



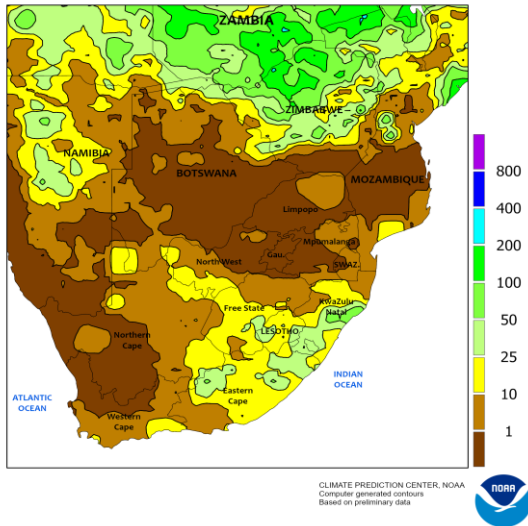
# **Weather Report**

## **03 February 2023**

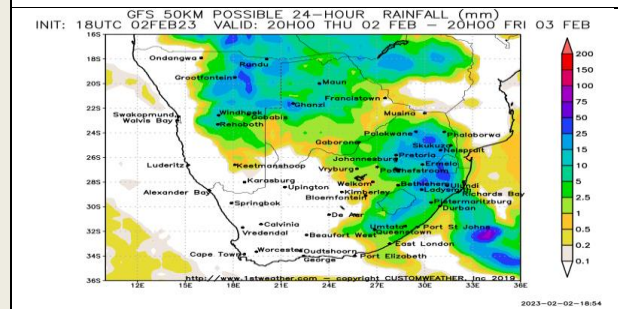
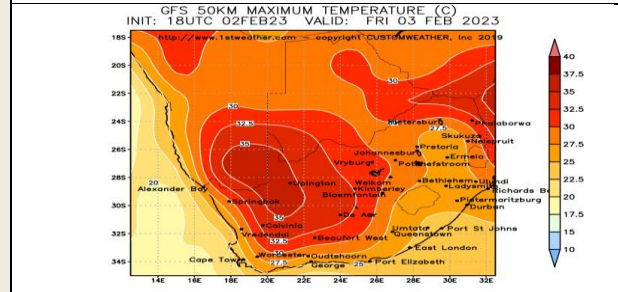
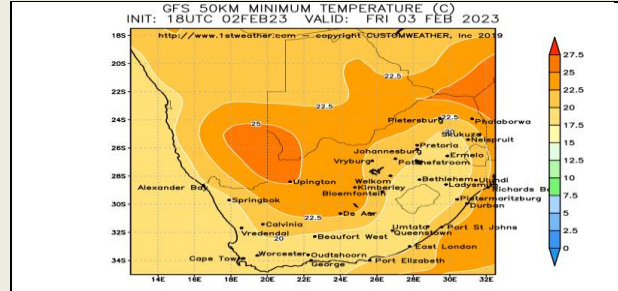
# South Africa - Weather

**SOUTH AFRICA :** South Africa's production areas will have several opportunities for rain during the coming week. Rainfall will be enough to gradually bolster soil moisture in most locations. Flash flooding will be a concern in southern Natal, Eastern Cape, and neighboring areas, though crop damage will be minimal. The environment will otherwise remain favorable for aggressive crop growth. Eastern and central South Africa will see several waves of rain during the coming week. A series of disturbances will generate scattered showers and thunderstorms on a near daily basis. Moisture totals by next Thursday morning will range from 0.75-4.00" with local amounts of 6.00" or more in Eastern Cape, southern Natal, and neighboring areas. Western South Africa will see a mix of erratic rain and sunshine during the coming week. Scattered showers will begin this weekend and continue into the middle of next week. Moisture totals by next Thursday morning will range from 0.25-1.50" with local amounts over 2.00" in eastern Northern Cape. Drier pockets are also expected in western Northern Cape. The eastern half of South Africa will see a mix of rain and sunshine February 10 – 16. Western South Africa will be drier biased.

