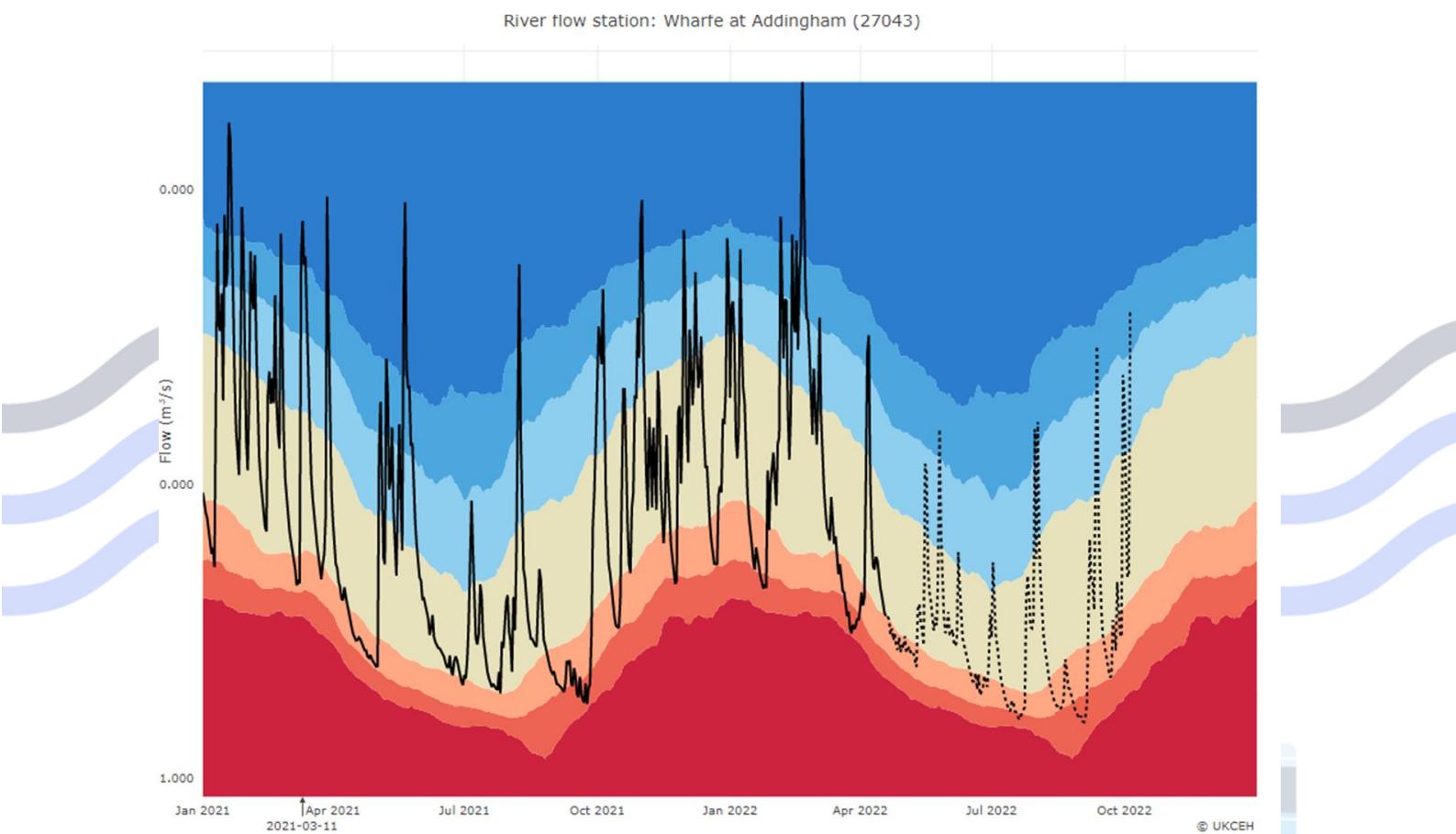
