



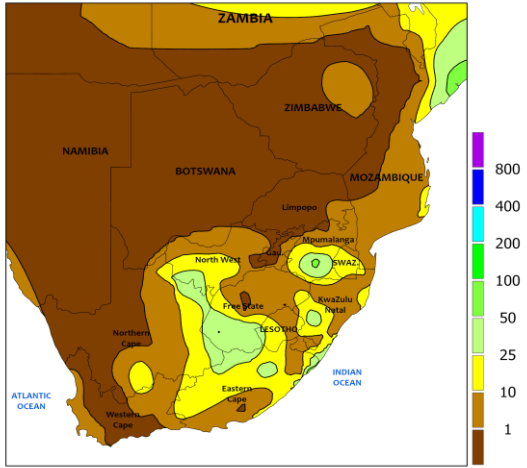
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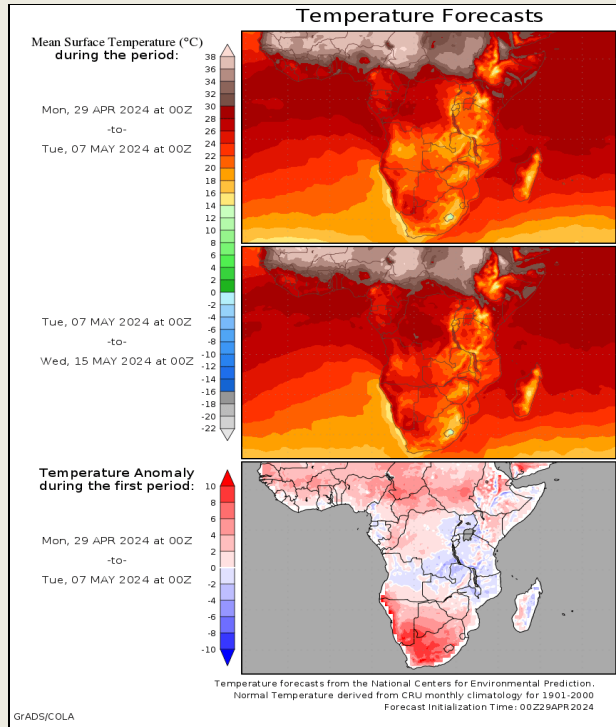
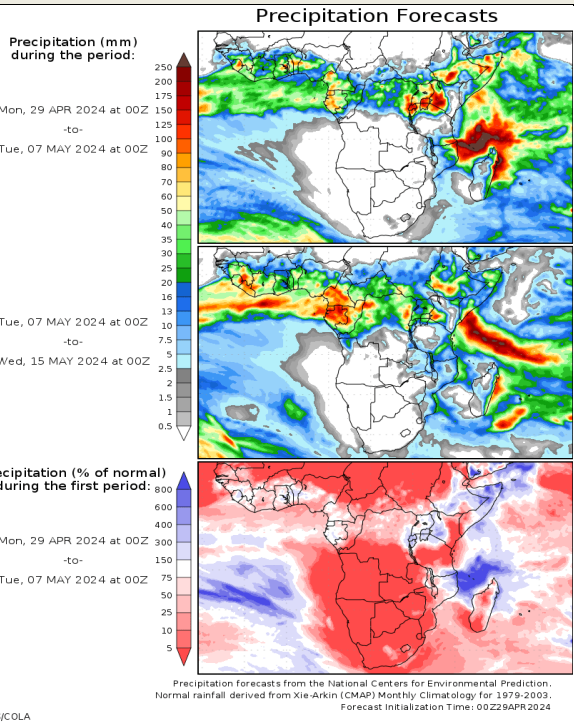
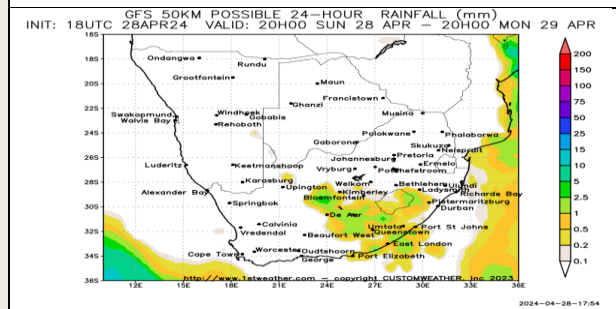
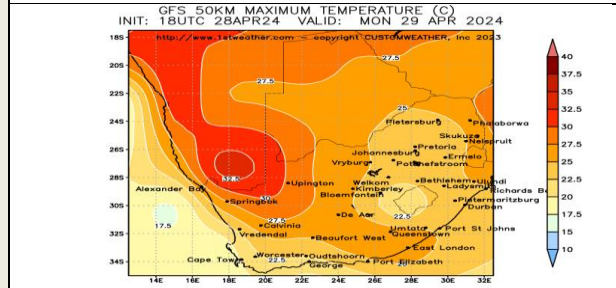
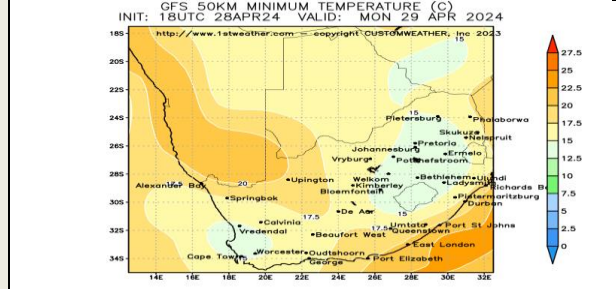
South Africa - Weather

