





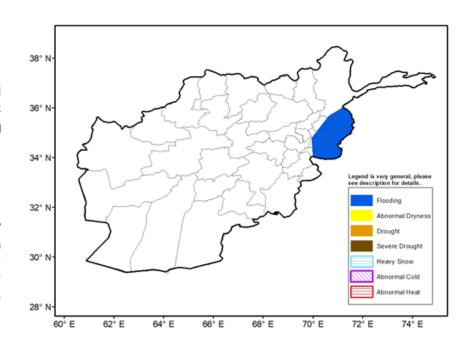
Climate Prediction Center's Afghanistan Hazards Outlook For USAID / FEWS-NET September 3 - 9, 2020

Temperatures:

During the past week, slightly cooler than average temperatures were experienced in northern Afghanistan, while near or warmer than average temperatures were experienced elsewhere. Maximum temperature anomalies as large as 6°C were observed. Maximum temperatures generally stayed below 40°C across the lower elevations. During the outlook period, temperatures are forecast to be below normal (2-6-degree anomalies) in the central highlands and near normal elsewhere. Maximum temperatures are still likely to reach 40°C in southern provinces, while the higher elevations could experience sub-freezing minimums.

Precipitation:

During the past week, rain was observed in many eastern provinces of Afghanistan. 7-day rainfall totals ranged from 10mm to 50mm. Locally heavy rains associated with the Indian monsoon caused deadly and destructive flooding in 11 eastern provinces during the past two weeks. Over 200 families were displaced, and 145 fatalities were reported. During early September, rainfall is forecast to be lighter, with rain chances decreasing through the outlook period. 7-day totals of 5-25mm are expected according to models. Some lingering flooding is not out of the question, especially early in the period.









Climate Prediction Center's Central Asia Hazards Outlook September 3 - 9, 2020

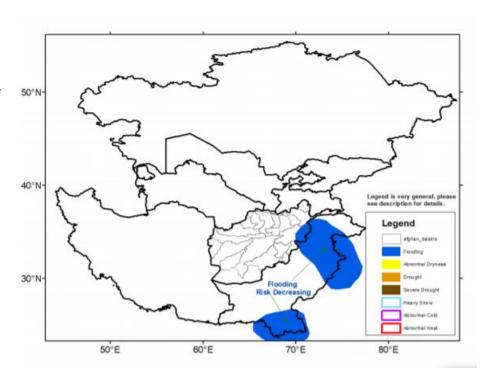
Temperatures:

Weekly temperatures averaged within a couple of degrees C of average during late August. Minimum temperatures were above 5 degrees C this past week across northcentral Kazakhstan. The GFS model indicates that the first frost of the season may occur across northern Kazakhstan during early September which is not too unusual at this high of atitude.

Precipitation:

An enhanced Indian Monsoon resulted in heavy rain (more than 50 mm) and flooding across northeast Afghanistan and Pakistan during late August. Within Afghanistan, the most damage from flooding was reported in Parwan province. Elsewhere, mostly dry weather prevailed across Kazakhstan, Turkmenistan, and Uzbekistan.

Prior to the outlook period, heavy rain may continue to trigger localized flooding across northern Pakistan and extreme northeast Afghanistan. Therefore, a flooding hazard is posted. It should be noted that drier weather is forecast during the outlook period across eastern Afghanistan and Pakistan which should allow for flooding to recede.



Note: The Hazards outlook map is based on current weather/climate information, short and medium range weather forecasts (up to 1 week) and assesses their potential impact on crop and pasture conditions. Shaded polygons are added in areas where anomalous conditions have been observed. The boundaries of these polygons are only approximate at this continental scale. This product does not reflect long range seasonal climate forecasts for indicate current or projected food security conditions.

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