

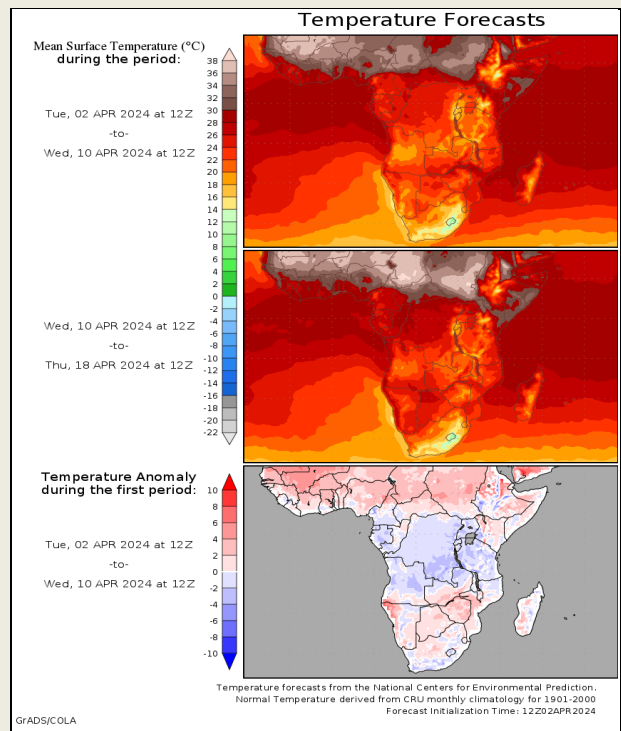
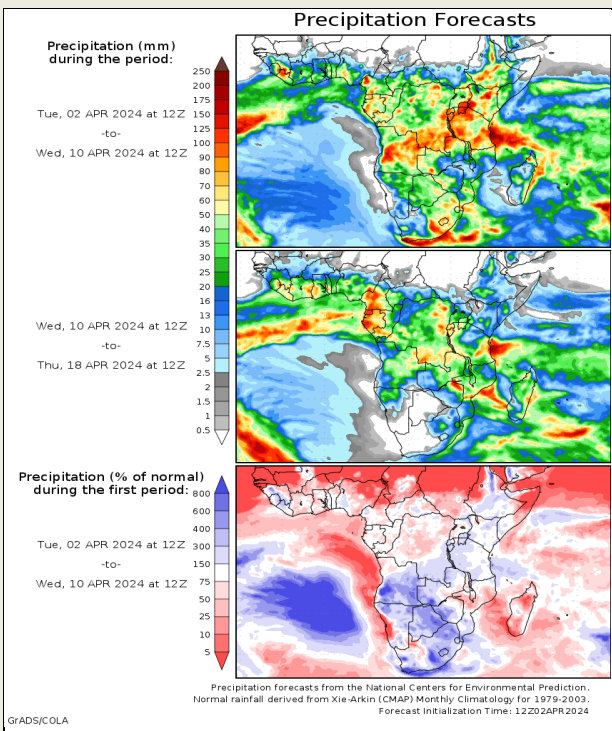
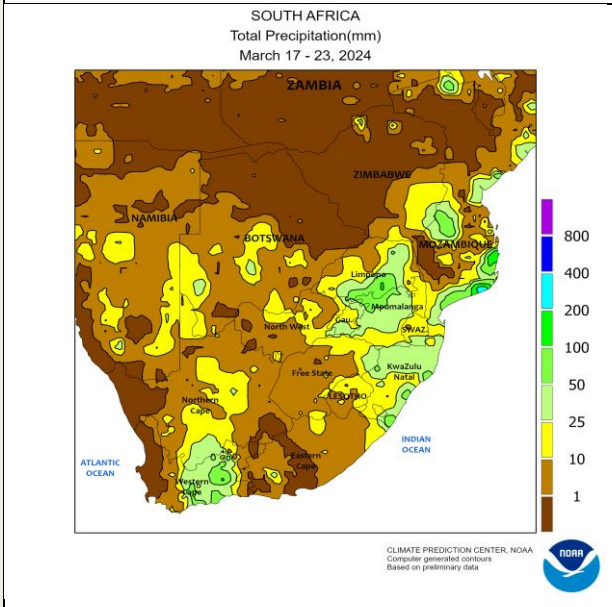
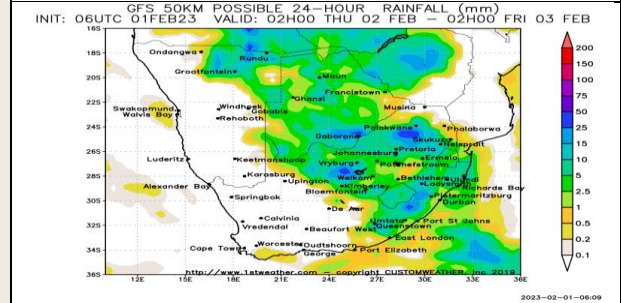
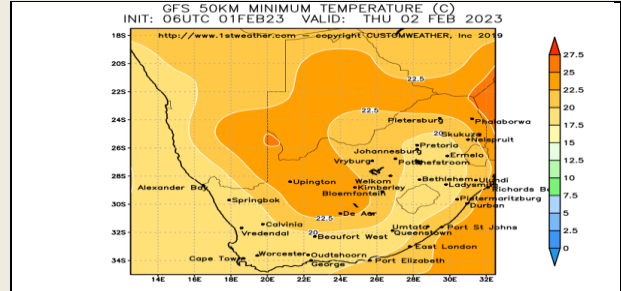