SOUTH AFRICA : Alternating periods of erratic rain and sunshine will persist for the main production areas in South Africa through the end of next week. The periods of rain may slow harvesting during the next few days, though no major delays are expected. The main winter wheat areas in western and central South Africa would otherwise benefit from a boost in rain later in May to improve early-season planting. Eastern and central South Africa and eastern fringes of Northern Cape and Western Cape will see a mix of erratic rainfall and sunshine through the end of next week. Light rain will evolve in eastern South Africa today. A disturbance will promote more widespread rain over the weekend and Monday. Drier weather will evolve later next week. Moisture totals by next Friday morning will range from 0.10-0.75" with local amounts of 1.25" or slightly more in Eastern Cape and Free State. Other areas in Western South Africa will trend dry or mostly dry through the end of next week. Any rain that does occur will be lost to evaporation. South Africa will have a few opportunities for spotty rainfall May 4 – 10. Resulting rainfall will be too light to significantly delay the harvest.

SOUTH AFRICA
Total Precipitation(mm)
April 14 - 20, 2024



CLIMATE PREDICTION CENTER, NOAA
Computer generated contours
Based on preliminary data
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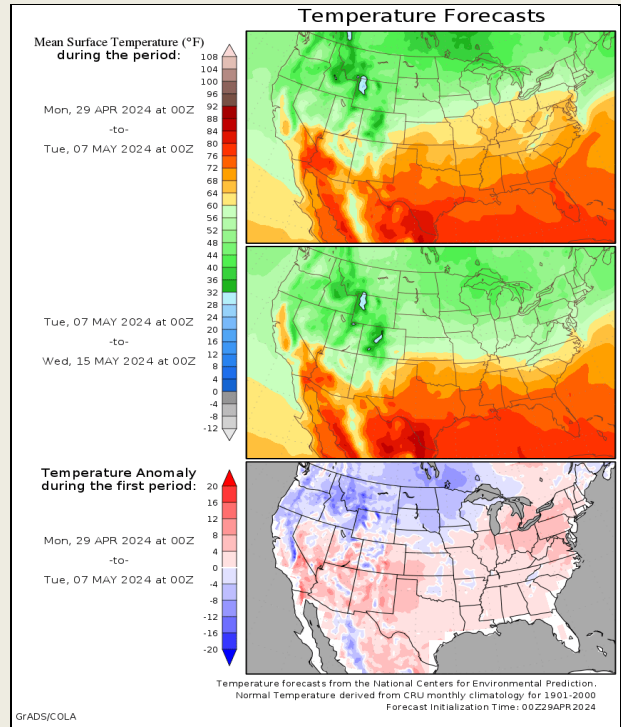
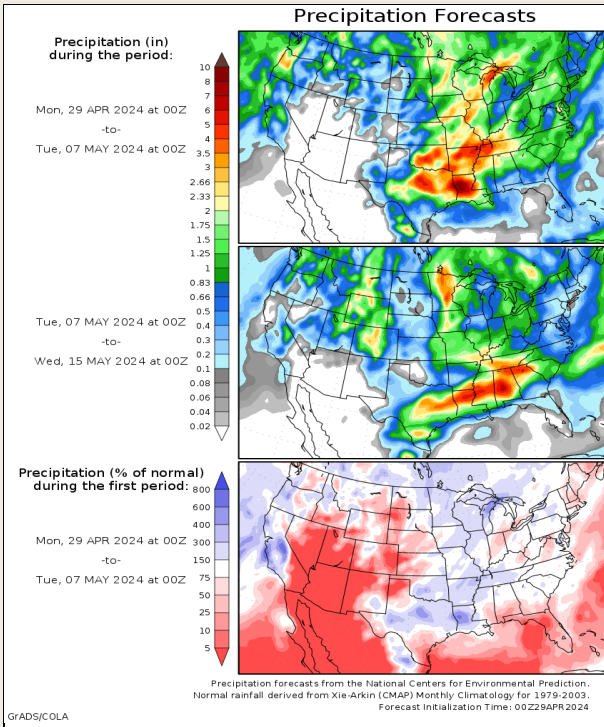
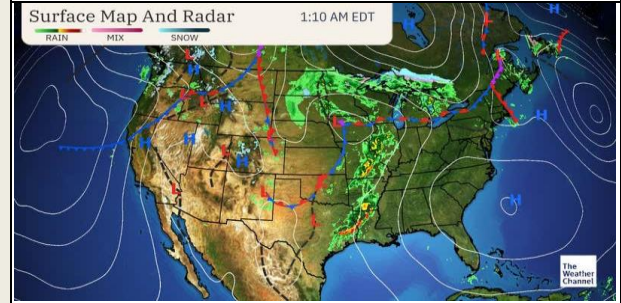
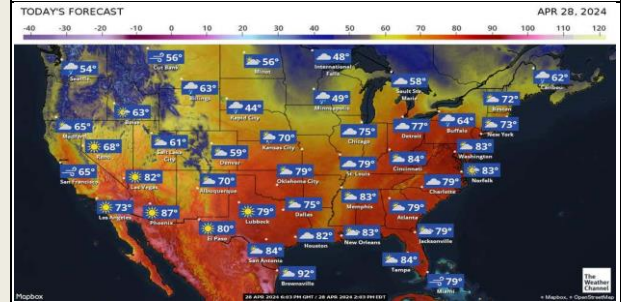
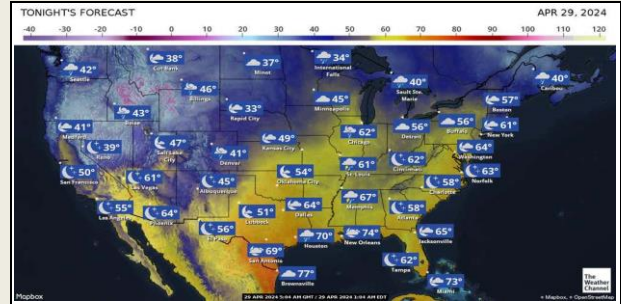
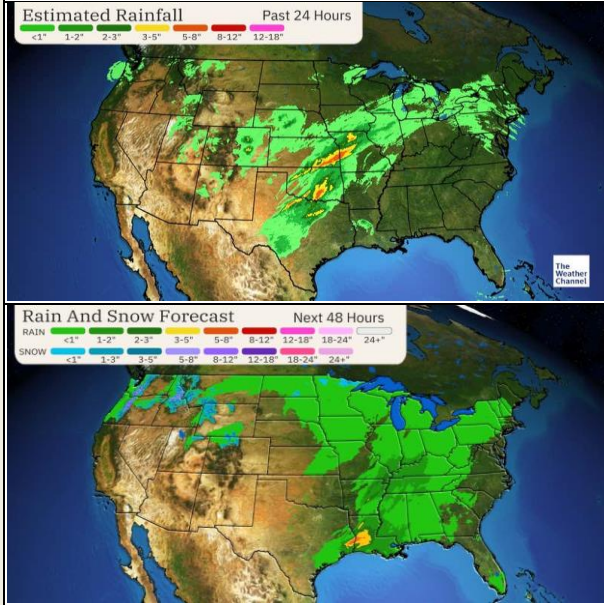


