



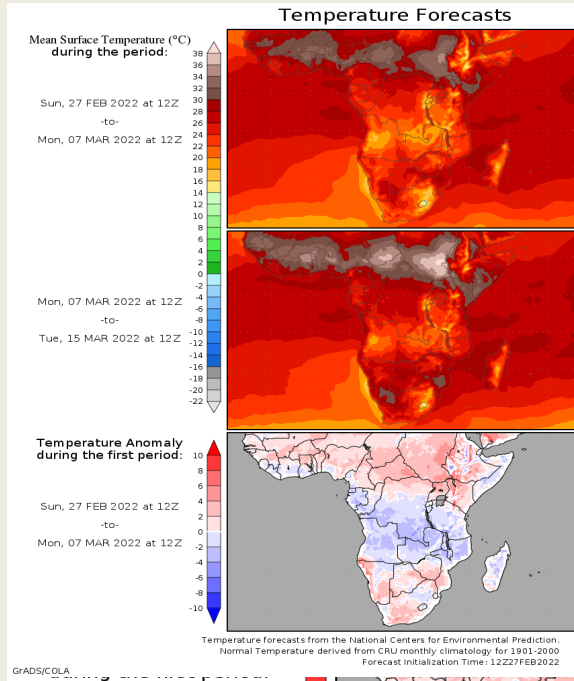
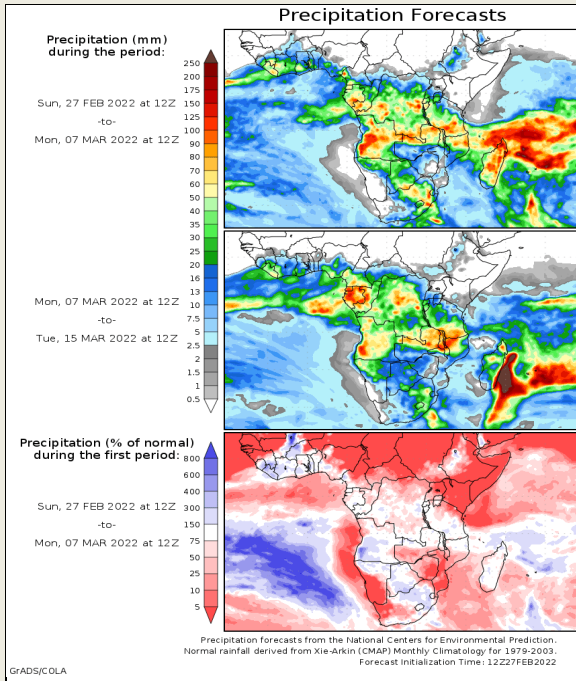
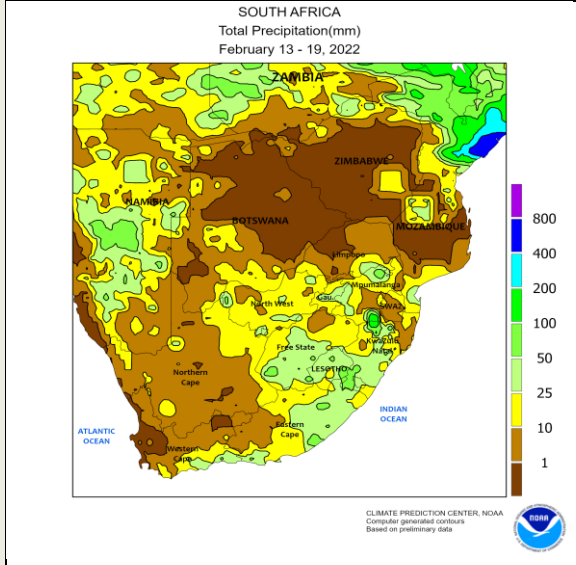
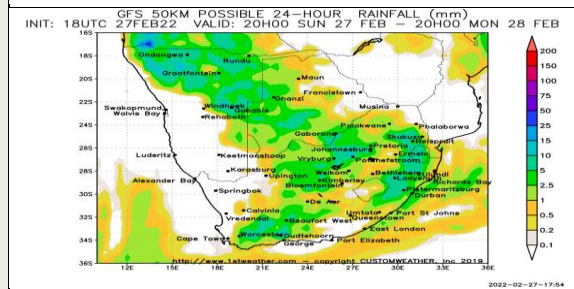
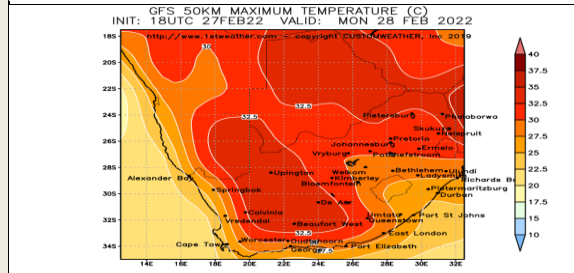
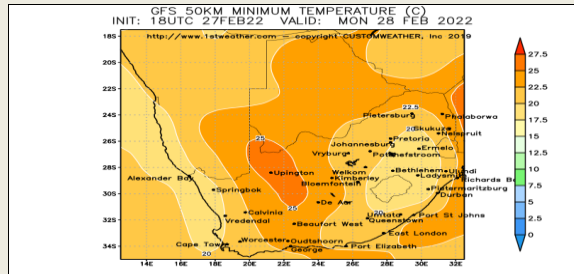
# **Weather Report**

