

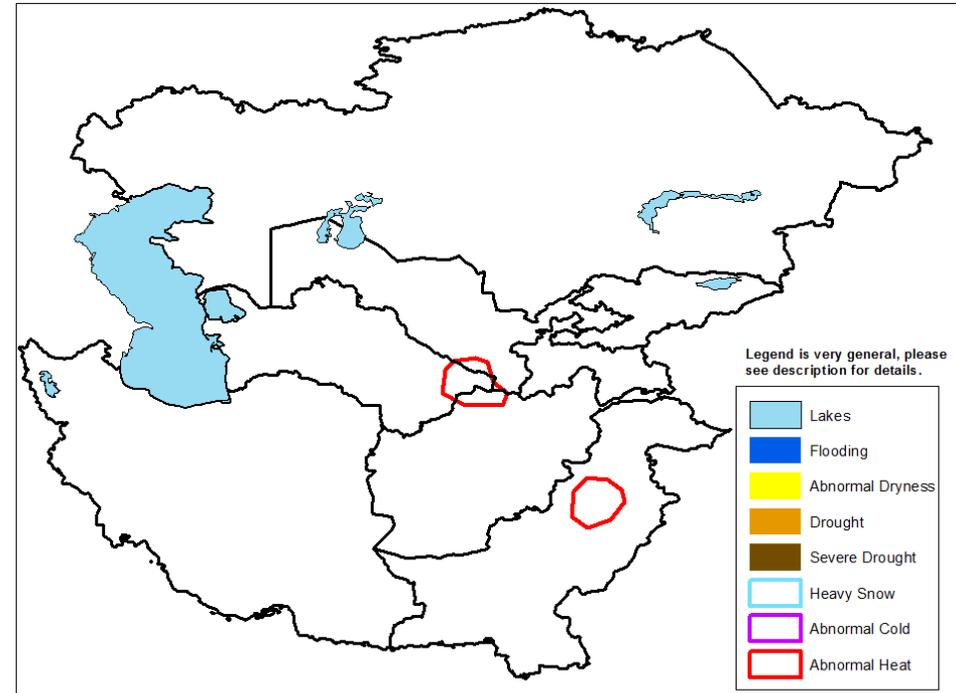
Climate Prediction Center's Central Asia Hazards Outlook For USAID / FEWS-NET July 31 – August 6, 2013

Temperatures:

During the last observation period, average to above average temperatures (1-3 degrees C) prevailed throughout much of the Central Asia domain. For the next seven days, positive temperature anomalies in excess of 2-5 degrees C are expected throughout many local parts of Turkmenistan, Afghanistan and Pakistan. Daily maximum temperatures in these areas are forecast to exceed 45 degrees C.

Precipitation

Moderate to locally heavy amounts of precipitation were received across parts of northern and eastern Kazakhstan during the last seven days. The highest weekly rainfall accumulations (>50mm) in Kazakhstan were observed in the Akmola and East Kazakhstan provinces of the country. Continued seasonal rainfall throughout July in Kazakhstan has helped to mitigate early season moisture deficits in the Aktobe, Kostanay, and Akmola provinces of the country, however some local areas further west in the Aktobe and West Kazakhstan province remain below average since June. During the end of July and early August, average to above-average amounts of precipitation is forecast in the driest areas of the Kazakhstan. This is expected to help continue to relieve seasonal moisture deficits in the region. Below average rainfall is expected in parts of northern Pakistan for the outlook period.



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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