



PROGRESS ALBEMARLE

JULY 2026



Heat Advisory
TUESDAY, JUNE 30

Extreme Heat Watch
WEDNESDAY, JULY 1

Extreme Heat Warning
THURS/FRI, JULY 2 & 3

Severe Thunderstorm Watch

Valid Until
10:00 PM EDT Saturday
July 4, 2026

Threat Information

HAIL
Isolated Hail Up To
Quarter Size Possible

WIND
Scattered Gusts
Up To 75 MPH Likely

LIGHTNING
Frequent Lightning
Possible

Potential Exposure

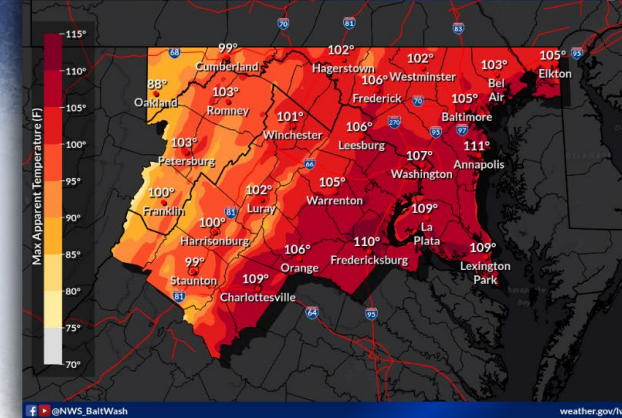
Population: 13,913,334
Schools: 3575
Hospitals: 193



Today's Peak Heat Indices

Valid: 8 AM Sun Jul 05 to 8 AM Mon Jul 06, 2026

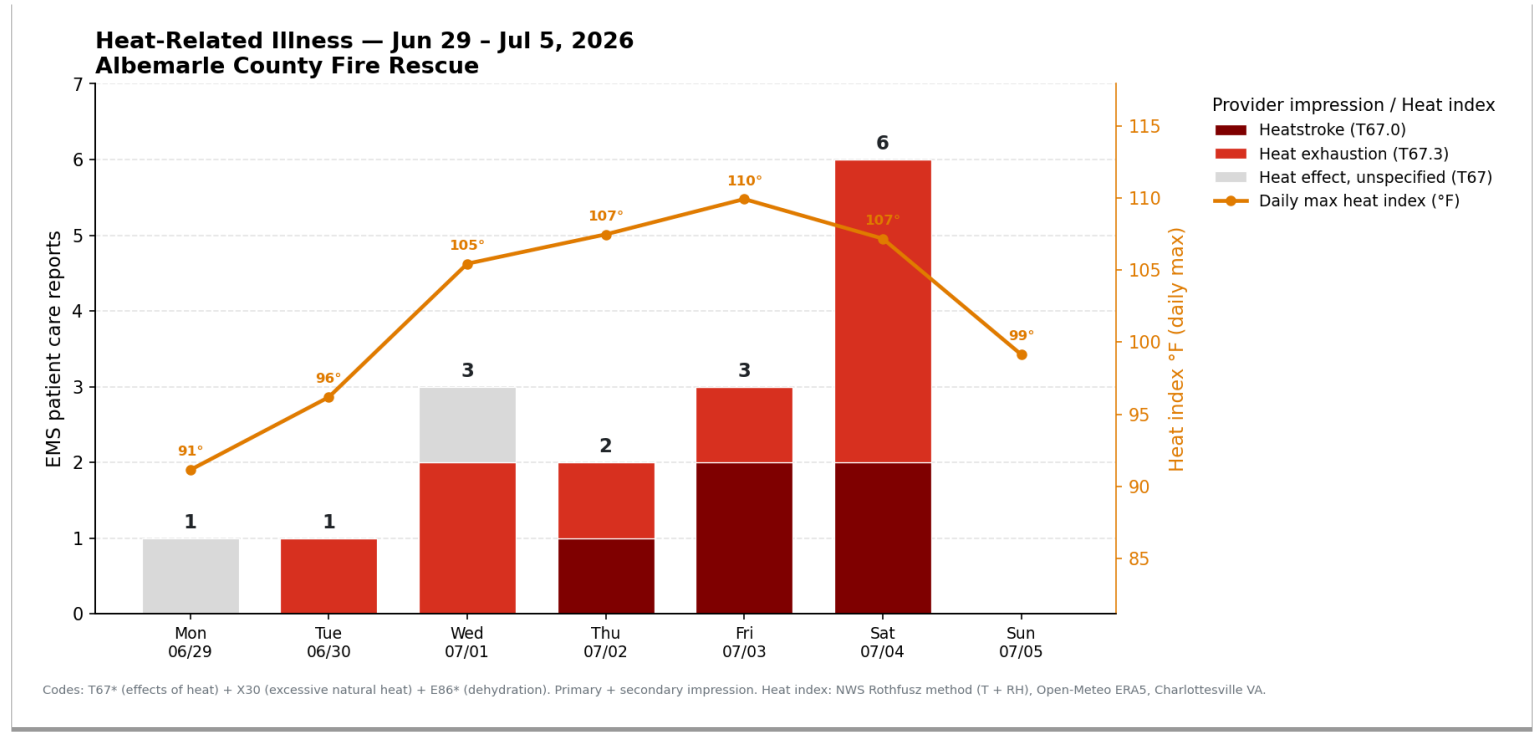
Weather Forecast Office
Baltimore/Washington
Issued Jul 05, 2026 5:03 AM EDT



