



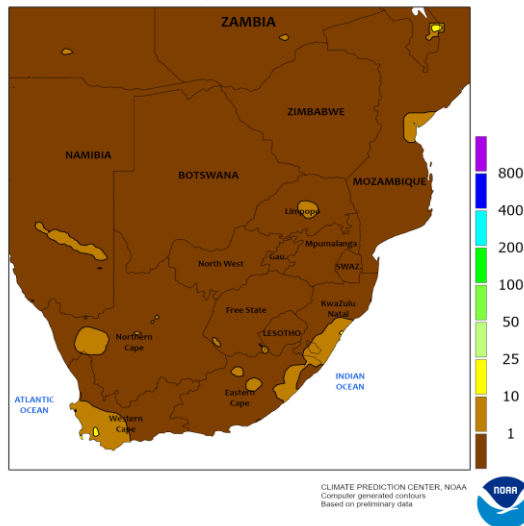
# **Weather Report**

## **16 May 2024**

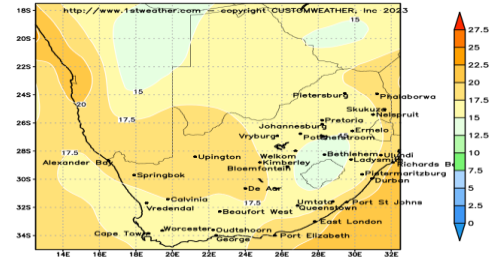
## South Africa - Weather

**SOUTH AFRICA :** South Africa will generally trend drier than normal this week. The lack of rain will be beneficial for aggressive harvesting and fieldwork. Planting of the winter wheat will also advance with few disruptions. The need for timely rain will increase later this month into June to support ideal wheat establishment and growth, most notably in the rain-fed areas. South Africa will be drier than normal this week. Light rain will still be scattered across the eastern half of the country today and Tuesday. A few locations along the Natal coastline will receive light rain Friday and this weekend as well. Coastal Natal will receive 0.40-2.00" of rain by next Monday morning. Other locations will either be dry or receive negligible rain. Drier than normal weather is slated for most locations May 21 - 27. Periods of light rain will still be possible, most notably in western, southern, and eastern South Africa.

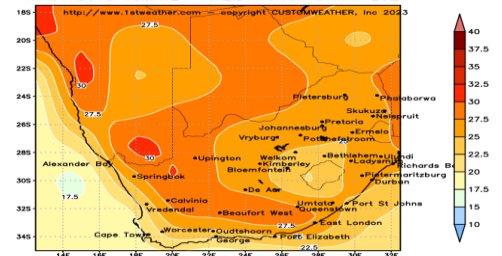
**SOUTH AFRICA**  
Total Precipitation(mm)  
May 5 - 11, 2024



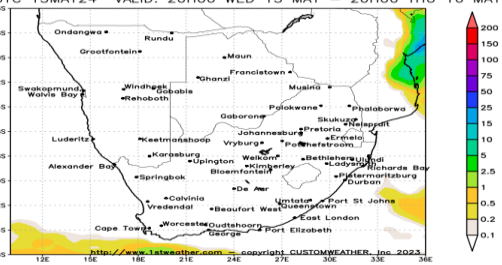
**GFS 50KM MINIMUM TEMPERATURE (C)**  
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**GFS 50KM POSSIBLE 24-HOUR RAINFALL (mm)**  
INIT: 18UTC 15MAY24 VALID: 20H00 WED 15 MAY - 20H00 THU 16 MAY