## **28 February 2022**

# South Africa - Weather

Eastern South Africa will continue to see rain evolve on a frequent basis through the end of next week. Coarse grain, oilseed, and other crop conditions will remain mostly favorable, even in areas with excess moisture. Drier weather will be needed later in March as crops start maturing. Drier biased conditions will persist in central and western South Africa through the end of next week. Periods of light rain will still occur, though resulting rainfall will be lost to evaporation. There is enough moisture in the ground to maintain aggressive growth despite the lack of rain. • Eastern South Africa will see a mix of erratic rain and sunshine through the end of next week  
o Moisture totals by next Friday morning will range from 0.75-4.00" and locally greater amounts in Natal and Mpumalanga

- o Drier pockets are also expected in northeastern Limpopo
- o Central and western South Africa will be drier biased during the coming week
- o Periods of light rain will still occur in North West, eastern Free State, Eastern Cape, and Western Cape, though the rain will generally be too light to impact long-term soil conditions

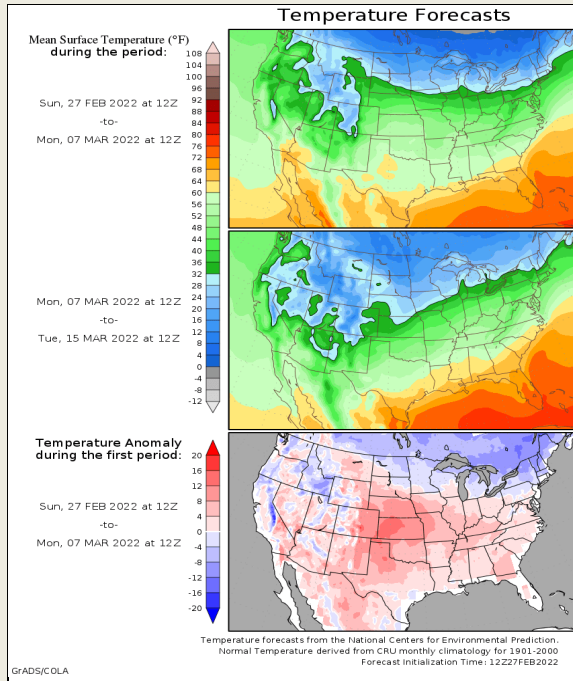
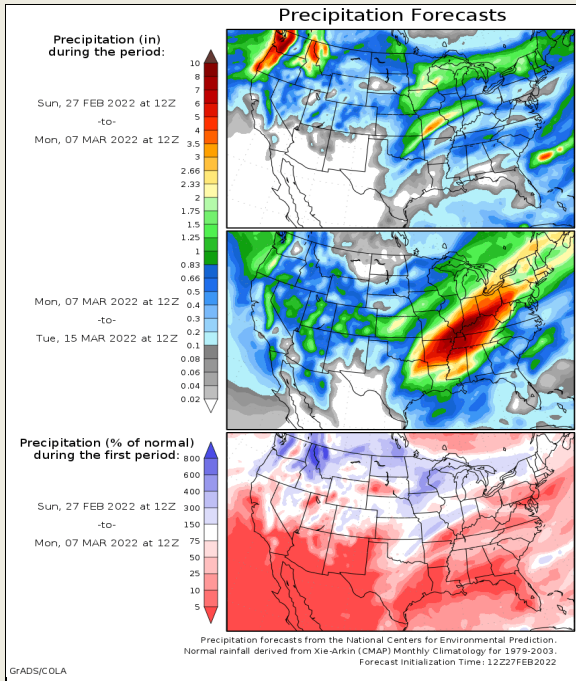
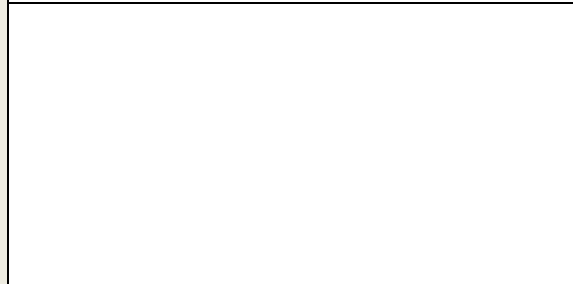


