

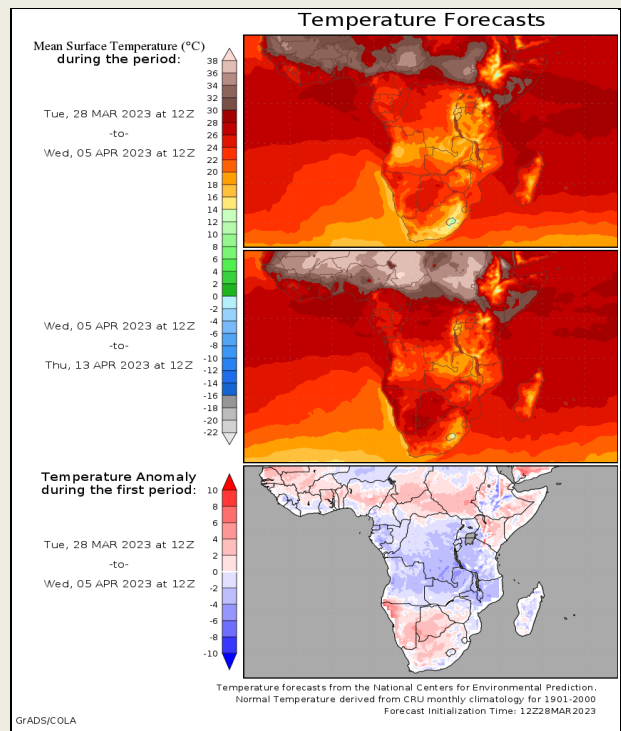
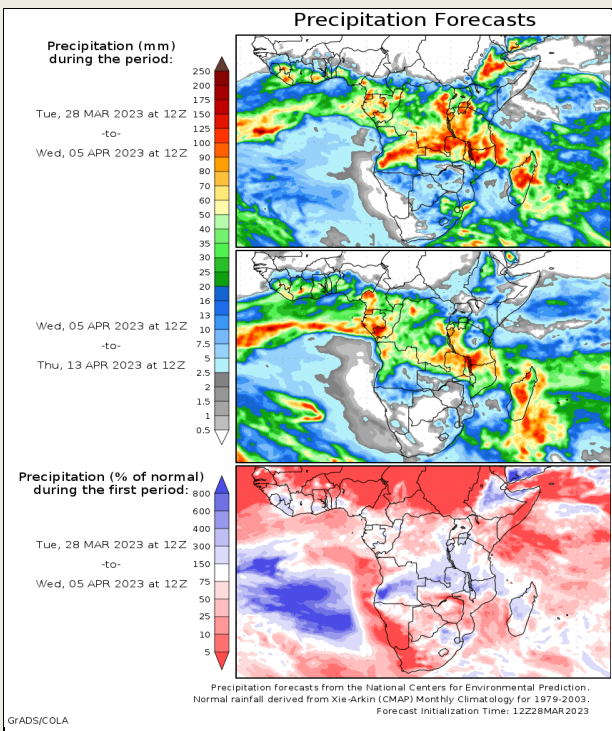
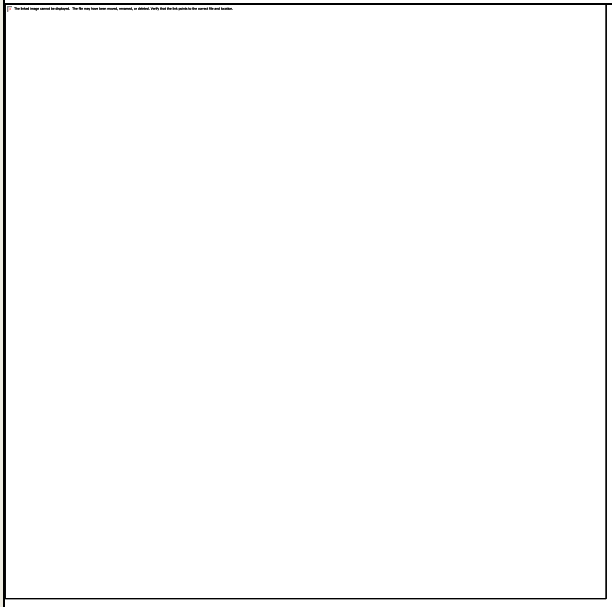
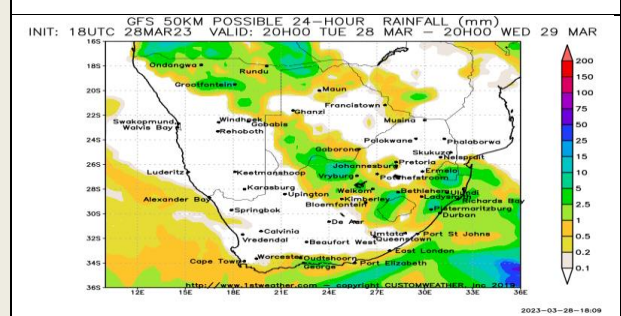
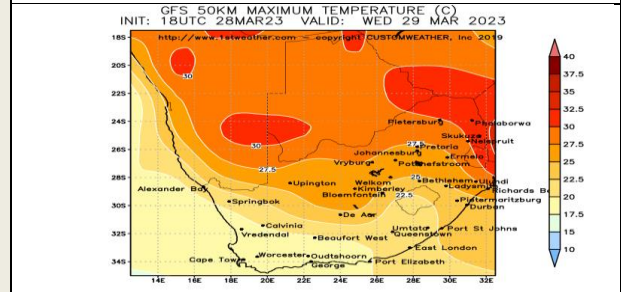
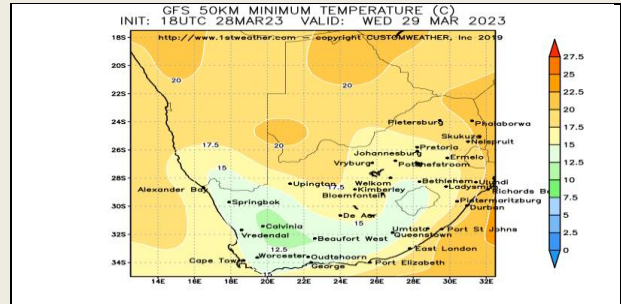


