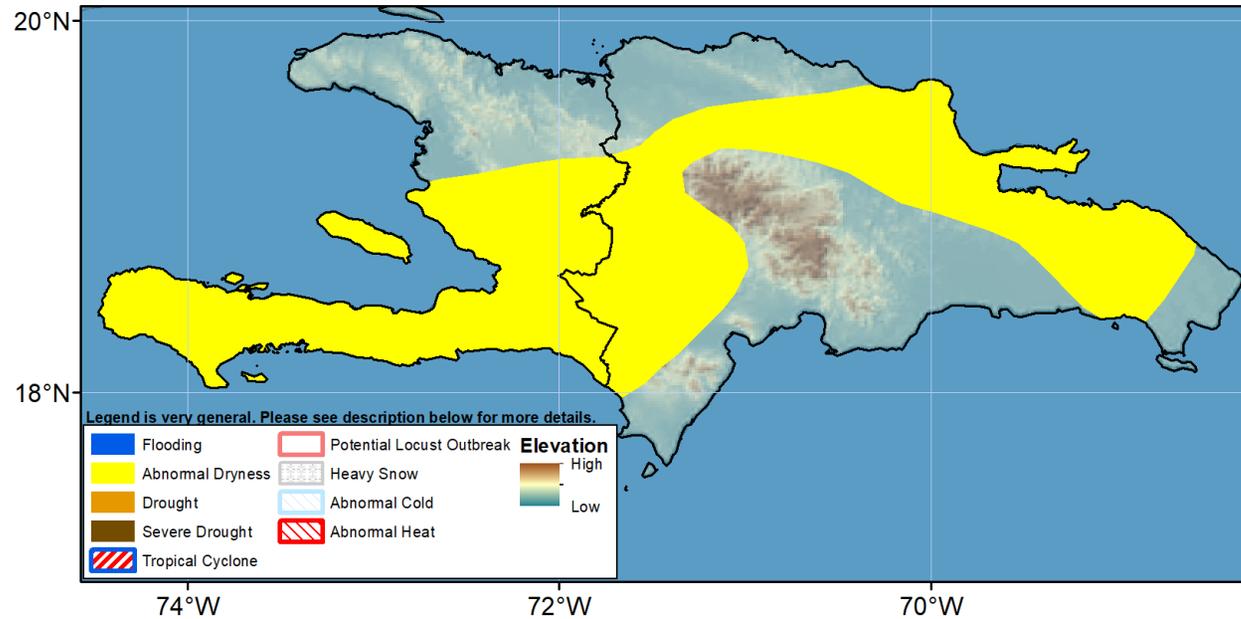


Climate Prediction Center's Hispaniola Hazards Outlook For USAID / FEWS-NET 2 – 8 June 2022

Abnormal dryness has settled in across portions of Haiti and the Dominican Republic due to poor rain since late April.



During late May, while moderate to locally heavy rains fell over eastern Haiti and the central parts of western and eastern Dominican Republic, little to light rains dominated elsewhere. However, this past week's rainfall pattern was once again below-average, strengthening thirty-day moisture deficits across the southern half of Haiti, neighboring western and parts of northeast and east-central Dominican Republic. Moisture deficits ranged between 25 – 100 mm, which resulted in abnormal dryness over these latter areas. The dryness was attributable to the lack of rain since late April. Although some coastal areas still experienced near to wetter-than-average conditions, a continuation of insufficient and unevenly-distributed rain would likely strengthen deficits, deplete soil moisture, and expand dryness farther.

During the outlook period, limited and likely to be below-average rainfall pattern is forecast over Hispaniola. Widespread light rains are expected over the Island, except northern Haiti and northwestern Dominican Republic, where locally moderate rains are possible.

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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