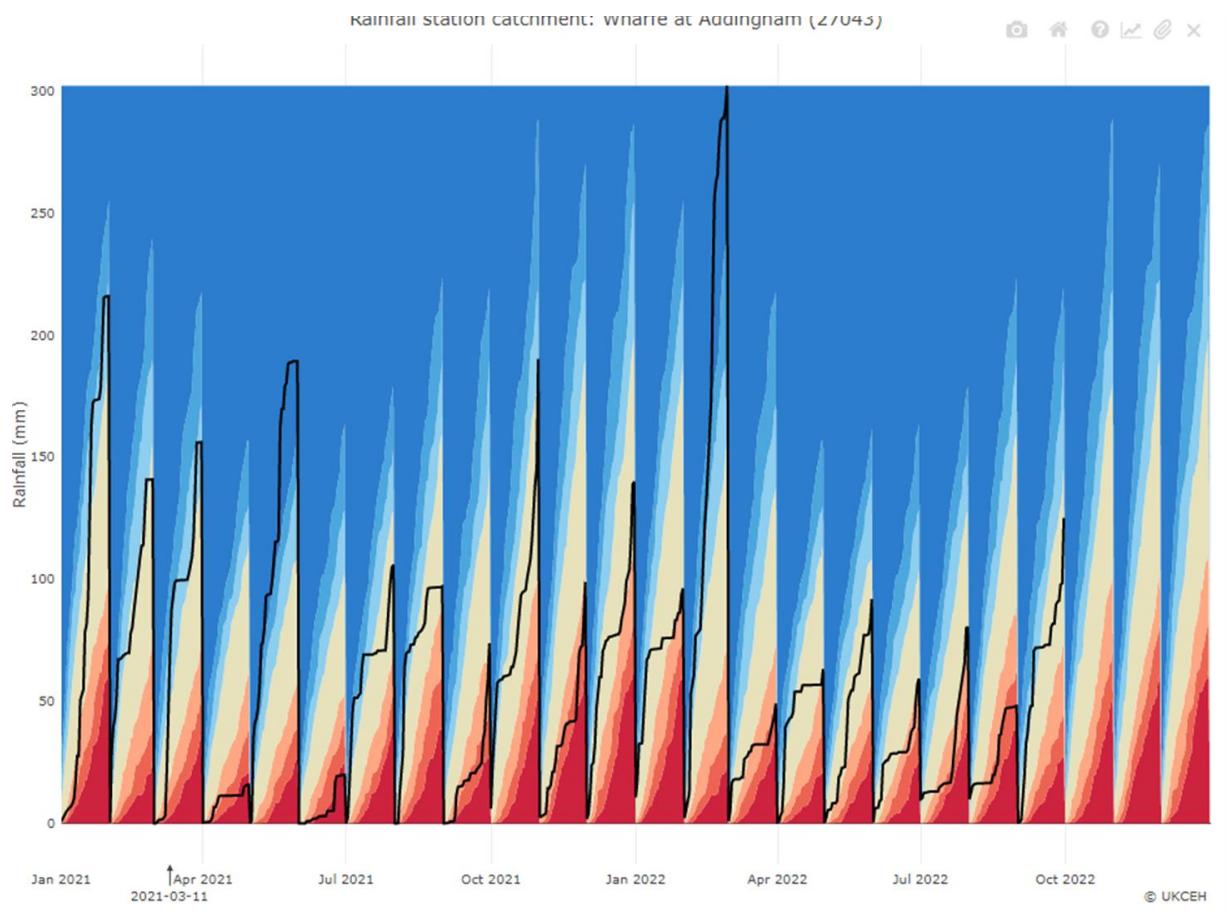


