

Continental Watch

From Friday, February 20, 2026 to Tuesday, February 24, 2026

1.HIGHLIGHTS

Multi - Hazard Outlook for the next 5 days :

Level 3 warning for possible extreme precipitation over Burundi, Uganda, Malawi, Kenya, Madagascar, Mozambique, Tanzania, South Africa, Zambia, Democratic Republic of the Congo and Rwanda

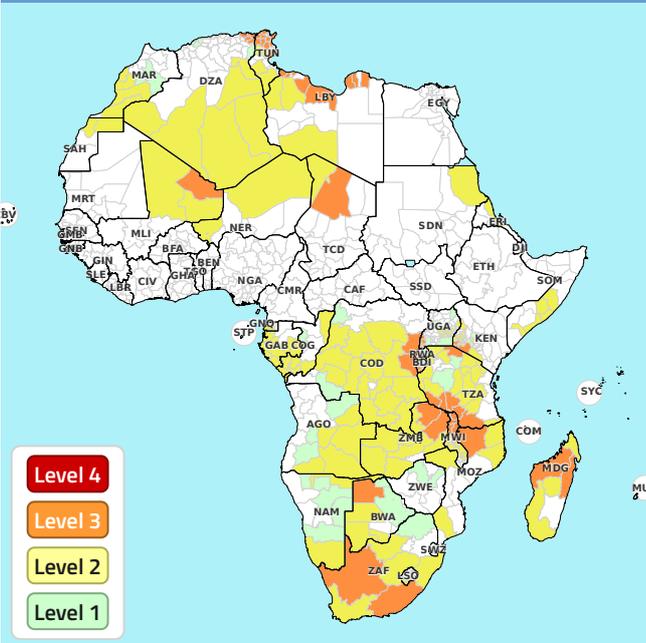
Level 3 warning for possible wind storms over Libya, Tunisia, Chad, Algeria, Mali and South Africa

Level 3 warning for possible riverine floods over Botswana

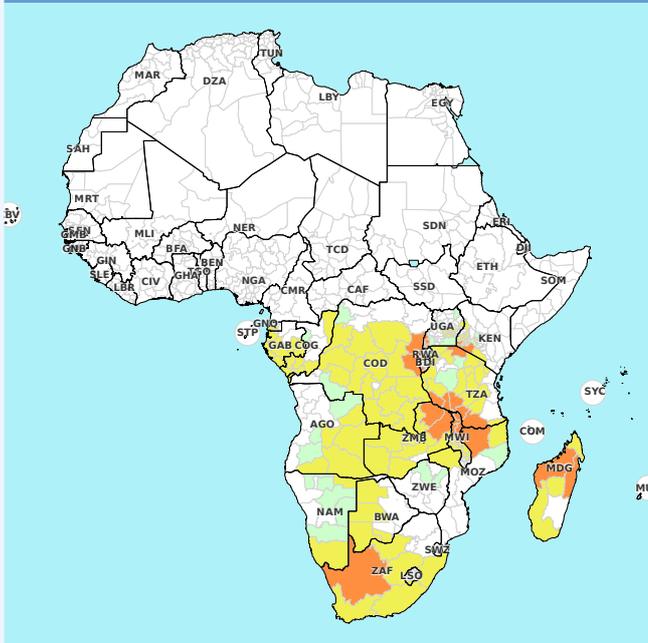
2. DETAILED MULTI-HAZARD OUTLOOK FOR THE NEXT 5 DAYS

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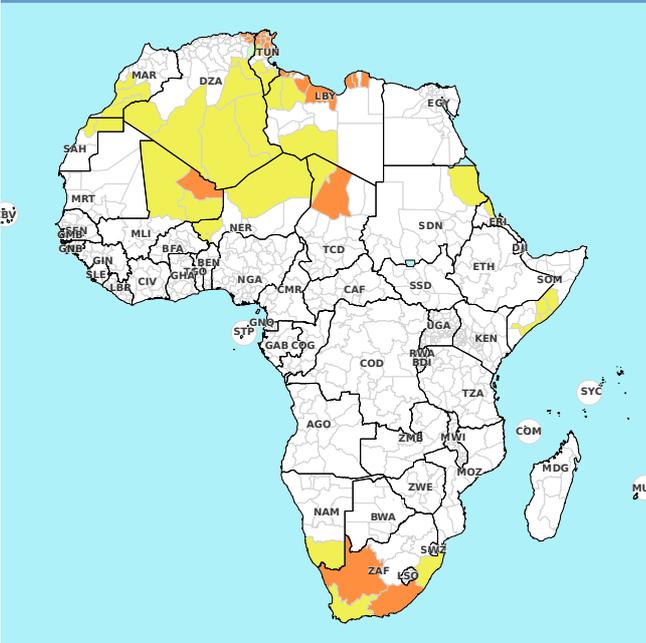
Multi-Hazard assessment



