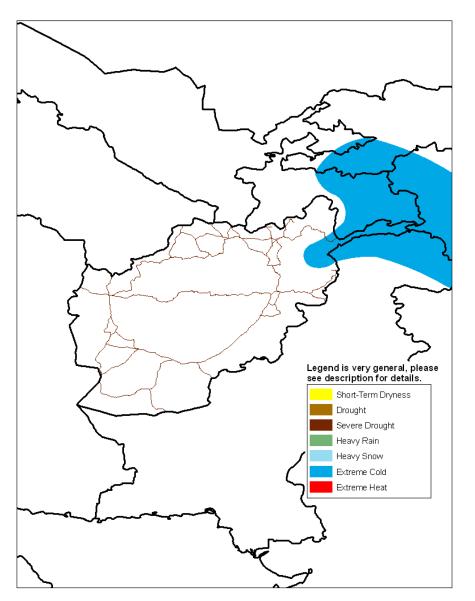


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Below-freezing temperatures have moved into Afghanistan slightly earlier than they usually do. Seasonally, below freezing temperatures are now regularly reaching into the valleys and lowland areas of Afghanistan. During the upcoming week, temperatures are forecast to average below-normal across much of the country. Temperatures are forecast to average below normal during the next week. Minimum temperatures may fall below -20C in the northeast mountains and below -5C in the central highlands.

Although precipitation is usually relatively light during October and early November, precipitation amounts have been greater than the long-term average. Typically, rain and snow amounts increase during November. During the past week, parts of northeast Afghanistan received more than 10 mm, liquid equivalent. During the next week, high pressure should dominate the region and result in mostly dry weather.



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