

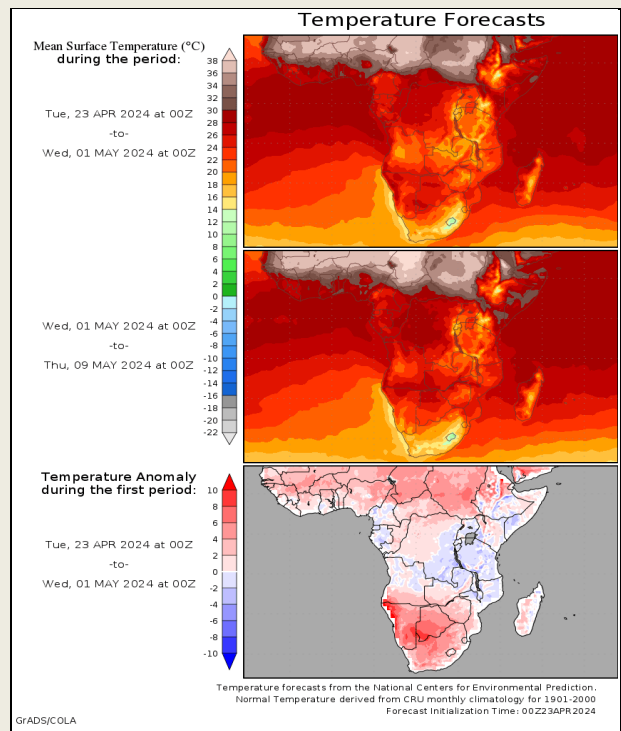
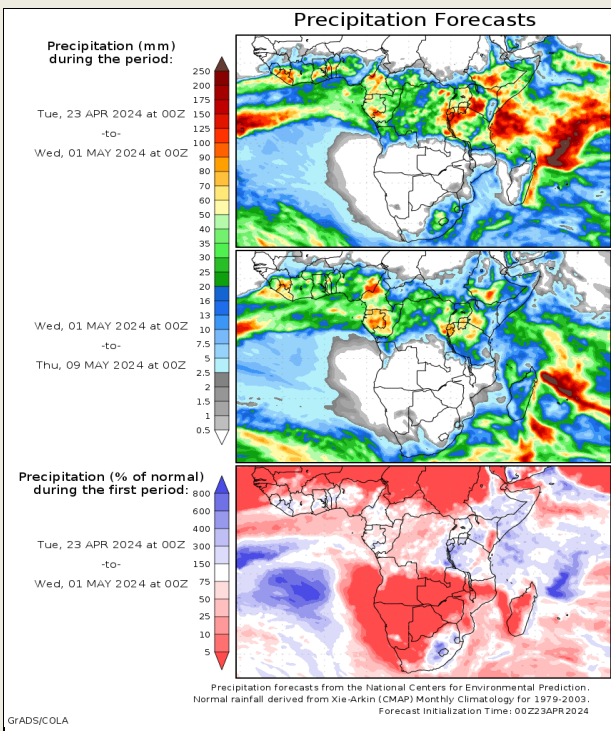
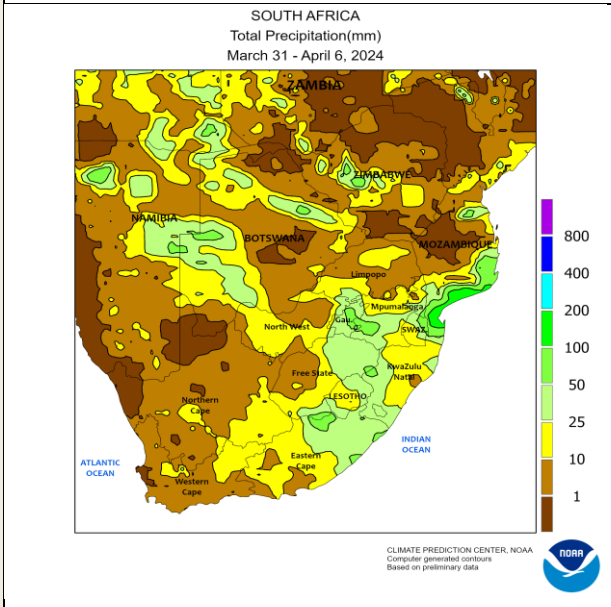
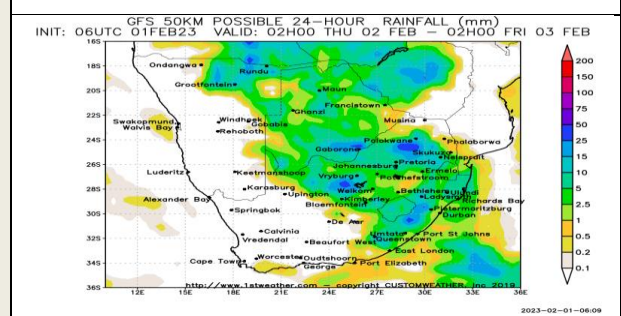
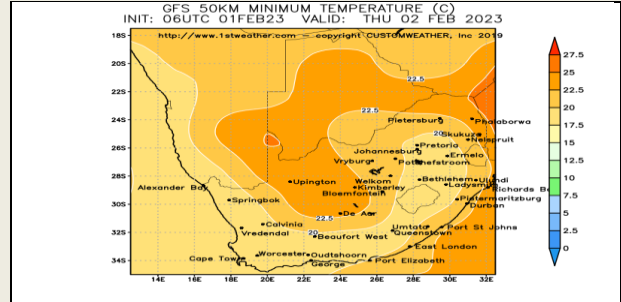