SOUTH AFRICA  
Total Precipitation(mm)  
January 22 - 28, 2023



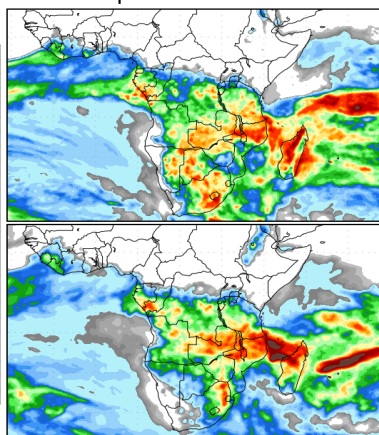
CLIMATE PREDICTION CENTER, NOAA  
Computer generated contours  
Based on preliminary data  
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Precipitation (mm)  
during the period:

Thu, 02 FEB 2023 at 12Z  
-to-  
Fri, 10 FEB 2023 at 12Z

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Sat, 18 FEB 2023 at 12Z



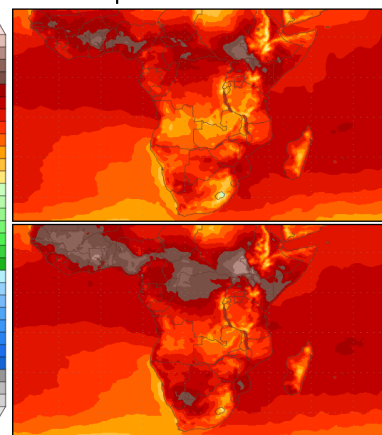
Precipitation forecasts from the National Centers for Environmental Prediction.  
Normal rainfall derived from Xie-Arkin (CMAP) Monthly Climatology for 1979-2003.  
Forecast Initialization Time: 12Z02FEB2023

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Mean Surface Temperature (°C)  
during the period:

