

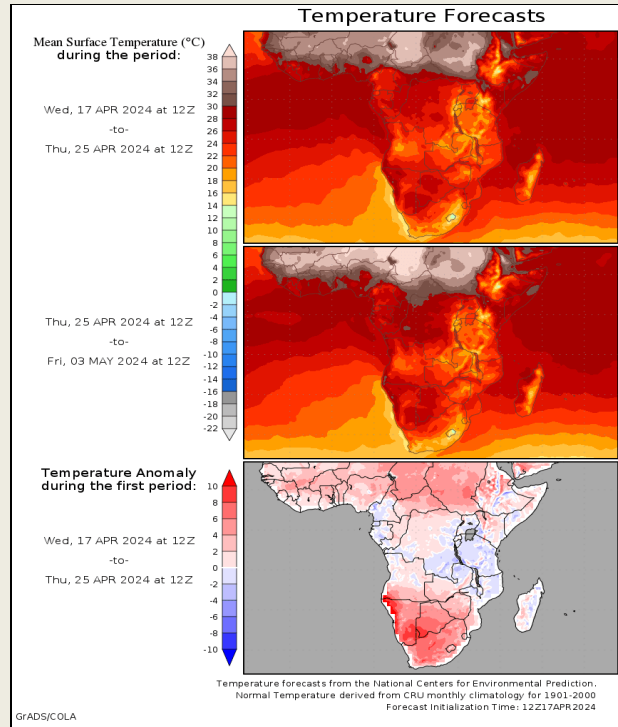
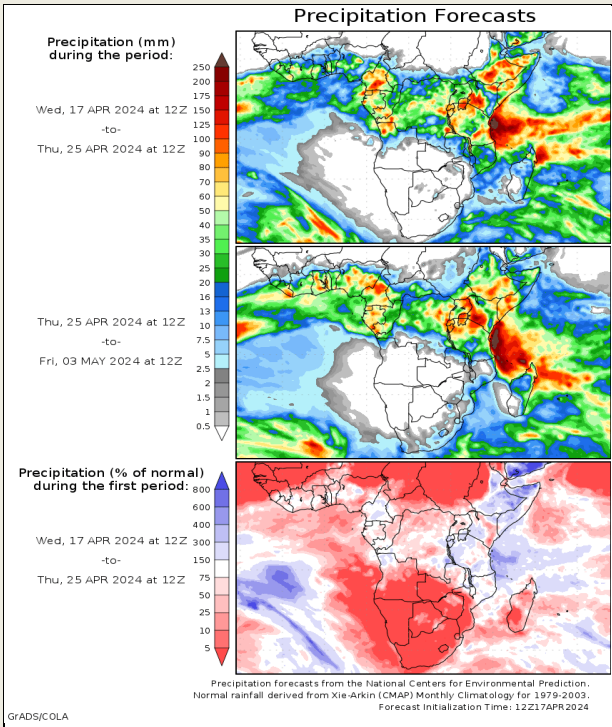
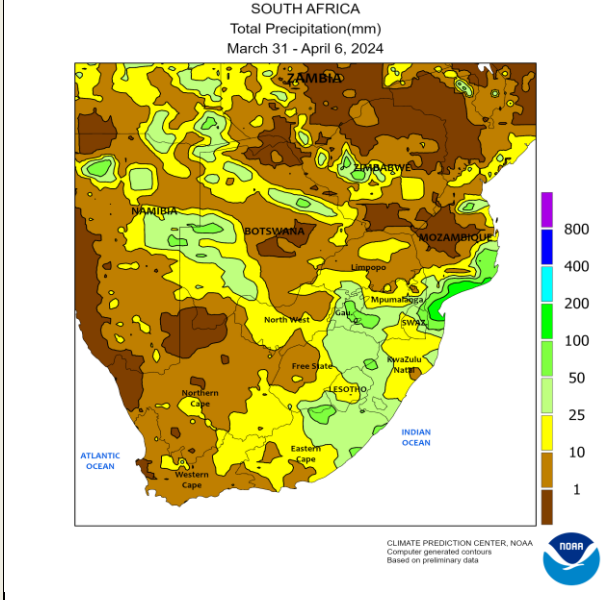
