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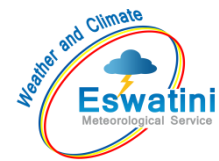
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HIGHLIGHTS

- **Much significant rainfall received...**
- **Good vegetation condition...**
- **Weeding farming activities...**
- **Not much rainfall is anticipated...**
- **Hot to very hot temperatures forecasted...**
- **Slight decrease in soil moisture expected...**

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RAINFALL AND TEMPERATURES

RAINFALL

Much above average rainfall continued to be observed in the 2nd dekad of January 2026 nationwide (**Figure 1**) and (**Map 1**).

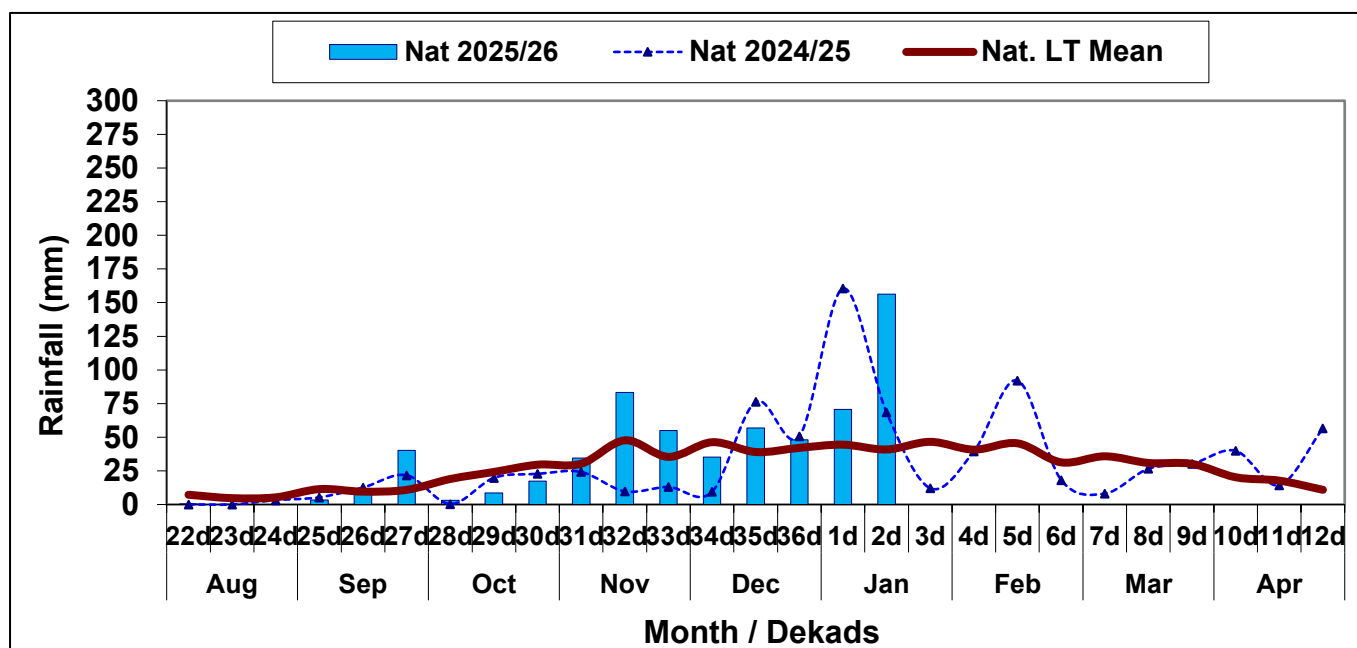
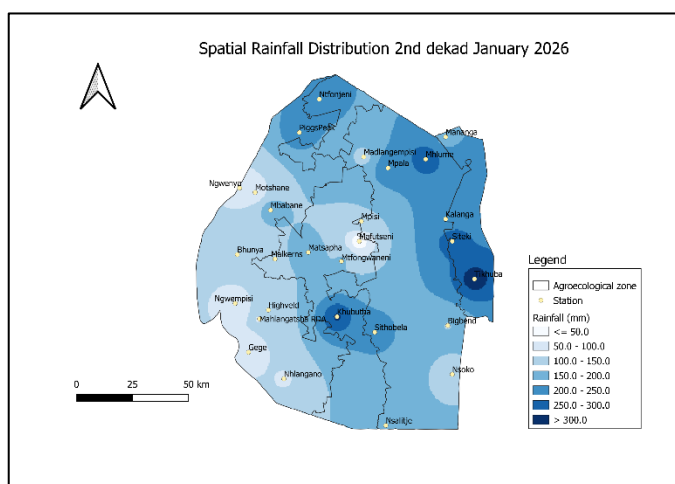
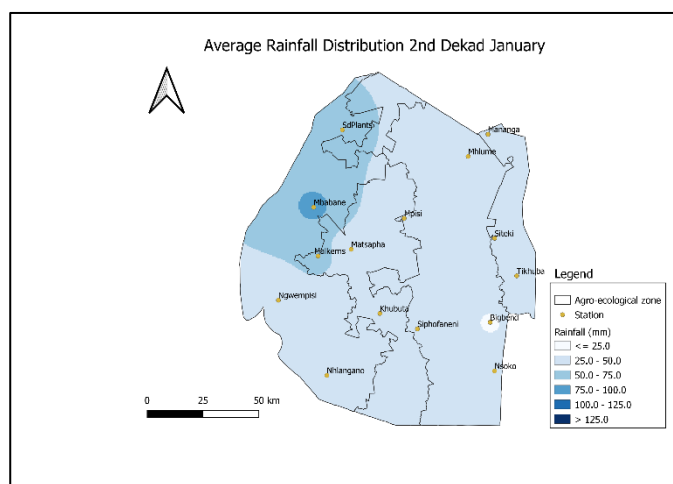


