



## WEEKLY RAINFALL BULLETIN

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**SEASON:** 2025-2026

**VALID:** 19 FEBRUARY TO 25 FEBRUARY 2026

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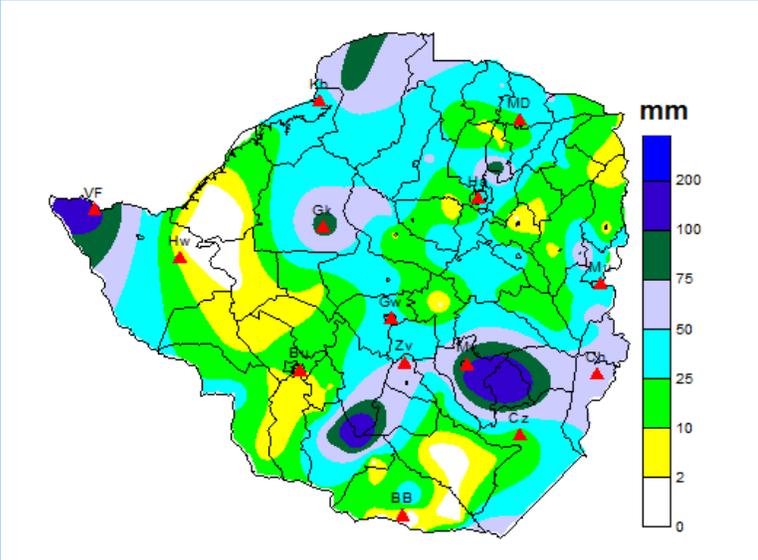
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**SUMMARY OF PAST WEEK: 11 FEBRUARY 2026 – 17 FEBRUARY 2026**



**FIGURE 1: WEEKLY RAINFALL TOTALS: 11 FEBRUARY 2025 TO 17 FEBRUARY 2026**

Though mostly light amounts were recorded in many places, the period under review was characterized by widespread rainfall activity across the whole country. The highest accumulated weekly totals recorded in West Nicholson (175mm), Zaka (147mm), Nemamwa (122mm), Chatikobo (122mm) and Victoria Falls (110mm) as shown in Figure 1.

## SEASONAL ACCUMULATED RAINFALL: 01 OCTOBER 2025 – 18 FEBRUARY 2026

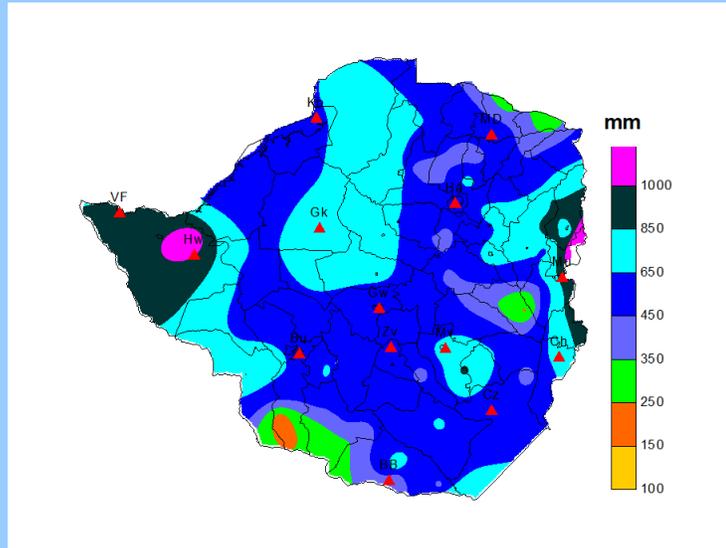
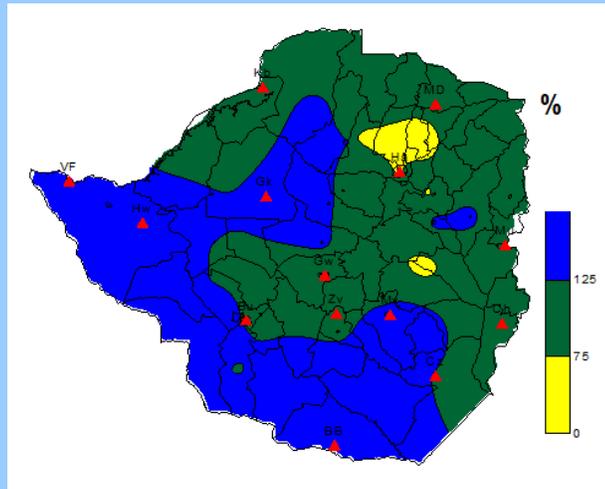


FIGURE 2: SEASONAL RAINFALL TOTALS: 01 OCTOBER 2025 - 18 FEBRUARY 2026

Figure 2 shows the seasonal accumulated rainfall from 01 October 2025 to 18 February 2026. The bulk of the country has received rainfall totals exceeding 450 mm, with the highest seasonal accumulated totals ranging from 850 to 1000 mm. The accumulated totals indicate that the season has progressed well, despite the fact that the last pentad of January and the first dekad of February, saw a decrease in precipitation, which affected most parts of the country.