# **Weather Report**

## **03 April 2024**

# South Africa - Weather

**SOUTH AFRICA :** Frequent rainfall will persist for South Africa's main production areas during the coming week. Rain totals will be enough to significantly bolster soil moisture and may even induce flash flooding in Eastern Cape, Natal, Mpumalanga, and neighboring locations. Crop and structural damage should be minor. However, maturation and harvesting may be sluggish or even delayed. Quality reductions will be possible in the wettest locations as well. The rain will otherwise be too late to significantly improve late-season development conditions for the driest areas in central South Africa. South Africa will have several opportunities for rain during the coming week. Erratic rainfall will initially evolve for a few locations today. A disturbance will promote more widespread rain Wednesday into Friday. Another disturbance will generate some of the most significant rain this weekend and early next week. Moisture totals by next Tuesday morning will range from 1.50-5.00" and locally greater amounts in Natal, Mpumalanga, Eastern Cape, and portions of Free State. Other areas will receive 0.75-3.00" of rain with portions of western Northern Cape receiving little to no rain. Much of South Africa will have opportunities for rain April 10 – 16. Rain totals will be much lower compared to the first week of the outlook.

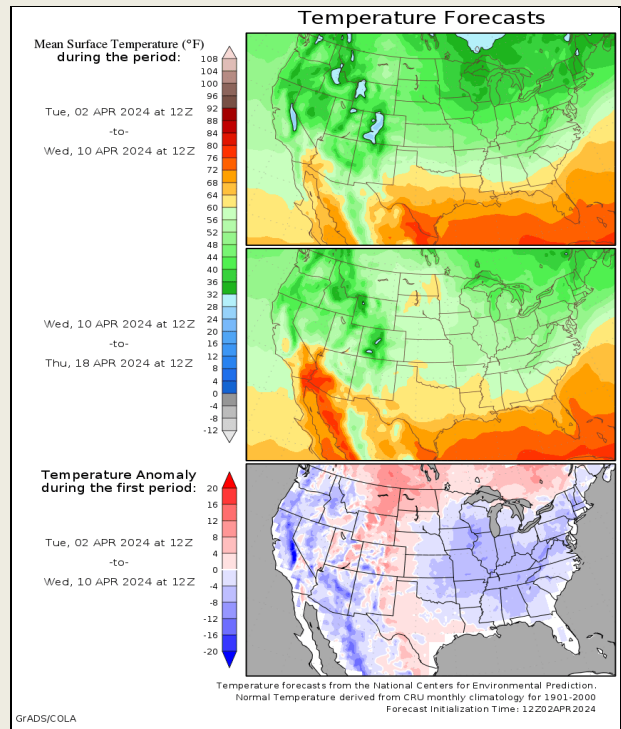
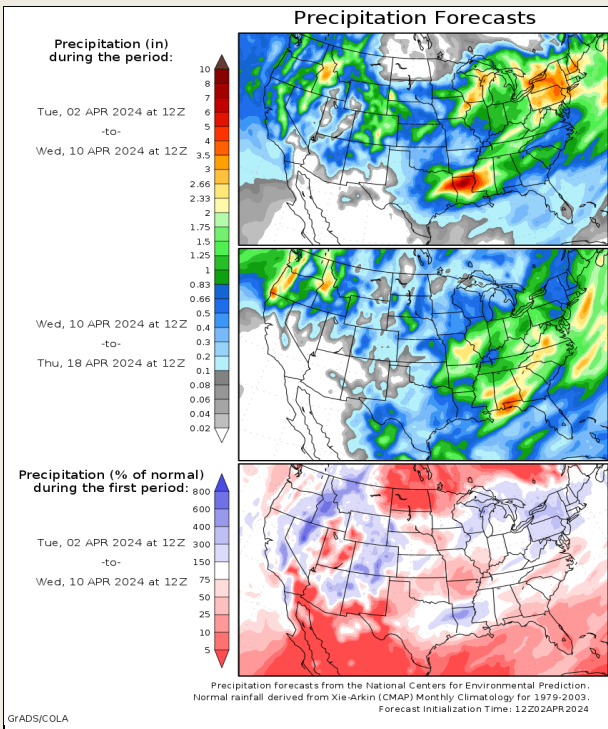
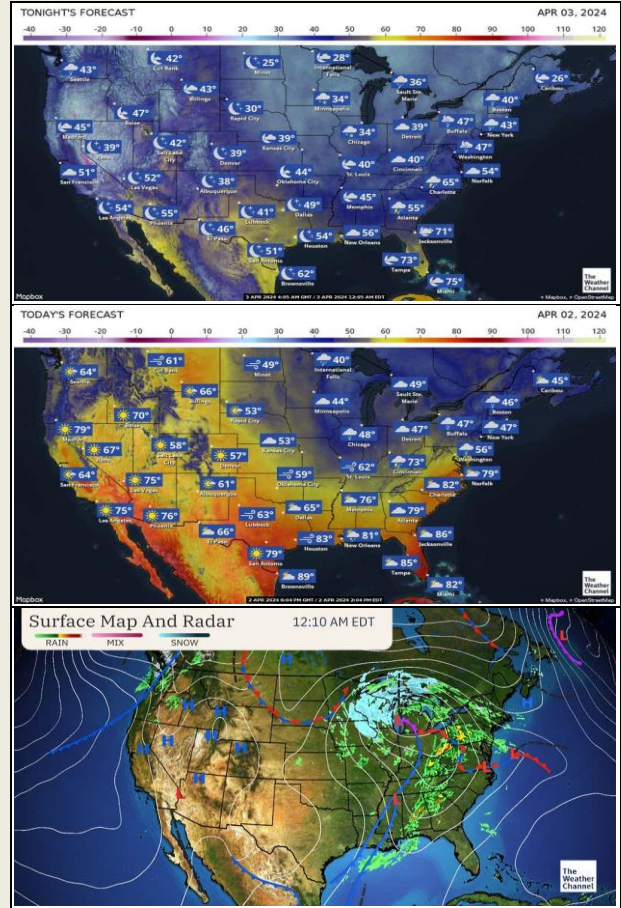
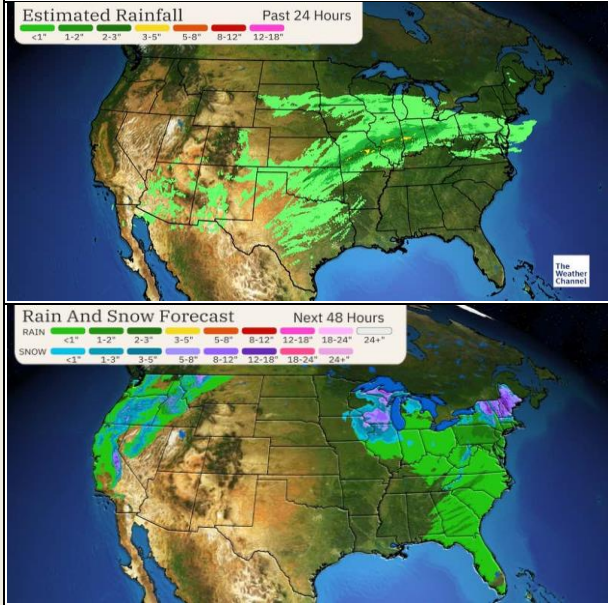


