





Climate Prediction Center's Central Asia Hazards Outlook For USAID / FEWS-NET April 29 – May 5, 2021

Temperatures:

Below normal temperatures (-1 to -7 degrees C) returned to eastern Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, and Tajikistan from April 18 to 24, while weekly temperatures averaged slightly above normal across western Afghanistan, Turkmenistan, and Uzbekistan. Maximum temperatures exceeded 30 degrees C across Turkmenistan and western Afghanistan during late April. The GFS model depicts that temperatures are likely to average near normal during the outlook period.

Precipitation

Light to moderate precipitation (generally less than 25 mm) continued across northeast Afghanistan, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan, and southeast Kazakhstan through April 21, but mostly dry weather prevailed since that day. Based on RFE satellite estimates of 180-day precipitation deficits and current VHI values, the abnormal dryness hazard was degraded to drought for parts of southern and western Afghanistan.

During the beginning of May, a low pressure system is forecast to bring precipitation (locally more than 25 mm) to central and northeast Afghanistan. Elsewhere, mostly dry weather is forecast.



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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