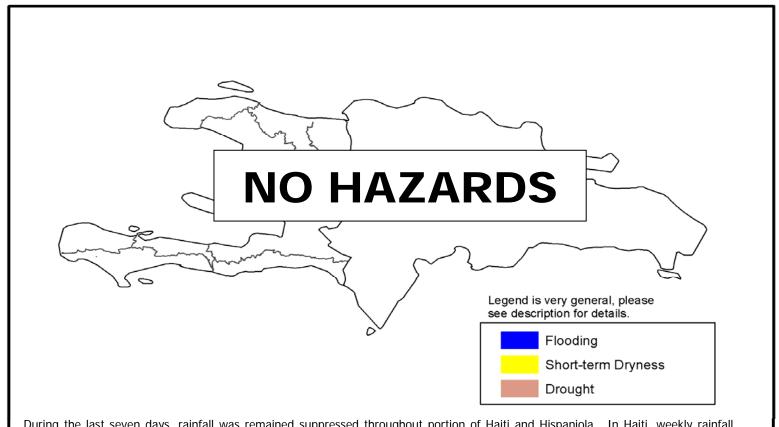


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A decrease in precipitaion was observed throughout many areas in Hispaniola.



During the last seven days, rainfall was remained suppressed throughout portion of Haiti and Hispaniola. In Haiti, weekly rainfall accumulations generally ranged between 10-25mm, with higher (25-35mm) rainfall amounts received near Port-Au-Prince and in the higher elevations along the Dominican Republic border. Since the beginning of July, rainfall has remained above-average throughout many areas of Hispaniola, except for parts in northwestern Haiti. From Port de Prix to Gonaives, rainfall accumulations have been below-average for the last several weeks, which may lead to deteriorating moisture conditions for cropping activities. Precipitation forecasts suggest a return to more seasonable rainfall during the next seven days. Rainfall amounts ranging between 25-50mm may be expected throughout many local areas, which may provide relief to dry conditions in the northwest. Locally higher amounts are likely to be received along the southern Haitian coastline.