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# United States of America - Weather

**U.S. MIDWEST :** The eastern Midwest and Wisconsin will see regular rounds of precipitation through the next ten days and fieldwork will be slowed before drier weather Apr. 12-16 allows fieldwork to increase. o Central into south-central and eastern Wisconsin will see 3 to 8 inches of wet snow and locally more today causing travel delays with some power outages possible as well.

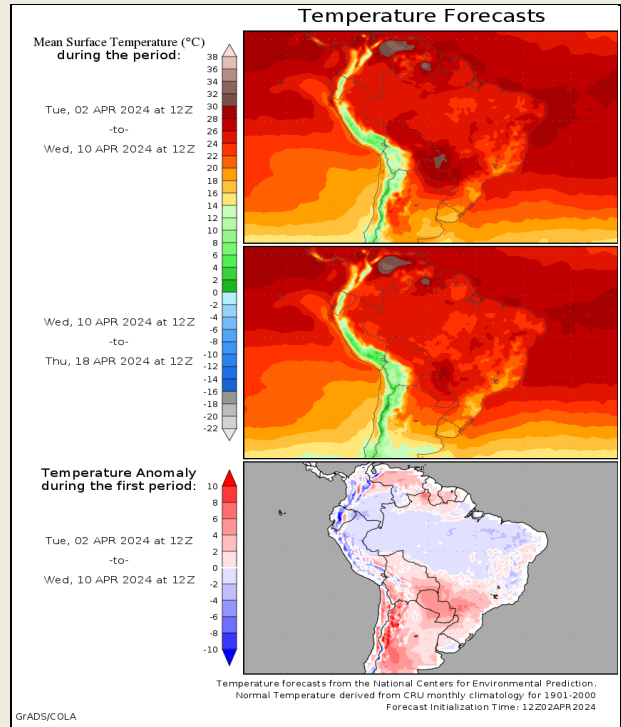
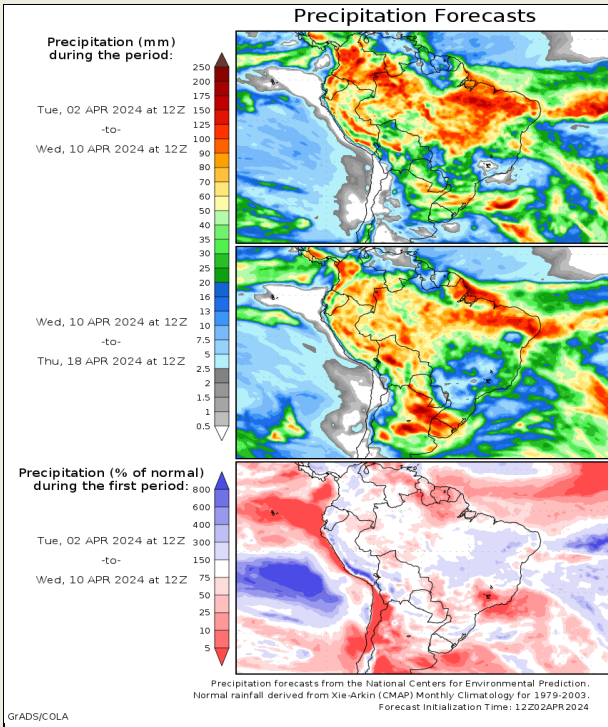
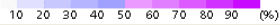
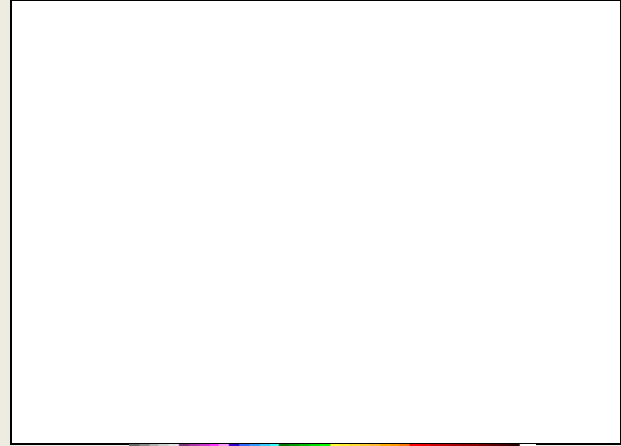
**U.S. DELTA :** The Delta and the Southeast will see a good mix of rain and sunshine through the next two weeks and fieldwork should advance well around the precipitation. o The best conditions for fieldwork will occur from central and south-central Alabama and northern Florida to southern Virginia where mostly dry weather will occur Thursday into next Tuesday while the Delta into western and northern Alabama will see rain Sunday into next Tuesday.