Thu, 02 FEB 2023 at 12Z  
-to-  
Fri, 10 FEB 2023 at 12Z

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Temperature forecasts from the National Centers for Environmental Prediction.  
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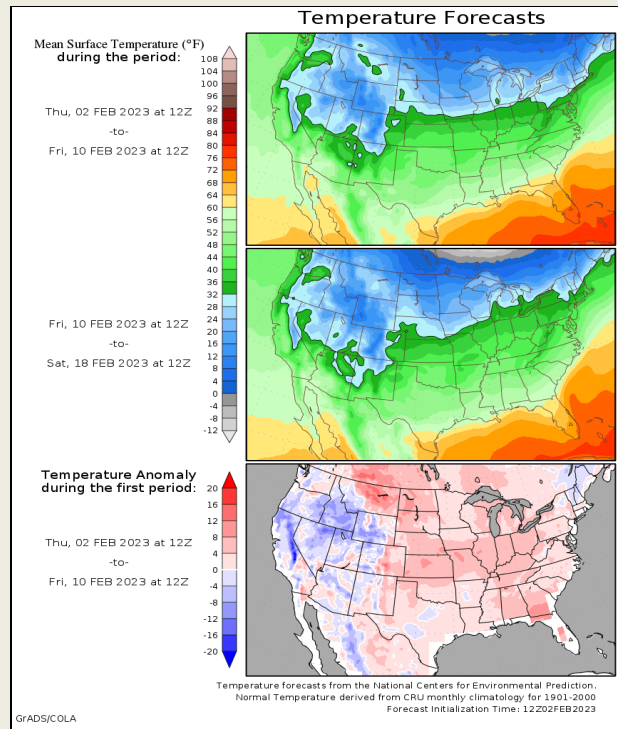
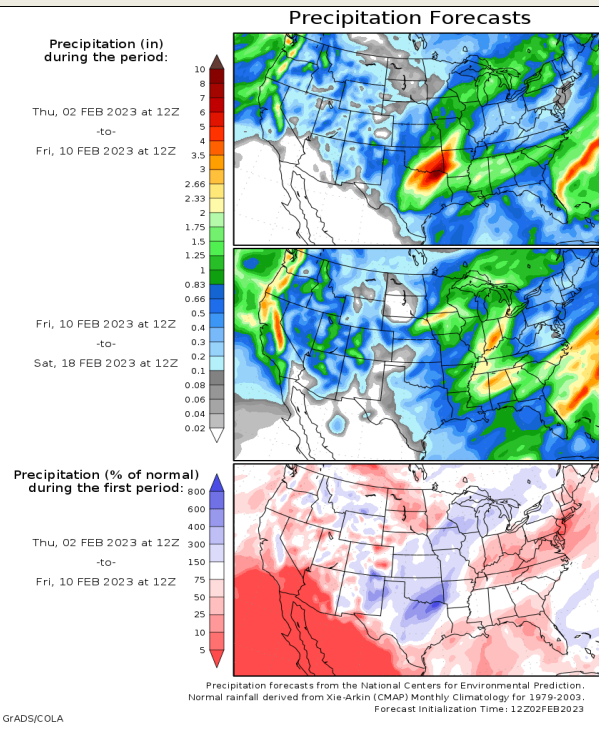
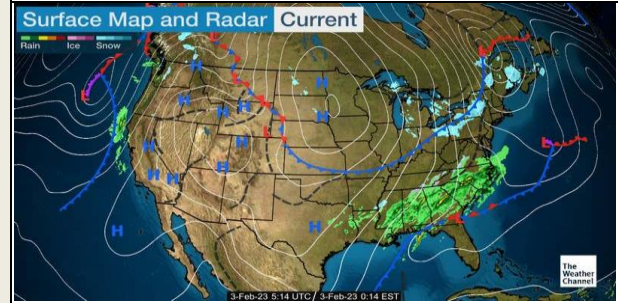
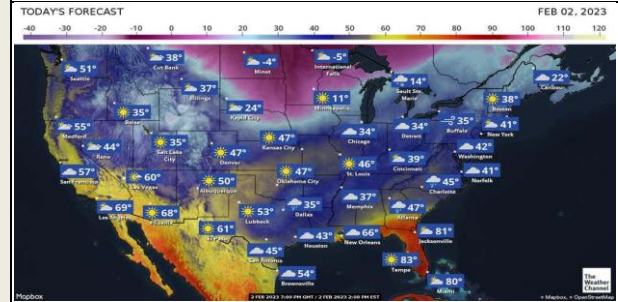
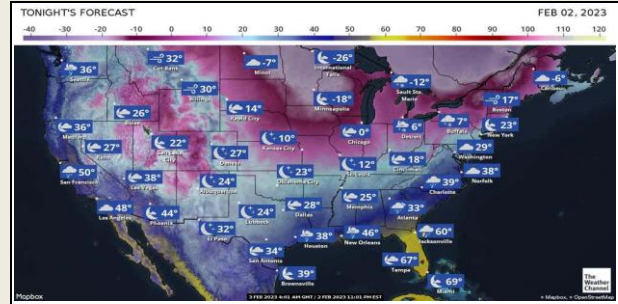
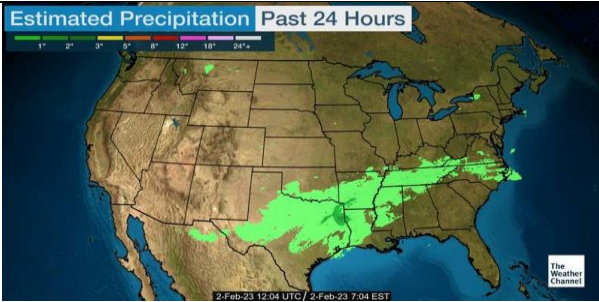
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# United States of America - Weather

**U.S. MIDWEST :** The Midwest will see little precipitation of significance through the next ten days with one round of precipitation Monday into Tuesday from the southwestern to the eastern Corn Belt. • Much of the Midwest will be colder than normal through Friday before this weekend is warmer and most areas will be much warmer than normal next week. • Snow cover is in place in winter wheat areas that see temperatures colder than zero this week.

**U.S. DELTA :** The Delta and the Southeast will see frequent rounds of rain through late next week and some additional local flooding is likely while many areas will be left vulnerable to serious flooding if a heavy rain event were to occur in later this month. • An ice storm will continue in the central and northern Delta into Thursday where travel delays will be common and some power outages are likely.

