



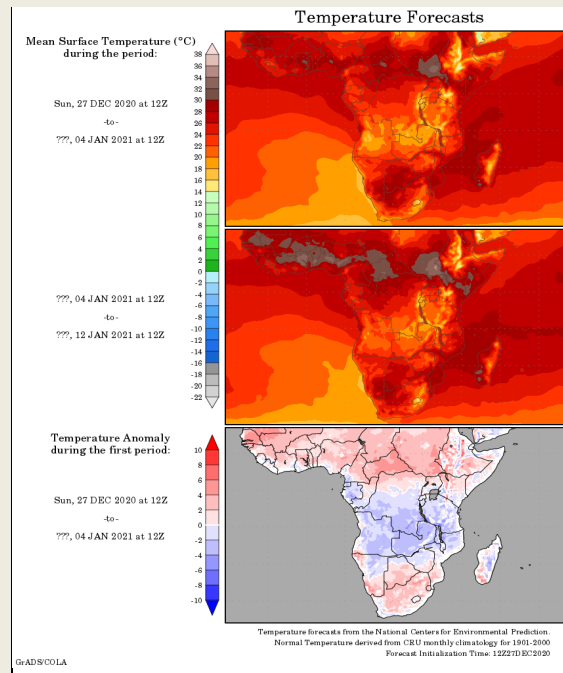
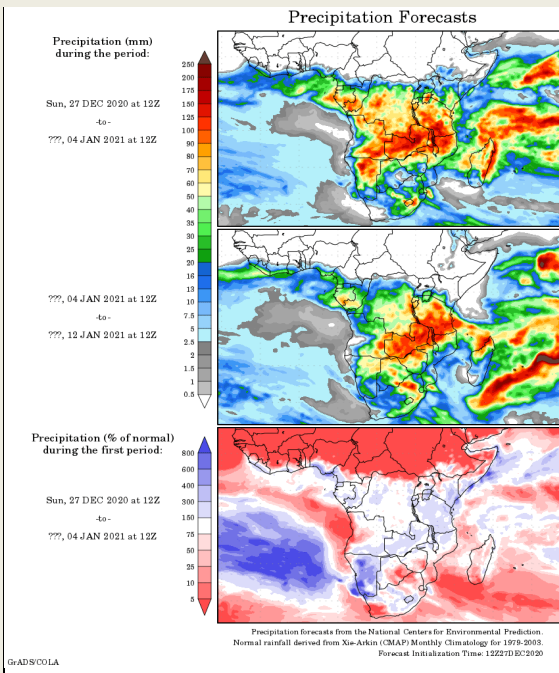
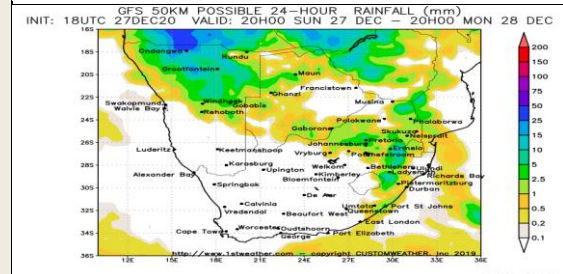
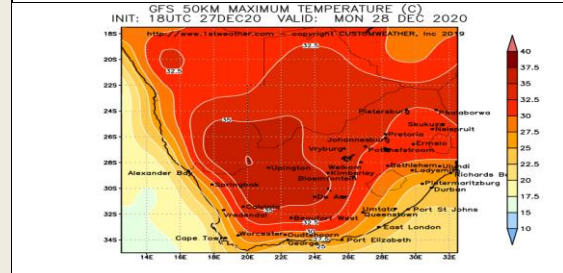
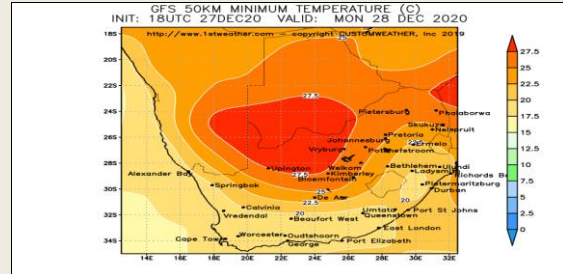
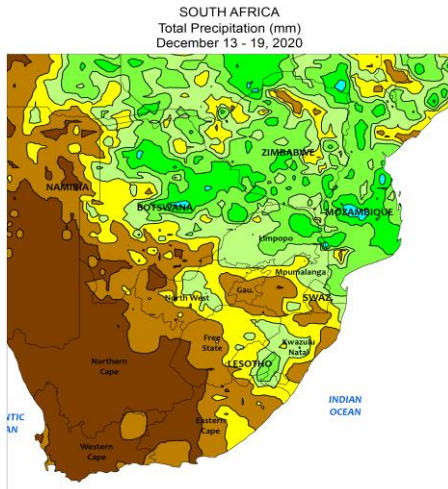
# **Weather Report**