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United States of America - Weather

U.S. MIDWEST : Much of the Midwest was dry and likely saw good planting progress Thursday while rain returned to locations from eastern Nebraska to Kansas to central and southeastern Missouri and parts of eastern South Dakota before rain expanded Thursday night into a larger part of the western Corn Belt. Planting should advance well through part of today in the eastern Corn Belt while rain expands from the western to the eastern Corn Belt during the day as frequent rain occur through May 7 slowing fieldwork in much of the region.

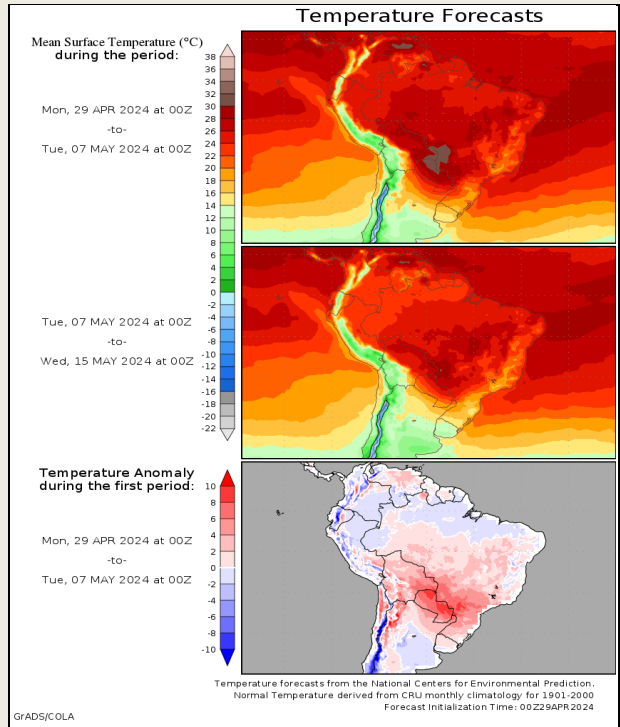
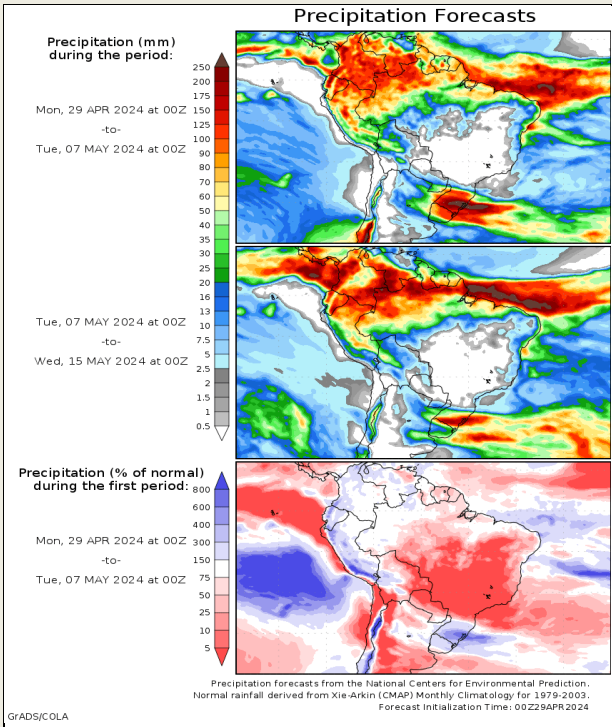
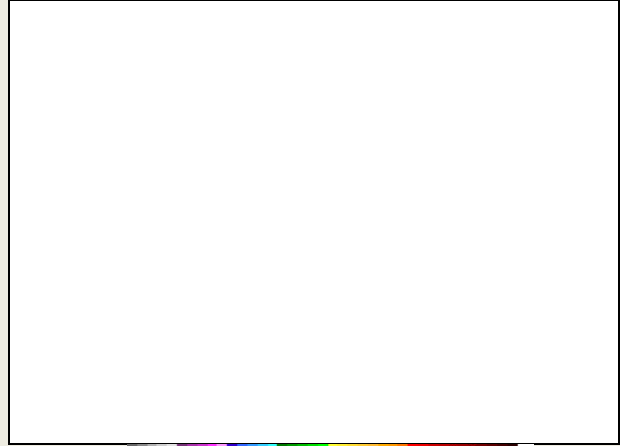
U.S. DELTA : Rain fell on a large part of the northern Delta Thursday while the southern Delta and the Southeast were mostly dry and likely saw good planting progress. The Delta through western and northern Alabama regular rounds of rain Sunday evening into Saturday, May 4 causing mostly temporary interruptions to fieldwork while the rain will ensure soil conditions are favorable for planting, germination and establishment of crops when shower activity diminishes May 5-10.