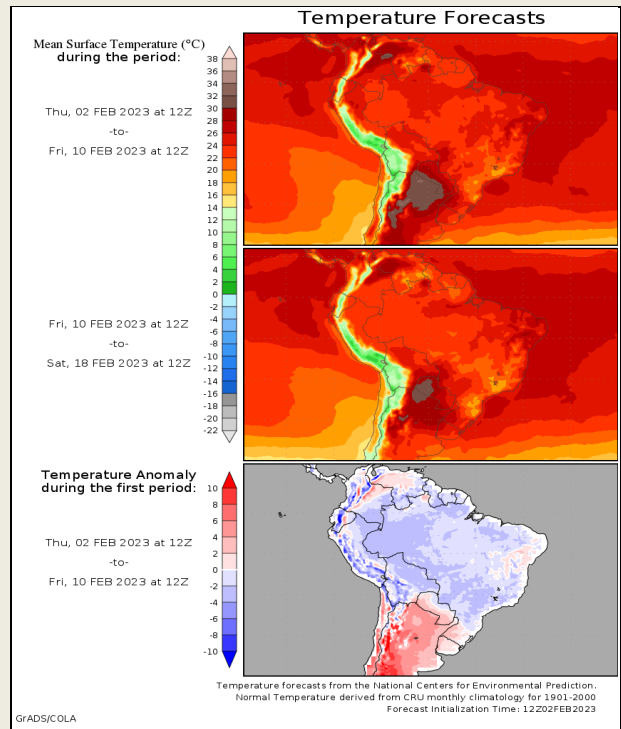
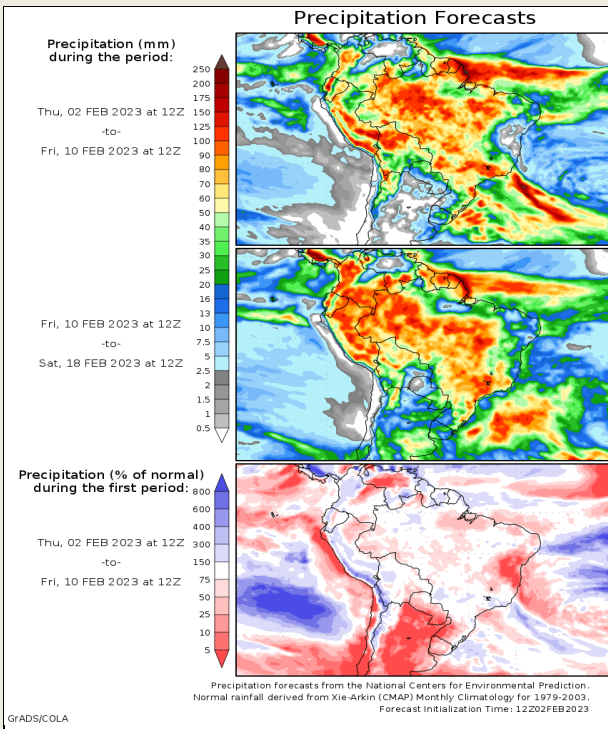
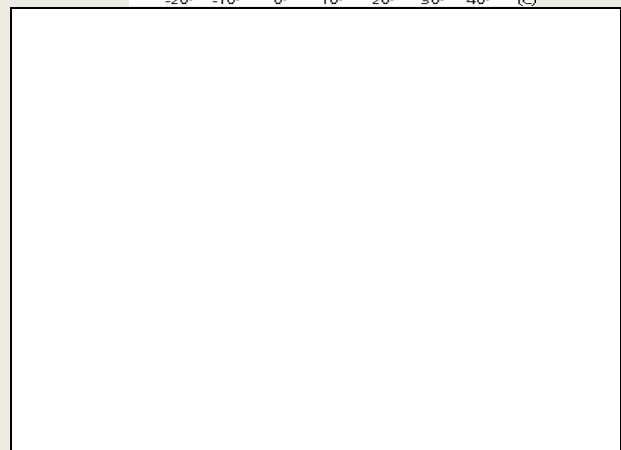
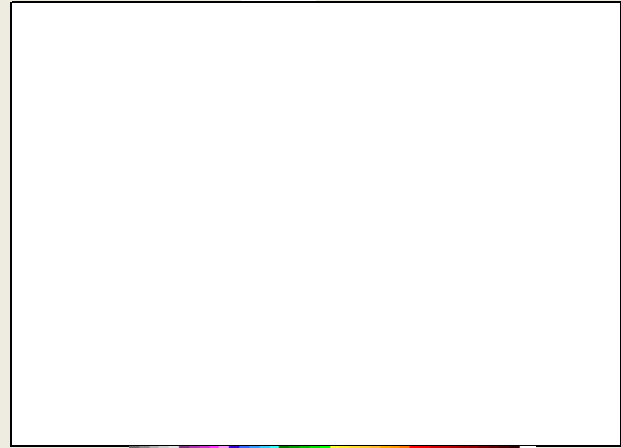


