

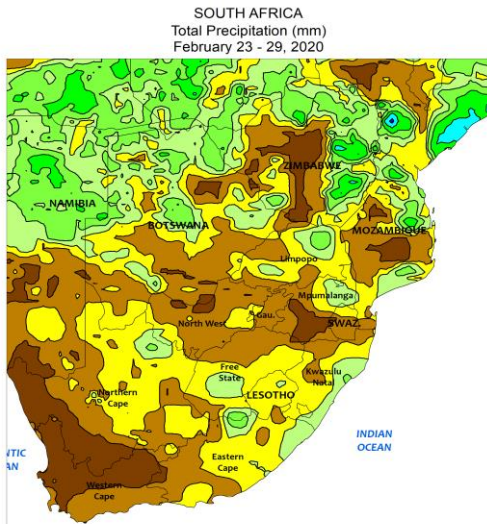


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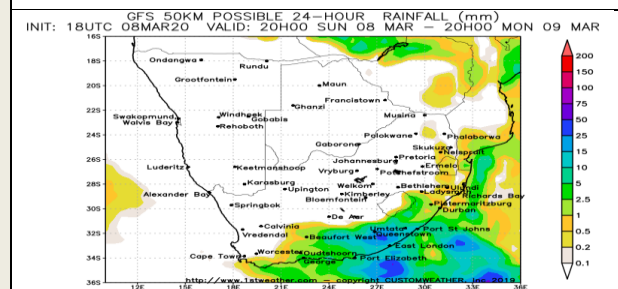
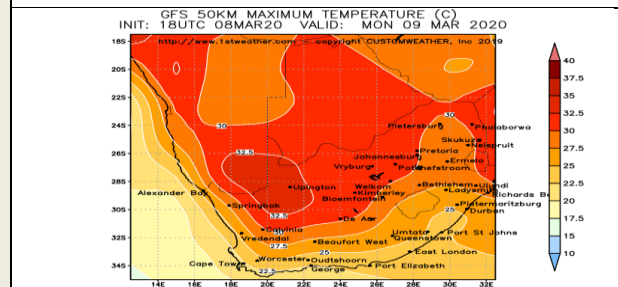
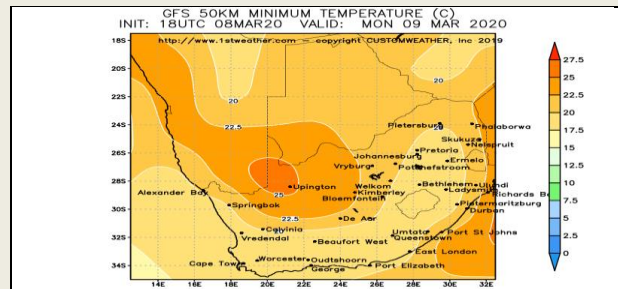
# South Africa - Weather

Eastern South Africa will rapidly dry down through the end of next week

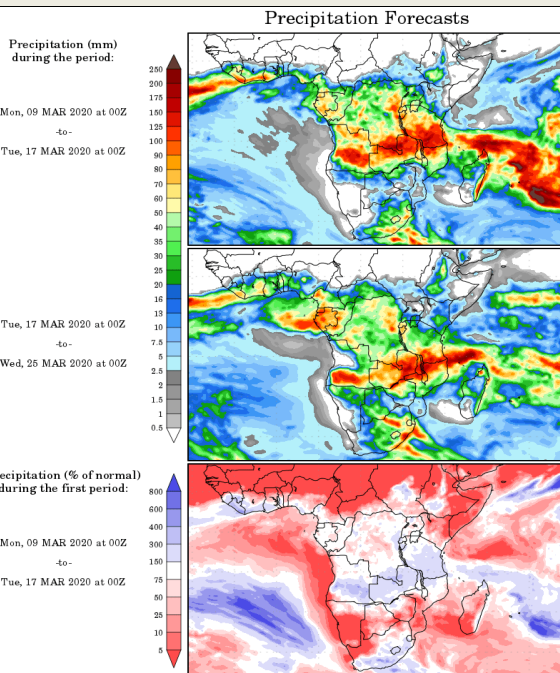
- o Many areas will still have enough moisture during the next few days to maintain aggressive growth
- o However, development will likely slow across the region as the ground firms
- o The boost in rain during the second week will help support better late season development
- o Rainfall will be too light to completely reverse the moisture deficits
- o Yields are still expected to be near normal this season
- o Early season crop maturation conditions will be mostly favorable due to the drier weather
- o Western sections of Free State and North West into Northern Cape will see aggressive drying in the coming weeks
- o Irrigated cotton and other crops will remain in mostly good condition due to irrigation and recent rainfall



