



10 DAY AGROMET BULLETIN

SUMMARY OF THE PAST DEKAD 11-12-2025 TO 20-12-2025

The second dekad of December was predominantly wet across the country. Mostly cloudy and warm conditions were experienced in most parts of the country, accompanied by widespread thunderstorms, which were heavy in some areas. Some of the highest cumulative totals recorded over the 10-day period were 261 mm (Mukandi), 205 mm (Victoria Falls), 189 mm (Hwange), 128 mm (Mt Darwin), 121 mm (Nyanga), 119 mm (Wedza), 112 mm (Plumtree) and 111 mm (Gokwe). The northern provinces were dominated by a north-easterly airflow, while the southern provinces experienced a south-easterly airflow.

10-DAY WEATHER SUMMARY BY PROVINCE FOR THE PERIOD 11-12-2025 TO 20-12-2025

Province	Station	Clouds (Oktas)	Min/Max Temp. (C)		Relative Humidity range (%)		Rainfall total in 10 days (mm)	Wind direction	Wind speed (knots)	Evaporation (mm)	Sunshine hours	Vegetation Condition (Rain-fed)
Mashonaland Central (5 Stations)	Henderson	5	13	30	44	97	26.5	NE	03	-	-	Fair
	Mvurwi	6	17	26	53	97		E	03	-	-	Good
	Guruve	4	16	32	42	86	10.6	NE	03	-	-	Good
	Mt Darwin	5	16	33	38	97	127.8	E	05	-	-	Good
	Kanyemba	5	22	37	38	94	11.4	NE	02	-	-	Fair
Mashonaland East (4 Stations)	Mutoko	5	14	30	45	100	13.6	SE	07	63.3	-	Fair
	Chivhu	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Marondera	5	11	29	42	100	29.7	NE	03	-	-	Fair
	Wedza	5	16	29	35	100	118.7	SW	05	-	-	Fair
Mashonaland West (6 Stations)	Chinhoyi	5	19	29	36	97	33.1	NE	03	-	-	Fair
	Chibero	5	17	29	45	100	79.7	NE	04	-	-	Good
	Karoi	6	17	27	52	98	49.1	NE	03	-	055	Fair
	Kariba	5	20	35	46	97	56.5	NW	07	42.0	058	Good
	Kadoma	5	16	31	33	100	79.3	E	02	-	074	Good
	Mhondoro	4	14	30	38	94	59.1	SE	02	-	-	Good
Harare (2 Stations)	Belvedere	5	14	32	49	97	51.9	NE	05	50.8	069	Good
	Kutsaga	5	13	29	34	100	37.4	E	03	58.1	078	Good
Midlands (4 Stations)	Gokwe	5	17	31	37	100	111.3	SE	03	-	065	Good
	Gweru	6	13	30	33	99	26.6	NW	06	-	064	Good
	Kwekwe	5	18	29	37	100	41.6	NE	04	51.5	-	Good
	Zvishavane	5	20	30	32	94	42.5	SE	03	63.4	072	Good
Manicaland	Rusape	4	14	28	39	100	71.1	NE	02	-	-	Good
	Nyanga	5	11	25	54	97	121.9	NE	06	37.0	068	Good