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# United States of America - Weather

**U.S. MIDWEST:** Mostly dry weather will occur through Thursday and flooding in the eastern Corn Belt will decline before two rounds of precipitation from Mar. 4-8 leave many eastern areas in need of drier weather to improve conditions for early season fieldwork.  
 o The soil is dry enough in most of the western Corn Belt that excessively wet conditions should not be common during the next two weeks and early season fieldwork should advance well overall. The Midwest will be much colder than normal today and highs will vary from the middle single digits through the teens in the northwest to the teens through the 30s and lower 40s in the Ohio River Basin. No crop threatening cold is expected in winter wheat areas of the lower Midwest during the next week.

**U.S. DELTA AND SOUTHEAST:** The Delta and much of the Southeast will receive additional precipitation this weekend before mostly dry weather next week allows fieldwork to resume in the southern Delta and a large part of the Southeast. Two rounds of precipitation will occur from Mar. 5-9 and fieldwork will be interrupted, but as long as rain does not fall too heavily and precipitation does not return too quickly, delays to fieldwork should not become extended.



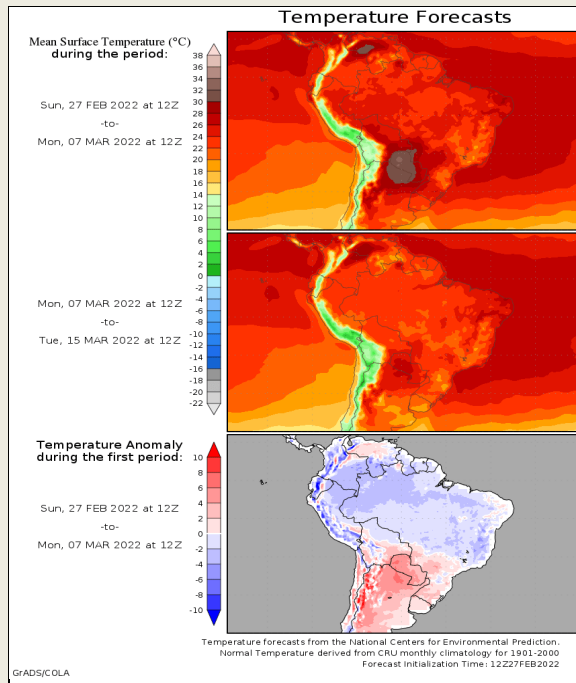
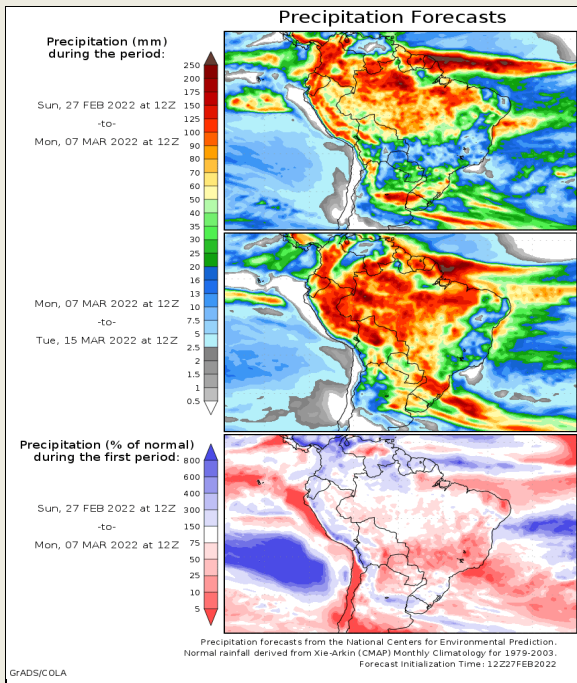
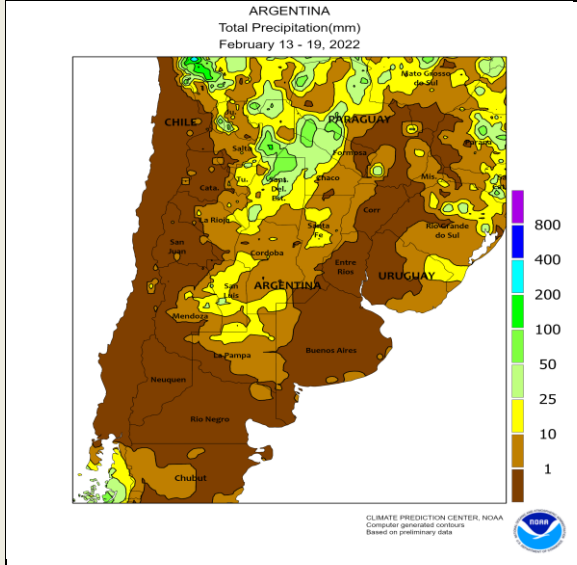
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# South America - Weather

