

Weather Report 20 February 2020

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South Africa - Weather

Rain will often be scattered across the eastern half of South Africa through the end of the weekend

Many areas in eastern South Africa will receive enough rain to slightly bolster soil moisture in the coming days

The moisture profile is currently short outside portions of Limpopo and northeastern Mpumalanga

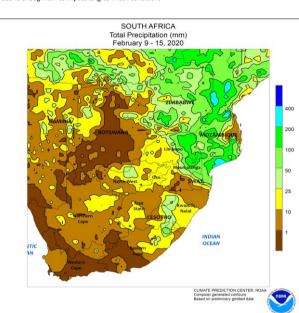
o Development conditions will improve marginally in the coming days, but ost areas will not receive enough rain to completely fix the moisture deficits

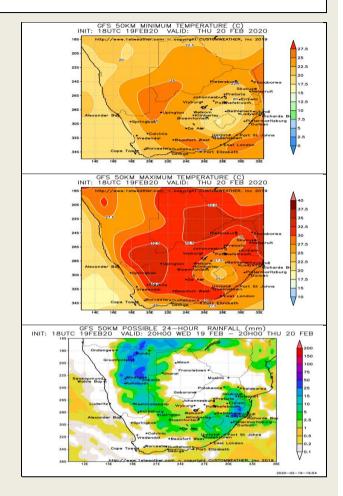
o Crop prospects remain mostly favorable despite periods of dryness over

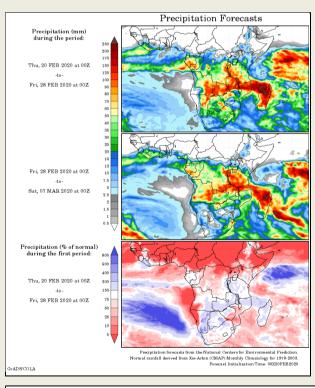
the growing season

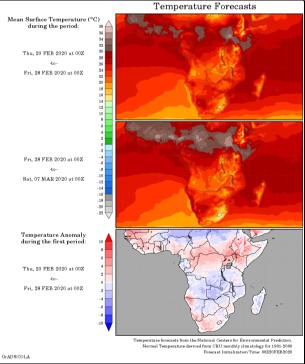
Western sections of Free State and North West into Northern Cape will not

eceive enough rain to impact long-term soil conditions









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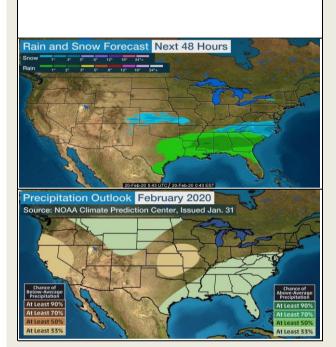
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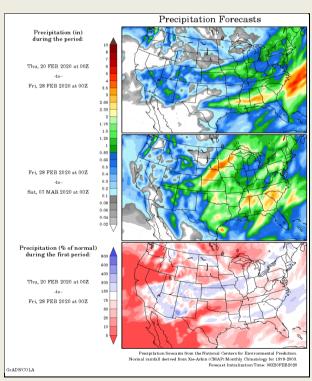
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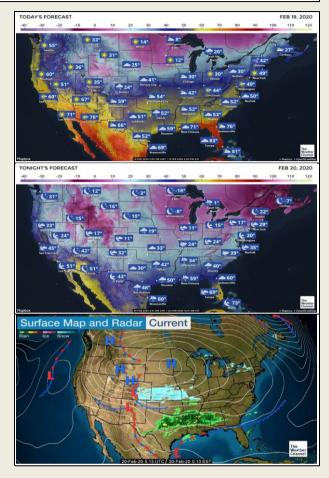
United States of America - Weather

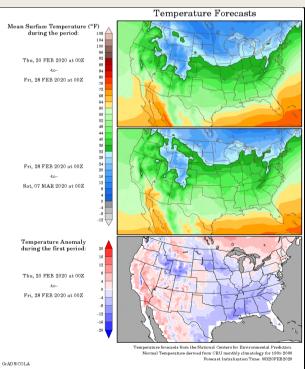
U.S. MIDWEST: The Midwest will see two rounds of precipitation next week that should not bring enough moisture to raise serious concerns over flooding with little precipitation of significance during the remainder of the next ten days. Temperatures during the next few days will be too cold for significant snow melt in the Red River Basin of the North before some warming occurs Friday into early next week and a small part of the snow pack should melt.

U.S. DELTA AND SOUTHEAST: Although the Delta and the Southeast will see two more rounds of rain by Monday, the rain should not be heavy enough to cause flood conditions to become much worse in most areas with much of the region seeing overall improvements in flooding during the period. The Tuesday through Mar. 4 period will be dry most often and conditions for fieldwork will improve, but extended period of warm and dry weather will be needed in many areas before fieldwork can be aggressive.