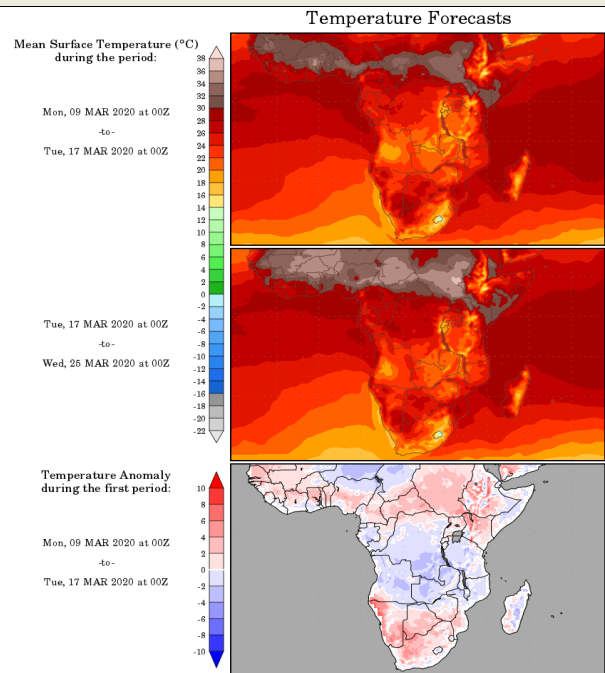
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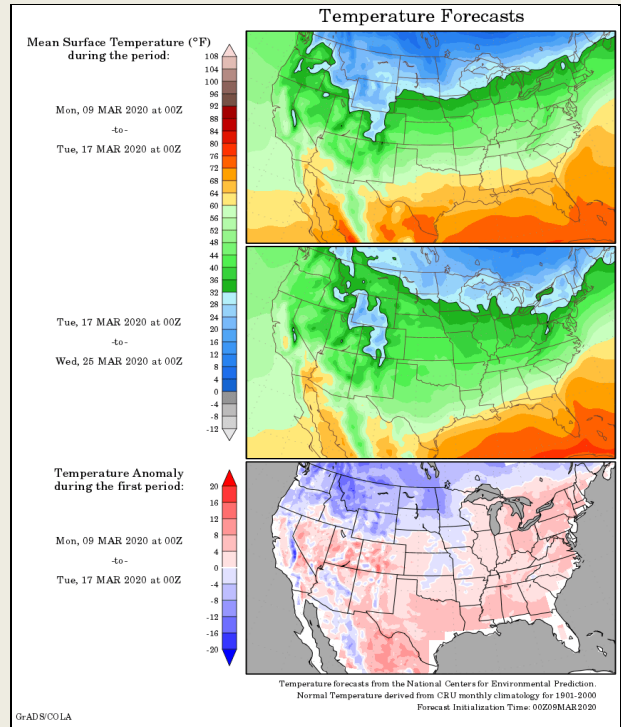
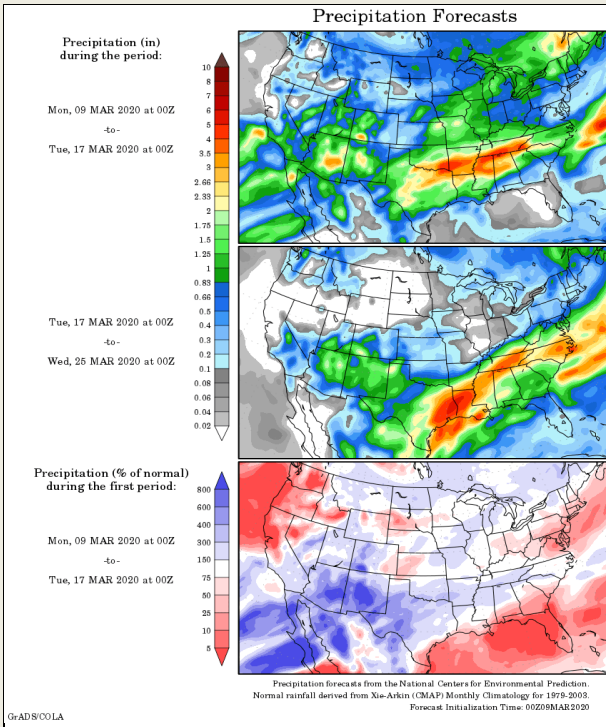
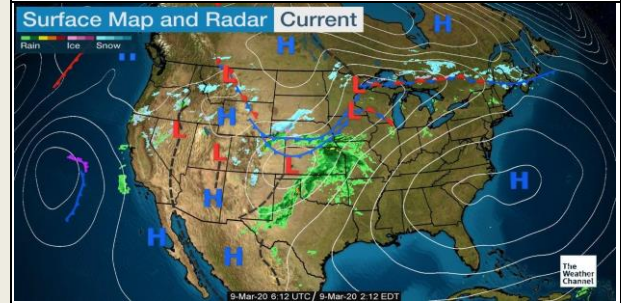
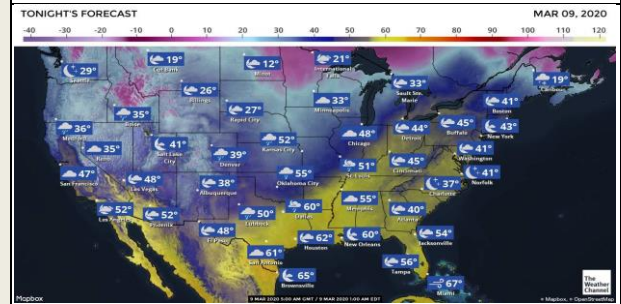
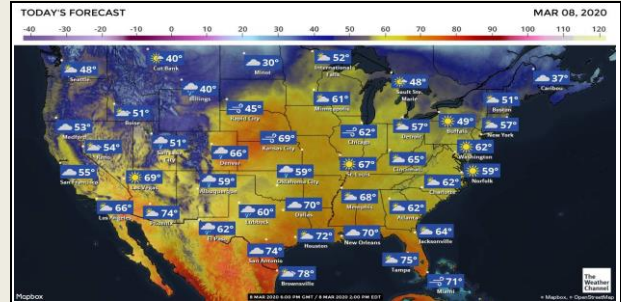
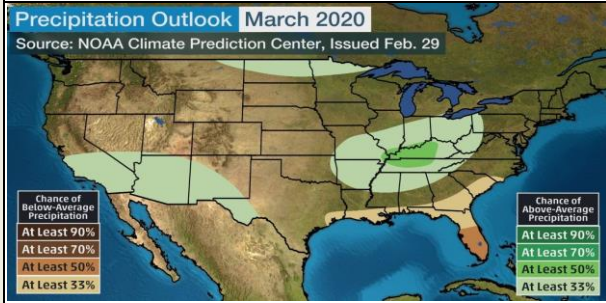
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# United States of America - Weather