**BRAZIL:** Improvements in conditions for summer crops and for Safrinha crop planting will occur during the next two weeks in the driest areas from Paraguay and Mato Grosso do Sul to southern Brazil where showers and thunderstorms will occur regularly through most of the period. Most of the remainder of Brazil will receive enough rain during the next two weeks to support crop development and to slowing fieldwork with some exceptions in northeastern Brazil. Minas Gerais will see a drying trend and the drier weather will benefit the excessively wet areas with western and central Bahia, Sao Paulo, and Espirito Santo also seeing infrequent rain through most of the next two weeks.

**ARGENTINA:** The driest areas in central and northern Argentina will see regular rain and significant relief from dryness through the next ten days while key crop areas in southern Argentina also receive rain that will maintain favorable conditions for crop development.

o Some crops have been damaged too seriously by hot and dry weather this season to benefit from the coming rain while crops that are still viable should see significant improvements in yield potentials.

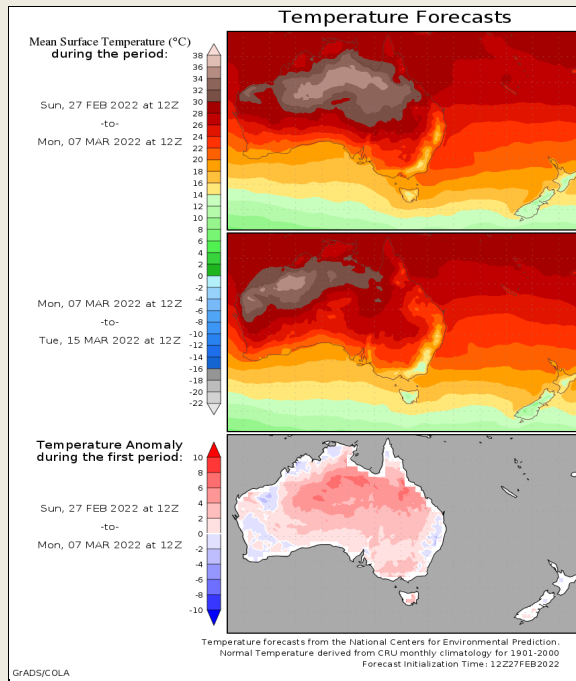
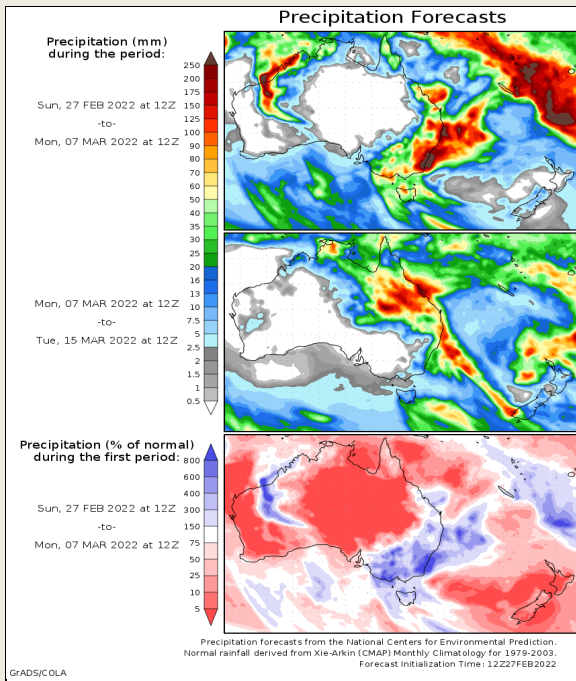