Figure 1: Rainfall distribution 2nd dekad January 2026



Map 1: Spatial rainfall distribution 2nd dekad January 2026



Map 2: Average Rainfall distribution 2nd dekad January

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All the Agro-ecological zones received above normal rainfall during the reporting period (**Table 1**).

Table 1: Rainfall (mm) 2nd dekad January 2026

	HV	MV	LV	LP
2024/25	82	66	51	76
Average	52	42	32	39
2025/26	99	149	200	301
Anomaly	47	107	168	262

TEMPERATURES

Cool to warm temperatures generally prevailed during the reporting period (**Figure 2**) and (**Figure 3**).

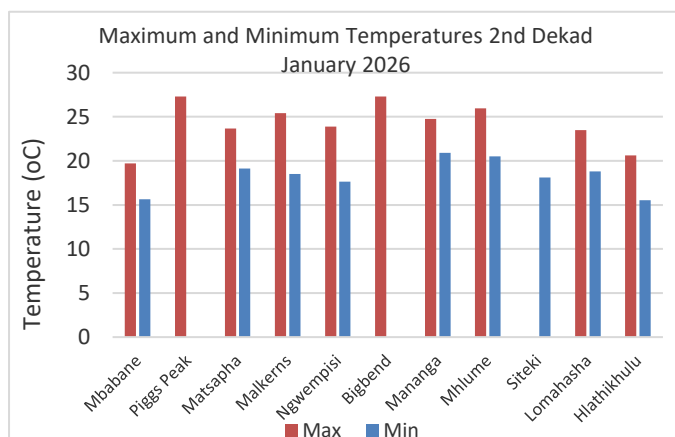


Figure 2: Maximum and Minimum temperatures 2nd dekad of January 2026

MAIZE AND OTHER CROPS

MAIZE CROP STAGE AND CONDITION

The Agriculture Stress Index indicates that crops were not experiencing water stress during the reporting period in some parts where data was available.