### Precipitation Forecasts

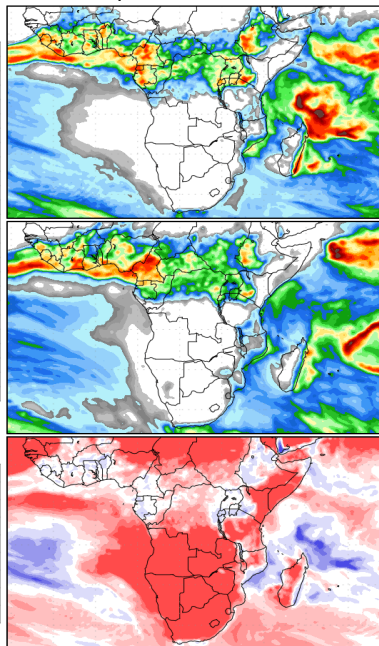
**Precipitation (mm)**  
during the period:

Wed, 15 MAY 2024 at 12Z  
-to-  
Thu, 23 MAY 2024 at 12Z

Thu, 23 MAY 2024 at 12Z  
-to-  
Fri, 31 MAY 2024 at 12Z

**Precipitation (% of normal)**  
during the first period:

Wed, 15 MAY 2024 at 12Z  
-to-  
Thu, 23 MAY 2024 at 12Z



Precipitation forecasts from the National Centers for Environmental Prediction.  
Normal rainfall derived from Xie-Arkin (CMAP) Monthly Climatology for 1979-2003.  
Forecast Initialization Time: 12Z15MAY2024

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### Temperature Forecasts

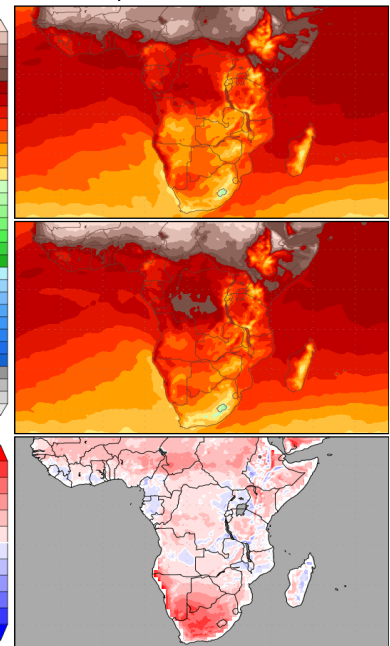
**Mean Surface Temperature (°C)**  
during the period:

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-to-  
Thu, 23 MAY 2024 at 12Z

