

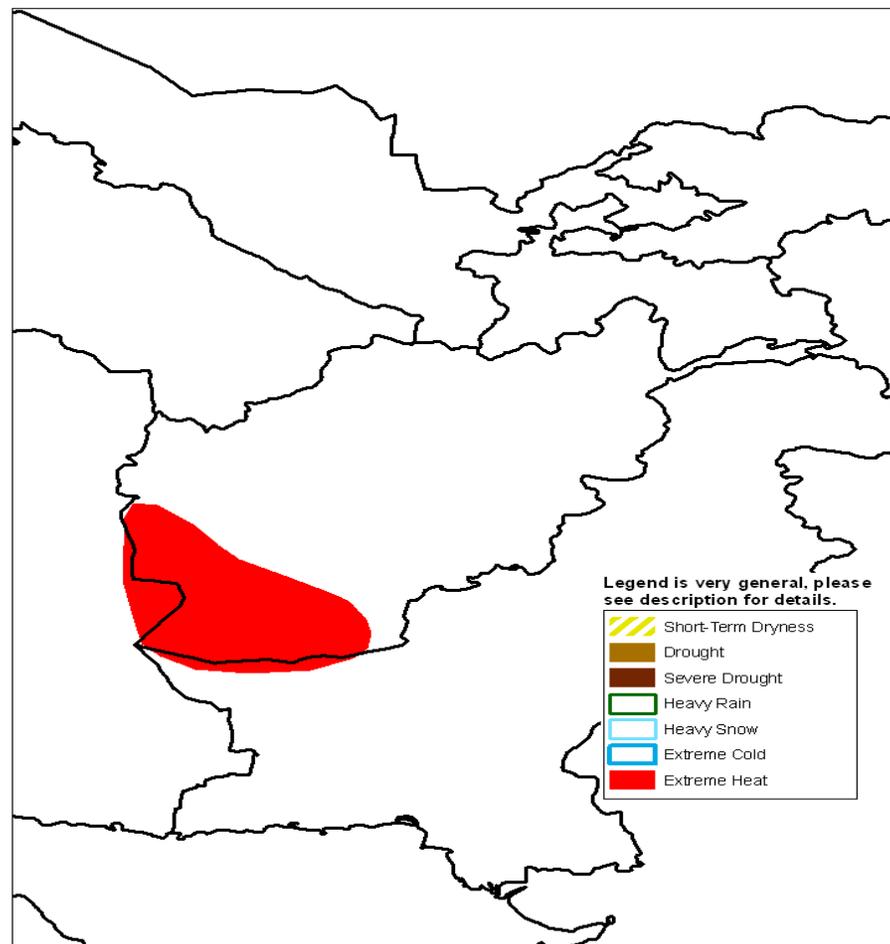
The USAID FEWS NET Weather Hazards Impacts Assessment for Afghanistan June 16 - 22, 2010

Temperature

During early June, temperatures averaged below-normal across the northeast mountains with temperatures at or above-normal across the remainder of Afghanistan. During the next week, below-normal temperatures are expected across the central highlands and northeast mountains with above-normal temperatures in the lowlands. Maximum temperatures may exceed 45°C in southwest Afghanistan.

Precipitation

Following unseasonably late precipitation during early May, seasonal dryness has prevailed across most of Afghanistan during the past few weeks. Although precipitation deficits for the wet season (October 2009 – April 2010) are significant in the northeast mountains and central highlands, field observations and MODIS NDVI indicate little or no drought conditions across northeast Afghanistan. Therefore, the drought polygon designated in previous assessments has been removed. During the next seven days, seasonal dryness can be expected.



Note: The Hazards assessment 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 or indicate current or projected food security conditions.

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