(7 Stations)	Mukandi	5	13	23	64	100	260.5	E	05	-	075	Good
	Buhera	5	17	27	33	100	30.1	SE	05	-	-	Good
	Chipinge	6	16	30	53	100	60.8	SE	03	50.3	-	Good
	Chisengu	5	-	28	53	100	101.0	SE	03	-	-	Good
	Chisumbanje	5	19	36	35	97	39.1	SE	09	62.1	083	Good
Masvingo (6 Stations)	Makoholi	5	15	32	37	97	52.9	SE	03	-	-	Good
	Masvingo	4	16	32	35	97	56.5	SE	05	63.6	075	Fair
	Zaka	5	20	31	30	97	36.6	SE	04	-	-	Good
	Rupike	5	-	-	53	90	31.7	SE	07	-	-	Fair
	Buffalo Range	5	16	37	34	100	24.5	SE	05	51.7	076	Fair
Matabeleland North (6 Stations)	Binga	6	20	35	44	100	99.0	VRB	02	45.3	051	Fair
	Lupane	6	17	34	39	100	98.5	NE	04	-	-	Good
	Hwange	6	19	28	33	100	189.1	VRB	06	-	036	Good
	Tsholotsho	6	17	32	39	100	86.9	E	03	-	-	Fair
	Nkayi	6	16	31	33	95	6.8	SE	03	-	048	Good
	Victoria Falls	6	18	30	46	97	204.8	SE	08	-	036	Good
Matabeleland South (5 Stations)	Kezi	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Matopos	5	17	31	42	94	15.6	NE	05	-	-	Good
	Beitbridge	5	20	40	28	97	63.3	SE	04	-	-	Poor
	West Nich	6	15	35	-	-	99.9	SE	03	-	054	Fair
	Plumtree	5	17	29	45	97	111.6	NE	04	-	-	Good
Bulawayo	Goetz	6	15	29	43	96	7.7	SE	03	47.0	055	Fair

EVAPORATION, TEMPERATURE AND PRECIPITATION

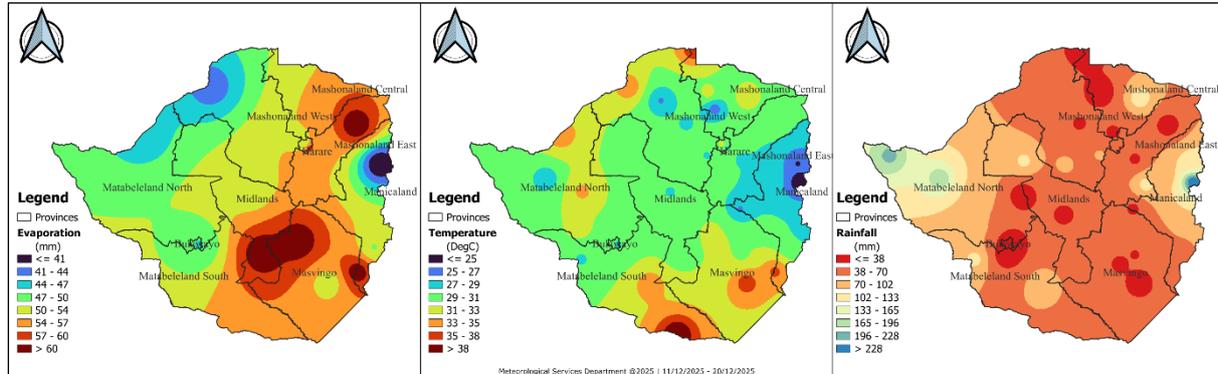


Fig 1: a) Evaporation, b) Maximum Temperature and c) Rainfall in the dekad ending 20-12-2025

Evaporation was highest in the southern and south-eastern parts of the country, notably Masvingo and Matabeleland South, coinciding with high temperatures above 33°C (Figs. 1a and 1b). Lower evaporation and cooler conditions, mostly below 30°C, prevailed over the northern and eastern highveld, including Mashonaland Provinces and Manicaland. The distribution of the rainfall was good both in time and space across the country with the highest decadal totals being recorded in the eastern highlands (Fig. 1c). Vegetation condition remained generally normal to above normal across most areas (Fig. 1d) with enhanced greenness being evident in regions with relatively

higher rainfall, while localized below-normal vegetation corresponded with drier areas experiencing higher evaporative demand.