**U.S. MIDWEST:** The Midwest will see two rounds of well-organized precipitation through late next week with enough rain from the second storm system to cause some local flooding in the Ohio River Basin. Some light rain and snow will occur today in Ohio with moisture content of the precipitation up to 0.10" and locally with eastern areas wettest. Precipitation will increase Sunday night into Monday from the lower into the eastern Midwest while the northwestern Corn Belt misses much of the precipitation.

**U.S. DELTA AND SOUTHEAST:** An improving trend for fieldwork and flood conditions will occur through the next ten days from the southern Delta through southern Alabama and southern Georgia into South Carolina as rain there will be infrequent and mostly light. The central and northern Delta into the remainder of the Southeast will also see improving trends for flooding during the next ten days and some improvements in conditions for fieldwork, but rain will be great enough to keep fieldwork sluggish in many areas. The Delta and the Southeast will be mostly dry into Monday before rain increases Monday into Tuesday in the Delta and a large part of the Southeast with much of the rain light outside of the northern Delta.

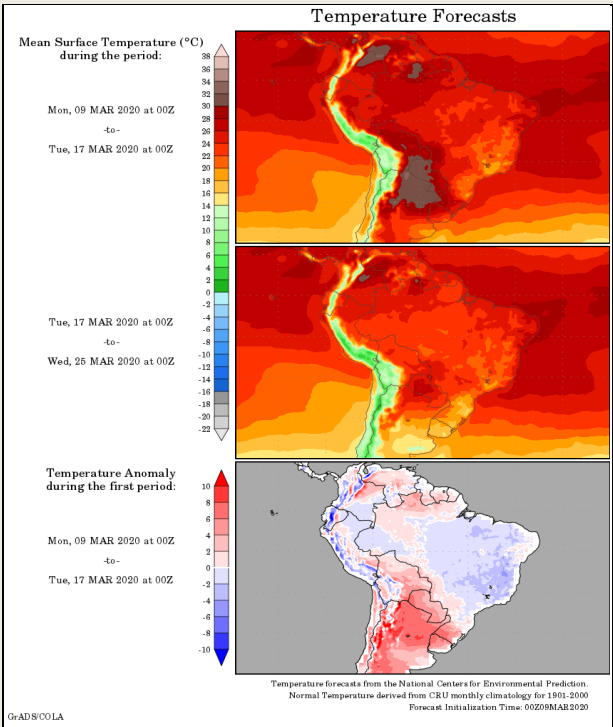
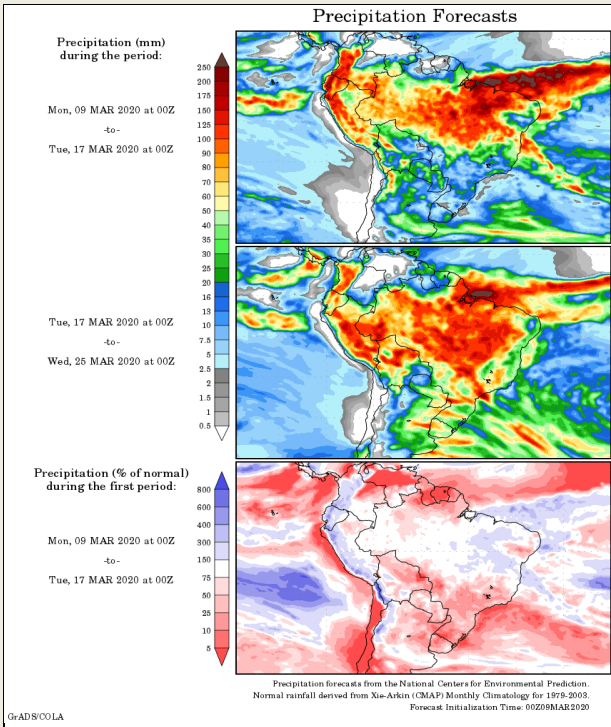
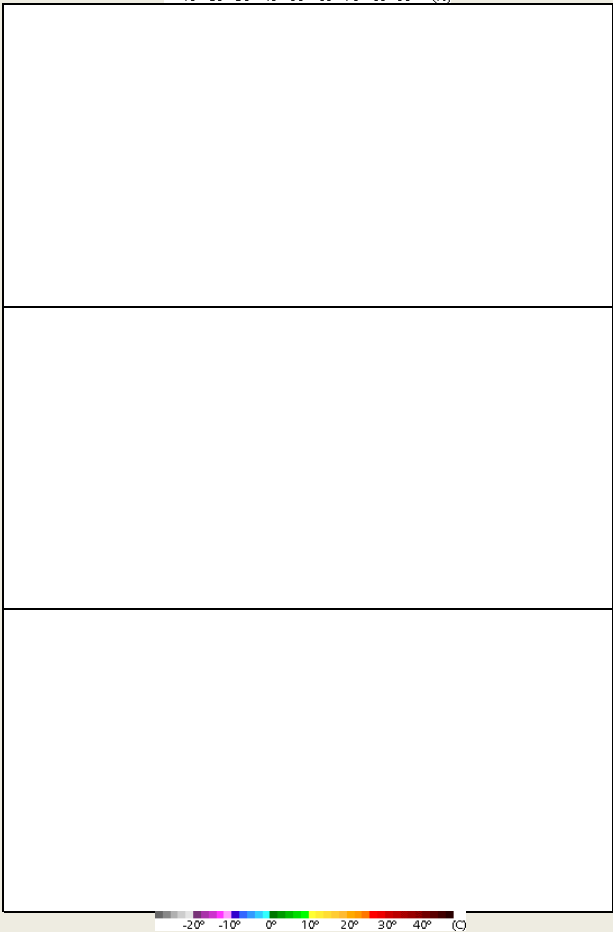
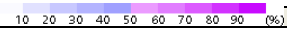
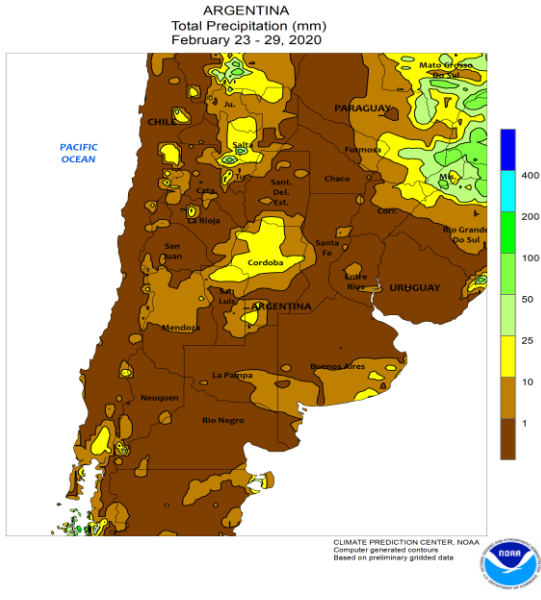


