

Climate Prediction Center's Central Asia Hazards Outlook For USAID / FEWS-NET September 26 – October 02, 2019

Temperatures:

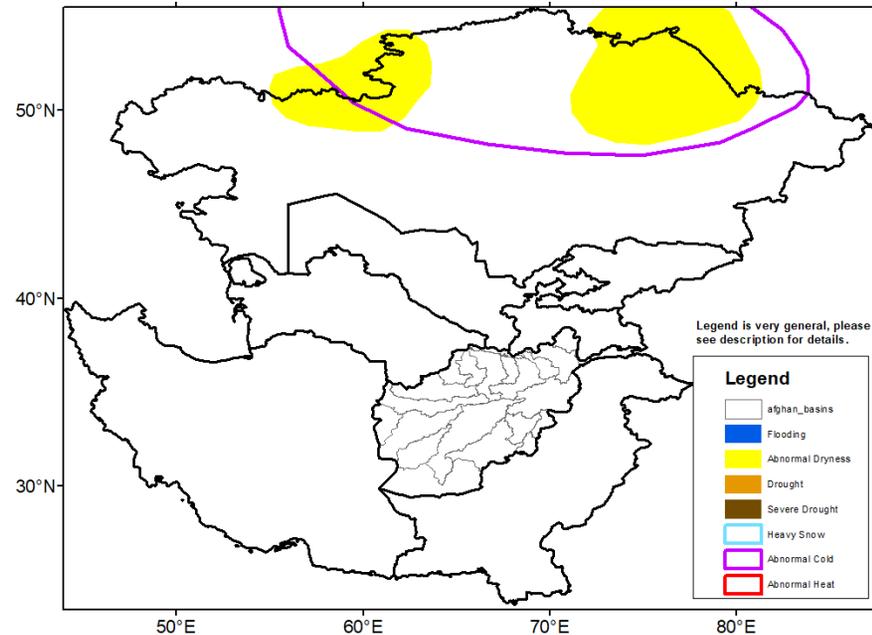
Above-normal temperatures prevailed throughout Central Asia from September 15 to 21. Maximum temperatures reached 30 degrees C as far north as central and eastern Kazakhstan. Maximum temperatures of 40 degrees C were observed in parts of Afghanistan and Turkmenistan. Minimum temperatures remain above freezing across northern Kazakhstan.

A return of below-normal temperatures are forecast across Kazakhstan during the final week of September. Abnormal cold hazard is posted for areas of Kazakhstan where negative temperature anomalies are the largest and subfreezing minimum temperatures are likely.

Precipitation

During the past week, light to moderate rainfall (2 to 16 mm) decreased on-term precipitation deficits across northwest Kazakhstan. Therefore, the drought hazard is removed for this region. Abnormal dryness hazard is added this week to northeast Kazakhstan, based on 90-day precipitation deficits.

A cold front is expected to trigger scattered showers (locally more than 10 mm) across the northern third of Kazakhstan during the final week of September. Seasonal dryness is forecast for Afghanistan.



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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