Rainfall station catchment: Ouse at Skelton (27009)

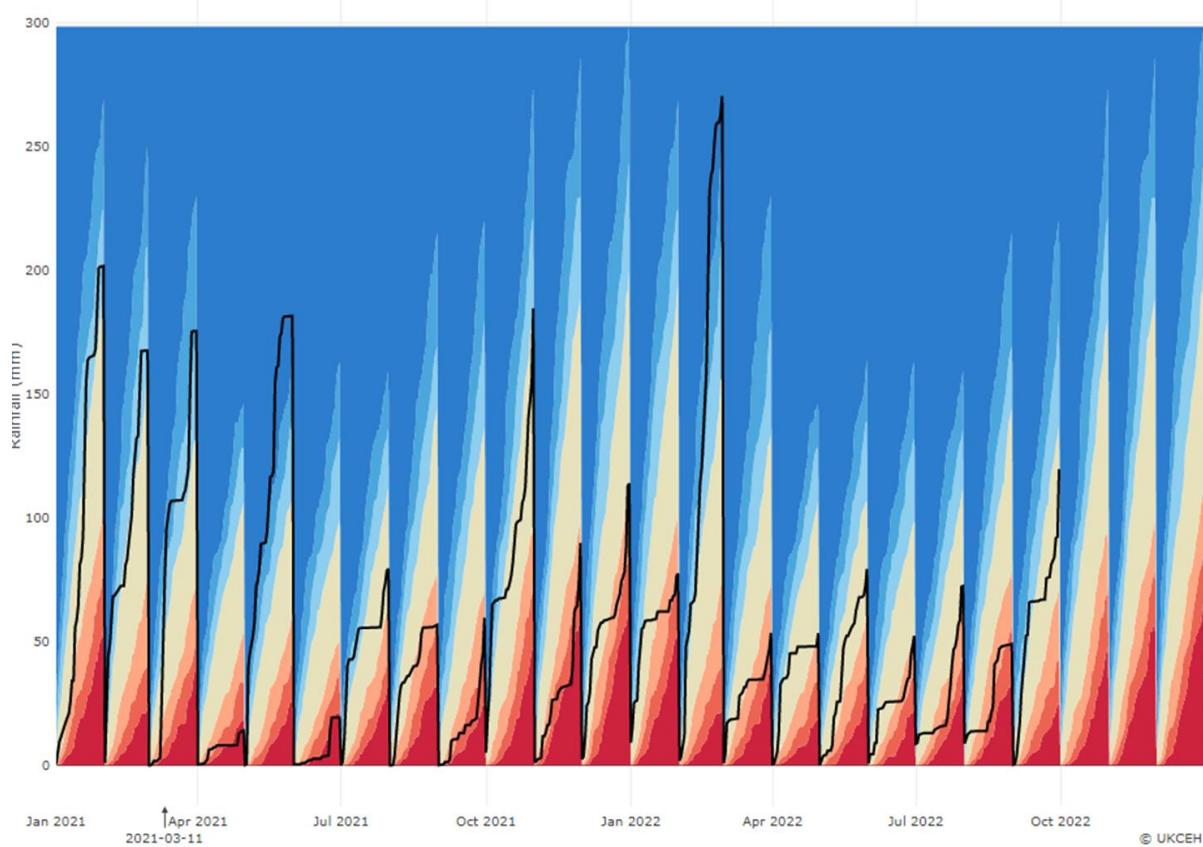


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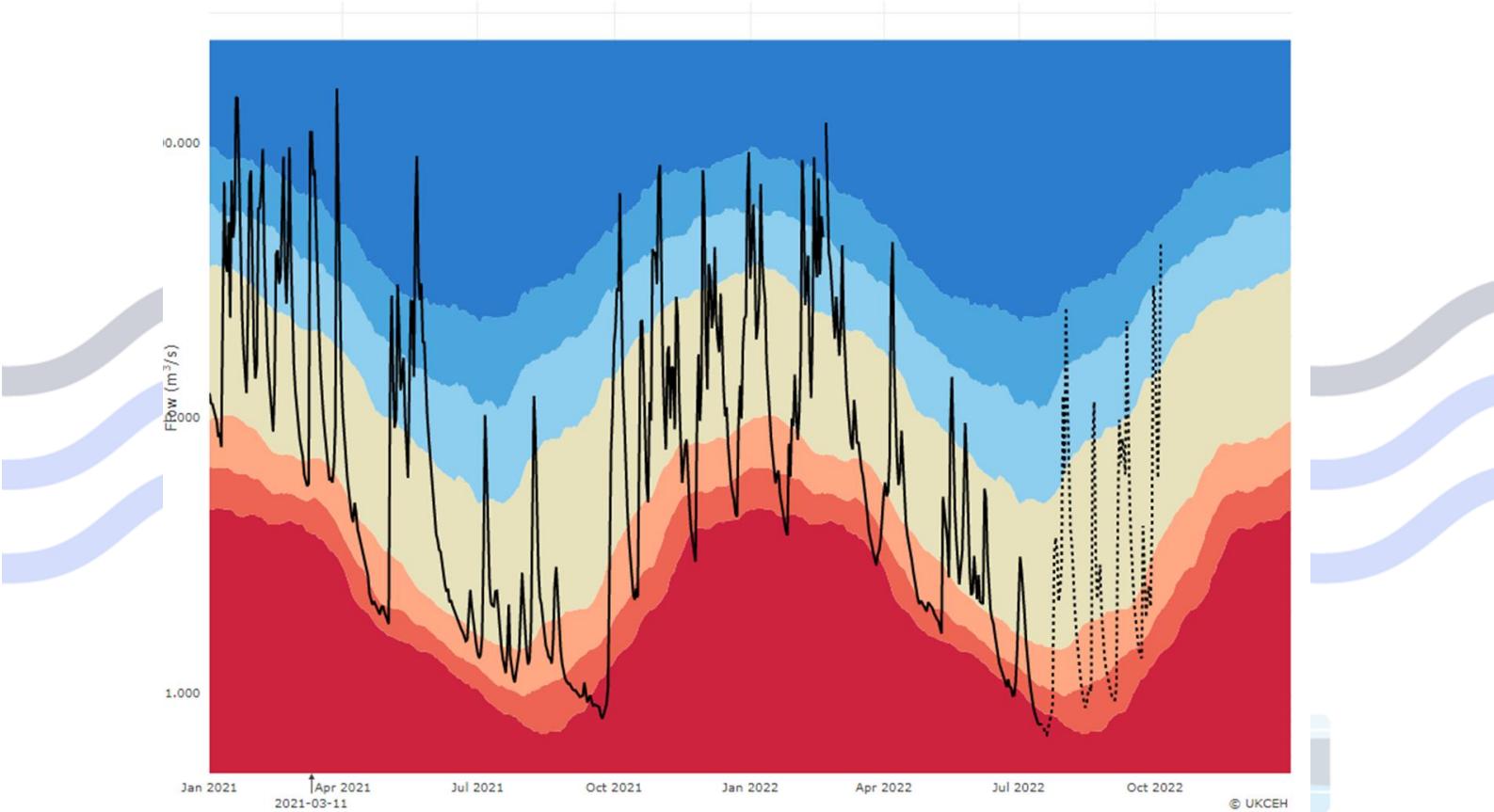