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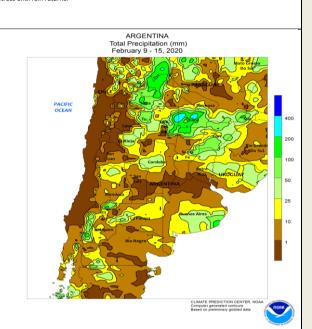
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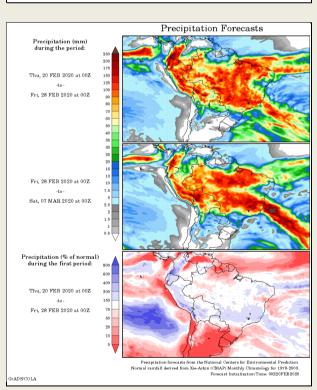
South America - Weather

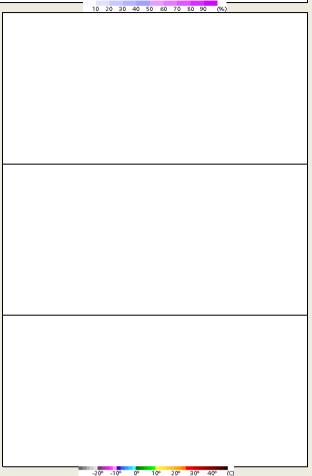
BRAZIL: Much of Brazil and Paraguay will see regular rounds of showers and thunderstorms through the next two weeks that will bring enough rain to favorably support crop development while causing interruptions to harvesting with some exceptions in parts of the northeast where rain will be restricted. The poorest conditions for fieldwork though the next week will occur from western to southern Mato Grosso and northern Mato Grosso do Sul to western Sao Paulo and much of this region will see 1.75-4.0" of rain and locally more through Tuesday.

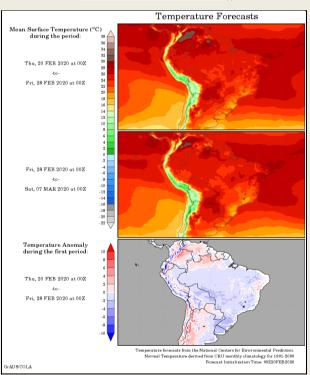
ARGENTINA: The two-week outlook is drier for Argentina than what was advertised Tuesday and many areas will need a boost in rain in early March to ensure favorable conditions for crops continue, but outside of some pockets of dryness in the south, much of the country has enough soil moisture to prevent serious crop stress during the next two

weeks. The driest areas extend from San Luis to central and southern La Pampa to central and south-central Buenos Aires and parts of this region will likely see increasing levels of crop stress until rain returns.









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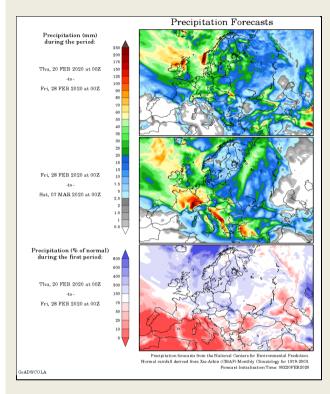
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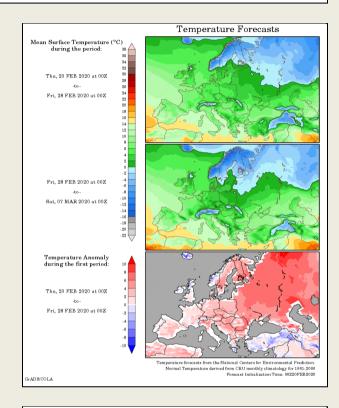
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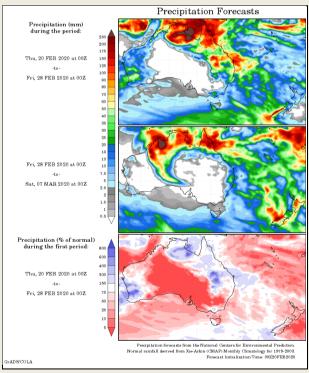
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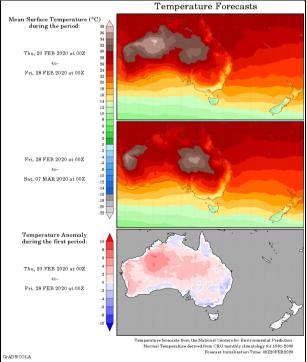
EUROPE: A lack of moisture is expected to continue over southern portions of Europe during the next ten days to two weeks. The driest conditions will occur from southwest into portions of south-central Europe where limited to no moisture will occur at all.

AUSTRALIA: Improvements in soil moisture and irrigated crop conditions will continue over portions of eastern Australia during the coming week to ten days. The greatest rain and improvements will return to Queensland and some of north New South Wales this weekend and into early next week. The rain will occur over portions of interior sorghum and cotton production areas of Queensland and northern New South Wales that have missed out on much of the increased rainfall so far this month. The moisture will help bolster soil moisture and agricultural water supply. With that said, crop production will still be dismal across Australia, especially dryland crops which did not survive the constant heat and dryness earlier this season.









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