## South America - Weather

**BRAZIL:** Northern Brazil will see regular rounds of showers and thunderstorms through the next two weeks slowing fieldwork at times while enough rain should fall to maintain or increase soil moisture in Mato Grosso with some increases in soil moisture in the driest areas in northeastern Brazil. o By April 16, soil moisture should be great enough to keep Safrinha corn production potentials high across northern Brazil in advance of the dry season while the remaining immature crops in northeastern Brazil benefit from the rain as well.

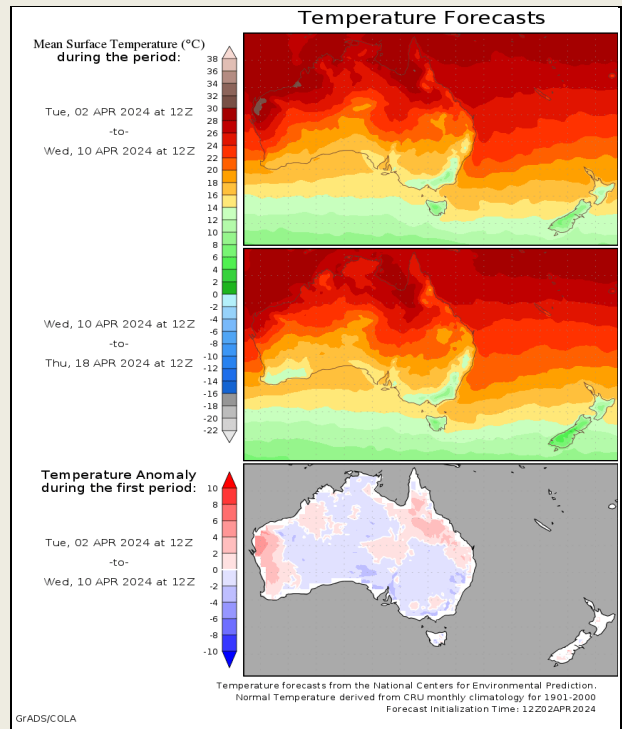
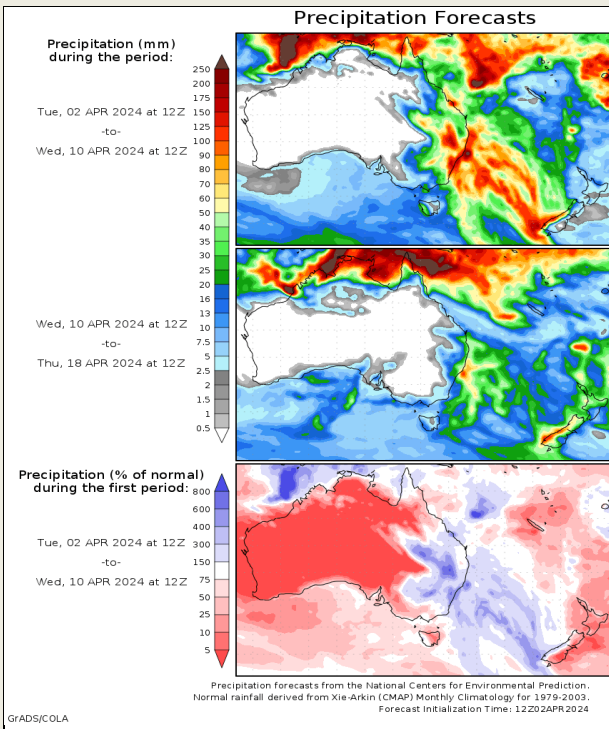
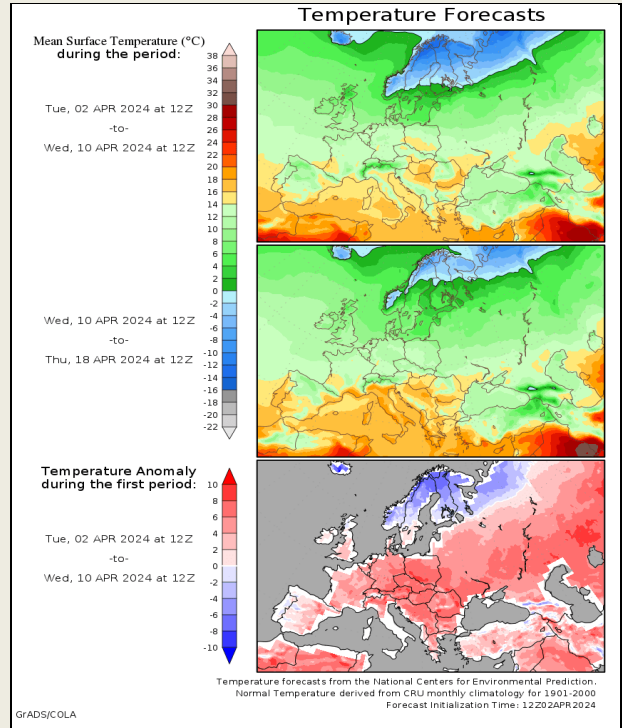
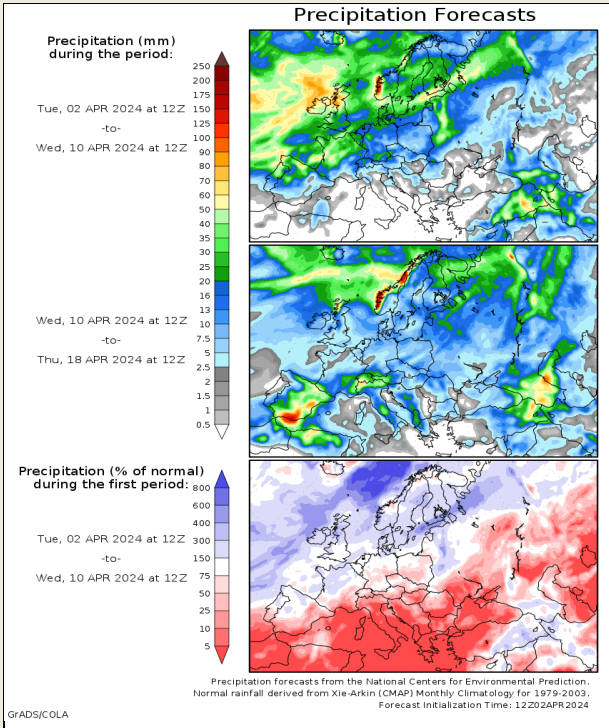
**ARGENTINA :** Harvesting should advance well overall during the next two weeks with interruptions from rain in northern, central, and eastern areas into Thursday and from Chaco and northern Santa Fe to Corrientes and northern Entre Rios this weekend. o Some of the coming rain will fall on the drier areas in Santiago del Estero where the moisture will be beneficial for immature crops.



# 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** : Significant rain in southeastern Queensland and northeastern New South Wales late this week and into the weekend will delay crop maturation and harvest progress, though the moisture will be good for future winter crop planting and for any immature late season crop in irrigated areas. Some of the rain will reduce fiber quality in open boll cotton.



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