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## South America - Weather

**BRAZIL:** Much of Brazil outside of northeastern and some far southern areas will see regular rounds of showers and thunderstorms through the next two weeks that will bring enough rain to favorably support crop development while slowing soybean harvesting and Safrinha corn planting. Mato Grosso and nearby areas will have opportunities for fieldwork around the showers expected during the next two weeks, but longer stretches of dry weather will be needed in February to ensure soybeans are harvested in time to allow the Safrinha corn crop to be planted during the favorable period.

**ARGENTINA:** Additional rain in some southeastern and northwestern areas today will induce further improvements in soil moisture that will help to ensure most crops have adequate soil moisture when drier weather returns Friday through at least the following Friday. Central and northern Santa Fe and Santiago del Estero to Corrientes and Entre Rios have missed much of the rain other areas received this week and crop stress will increase during the next week as the soil dries out and temperatures are warm to hot. A timely increase in rain may occur Feb. 11-13 and this period will be closely monitored as many areas may become dry enough by then that crop stress could increase if rain does not return.

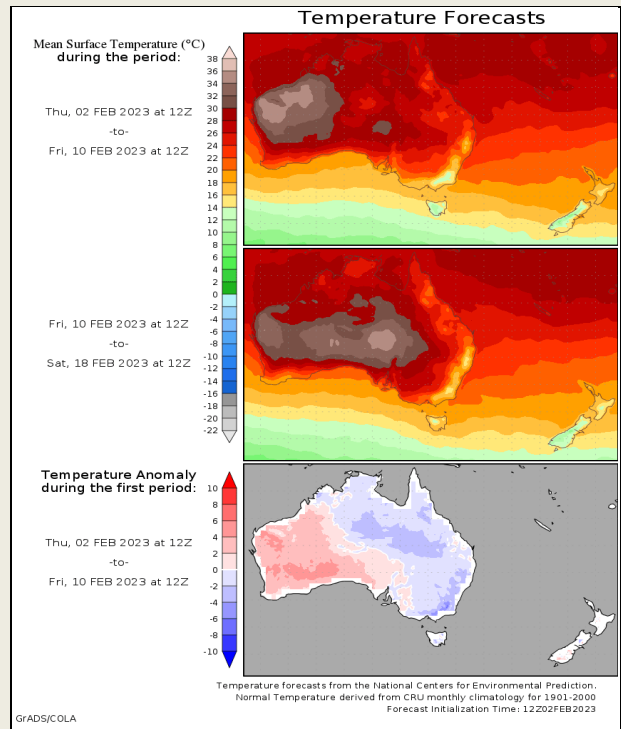