Thu, 23 MAY 2024 at 12Z  
-to-  
Fri, 31 MAY 2024 at 12Z

**Temperature Anomaly**  
during the first period:

Wed, 15 MAY 2024 at 12Z  
-to-  
Thu, 23 MAY 2024 at 12Z



Temperature forecasts from the National Centers for Environmental Prediction.  
Normal Temperature derived from CRU monthly climatology for 1901-2000.  
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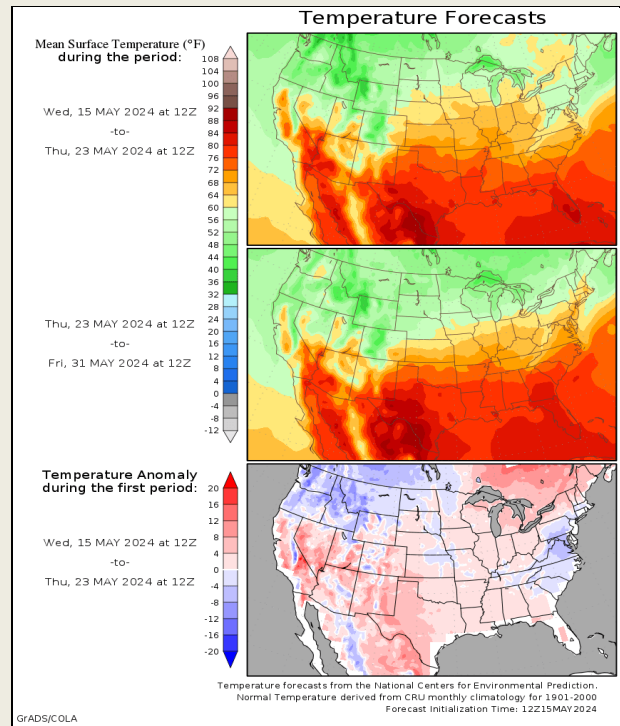
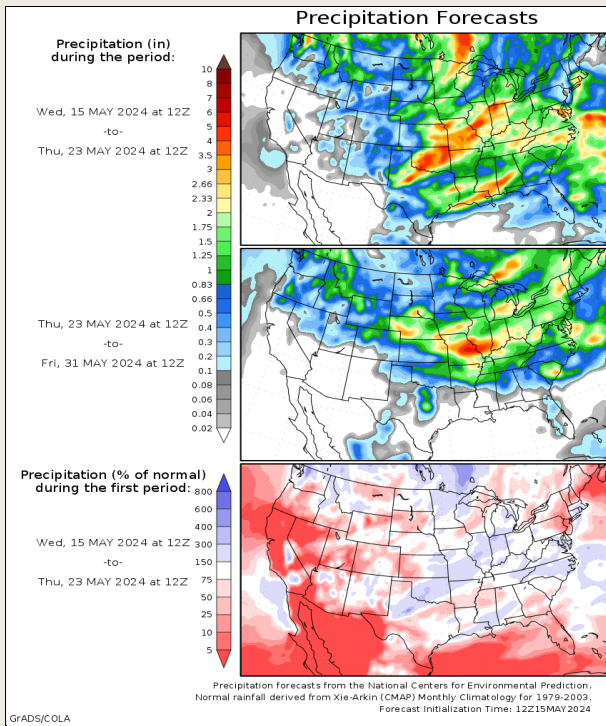
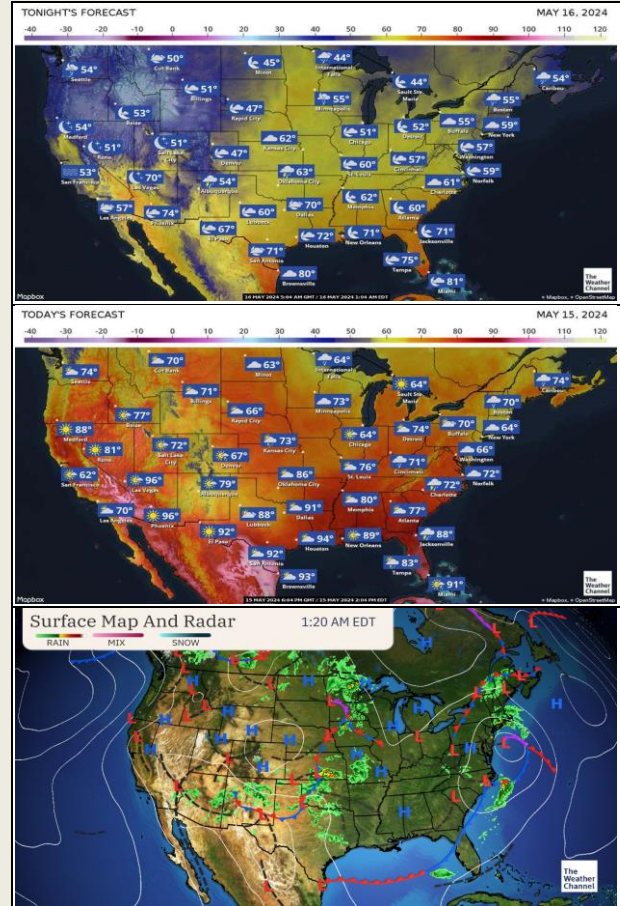
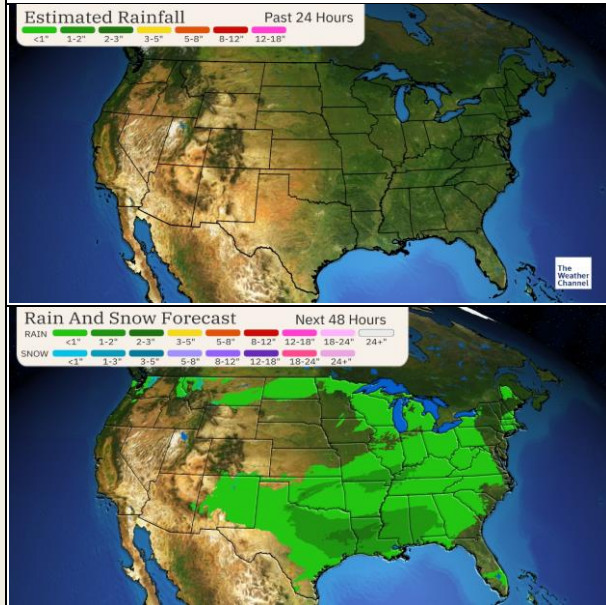
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## United States of America - Weather