Weather Report

23 April 2024

South Africa - Weather

SOUTH AFRICA : South Africa's main production areas will see a mix of rain and sunshine this week. Harvesting and general fieldwork will likely advance swiftly during the next several days before rain potentials increase late Friday and this weekend. No major quality impacts are expected. Eastern and central South Africa will see a mix of erratic rainfall and sunshine this week. Light rain will evolve in portions of Eastern Cape, Natal, and Mpumalanga today and again Thursday. Most other locations will be dry through Thursday. A disturbance will promote more widespread rain Friday and this weekend. Moisture totals by next Monday morning will range from 0.25-1.50" with local amounts of 2.00" or more in Eastern Cape, Free State, Natal, and Mpumalanga. Other areas will receive 0.10-0.50" of moisture. Western South Africa will trend dry or mostly dry this week. Any rain that does occur will be lost to evaporation. Eastern and central South Africa will again see a mix of rain and sunshine April 30 – May 6. Western South Africa will remain drier biased.

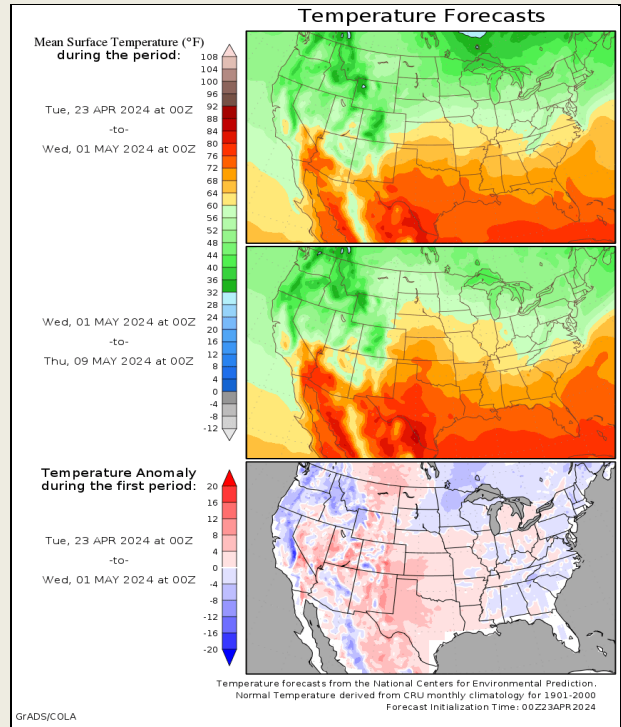
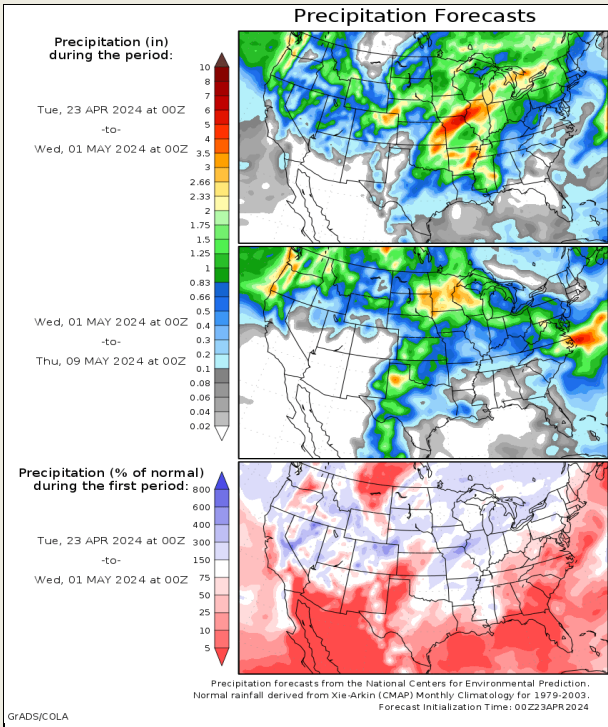
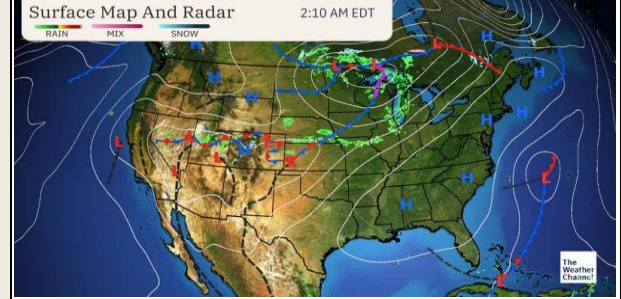
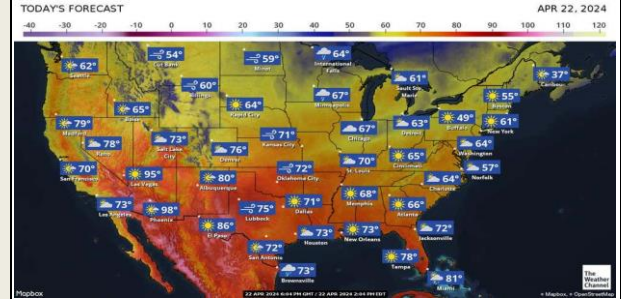
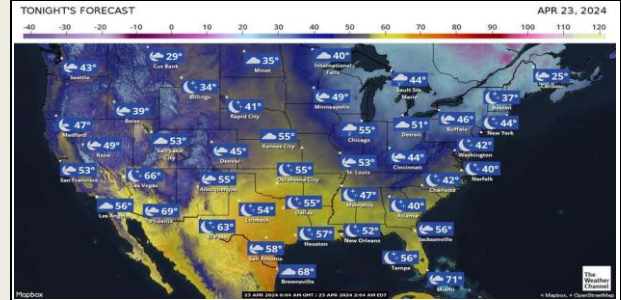
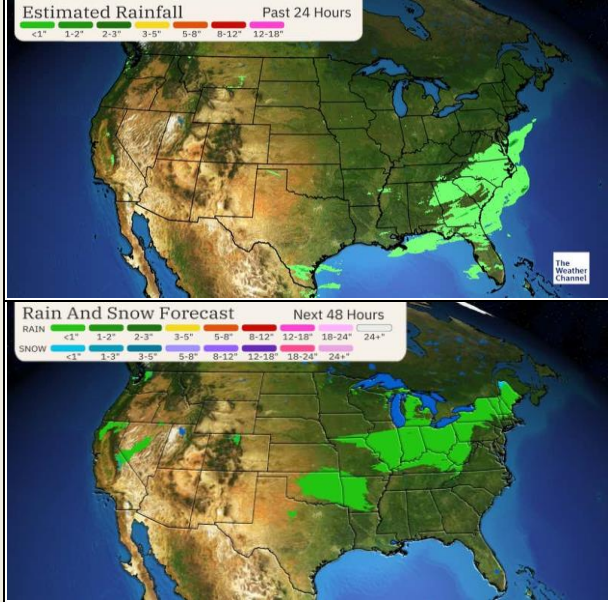


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United States of America - Weather

U.S. MIDWEST : Much of the Midwest was dry and cool during the weekend and planting likely increased in many areas with light rain noted in a few eastern and southern locations while light and mostly insignificant snow fell on some northwestern locations. Planting should advance relatively well into Wednesday in the western Corn Belt and through Thursday in the eastern Corn Belt as fieldwork should advance around the mostly light rain expected today into Tuesday.