## **28 December 2020**

# South Africa - Weather

Eastern South Africa will continue to see rain scattered across the region on a frequent basis during the coming week. The rain will help keep soil moisture rated favorably in most production areas. Establishment and growth will advance under generally favorable conditions. Late-season planting and general fieldwork may be sluggish during the wettest periods, though most producers will still have opportunities to get into the fields.

Eastern Northern Cape and western sections of Free State and North West will also have opportunities for rain during the coming week. The rain will help alleviate some of the dryness and either improve development or continue to promote favorable growth. Most areas will not receive enough rain to completely fix the moisture deficits. However, crop conditions will be generally favorable outside the driest fields. Western Cape's winter wheat areas will be mostly dry during the coming week. Any harvesting not yet complete will advance swiftly. Late-season winter wheat harvesting will otherwise be sluggish at times in Northern Cape, Free State, and North West.

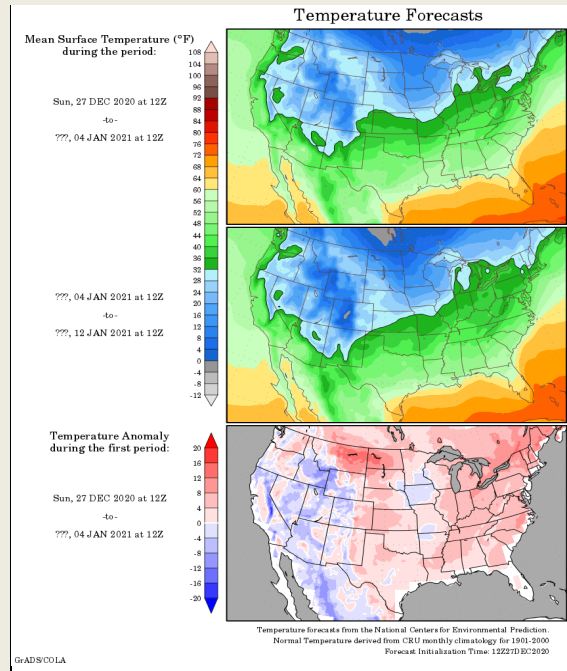
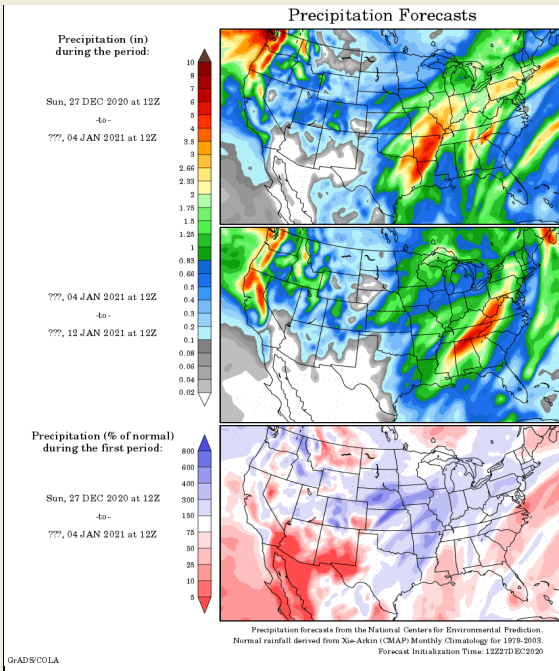
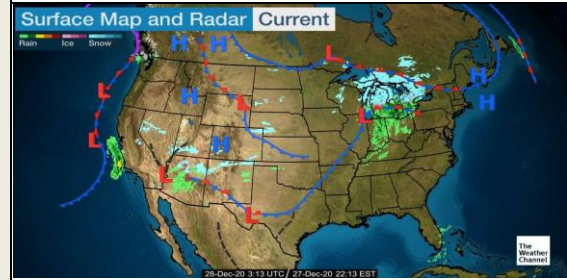
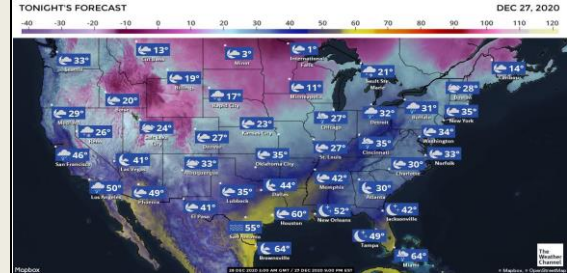
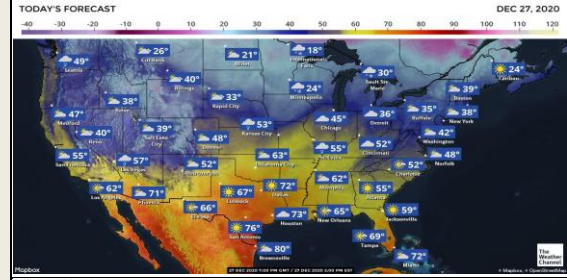
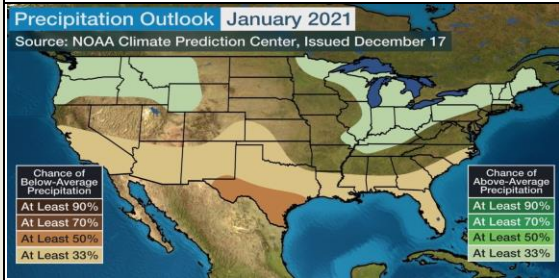