**U.S. MIDWEST :** The Midwest will see regular rounds of showers and thunderstorms through the next ten days to two weeks and planting will be slowed throughout the region. There will be breaks between rounds of rain and some fieldwork will advance, but fieldwork should not become aggressive in large parts of the Midwest until a longer stretch of dry weather occurs. Some of the best conditions for planting will occur in the northwestern Corn Belt where little rain has fallen in recent days and after rain today into Friday, fieldwork should quickly resume this weekend into early next week when dry weather will be most common again.

**U.S. DELTA :** The Delta and the Southeast will see a mix of rain and sunshine during the next two weeks that should allow for some planting to advance between rounds of rain with the greatest delays to fieldwork resulting from moderate to heavy rain and some local flooding Thursday evening into Saturday. The southern Delta to southern Georgia and northern Florida will see the heaviest rain Thursday evening into Saturday while pockets of locally heavy rain should occur elsewhere.



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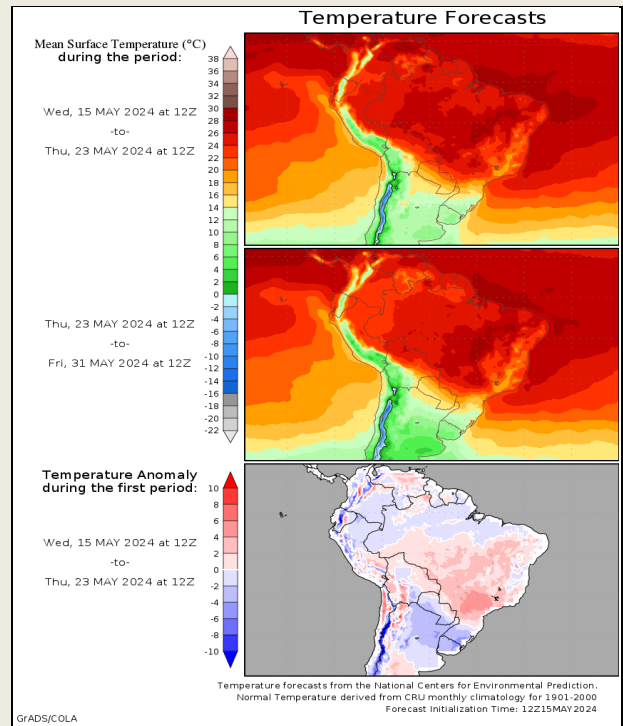
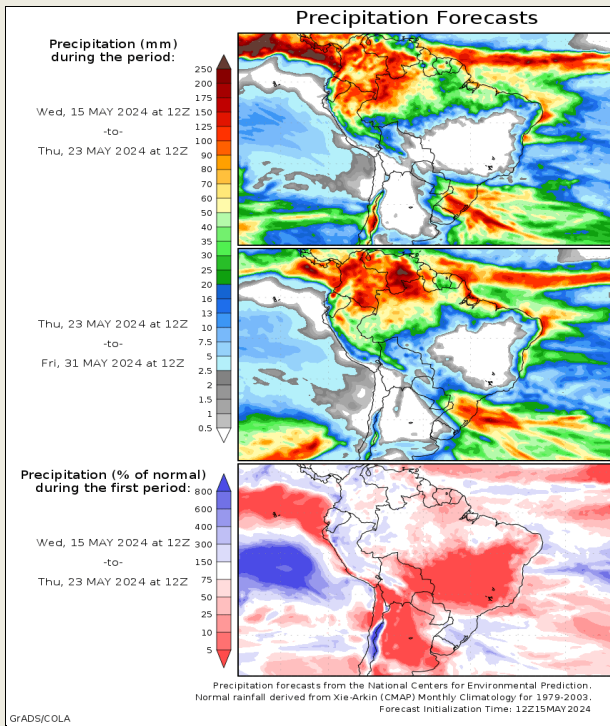
## South America - Weather

