

Climate Prediction Center's Afghanistan Hazards Outlook For USAID / FEWS-NET August 29 – September 4, 2012

Temperatures:

Temperatures averaged above average across the lowland of Afghanistan from August 11-20 with the largest positive temperature anomalies across north-central Afghanistan. During the next week, above average temperatures are expected to persist across the lowlands with near average temperatures across the central highlands and northeast mountains. The hottest temperatures (near 40 degrees C) are forecast in southwest Afghanistan.

Precipitation

During the past week, a low pressure system associated with the Indian Monsoon brought torrential rainfall (locally more than 400 mm) and flooding to northern Pakistan. Along the border of Afghanistan and Pakistan, as much as 100 mm of rainfall was observed. However, across most of Afghanistan, dry weather continued which is typical for late August. Locally heavy showers are expected to continue across northern Pakistan with monsoon showers spreading as far west as extreme Afghanistan.



Note: The Hazards outlook map is based on current weather/climate information, short and medium range weather forecasts (up to 1 week), and assesses their potential impact on crop and pasture conditions. Shaded polygons are added in areas where anomalous conditions have been observed. The boundaries of these polygons are only approximate at this continental scale. This product does not reflect long range seasonal climate forecasts or indicate current or projected food security conditions.

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