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# United States of America - Weather

**U.S. MIDWEST:** A significant precipitation event is likely Tuesday into Thursday of next week with freezing rain, sleet, and snow in central and northern production. The storm could lead to travel delays and increased stress in livestock.

**U.S. DELTA AND SOUTHEAST:** Occasional precipitation events the next two weeks will still likely continue to keep the soil a little too wet for optimum late season fieldwork progress; though, some progress will occur between the events.



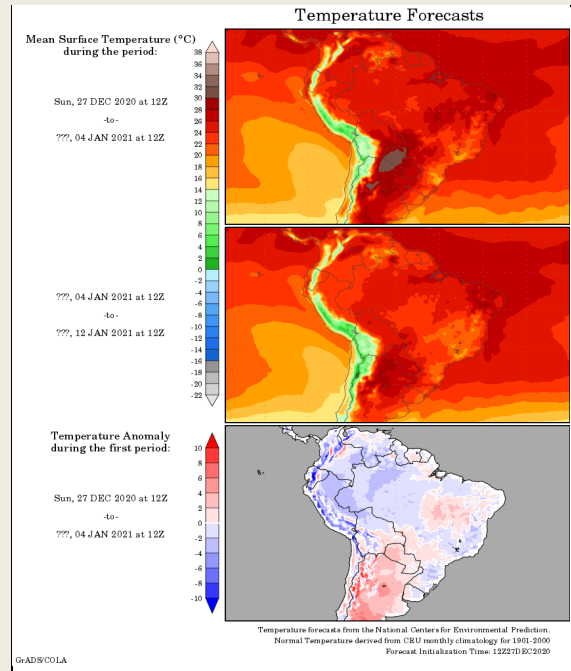
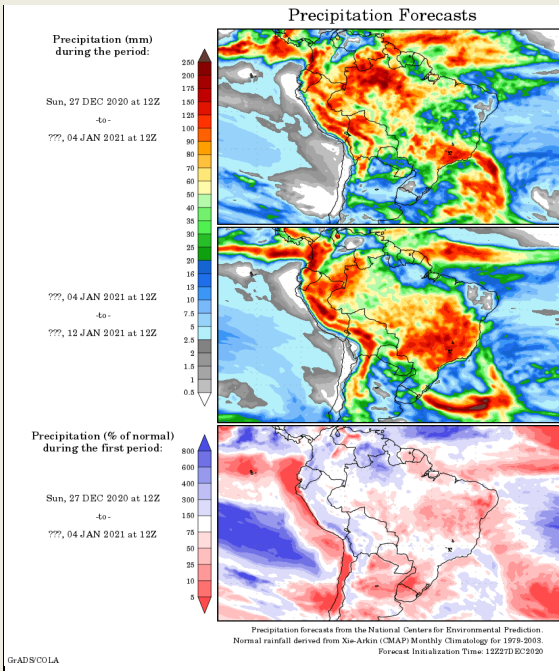
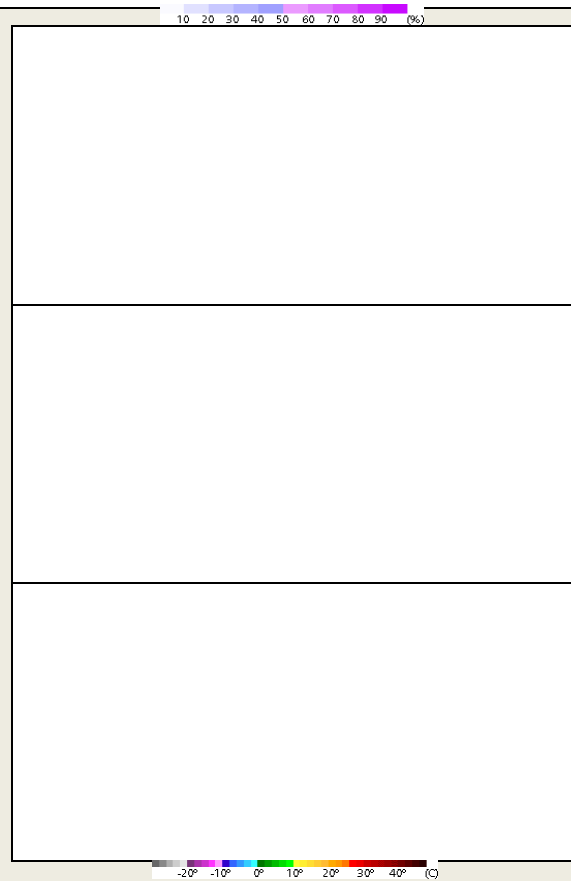
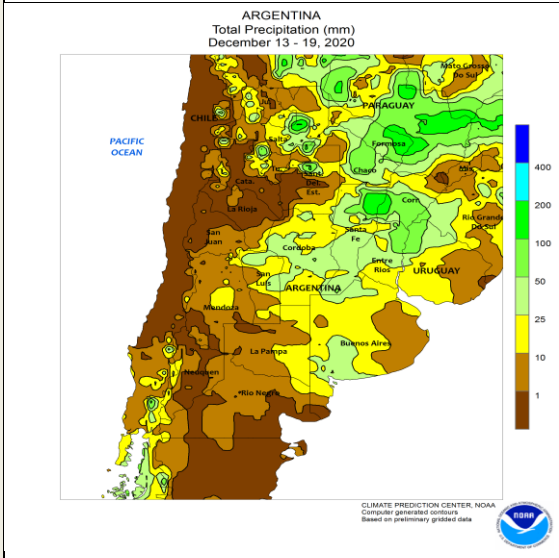
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South America - Weather