Ahead of the July Fourth holiday weekend, OEM aligned countywide plans with an **Extreme Heat Warning** approaching 112 degrees.



To give residents more ways to cool off, the County **waived fees** at three swimming areas from July 2-July 4.



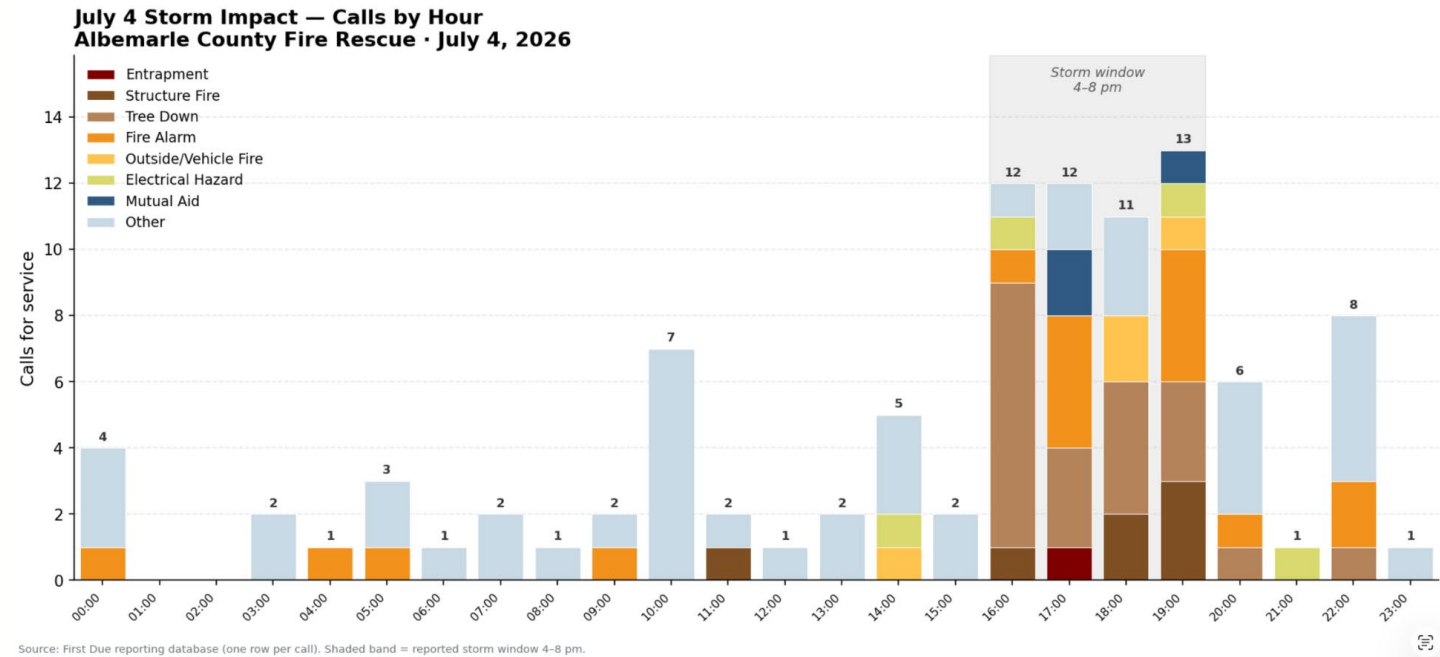
Albemarle County Fire Rescue implemented a **heat-illness tracking tool** to closely monitor call volume throughout the holiday weekend.