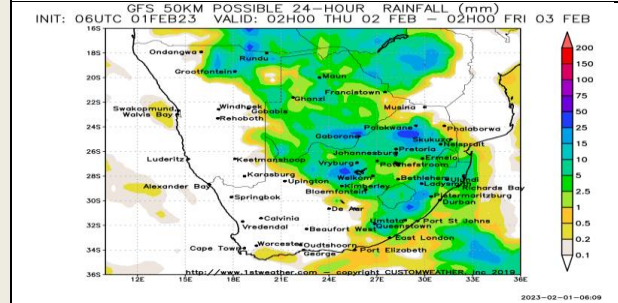
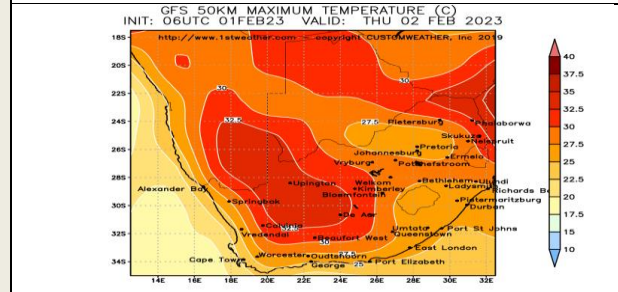
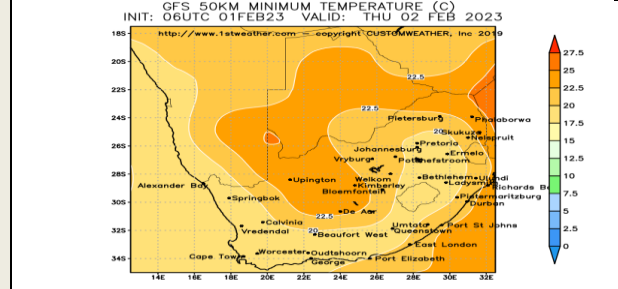


