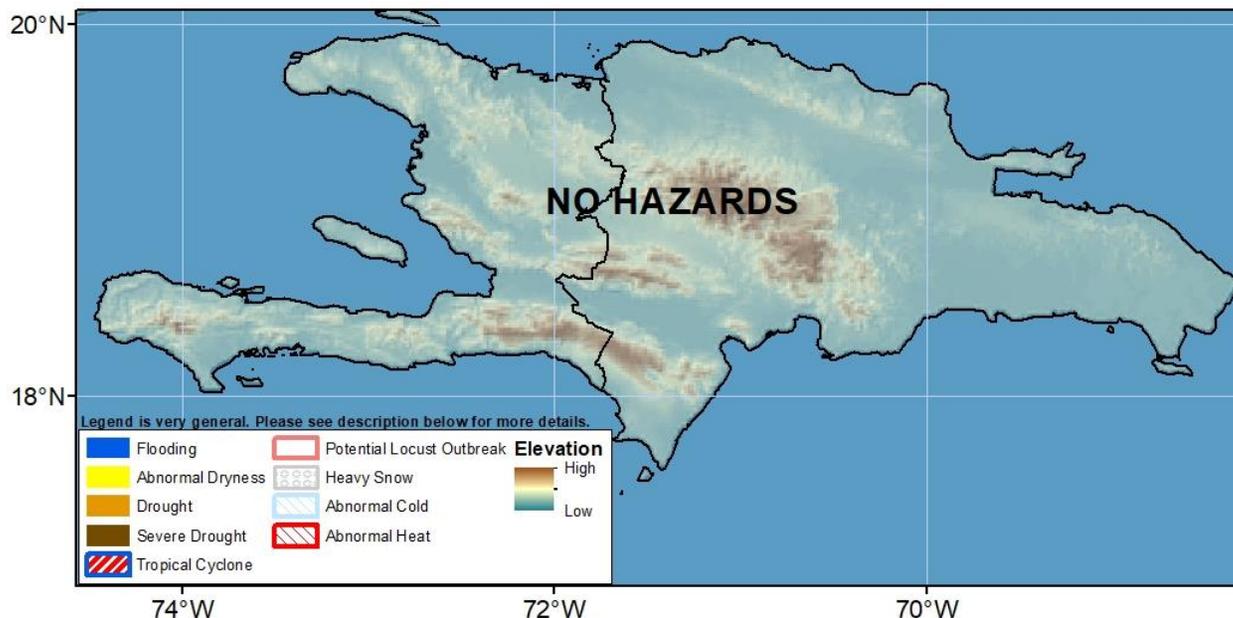


Climate Prediction Center's Hispaniola Hazards Outlook For USAID / FEWS-NET 19 – 25 May 2022

Reduced and likely below-average rain expected over Hispaniola during the outlook period



During the past week, while moderate to locally heavy rains were received over northern Haiti and northwestern Dominican Republic, widespread little to light rains were registered elsewhere. As a result, this past week's rainfall was near-average to below-average over much of the Island, except northern Haiti and northwestern Dominican Republic, where weekly totals were above-average. Over the past thirty days, wetter-than-average conditions persisted over much of the Island. However, near-average to slightly below-average rainfall was, now, observed over central Dominican Republic. Consequently, vegetation conditions were mostly near-average to above-average across many areas, particularly the central parts of Haiti and the Dominican Republic. Conversely, poor and below-average conditions were exhibited over localized areas in the northwestern and southwestern parts of Haiti and the Dominican Republic.

During the outlook period, rainfall forecasts indicated a return to drier-than-average conditions, with widespread little to light rains over much of Hispaniola. Also, mean temperatures are expected to average above-normal throughout the Island, which may enhance evapotranspiration and rapidly deplete soil moisture over many local areas.

Note: The Hazards outlook map is based on current weather/climate information, short and medium-range weather forecasts (up to 1 week), sub-seasonal forecasts up to 4 weeks, and assesses the potential impact of extreme events on crop and pasture conditions. Shaded polygons are added in areas where anomalous conditions have been observed and predicted to continue during the outlook period. The boundaries of these polygons are only approximate at the spatial scale of the map. This product takes into account long-range seasonal climate forecasts but does not reflect current or projected food security conditions. FEWS NET is a USAID-funded activity whose purpose is to provide objective information about food security conditions. Its views are not necessarily reflective of those of USAID or the U.S. Government. The FEWS NET weather hazards outlook process and products include participation by FEWS NET field and home offices, NOAA-CPC, USGS, USDA, NASA, and a number of other national and regional organizations in the countries concerned.

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