**BRAZIL:** Rain in the first week of the outlook will be most significant from Mato Grosso through Sao Paulo, southern Minas Gerais, and Rio de Janeiro and may be great enough for some localized flooding. Bahia, eastern Piaui, and northeastern Minas Gerais will be driest and net drying may continue in this part of the nation throughout much of the second week of the outlook. Rio Grande do Sul will also be notably drier; though, this area will trend wetter later next week.

**ARGENTINA:** Rain and thunderstorms will occur periodically in Argentina over the next two weeks, but the precipitation will be erratic and a little too infrequent to offer the best crop environment. However, there may be just enough rainfall often enough to keep crops viable. Some areas will get enough moisture for improving conditions and other areas not too far away will remain a little too dry and experience some additional stress. Today's forecast is certainly not ideal, but deteriorating conditions should be limited to small parts of the nation and for short periods of time. That does not mean production will be "normal", but it does imply the situation may not deteriorate as quickly as it might without these well-timed rain events.

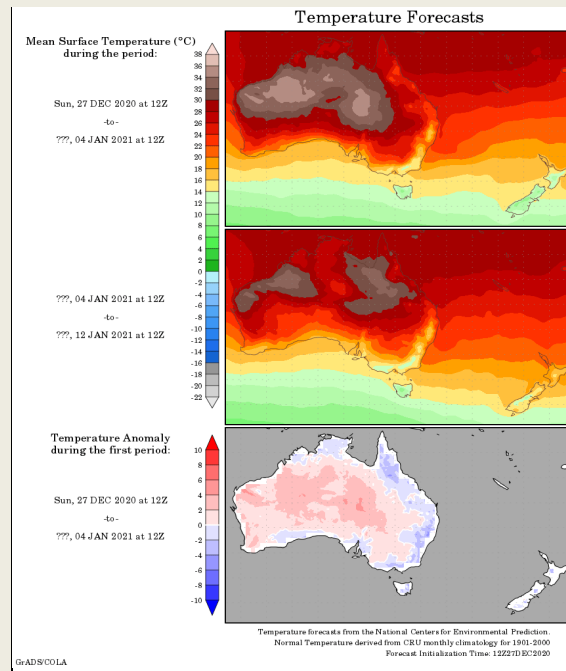
