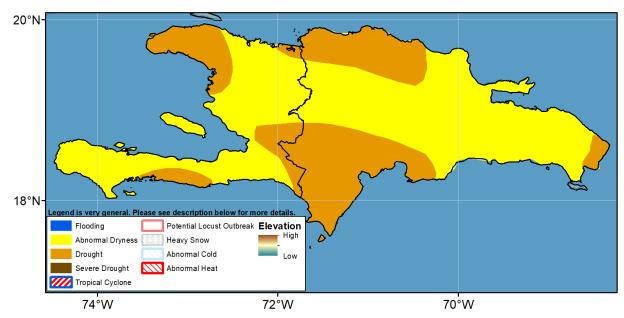






Climate Prediction Center's Hispaniola Hazards Outlook For USAID / FEWS-NET 28 July – 03 August 2022

Below-average rainfall conditions have been observed over Hispaniola during the past week, which have strengthened the dryness over many areas.



During the past week, scattered moderate rainfall was observed over central and southern Haiti, and the western and central parts of the Dominican Republic. Meanwhile, little to light rainfall was registered elsewhere. As this past week's rainfall totals remained below-average, the consistent lack of rainfall over the past several weeks has contributed to strengthen both short and long-term moisture deficits, which have already negatively impacted vegetation conditions and have resulted in droughts over many areas in Hispaniola. According to reports, the Spring harvest has been below-average over Haiti, with the worst-hit areas over the Central Plateau, particularly Haut Plateau, L'Artibonite, North, North East, North West, and West. To the south, harvests of maize and black beans have been taking place over some areas in Les Cayes, Grand'Anse, and Les Nippes.

Next week, light to locally moderate rainfall is forecasted over Hispaniola, showing near to below-normal conditions over much of Haiti and the Dominican Republic. Although the forecast rain could partially help reduce moisture deficits over some areas, the expected amounts will unlikely be sufficient to fully ease drought over many local areas.

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