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WEEKLY RAINFALL BULLETIN

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SUMMARY OF PAST WEEK: 10 DECEMBER – 16 DECEMBER 2025

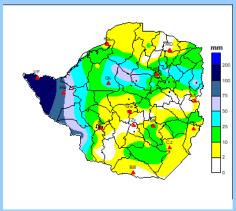


FIGURE 1: WEEKLY RAINFALL TOTALS: 10 DECEMBER TO 16 DECEMBER 2025

The week under review received rainfall in most parts of the country. However, some areas recorded low weekly totals of less than 10 mm, as indicated by the yellow color in Figure 1. Matabeleland North Province recorded the highest rainfall amounts, with weekly totals exceeding 50 mm, and some districts receiving between 100 mm and 200 mm. Parts of the central regions of the country received weekly totals ranging from 10 mm to 25 mm. Overall, the week was wet, although the rainfall amounts were slightly lower compared to previous weeks.

SEASONAL ACCUMULATED RAINFALL: 01 OCTOBER 2025 – 16 DECEMBER 2025

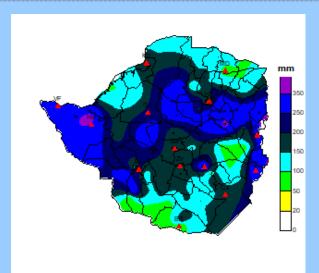


FIGURE 2: SEASONAL RAINFALL TOTALS: 01 OCTOBER - 16 DECEMBER 2025

Figure 2 above shows the accumulated rainfall from 01 October to date. The greater part of the country has received more than 100 mm of precipitation, except for a few pockets in Matabeleland South, Mashonaland Central and Masvingo, which remain in the 50 mm to 100 mm range. The central parts of the country have received totals exceeding 150 mm, with some areas recording accumulated precipitation above 250 mm, as shown by the blue color on the map. A small pocket in Matabeleland North Province has recorded accumulated rainfall exceeding 350 mm to date, as indicated by the purple color on the map. These seasonal totals are due to the wet conditions that have prevailed during the past weeks.

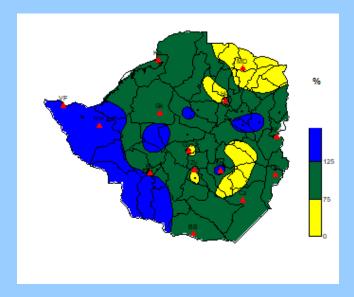


FIGURE 3: ACCUMULATION RAINFALL AS PERCENTAGE OF AVERAGE: 1 OCTOBER - 16 DECEMBER 2025

The bulk of the country has received normal rainfall from the beginning of the season to date, as indicated by the dark green colour in Figure 3. Areas in Matabeleland North, Matabeleland South and parts of the Midlands Province, are in the above-normal category, shown by the blue color. However, despite the wet conditions experienced in most parts, there are areas of the country which have experienced below-normal rainfall conditions, depicted in yellow in Figure 3. These include parts of Mashonaland Central, Mashonaland East and areas in Masvingo Province. This therefore indicates an uneven spatial distribution of rainfall, with some areas recording above-normal conditions while others remain below normal.

WEEKLY EVAPORATION 03 DECEMBER TO 17 DCEMBER 2025

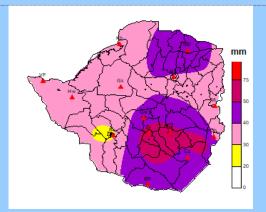


FIGURE 4: WEEKLY EVAPORATION: 10 DECEMBER-17 DECEMBER 2025

The majority of the western half of the country, as well as some parts of Mashonaland East, Manicaland, and Harare Metropolitan, recorded lower evaporation rates ranging from 30 mm to 40 mm. Mashonaland Central, Mashonaland East, parts of the Midlands, Masvingo, and Matabeleland South recorded higher evaporation rates exceeding 50 mm, with some pockets showing values above 50 mm, as indicated by the red color on the map.

WEATHER OUTLOOK FOR THE PERIOD: 17 DECEMBER - 27 DECEMBER 2025.

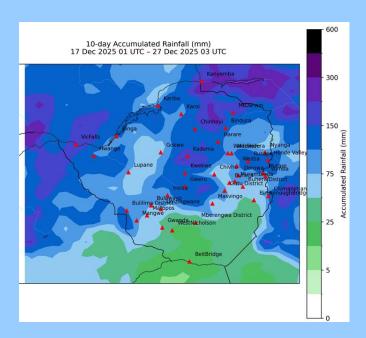


FIGURE 5: PRECIPITATION FORECAST: 17 DECEMBER TO 27 DECEMBER 2025

Scattered thunderstorms are forecast across the country, with weekly rainfall totals exceeding 50 mm expected (Figure 5). Localized downpours are likely, particularly over the northern and central parts of the country, where rainfall totals may exceed 100 mm.