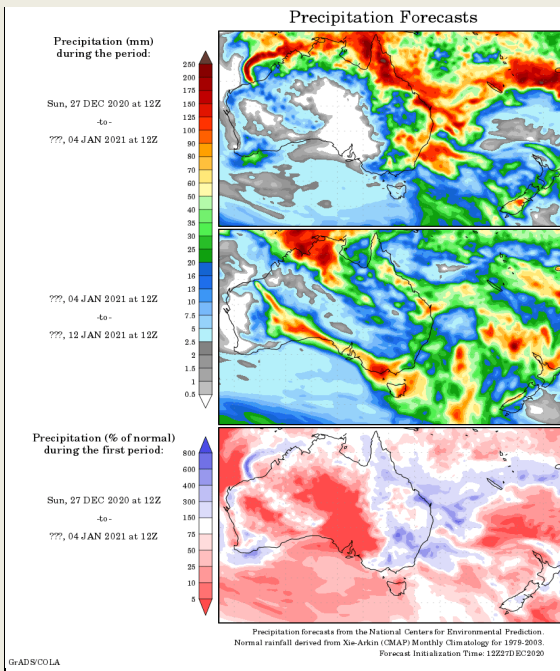
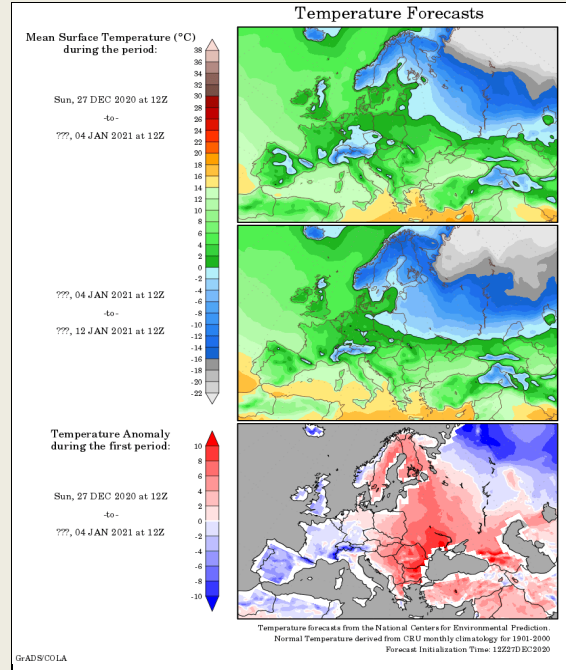
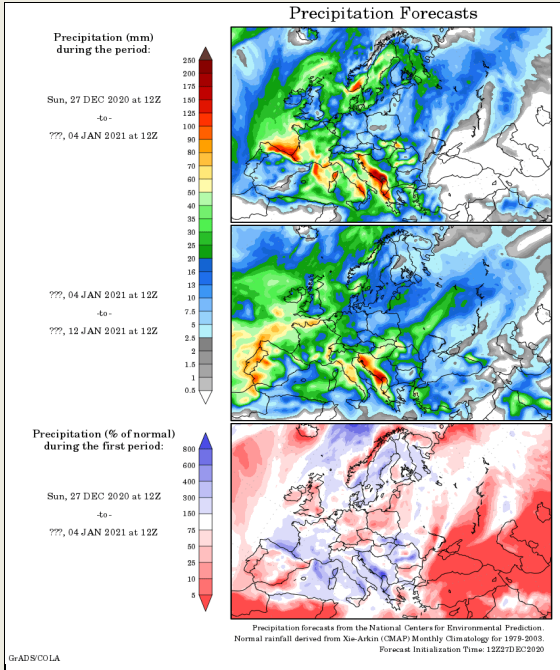


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# Europe, New Zealand and Australia - Weather

**EUROPE:** Wet conditions will occur over the European Continent this coming week. Nearly all locations will receive precipitation at one time or another. The wettest conditions will occur from the U.K., northern Spain and France through Italy and into the eastern Adriatic Sea Nations into Serbia and northwestern Romania as well as the North Sea Region into southern Scandinavia. Meanwhile, restricted precipitation will occur over central and southern Spain into southern Portugal most often.

**AUSTRALIA:** Restricted precipitation will return to Victoria, interior New South Wales and southeastern Queensland most often through Sunday. Restricted rain will prevail in Western Australia as well this week. Recent rain has bolstered soil moisture conditions in New South Wales, but interior minor production areas will dry down quickly again without follow up rain. In the meantime, southeastern Queensland areas bordering New South Wales have missed out on a lot of the recent moisture and pockets of drying will continue.



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