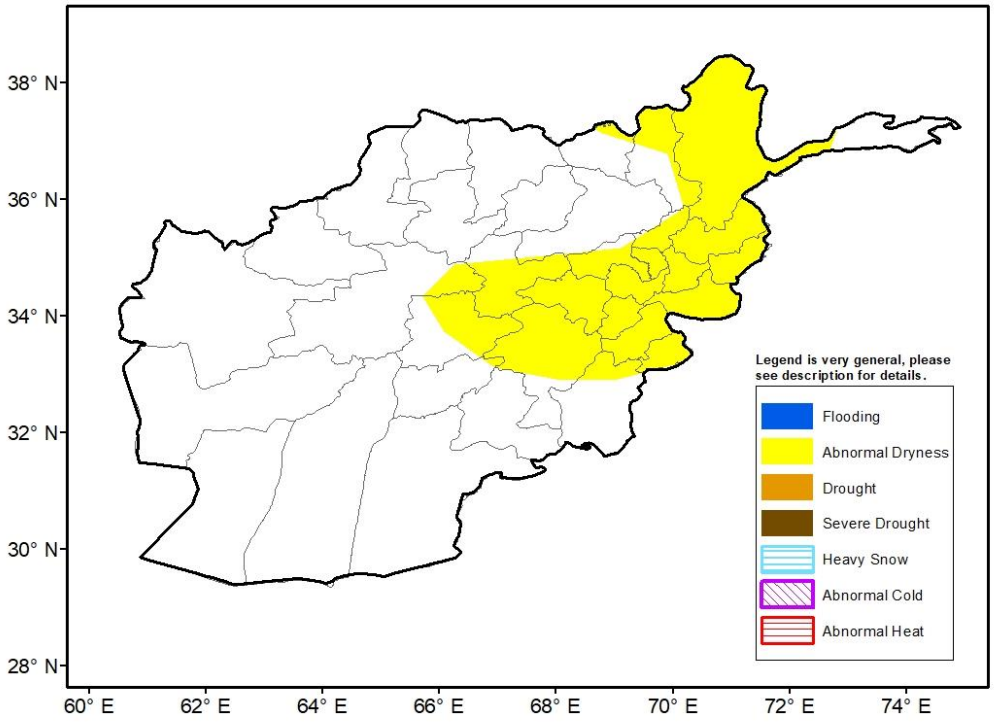
Climate Prediction Center's Afghanistan Hazards Outlook
25 November – 1 December, 2021

Temperatures

During the past week, mean max temperatures were colder than average across northern and western portions of Afghanistan with anomalies between 2° to 8°C. Mean maximum temperatures were warmer than average in parts of the East. Mean minimum temperatures were below average by 2-4°C in northern and western parts of the country. Weekly mean minimum temperatures were 0 to -10°C in the central highlands and into some northern provinces.

During the outlook period, a warmer than average temperature pattern is expected to be in place over the region. Mean temperature anomaly is forecasted to be 1-4°C warmer than average according to the GEFS.



Precipitation

During the past 7 days, light precipitation was scattered across northern Afghanistan. Liquid equivalent totals less than 10mm were recorded. Analyzing the past 30-day period's precipitation performance reveals lagging moisture, with many basins in the Northeast and in the Central Highlands registering deficits (2-10mm). Early-season snow water equivalent observations from USGS also show negative anomalies in northeastern basins. As such, abnormal dryness is placed over many central and northeastern Provinces. For the outlook period, precipitation is forecast across central and northeastern parts of the country. Snowfall accumulations of up to about 10mm are depicted by models.

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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