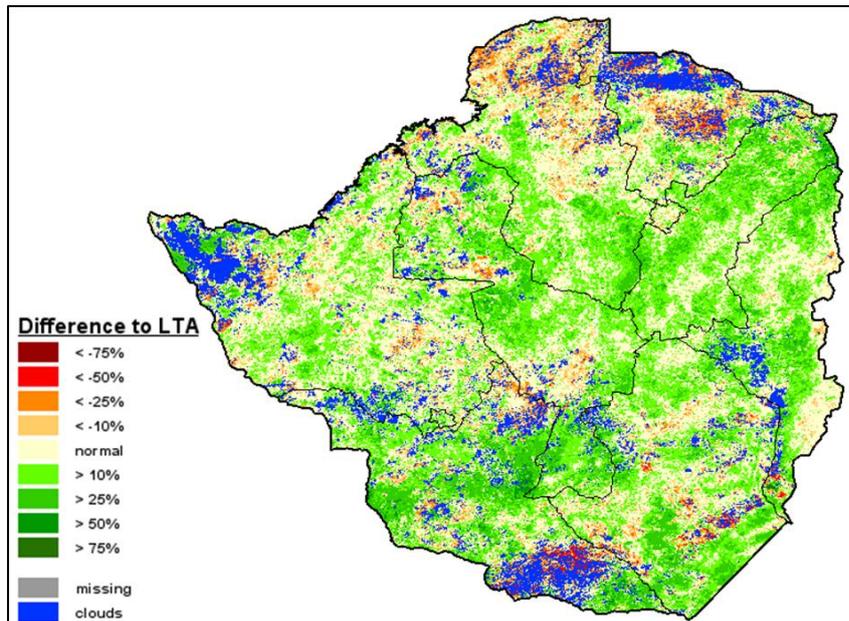


Fig 1d: Normalized Difference Vegetation Index Anomaly (Courtesy of FAO GIEWS)

