

Climate Prediction Center's Central Asia Hazards Outlook August 27 – September 2, 2015

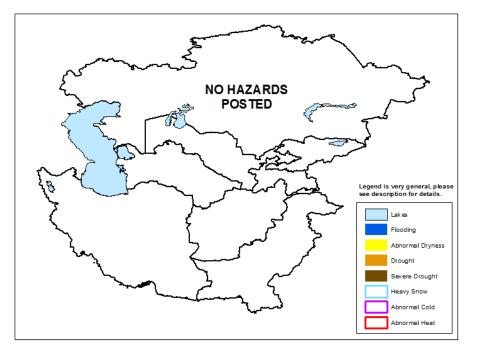
Temperatures:

Temperatures averaged near to above-normal across most of Central Asia from August 16 to 22. Minimum temperatures fell to around 5 degrees C across extreme northern Kazakhstan. The hottest temperatures (42 to 47 degrees C) were observed across Turkmenistan and Uzbekistan. During the next week, the GFS model indicates that temperatures will average at or above-normal. Minimum temperatures are expected to fall below 5 degrees C across northern Kazakhstan where patchy frost is possible.

Precipitation

Light to moderate rain (2 to 30 mm) was observed across northern and eastern Kazakhstan from August 16 to 22, while locally heavy rain (more than 25mm) fell across northern Pakistan. The CPC Unified Gauge Analysis indicates that precipitation has averaged near normal during the past 30 days.

The Indian Monsoon typically begins to shift east from Pakistan by the beginning of September. During the next week, the rainfall pattern is expected to be similar to the previous week with light to moderate amounts predicted from northern/eastern Kazakhstan south into northern Pakistan.



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.