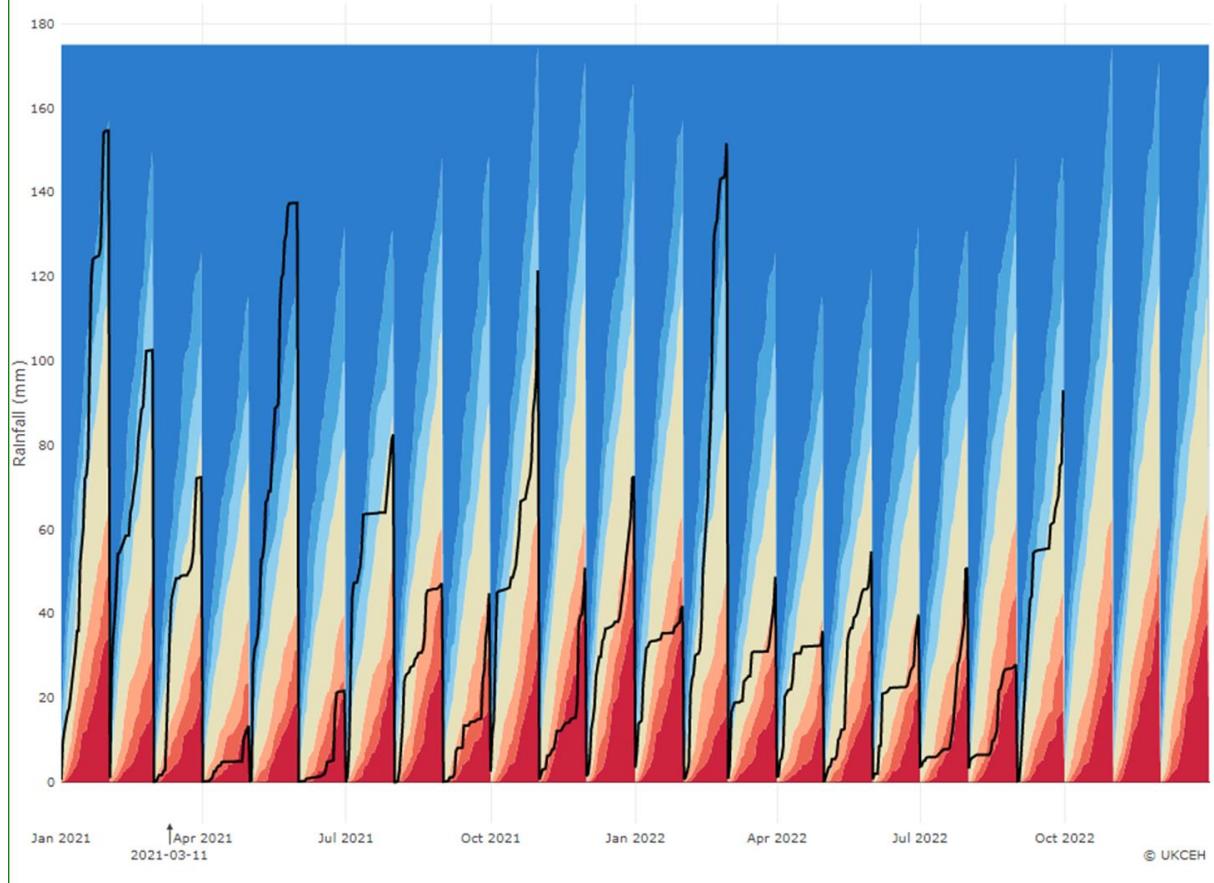
Kilgram Station Catchment: Ure at Kilgram Bridge (27034)



River flow station: Ure at Kilgram Bridge (27034)



Rainfall station catchment: Ouse at Skelton (27009)



River flow station: Ouse at Skelton (27009)