# **Weather Report**

## **29 March 2023**

# South Africa - Weather

**SOUTH AFRICA :** South Africa's main production areas will have a few opportunities for erratic rainfall this week. The rain will be beneficial for the crops that are not yet maturing. Maturation and early-season harvesting will also advance swiftly around the periods of spotty rainfall. Production potentials are still favorable for this season's summer crops. South Africa will see a mix of rain and sunshine this week. A disturbance will promote erratic rain Tuesday and Wednesday. Scattered showers will linger in eastern South Africa Thursday and Friday. Light rain will also occur over the weekend. Moisture totals by next Monday morning will range from 0.25-1.00" in a large portion of eastern and central South Africa. Portions of Limpopo and Mpumalanga will also receive more than 1.50" of rain. Western South Africa will otherwise not receive enough rain to counter evaporation. Eastern South Africa will again see a mix of rain and sunshine April 4 - 10. Western South Africa will be drier biased.

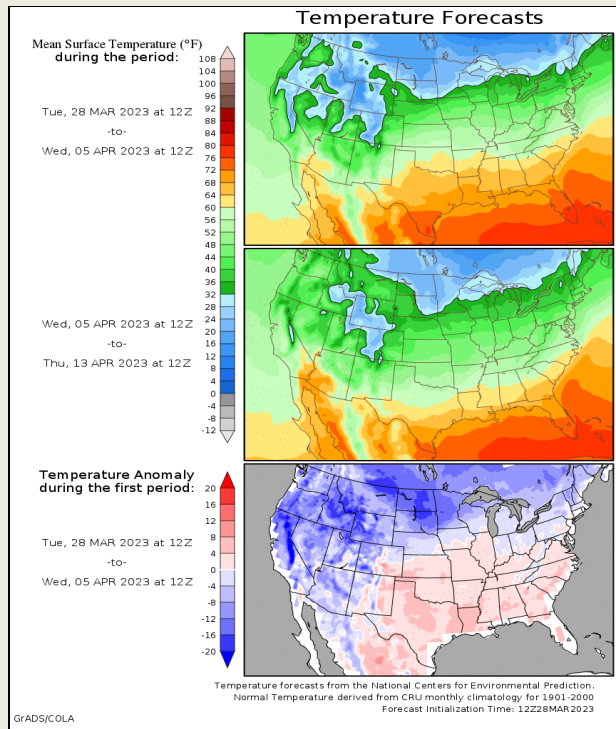
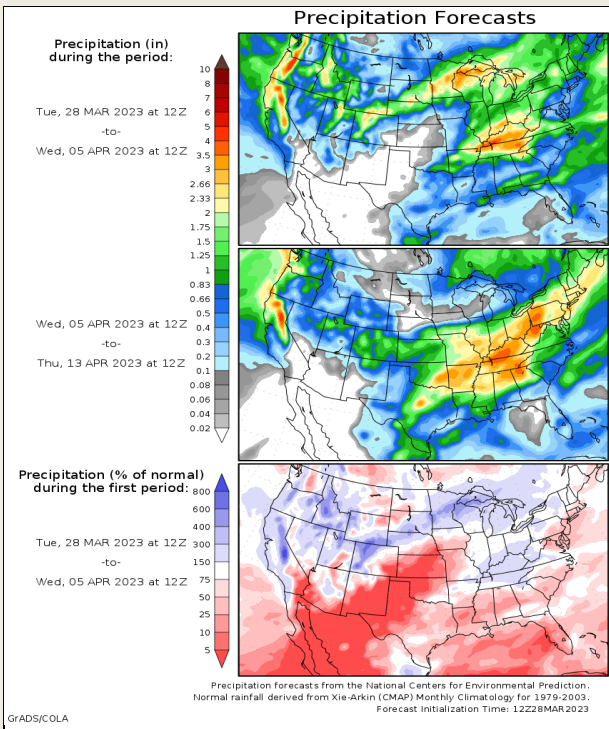
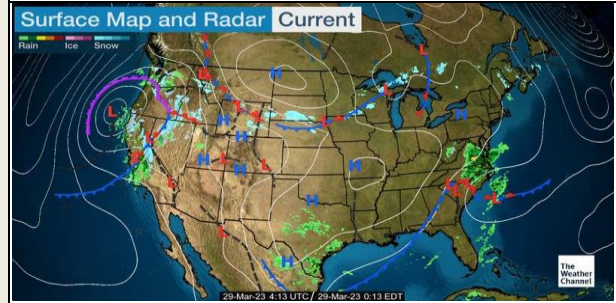
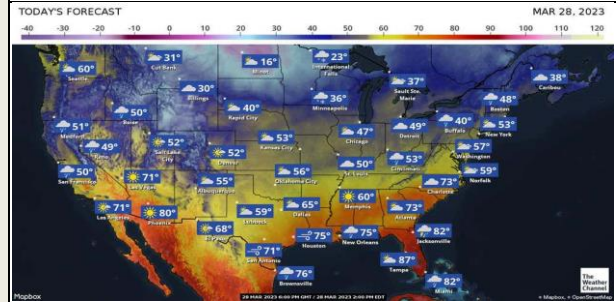
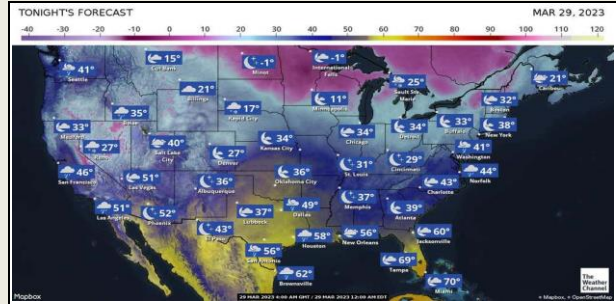
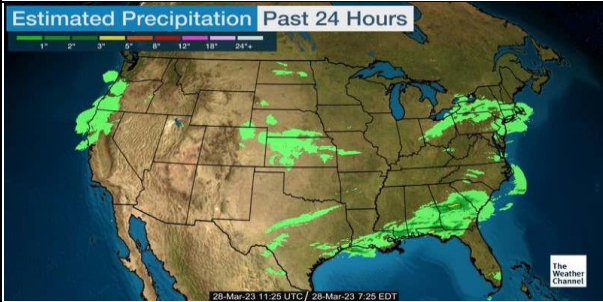