# **Weather Report**

## **18 April 2024**

# South Africa - Weather

SOUTH AFRICA : Other than a few isolated showers, South Africa will trend mostly dry through the middle of next week. The lack of rain will be beneficial for aggressive maturation, harvesting, and general fieldwork. Production is still expected to trend a little lower than usual due to hot and drier weather earlier in the growing season. South Africa will trend dry or mostly dry through the middle of next week. A few light showers will still produce minimal rain today. Areas along the Eastern Cape and Natal coastline will also receive light rain over the weekend and early next week. Dry weather will occur most other days. Any rain that occurs will be lost to evaporation. Eastern and central South Africa will have a few opportunities for light rain April 25 – May 1. Western South Africa will be drier biased.

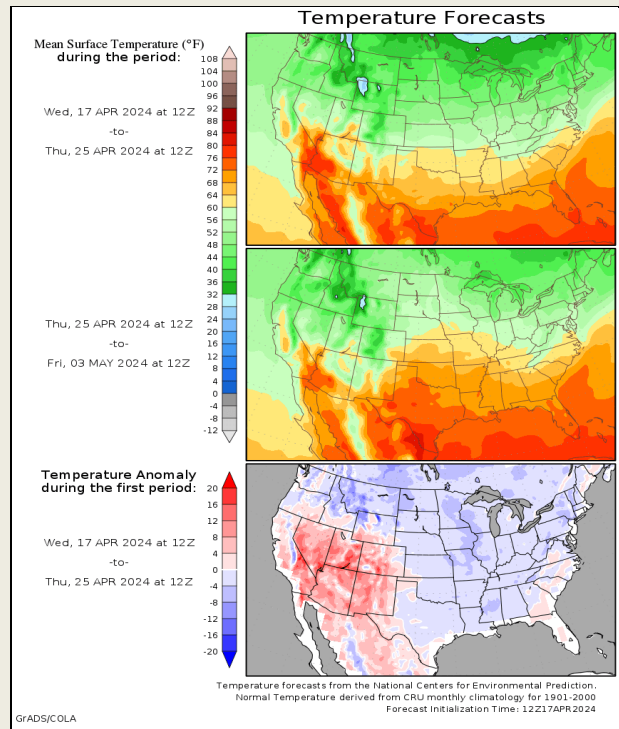
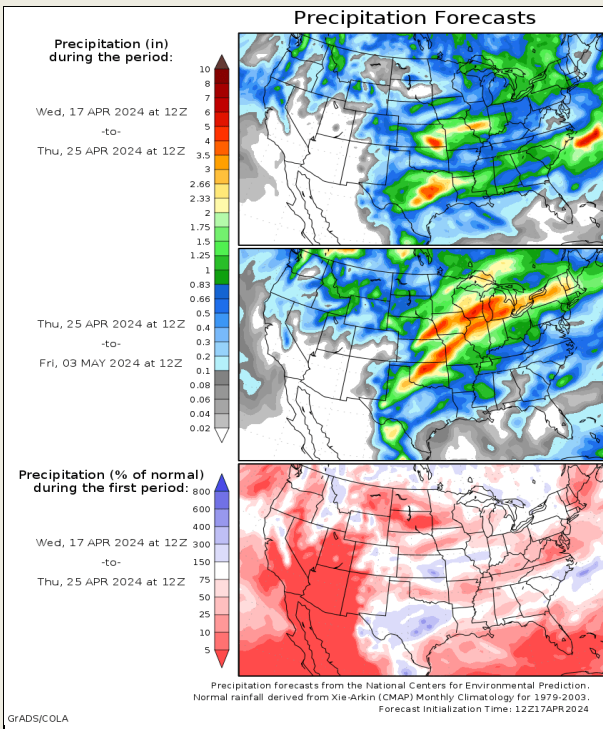
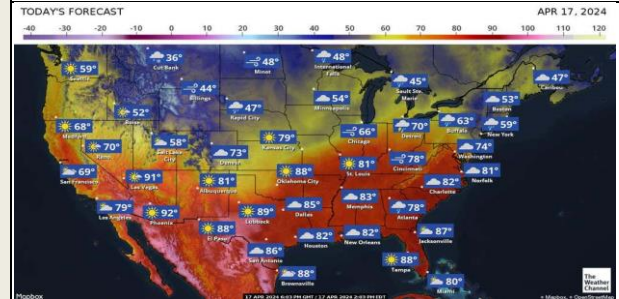
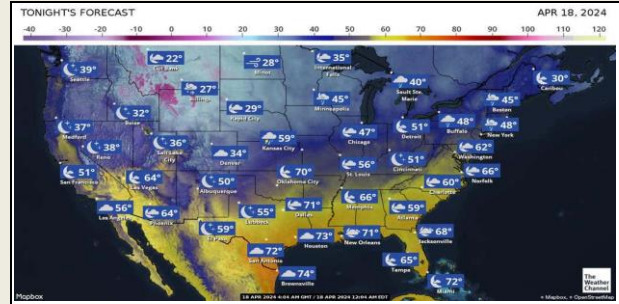


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# United States of America - Weather

**U.S. MIDWEST :** Planting should advance relatively well during the next two weeks around a few rounds of rain with most of the rain not likely to be heavy enough to cause lasting delays to fieldwork in most areas. o Cool temperatures Friday into Sunday will slow drying rates and the resumption of fieldwork in the wetter areas.

**U.S. DELTA :** Daily rounds of showers and thunderstorms will impact portions of the Delta and the Southeast through this weekend and planting will be slowed in some areas, but much of the rain is not likely to be heavy enough to cause lasting delays to fieldwork in most areas. o The Delta into central and northern Georgia will be wettest and showers will occur in parts of the region each day through Sunday and some parts of the region should receive rain often enough that planting is put on hold until drier weather returns.