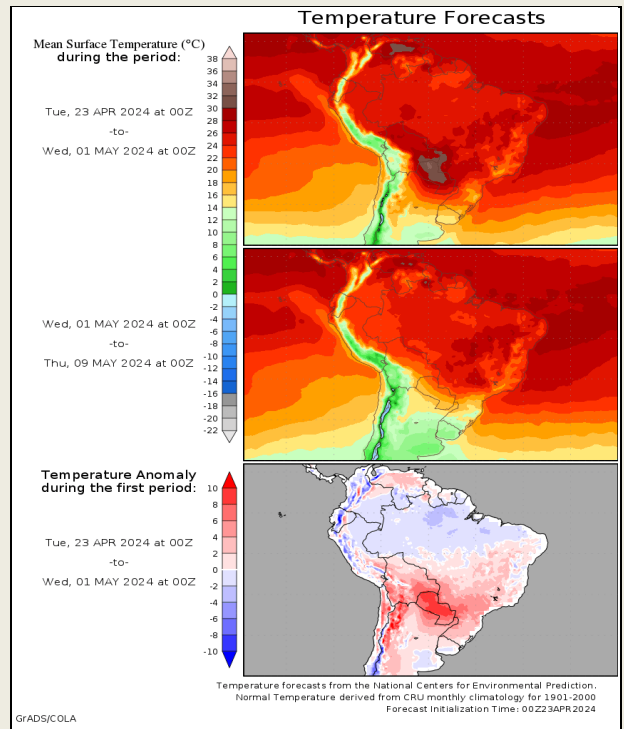
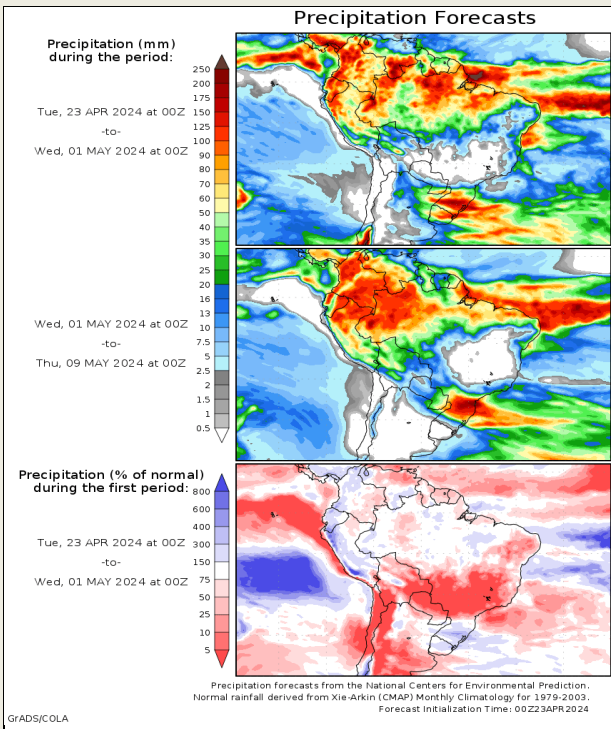
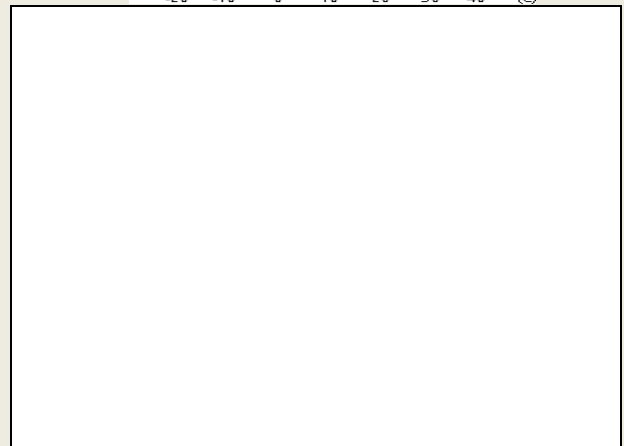
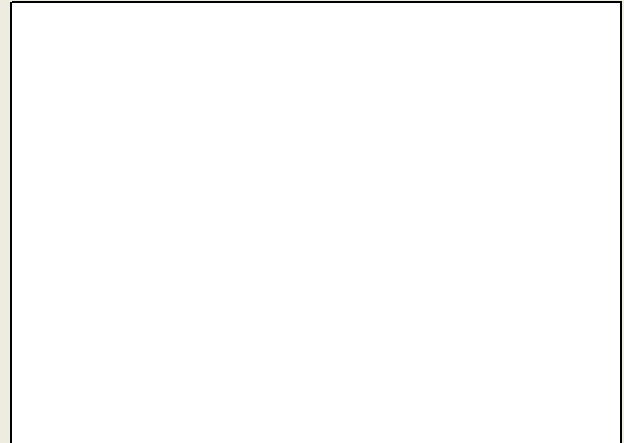
U.S. DELTA : Rain and interruptions to fieldwork occurred in much of the Delta and the Southeast during the weekend with the moisture beneficial in a large part of the Southeast where the topsoil had recently firmed up. The Delta and the Southeast will see more sunshine than rain during the next two weeks and planting should advance well, especially in the Southeast where rain will be lightest and least frequent.



