

**Climate Prediction Center's Afghanistan Hazards Outlook
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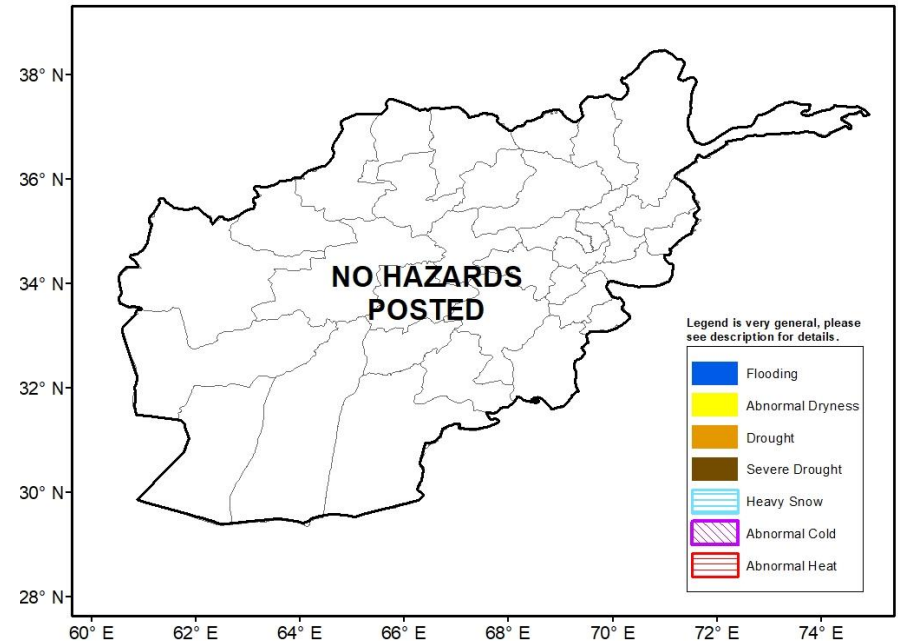
Temperatures:

During the last week of June, maximum temperatures were slightly warmer than normal over Afghanistan. Positive anomalies of 2- 4°C were prevalent in the country, with slightly larger anomalies in a few small areas of the northeast. Maximum temperatures ranged from 35-45°C in the north and west.

During the outlook period, mean temperatures are expected to be 2-4°C above normal in southern Afghanistan, while mean temperatures are expected to be below normal in the northeast. Maximum temperatures will once again exceed 45°C in the hot regions of the southwest.

Precipitation:

During the past 7 days, scattered light rains totaling less than 25mm were observed in eastern portions of Afghanistan. Conditions have been drier than normal in northeastern Afghanistan since the beginning of June, with anomalies of 10-50mm. For the outlook period, the northward extension of the Indian Monsoon should bring moderate to heavy rains to eastern Afghanistan. Weekly totals are likely to be 25-50+mm. The rest of the country should remain dry.



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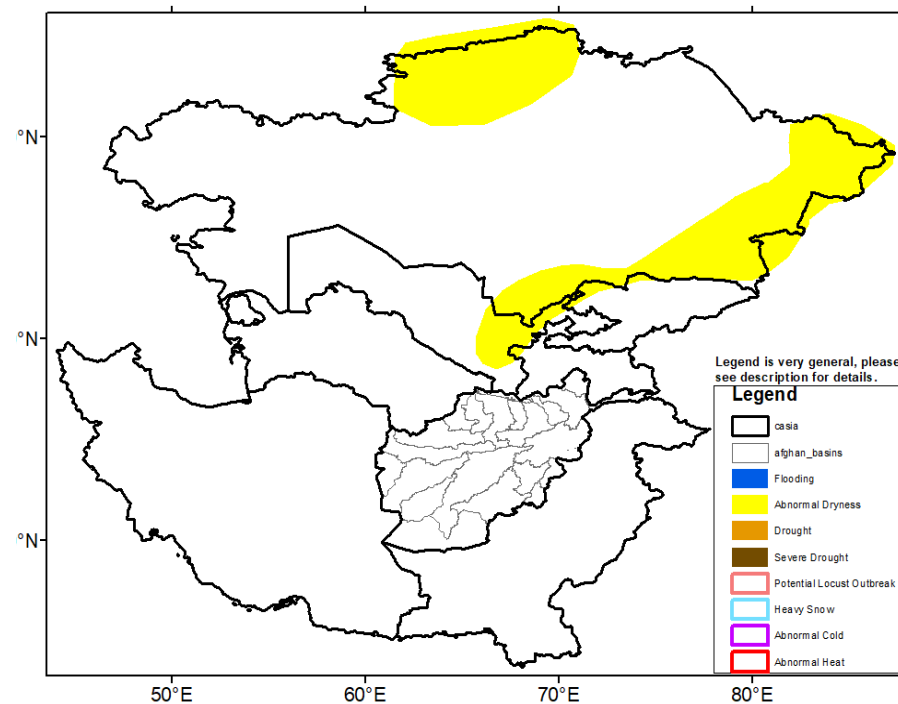
From 5 – 12 July, mean surface temperatures averaged above-normal across much of Central Asia, with the largest positive departures from normal ranging 3 – 5 degrees Celsius in eastern and southern Kazakhstan. Maximum temperature was 35 – 45 degrees Celsius from southern Kazakhstan, Uzbekistan, Turkmenistan, to the northern and western parts of Afghanistan.

During the next week, mean temperatures are expected to be at or 2 – 4 degrees Celsius above-normal over western Kazakhstan, Turkmenistan, southern Afghanistan, and central Pakistan. In contrast, mean temperatures are forecast to average below normal in northern Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan, northeast Afghanistan, and northern Pakistan.

Precipitation

During the past week, widespread light to locally moderate rains fell across central Kazakhstan to the north and the interior of Pakistan to the south. Suppressed rainfall was registered elsewhere. An analysis of the ninety-day and thirty-day precipitation anomalies has indicated that drier-than-normal conditions persisted in northern and southern Kazakhstan, and parts of Uzbekistan, where abnormal dryness polygons were posted. Conditions could worsen to drought if rainfall distribution does not improve over the upcoming weeks.

During the next week, while moderate to heavy rains are expected over Kyrgyzstan and southeastern Kazakhstan, light rains are forecast in northern Kazakhstan, which are likely to maintain dryness in the region. Farther south, heavy rains are expected in northern Pakistan and eastern Afghanistan.



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.