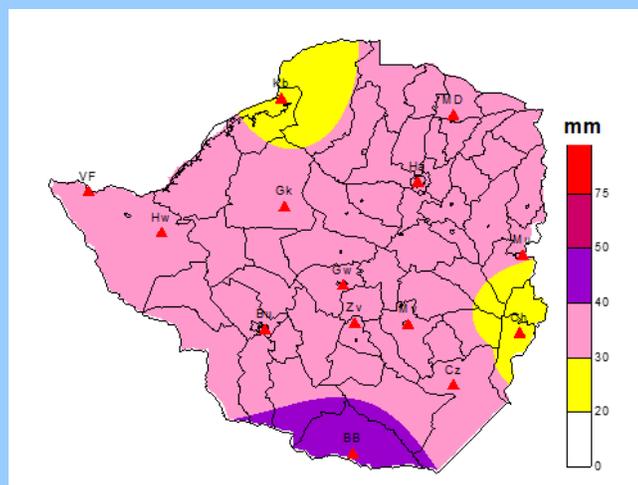
## SEASONAL RAINFALL PERCENTAGE OF NORMAL: 1 OCTOBER 2025 – 18 FEBRUARY 2026



**FIGURE 3: ACCUMULATION RAINFALL AS PERCENTAGE OF AVERAGE: 1 OCTOBER 2025-18 FEBRUARY 2026**

Figure 3 shows that from 01 October 2025 to 18 February 2026, the western and southern parts of the country received above-normal rainfall, as shown by the blue colour on the map. The rest of the country recorded rainfall in the normal category, indicated by the green colour, with the exception of a few areas in yellow, which represent below-normal rainfall. Although most parts of the region have experienced good rainfall when viewed as a percentage of normal (long-term average), the dry period and high daytime temperatures experienced over the country since the last pentad of January have caused damage and heat stress to many rainfed crops.

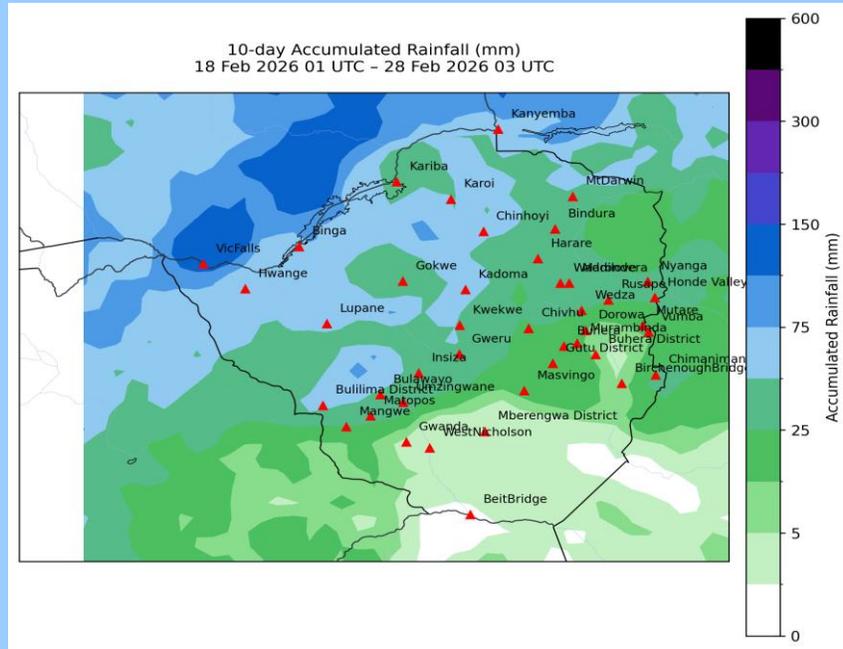
## WEEKLY EVAPORATION FROM 11 FEBRUARY TO 17 FEBRUARY 2026



**FIGURE 4: WEEKLY EVAPORATION: 11 - 17 FEBRUARY 2026**

The week ending 17 February 2026 recorded low evaporation rates across the country, as shown in Figure 4, with the highest recorded weekly evaporation amounts ranging from 40 to 50 mm over Beitbridge. The bulk of the country recorded evaporation rates ranging from 30 to 40mm because of the cloud cover that was prevalent in most parts of the country. The extreme northern parts and the eastern parts of the country recorded evaporation between 20 and 30mm because of subdued daytime temperatures.

## WEATHER OUTLOOK FOR THE PERIOD: 18 FEBRUARY 2026 – 28 FEBRUARY 2026.



**FIGURE 5: ACCUMULATED PRECIPITATION FORECAST: 18 FEBRUARY TO 28 FEBRUARY 2026**

Figure 5 is the forecast for the period from 18 to 28 February 2026. The period is expected to start with partly cloudy and hot conditions in most parts of the country, with a chance of isolated thundershowers in some places. Significant rainfall amounts are expected over the northern parts of the country. However, the southern parts of the country are expected to receive light rainfall amounts.