WEATHER OUTLOOK: DECEMBER 2025

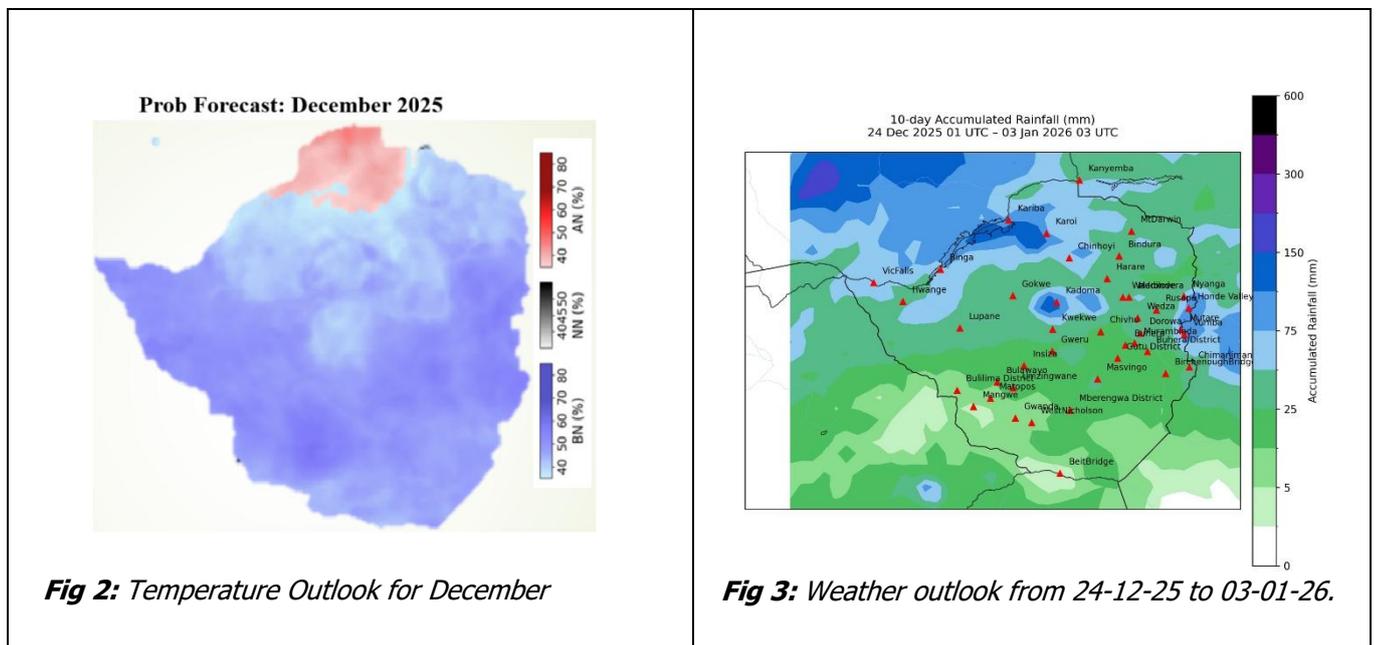


Fig 2: Temperature Outlook for December

Fig 3: Weather outlook from 24-12-25 to 03-01-26.

Cooler-than-normal conditions are expected across much of the country during December, except for the extreme northern tip where warmer-than-normal conditions are anticipated, as shown in Fig. 2. The last dekad of December is expected to be predominantly wet, with mostly cloudy conditions accompanied by scattered

thunderstorms. These storms may be heavy in some areas, particularly in the northern and eastern parts of the country, where rainfall amounts might exceed 75 mm.

Table 2: Provincial Weather outlook valid from 25-12-2025 to 03-01 -2026

Province	Agromet -Weather forecast	Wind Direction & Wind Speed (knots)	Relative Humidity (%)	Min/Max (°C)
Mashonaland Central	Mostly cloudy and warm for much of the dekad with scattered thundershowers. Heavy downpours are probable in places.	NE'ly	80-100	14-38
Mashonaland East	Mostly cloudy and warm for much of the dekad with scattered thundershowers. Heavy downpours are probable in places.	NE'ly	80-100	10-32
Mashonaland West	Mostly cloudy and warm for much of the dekad with scattered thundershowers. Heavy downpours are probable in places.	NE'ly	80-100	15-35
Harare	Mostly cloudy and warm for much of the dekad with scattered thundershowers. Heavy downpours are probable in places.	NE'ly	80-100	10-33
Midlands	Mostly cloudy and warm for much of the dekad with scattered thundershowers. Heavy downpours are probable in places.	SE'ly	80-100	10-33
Manicaland	Mostly cloudy and warm for much of the dekad with scattered thundershowers. Heavy downpours are probable in places.	SE'ly	80-100	08-27
Masvingo	Mostly cloudy and warm for much of the dekad with scattered thundershowers.	SE'ly	80-100	12-34
Matabeleland North	Mostly cloudy and warm for much of the dekad with scattered thundershowers.	NE'ly	80-100	14-36
Matabeleland South	Mostly cloudy and warm for much of the dekad with scattered thundershowers.	SE'ly	80-100	11-34
Bulawayo	Mostly cloudy and warm for much of the dekad with scattered thundershowers.	SE'ly	80-100	12-35

AGROMET ADVISORY

The persistent wet spell experienced in most parts of the country has resulted in crops in fair to good condition with the exception of Beitbridge where poor conditions are being reported. However, nitrogen deficiency is showing in the maize crop which is yet to be top dressed. Weed pressure has been high as a result of the incessant rains in places.

For the livestock, regular dipping and vaccinations are recommended with the weather conditions being experienced in most areas.

The forecast for heavy rainfall during the current dekad has the following advisory;

Advisory on Extreme Weather Events:

- The potential for severe weather associated with isolated thunderstorms requires preparedness.
- **Localized Heavy Downpours:** These can cause waterlogging, nutrient leaching in prepared fields, and rapid surface runoff leading to soil erosion. Ensure drainage systems are clear.
- **Lightning:** This is a serious safety risk. Farmers and their workers are advised to seek shelter indoors immediately when thunder is heard. Do not continue field operations during a thunderstorm.
- **Hail:** Hail can cause damage to crops such as tobacco and maize. monitor forecasts.