**BRAZIL:** Areas in and near Rio Grande do Sul will see regular rain through the next ten days to two weeks causing additional quality declines and further production cuts to rice and soybeans while the rain should not be heavy enough to significantly worsen flood conditions. o Showers will become lighter and less frequent May 23-29, but the region is in need of an extended stretch of dry weather and the showers expected will keep conditions for fieldwork poor and will likely cause further production cuts to the rice and soybean crops.

**ARGENTINA :** Harvesting of summer crops should advance well in much of the country during the next two weeks as dry weather will be most common with some showers on occasion and Entre Rios into Corrientes wettest. o Rain should be infrequent enough that additional crop quality declines in east-central and northeastern Argentina are not common.

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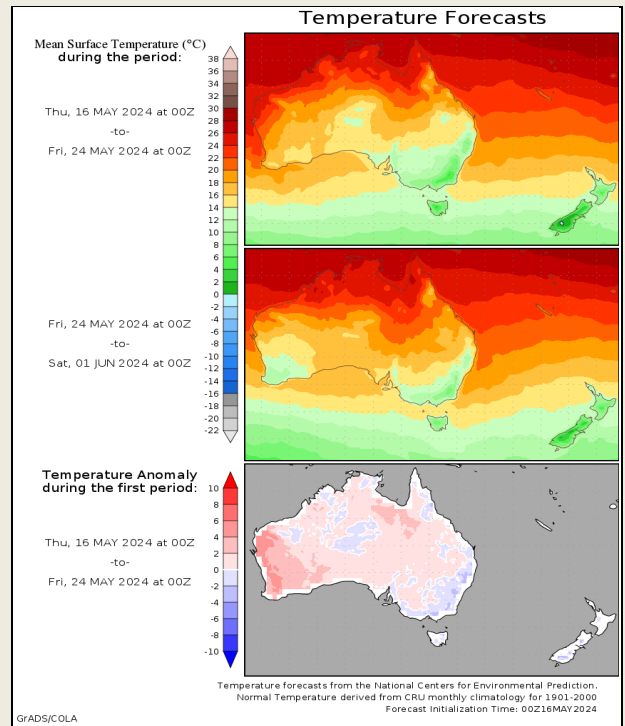
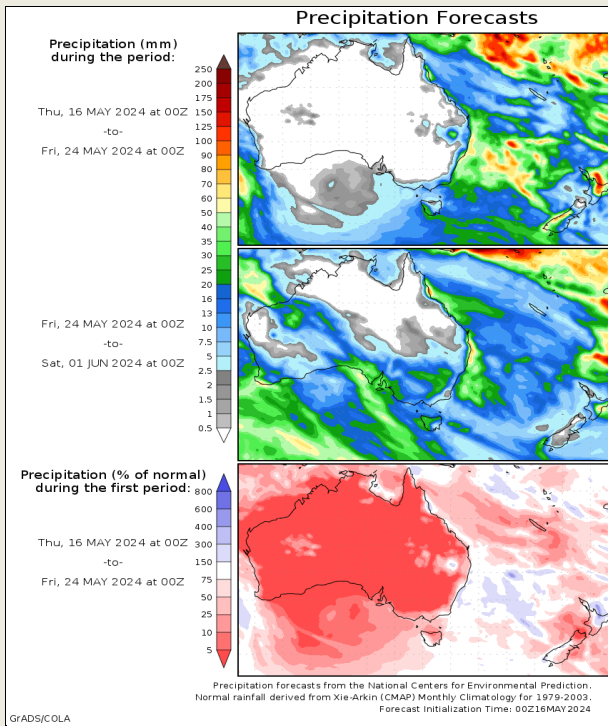