South America - Weather

BRAZIL: Much of Brazil and Paraguay saw a few more days of dry and improving to favorable conditions for fieldwork during the weekend with exceptions in several area across northern and a few far southern Brazil and southern Paraguay locations. Rain of significance during the next two weeks will be mostly confined to far southern Brazil and southern Paraguay leaving most Safrinha corn dependent on soil moisture in place to support the crop while harvesting of summer crops advances well elsewhere.

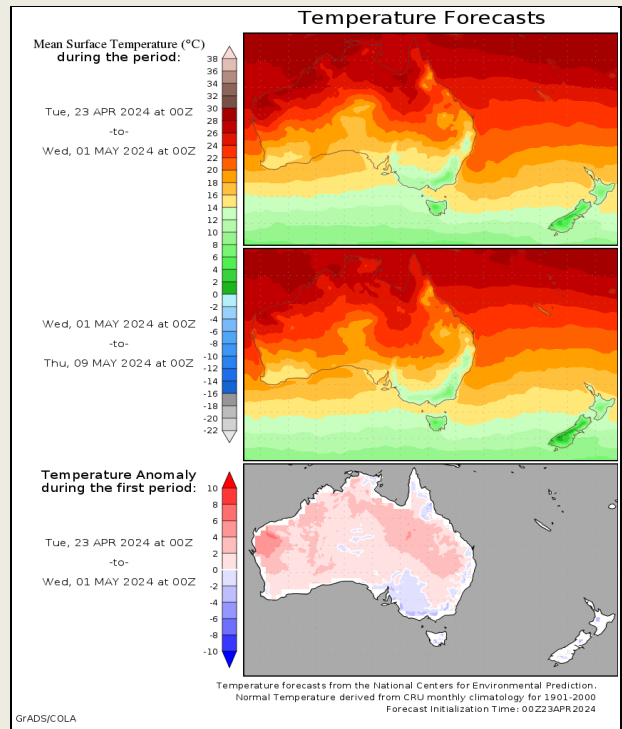
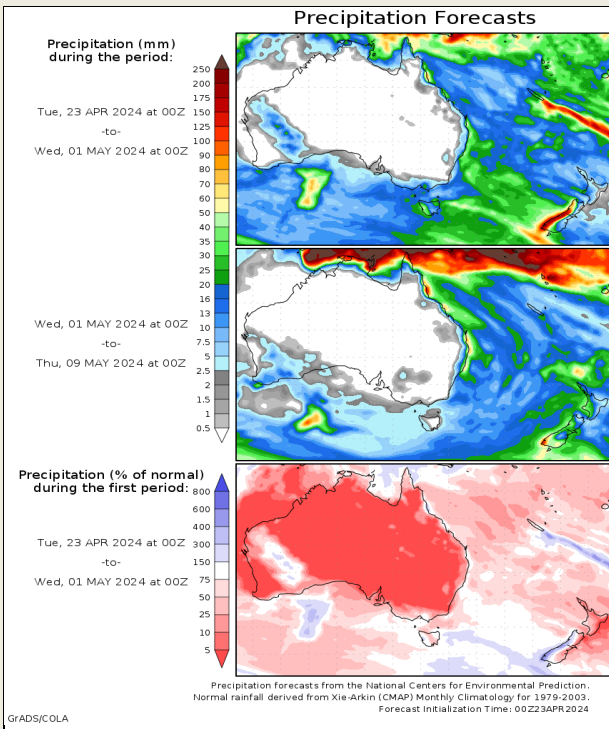
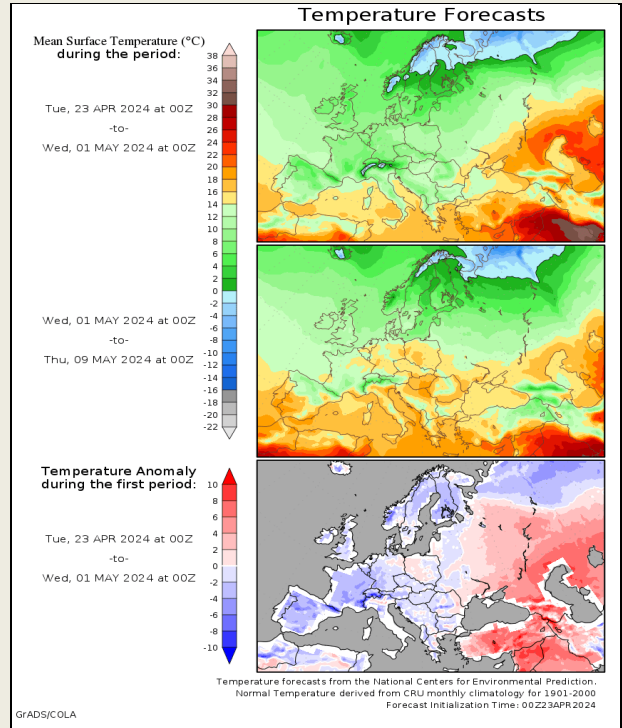
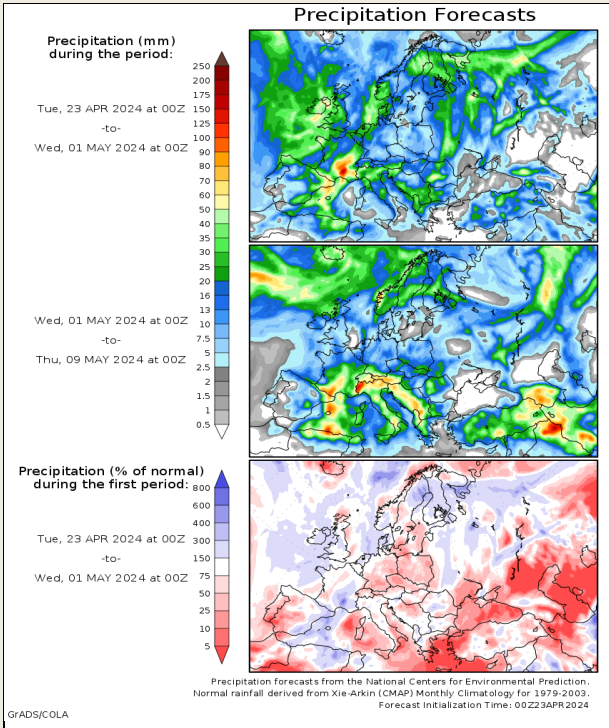
ARGENTINA: Argentina saw mostly dry weather and favorable conditions for fieldwork Friday into Saturday before much of the country received rain Sunday with exceptions from San Luis to northwestern Cordoba to most of central, western, and northern Santiago del Estero. Northern and eastern Argentina will see two rounds of rain by Saturday that will slow fieldwork, especially in northeastern Argentina where some heavy rain and local flooding may occur.



Europe, New Zealand and Australia - Weather

EUROPE : Rain and unusually cool temperatures in the first week of the outlook will lead to favorable soil moisture in most of the region. There will still be some pockets in need of greater moisture for favorable crop development though, including a growing portion of Spain. The Balkan Countries and Italy could still use some greater rainfall and should receive this in the next seven days.

AUSTRALIA : Rain during the weekend in southeastern Queensland and northeastern New South Wales disrupted the harvest of summer crops. Only a few unharvested cotton fields were negatively impacted by the rain and drier weather this week will help bleach the mature fiber white once again. Dry conditions through Sunday will be good in eastern production areas for crop maturation and harvesting; however, the need for greater rain continues to increase in wheat, barley, and canola areas of the south.



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