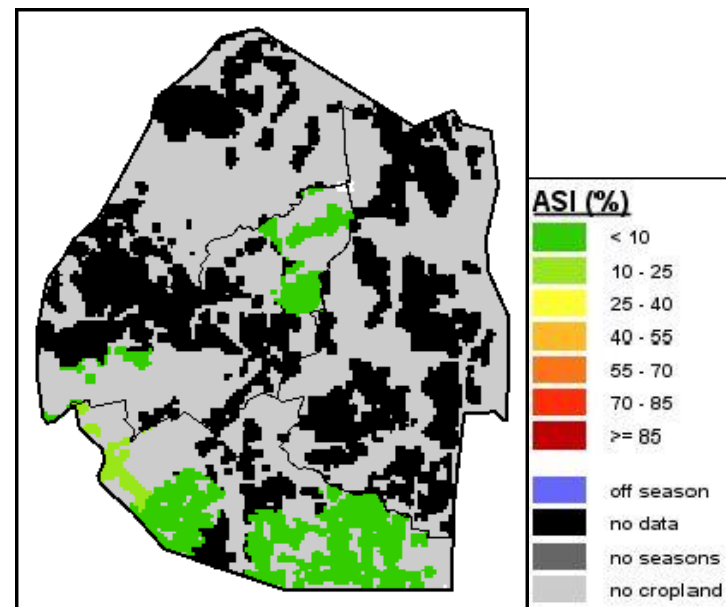


Image 1: Agriculture Stress Index 2nd dekad January 2026
Source: FAO-GIEWS

OTHER CROPS

Information not available.

CURRENT FARMING ACTIVITY

Information not available.

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LIVESTOCK AND PASTURES

Information not available.

WATER SITUATION

Most dam reservoirs are reported to be at full capacities.

MEDIUM-TERM OUTLOOK

RAINFALL

Not much rainfall is expected in the outlook period.

TEMPERATURE

Hot to very hot temperatures are anticipated in the outlook period.

SOIL MOISTURE

Decrease in soil moisture is expected in the outlook period.

WIND SPEED

Wind will generally be light to moderate in the outlook period

NB: Outlook period is ten days from date of issue

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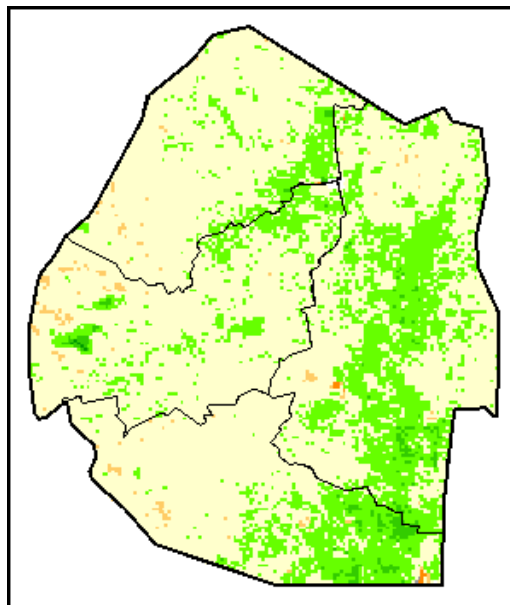
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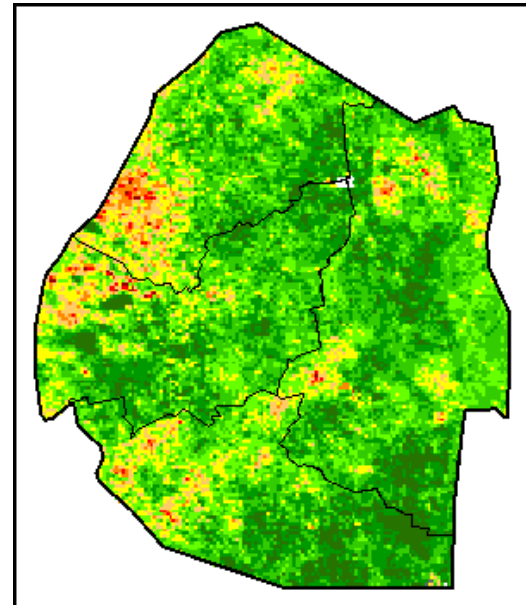
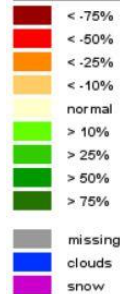
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Legend

Difference to LTA



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VHI

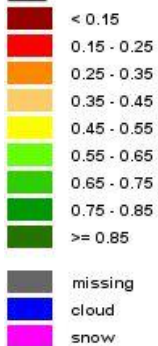


Image 2: Normalized Difference Vegetation Index (NDVI) Anomaly (2nd Dekad January 2026)
Source: FAO-GIEWS

Image 3: Vegetation Health Index (VHI) (2nd Dekad January 2026)
Source: FAO-GIEWS