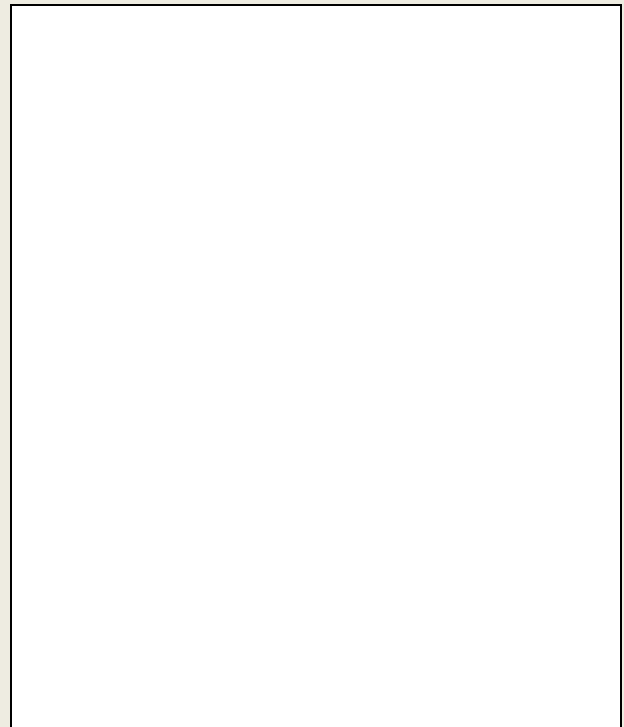
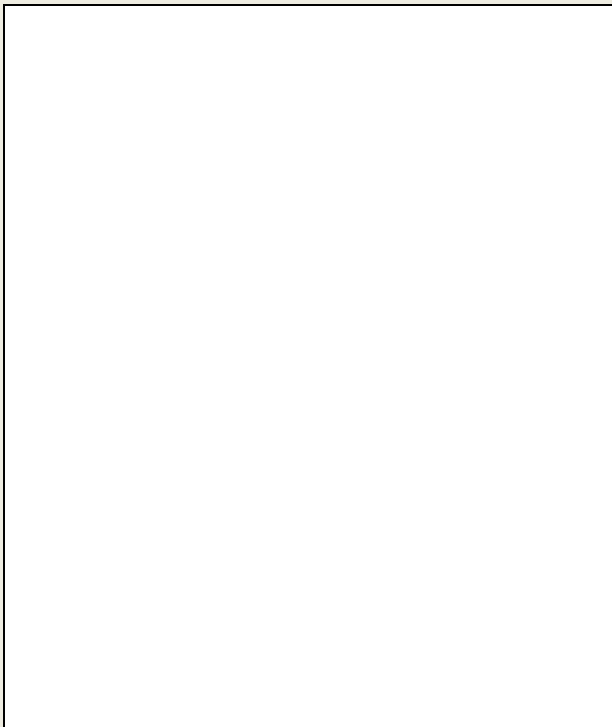
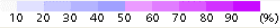
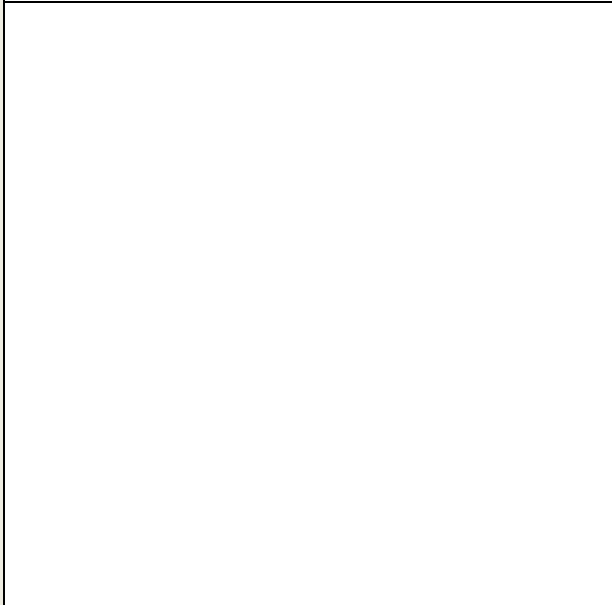
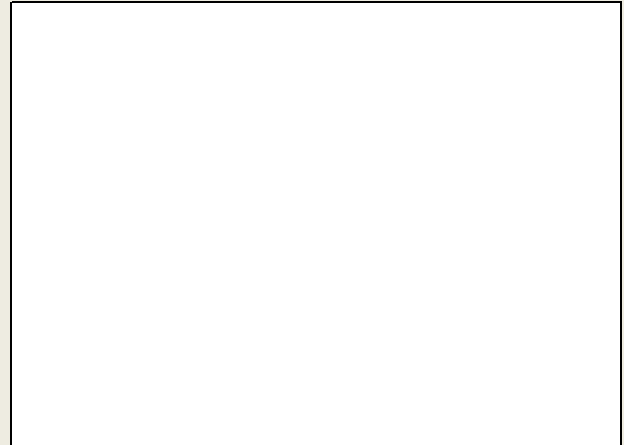




