



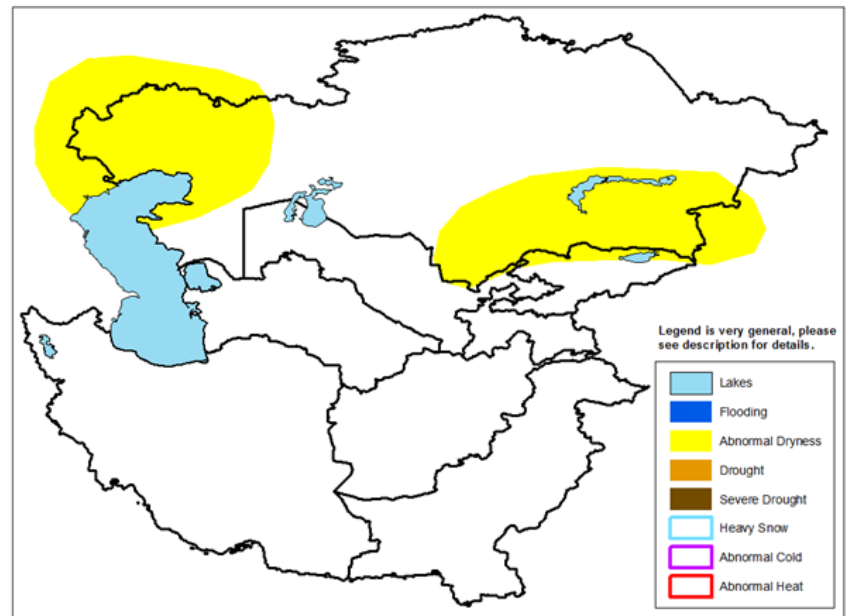
Climate Prediction Center's Central Asia Hazards Outlook July 17 – July 23, 2014

Temperatures:

Temperatures generally ranged in the 30's throughout Kazakhstan, with temperatures in excess of 40 degrees further south across Uzbekistan, Turkmenistan, Afghanistan, and Pakistan. Temperature anomalies were marginal, as most of the Central Asia domain observed departures between 1 to 3 degrees above normal. For the upcoming week, temperatures are again expected to be seasonable, with maximum weekly temperatures in the mid to upper 30's throughout Kazakhstan, and in the lower to mid 40's further south.

Precipitation

During the last week, increased amounts of precipitation were received across northern and western Kazakhstan, with lesser amounts in the southern parts of the country. Further south, isolated weekly accumulations were received throughout Pakistan. While the latest increase in rains and ground moisture across northwestern Kazakhstan is expected to help relieve anomalous dryness, consistently poor precipitation since May has led to considerable moisture deficits in the region, as this may continue to negatively impact the development of seasonal crops. For the upcoming outlook period, well-distributed light to moderate amounts of precipitation are forecast throughout central and northern Kazakhstan, with little rainfall accumulation expected over the drier parts of the country.



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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