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# United States of America - Weather

**U.S. MIDWEST :** Regular rounds of precipitation will occur through the next two weeks with most of the precipitation not likely heavy enough to raise serious concerns over flooding, but some areas and especially the Ohio River Basin, will be left prone to serious flooding if a heavy rain event were to occur soon. o Fieldwork will be sluggish and a significant period of warmer and drier weather will be needed in many areas to prevent delays to planting later this season.

**U.S. DELTA :** The Delta and the Southeast will see regular rounds of precipitation through the next two weeks and fieldwork will be sluggish in much of the region leaving a need for drier weather to prevent planting delays from becoming extended. o Some fieldwork should advance between rounds of rain, but temperatures should not be warm enough to evaporate enough moisture for many fields to dry down adequately to allow for fieldwork to advance.



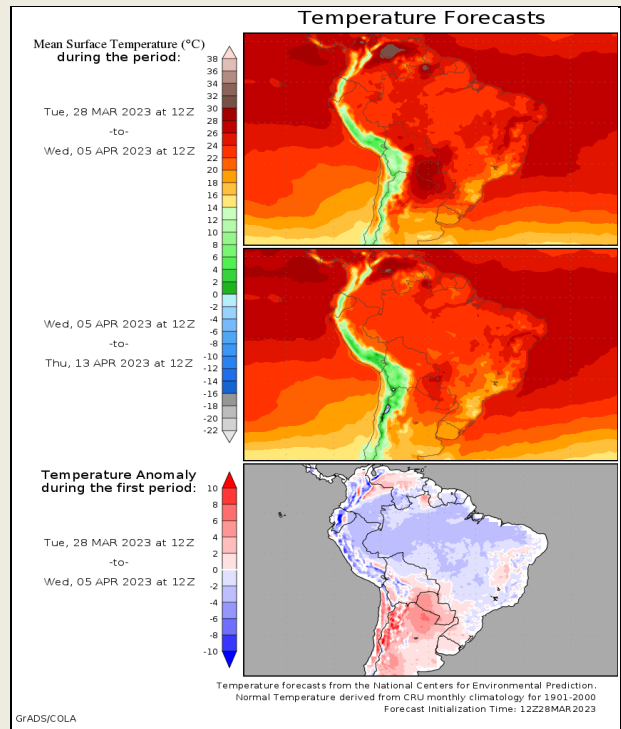
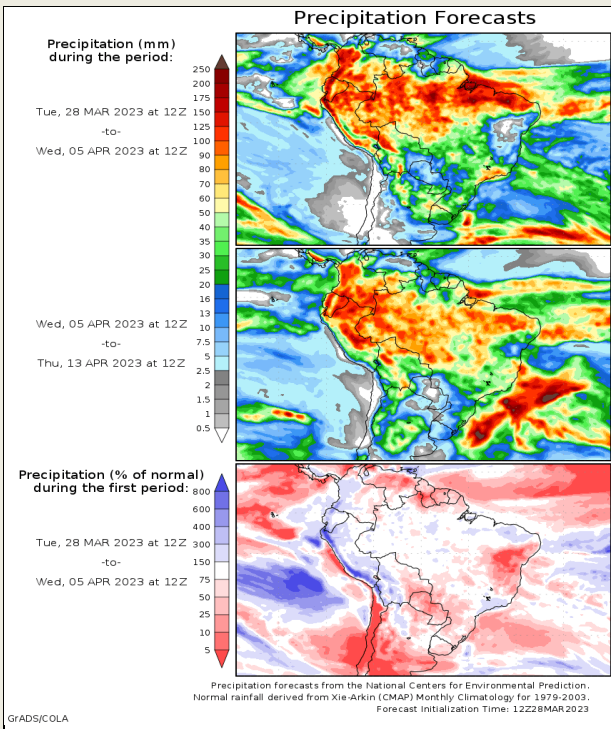
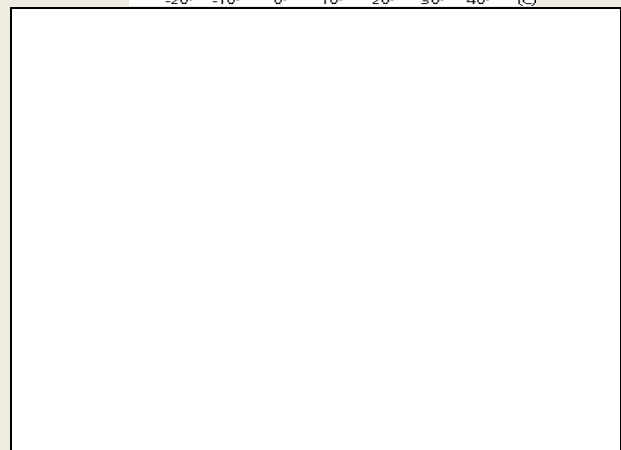
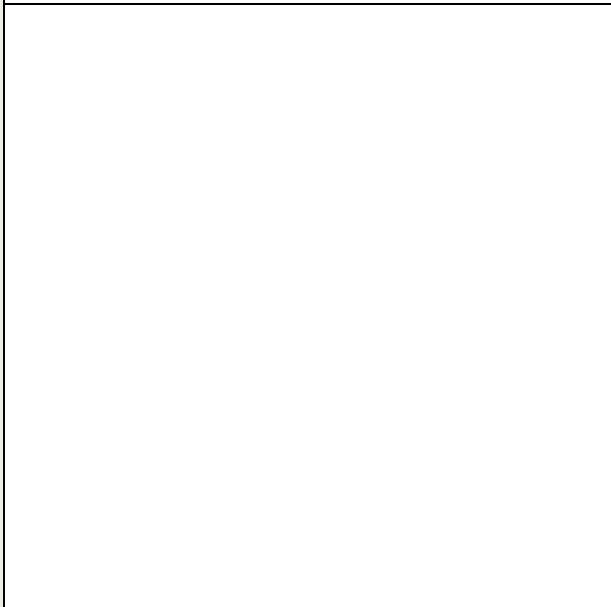
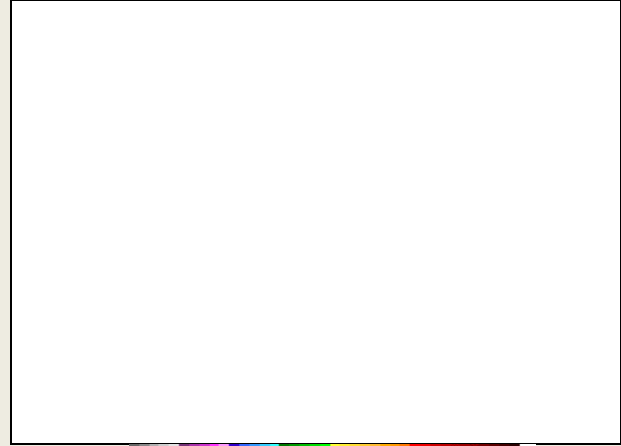
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## South America - Weather