South America - Weather

BRAZIL: Rain fell on parts of southern, northeastern, and northwestern Brazil and a part of southernmost Paraguay Thursday while most areas were dry and likely saw fieldwork advance well. 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.

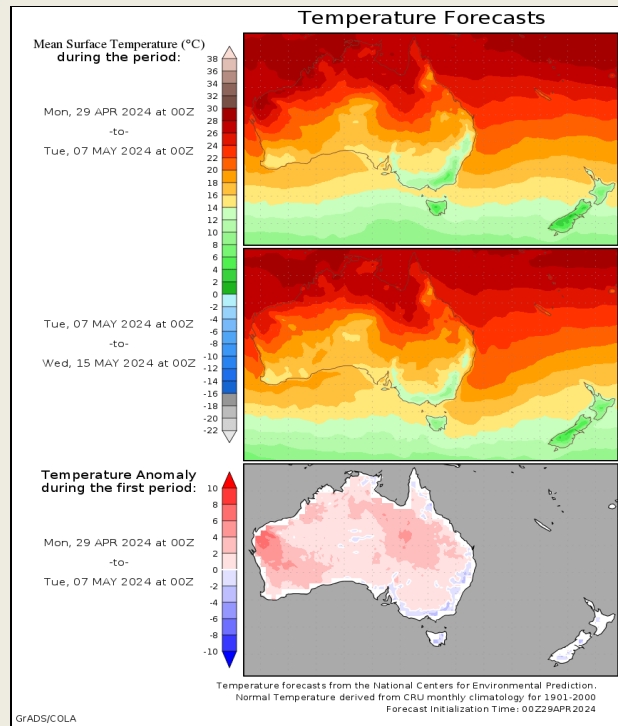
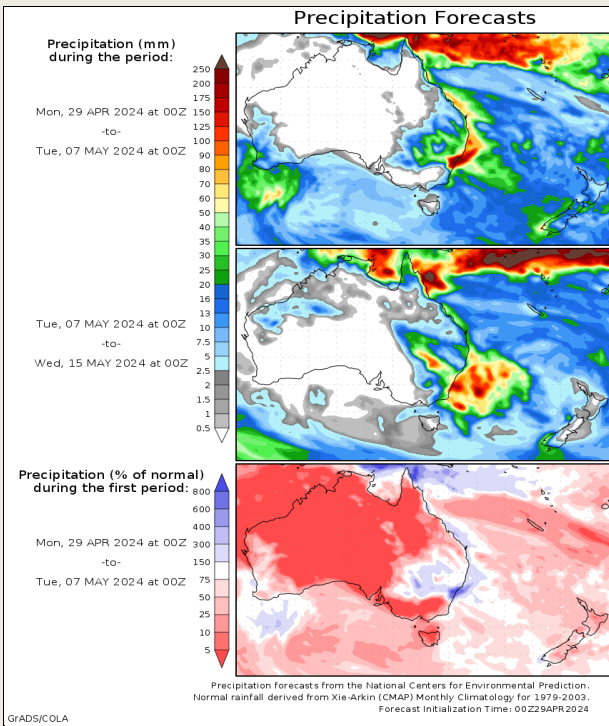
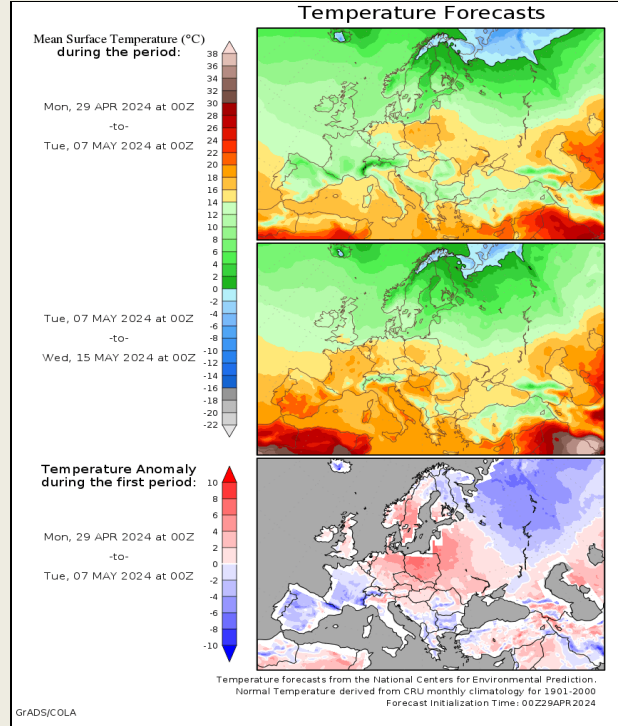
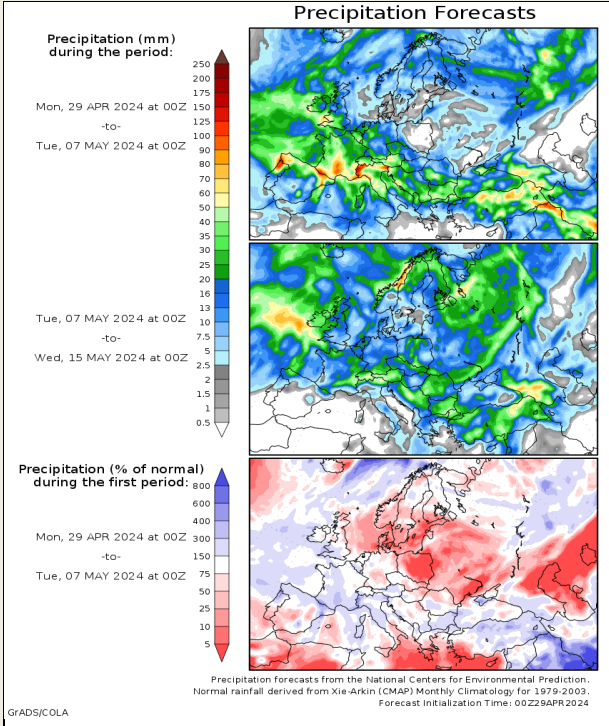
ARGENTINA: Rain fell on a large part of central and eastern Argentina Thursday possibly causing some rice, cotton, and soybean quality declines in the wetter areas while most of western Argentina was dry. Three rounds of rain will impact northern and east-central Argentina through next Friday slowing fieldwork, especially in northeastern Argentina where some heavy rain is likely and some local flooding may occur. The frequent rain expected in northeastern Argentina through late next week could cause some quality declines to rice, soybeans, and cotton.



Europe, New Zealand and Australia - Weather

EUROPE: A dry bias remains in the interior western and some central portions of the nation raising concern over winter grain development and the planting and emergence of spring and summer crops. Some increase in rain may impact eastern portions of the Central Anatolia crop areas along with eastern Black Sea production areas and in both Eastern and Southeastern Anatolia crop areas during the week next week. Sufficient rain is expected to improve soil moisture and crop conditions. The region has been drier than usual in the past few weeks.

AUSTRALIA: Some shower activity is expected in the first week of the outlook; though, this will be limited and is unlikely to have much of an impact on crops and fieldwork progress. Southern production areas will continue to need greater rainfall for better planting conditions. Some erratic shower activity will occur in the region through Thursday. Most of this will be Sunday through Thursday. Total moisture will vary from 0.10 to 0.50 inch in 40% to 55% of the key production region with a few greater amounts. Not much shower activity is expected in the second week, May 3 – 10. Little to no rain is likely to occur.



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