## South America - Weather

**BRAZIL:** Rain will diminish today and areas in western and southern Brazil and Paraguay that have recently seen frequent rain will begin to dry down and will see improving conditions for fieldwork while soil moisture should be high enough to support much of the Safrinha corn crop into at least early May. o Totally dry weather is not expected and Paraguay and most of southern Brazil will receive at least some rain Sunday into Tuesday that will allow Safrinha corn to develop deeper into May if followup rain does not occur.

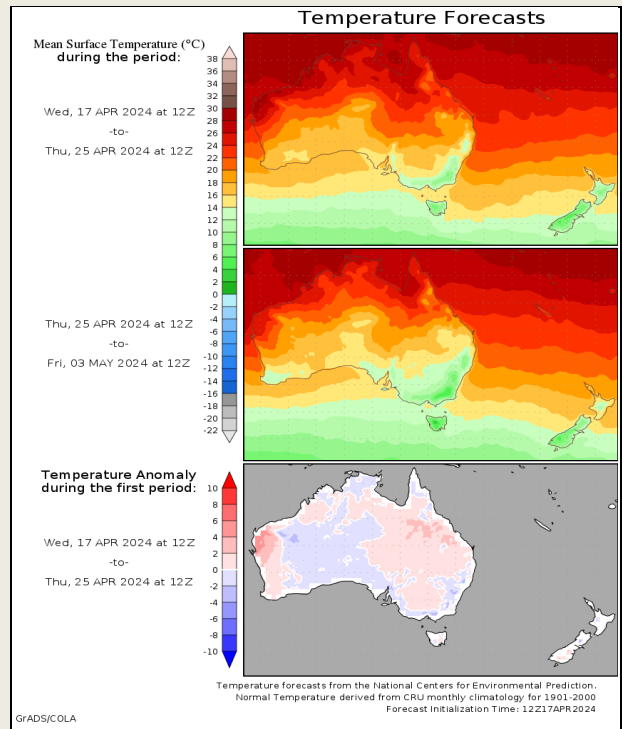
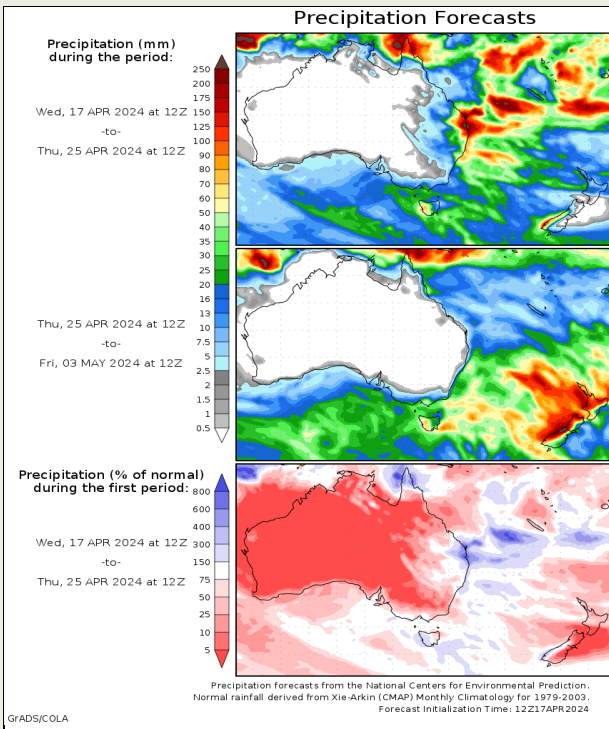
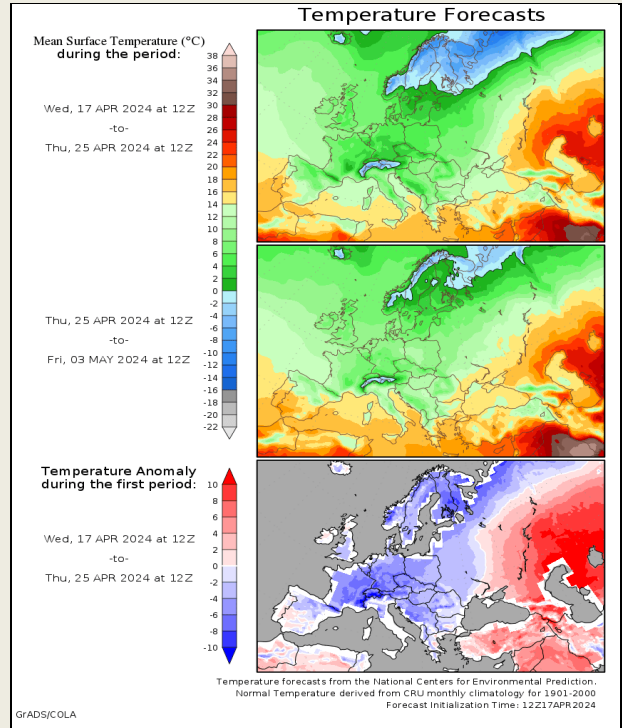
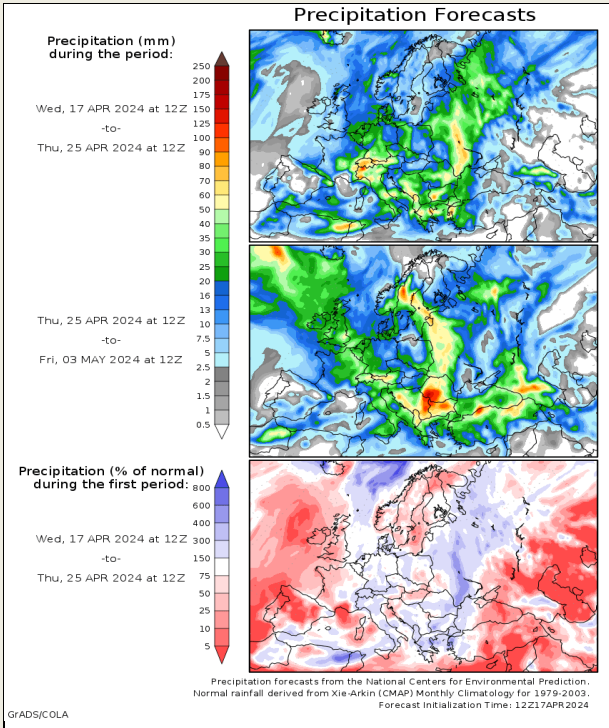
**ARGENTINA :** Argentina is still expected to see an overall improving trend for harvesting during the next two weeks, but today's forecast is wetter for Apr. 24-26 and rain events Saturday into Monday and Apr. 24-26 will slow fieldwork in eastern Argentina while rain is lighter and interruptions to fieldwork will be shorter elsewhere. o Recent rain has likely left soil moisture high enough to favorably support immature crops through the next two weeks in nearly all of the country.



# Europe, New Zealand and Australia - Weather

**EUROPE** : Rain in the next seven days will still occur mostly in northwestern production areas of the region, leaving a rising need for greater rainfall in areas such as the Balkan Countries and central and southern Italy. Above to well above average temperatures will also still cause higher than usual evaporation rates in the drier areas as well.

**AUSTRALIA** : Net drying will continue in a majority of eastern Australia through Sunday which will be beneficial for crop maturation and harvesting. Completely dry conditions are not expected, with some erratic shower and thunderstorm activity today through Wednesday along the Queensland/New South Wales border; though, this should not have a negative impact on the region other than delaying harvest progress briefly.



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