**BRAZIL:** Rain from Mato Grosso do Sul through Parana, Sao Paulo, and Minas Gerais during the next two weeks should be infrequent and light enough that soybean harvesting and Safrinha corn planting advances well. If seasonal rains come to an end normally this year, Safrinha corn yields should be diminished as a significant portion of the crop was or will be planted later than the end of February which is the end of the favorable planting period.

**ARGENTINA :** Argentina will see frequent rounds of rain and further improvements in soil moisture and drought conditions during the next two weeks interrupting fieldwork while some late-planted crops benefit from the moisture with the rain likely to come too late for most crops. o A period of drier weather will be needed soon to prevent prolonged delays to fieldwork.

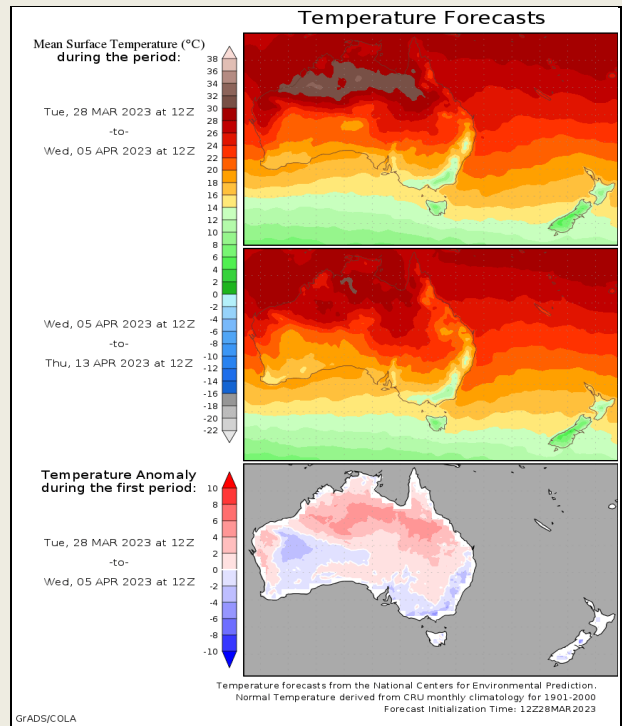
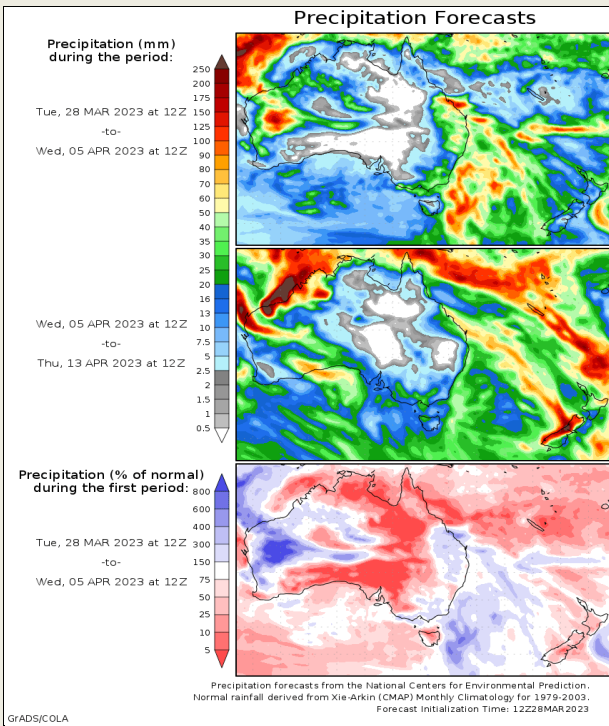
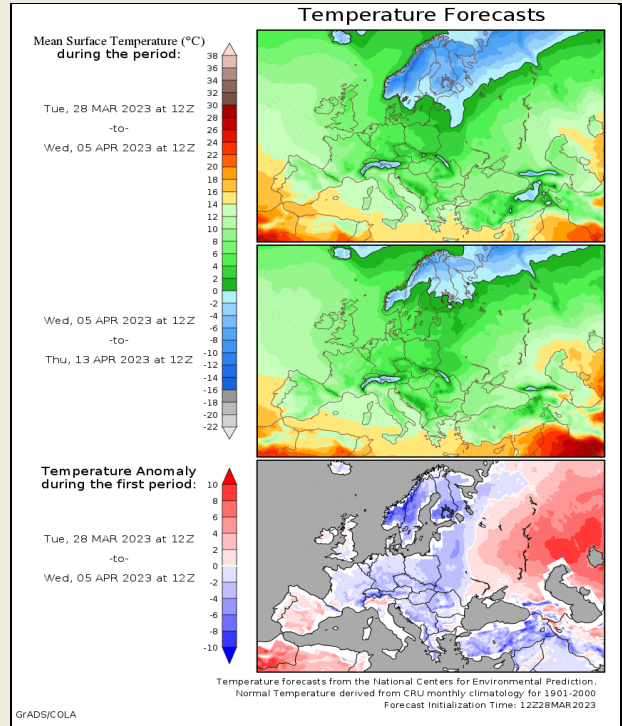
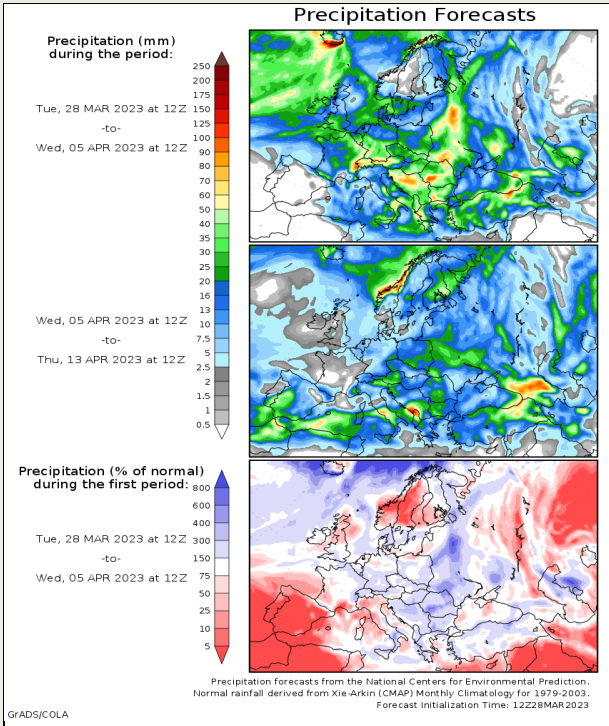


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# Europe, New Zealand and Australia - Weather

**EUROPE** : Dryness in Spain and Portugal will be most pronounced over the next ten days two weeks along with neighboring North Africa. The remainder of Europe will receive rain and some of it will be sufficient to saturate soil or maintain wet conditions possibly inducing a little delay to early season fieldwork. Warm temperatures in Western Europe will stimulate new winter crop development and raise soil temperatures in the southwest for early season planting.

**AUSTRALIA** : Weekend rainfall in Western Australia, Victoria and South Australia helped to briefly raise topsoil moisture for use in autumn wheat, barley and planting in a few weeks. Rain near and east of the Great Dividing Range likely benefited some summer crops, although at this time of year drier weather is often best to promote cotton and sorghum maturation and the minimize a fiber quality threat in open boll cotton production areas.



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