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# South America - Weather

**BRAZIL:** Frequent rounds of showers and thunderstorms will occur through the next week from northern Mato Grosso through central and northern Goias, Bahia, the northern and eastern halves of Minas Gerais, and Espirito Santo causing delays to fieldwork while replenishing soil moisture in the drier areas of the northeast. Second season corn needs to be planted by the middle of March to ensure corn is beyond the pollination stage of development when soil moisture becomes low during the dry season.

**ARGENTINA:** Warm to hot and mostly dry conditions will continue into Sunday causing rising levels of crop stress in many areas, especially in the drier areas of the south before a timely increase in rain Sunday night into next week brings relief from dryness to key crop areas from southern Cordoba to central and northern Buenos Aires. Temperatures will be hot enough through the next week to stress some crops, especially late-planted corn. Crop stress will be greatest in the driest areas from San Luis to central and southern La Pampa to central and south-central Buenos Aires and this region will see steadily increasing levels of crop stress until rain returns.

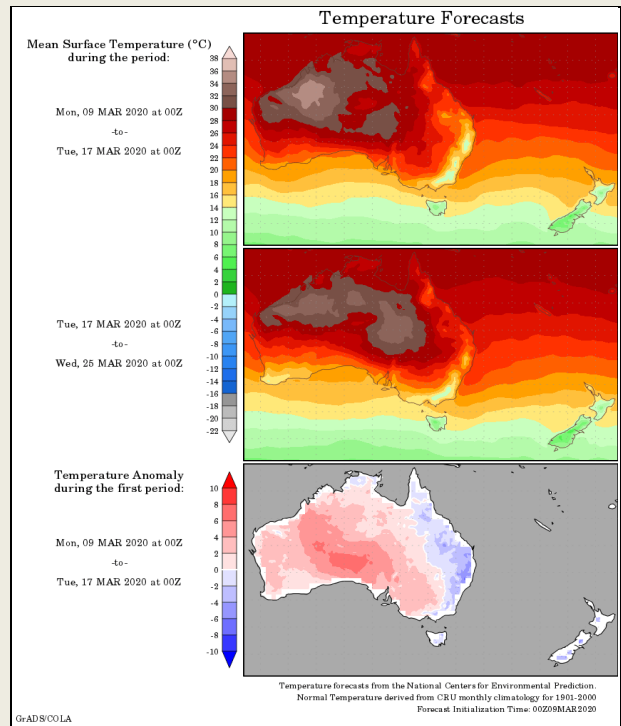