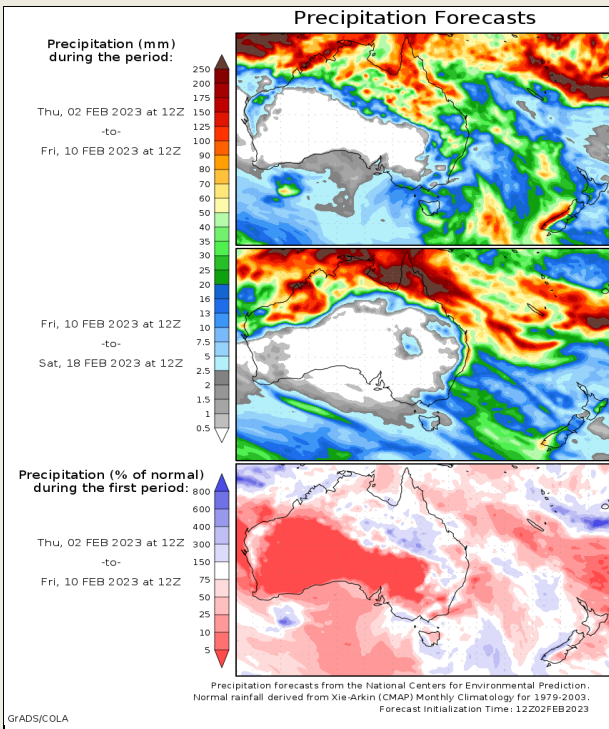
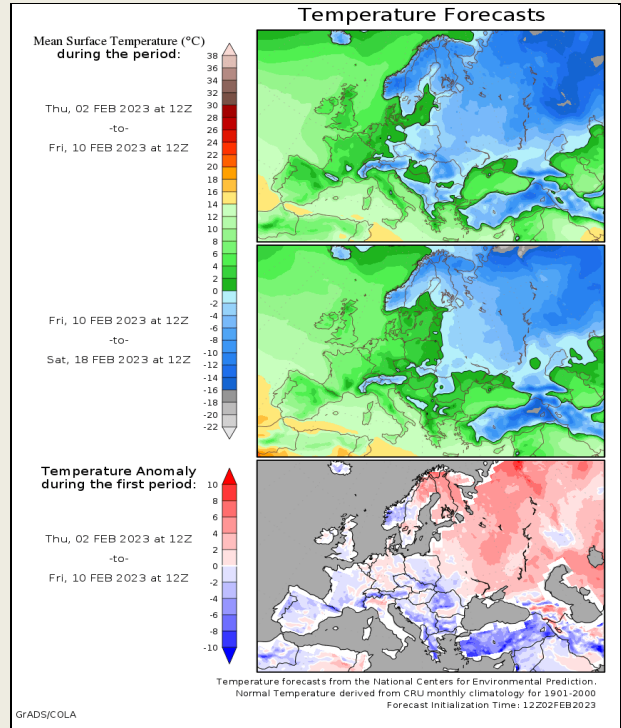
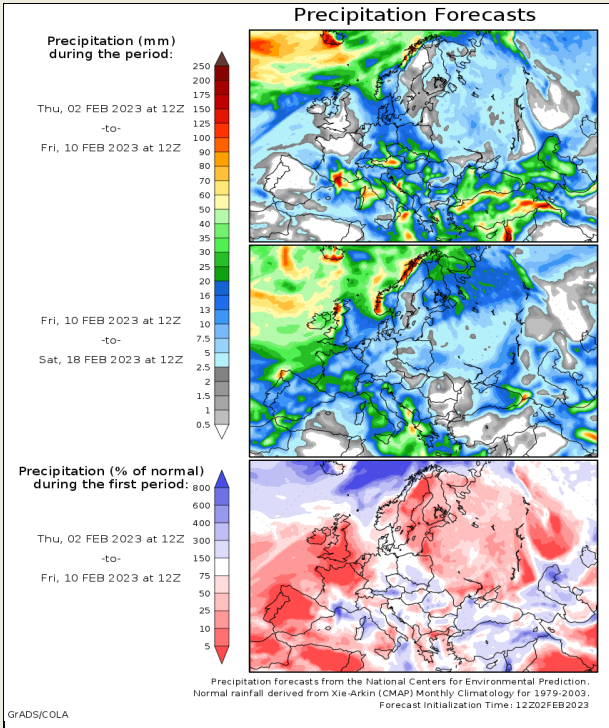


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## Europe, New Zealand and Australia - Weather

**EUROPE** : Some rain and snow will occur in parts of the region daily through Thursday o Much of this will still be erratic with limited coverage o Total moisture will vary from 0.10 to 0.75 inch with around 50% coverage o Some local amounts of 1.00 to 2.00 inches mainly in eastern areas • Not much precipitation is likely in the second week, Feb. 3 – 10 o Below average total moisture is expected across most of the region

**AUSTRALIA** : Greater rainfall continues to be needed in unirrigated areas of eastern Australia, especially portions of southern Queensland where topsoil and subsoil moisture is still lowest. Net drying will occur through Saturday; however, an increase in rainfall is then likely for Sunday through Wednesday. This increase could begin in portions of Queensland and then expand into New South Wales. The greatest rain is still likely to occur in northern sorghum areas of Queensland.



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