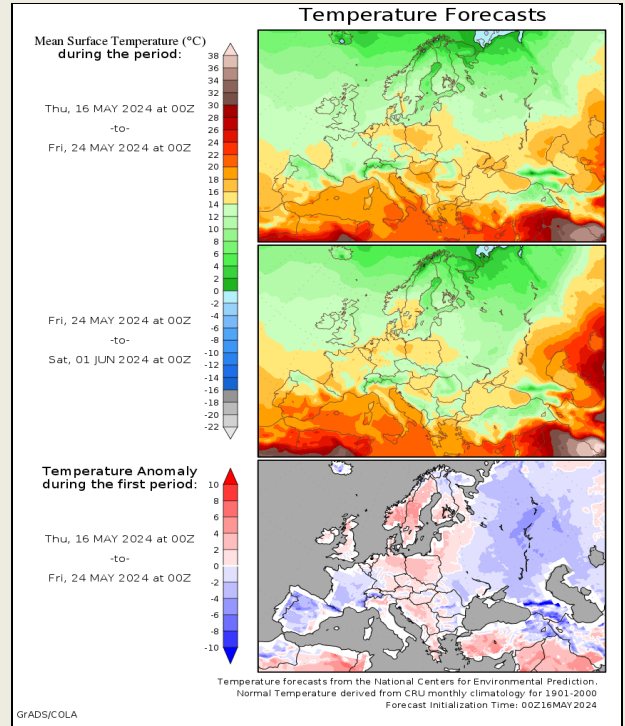
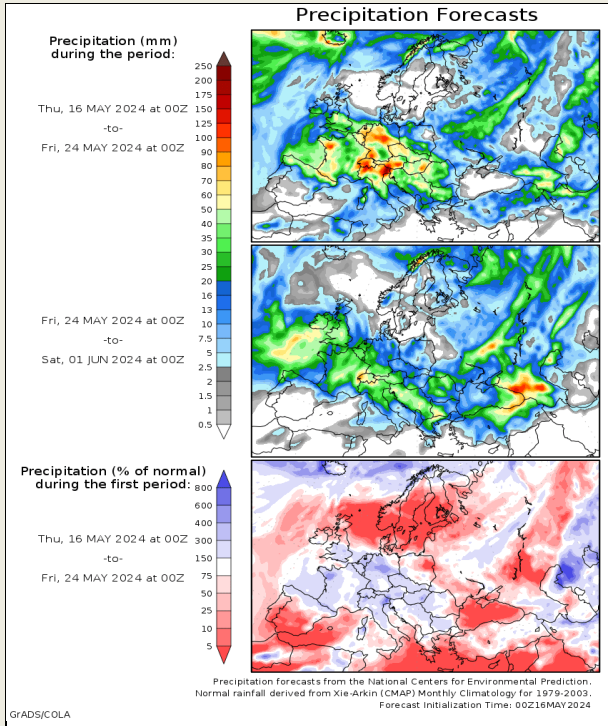
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## Europe, New Zealand and Australia - Weather

**EUROPE** : A large storm system is becoming stalled over parts of central and Western Europe this week due to atmospheric blocking and this storm system will still be impacting the region next week as well. This will lead to a significant amount of rain from France and far northern Spain into southern Germany, northern Italy, and Balkan Countries. Flooding remains a strong possibility as a result of this rain, and fieldwork delays will result. **AUSTRALIA** : Very limited shower activity in the next nine days will be good for fieldwork advancement in eastern production areas of the region; however, greater rainfall continues needed in southern production areas, especially in South Australia and interior Western Australia where soil conditions are still driest.



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