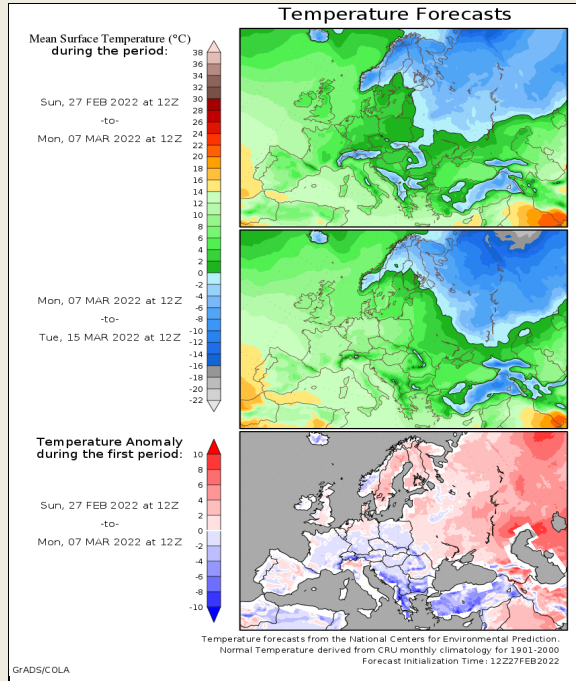
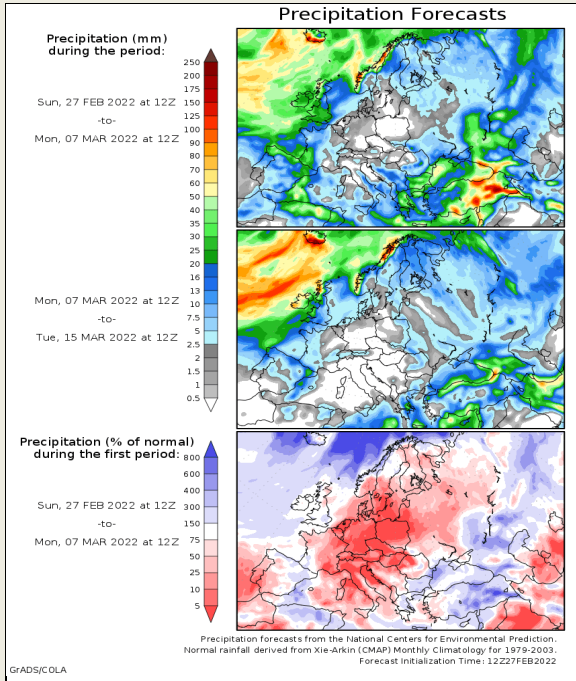


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# Europe, New Zealand and Australia - Weather

**EUROPE:** Some occasional rain showers and a few pockets of snow will occur through Thursday o Much of the activity will be erratic and happen today through Sunday o The precipitation will still be greatest in Italy and the southern and western Balkan Countries Total moisture in these areas is expected to vary from 0.35 to 2.00 inches, a few locally greater amounts

**AUSTRALIA:** Additional shower and thunderstorm activity in New South Wales and southeastern Queensland in the first week of the outlook will provide further improvement in crop conditions of unirrigated fields. The rain is likely to be greatest in New South Wales. Some far western production areas of Queensland are unlikely to receive enough rain to counter evaporation. A localized significant rain event in and near Brisbane is ongoing and will continue through Saturday causing flooding which may impact some sugarcane near the coast of far southeastern Queensland and southward into northeastern New South Wales coastal areas as well.



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