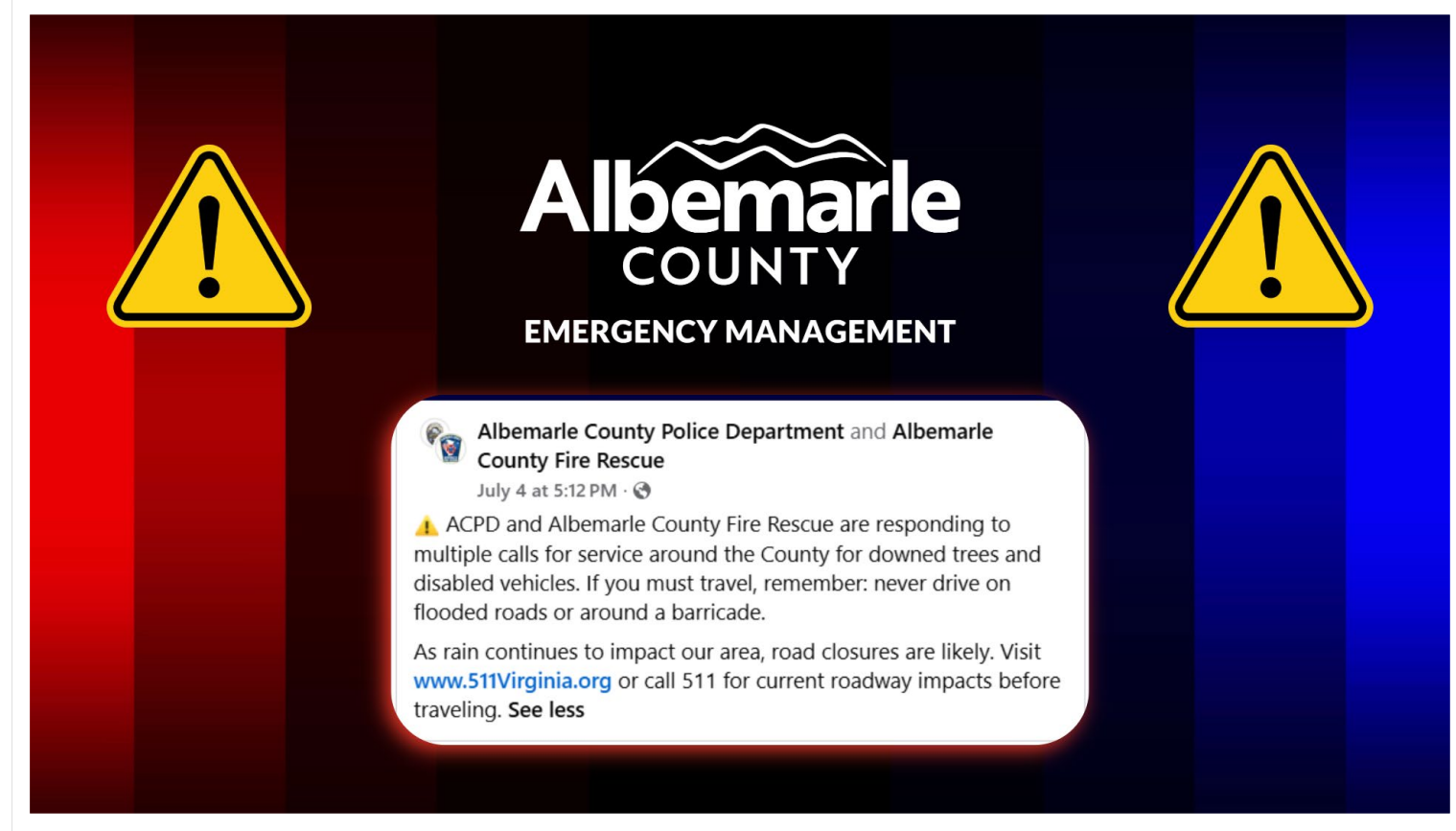
County resources were aligned to **support a dozen community events**, including the Monticello Naturalization Ceremony.



ACFR's Fire Marshal's Office **supported 7 fireworks shows** over the Fourth of July weekend.



A **fast-moving severe storm** brought 70 mph winds and heavy downpours in the late afternoon of Saturday, July 4.



OEM activated the **Emergency Operations Center** within minutes of the storm to support response needs and monitor impacts.



Albemarle County's preparedness and response was a testament to months of planning and quick adjustment to real-time conditions.