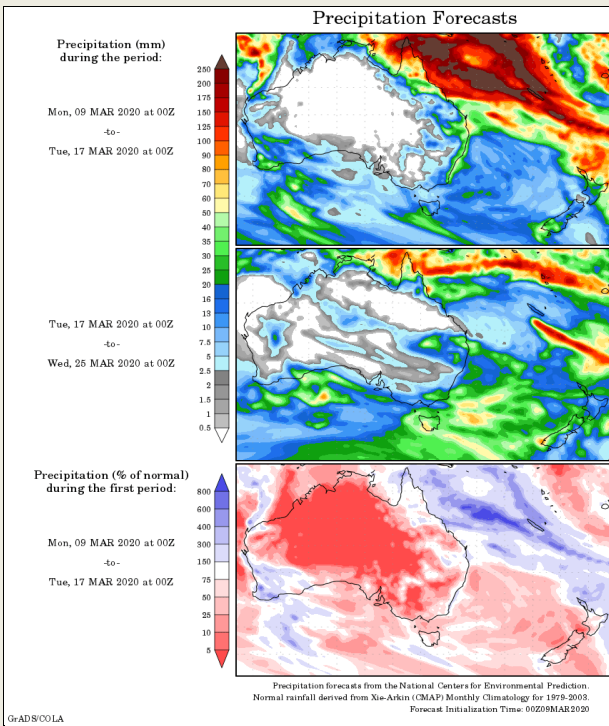
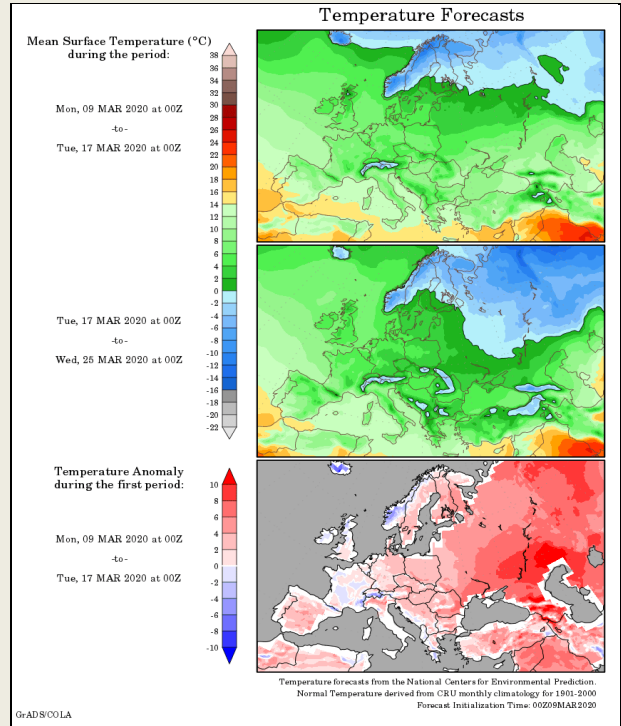
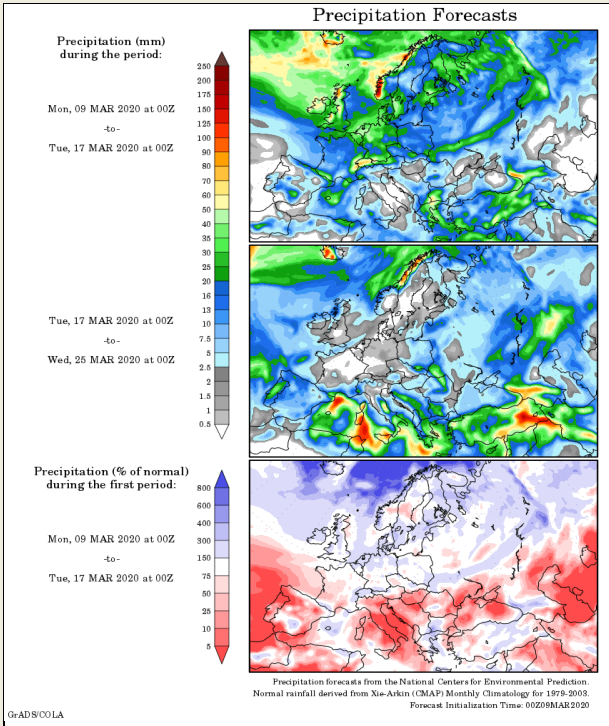


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## Europe, New Zealand and Australia - Weather

**EUROPE:** Frequent waves of rain and some mountain snow will occur from northwest and west-central Europe into southeast Europe the next week to ten days. Wet conditions from the U.K. through France and western Germany into the Adriatic Sea will lead to some local flooding, but no harm to winter crops is expected. Meanwhile, a boost in rain over Greece, Bulgaria and Romania will be welcome and bolster topsoil moisture.

**AUSTRALIA:** Mild temperatures and wet conditions will occur central to east Queensland and east New South Wales into east Victoria this week. The moisture will be more beneficial than not and help continue to improve long term dryness concerns over Queensland and New South Wales. Crop production numbers for this year will not recover, but the moisture will continue to improve the long-term outlook for the region and provide a better environment for fall and winter crops this year and any irrigated summer crops should continue to improve from the supplemental rainfall.



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