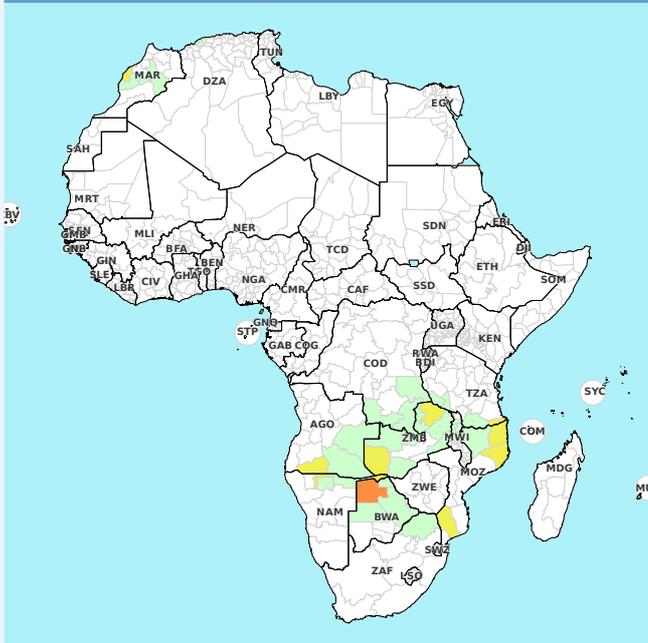
Extreme Precipitation



Wind Storms



Riverine Floods



These maps summarize the forecast occurrence of extreme precipitation, wind storms and riverine floods possibly affecting the population in the next 5 days. Regions are color-coded into four classes of warning according to increasing rates of population affected, from Level 1 (lowest warning) to Level 4 (highest warning). Areas with no significant impacts foreseen are colored in white. Impacts are estimated by crossing information on hazard, exposure, vulnerability and coping capacity. Hazard classes are defined according to threshold levels for each hazard derived from statistical analysis on past events or from reference literature values. The Multi-Hazard assessment map shows the highest forecast warning level among the considered hazards in the next 5 days.



Extreme Precipitation:

Level 3: Burundi (Bubanza, Bujumbura Rural, Bururi, Cibitoke, Makamba), Uganda (Bushenyi, Kabale, Kanungu, Kasese, Kisoro, Ntungamo, Rukungiri), Malawi (Chitipa, Karonga, Mzimba, Nkhata Bay, Nkhotakota, Ntchisi, Rumphu), Kenya (Homa Bay, Migori, Narok, Nyamira), Madagascar (Mahajanga, Toamasina), Mozambique (Nassa), Tanzania (Mara, Mbeya, Njombe, Rukwa, Ruvuma, Songwe), South Africa (Northern Cape), Zambia (Muchinga, Northern), Democratic Republic of the Congo (Nord-Kivu, Sud-Kivu), Rwanda (Iburengerazuba)

Level 2: Burundi (Muyinga), Botswana (Ghanzi, Kgalagadi, North-West, Southern), Kenya (Bomet, Busia, Kajiado, Kakamega, Kisii, Kisumu, Nandi, Nyandarua, Siaya, Uasin Gishu, Vihiga, West Pokot), Uganda (Busia, Iganga, Kamuli, Kayunga, Luwero, Mayuge, Mukono, Nakapiripirit, Pallisa, Wakiso), Malawi (Balaka, Dedza, Dowa, Kasungu, Lilongwe, Machinga, Mangochi, Mchinji, Ntcheu, Salima, Zomba), Angola (Bié, Cabinda, Cuando Cubango, Cunene, Lunda Sul, Moxico), Democratic Republic of the Congo (Haut-Katanga, Haut-Lomami, Kasai, Kasai-Central, Kwilu, Lomami, Lualaba, Maniema, Mai-Ndombe, Sankuru, Tanganyika, Tshopo, Tshuapa, Équateur), Republic of Congo (Bouenza, Kouilou, Likouala, Lékoumou, Niari, Pool), Gabon (Estuaire, Haut-Ogooué, Moyen-Ogooué, Ngounié, Nyanga, Ogooué-Lolo, Ogooué-Maritime), Equatorial Guinea (Centro Sur, Litoral), Lesotho (Mohale's Hoek, Quthing), Madagascar (Antananarivo, Antsiranana, Toliary), Mozambique (Cabo Delgado, Tete), Namibia (!Karas, Kavango), Rwanda (Amajyepfo), Tanzania (Arusha, Dodoma, Iringa, Kagera, Katavi, Kigoma, Kilimanjaro, Manyara, Morogoro, Mtwara, Mwanza, Singida), South Africa (Eastern Cape, Free State, KwaZulu-Natal, North West, Western Cape), Zambia (Central, Copperbelt, Eastern, Luapula, North-Western, Southern, Western)

Level 1: Burundi (Kayanza, Kirundo, Ngozi), Uganda (Bugiri, Jinja, Kampala, Kotido, Kumi, Lake Victoria, Masindi, Mbarara, Nakasongola), Angola (Huambo, Huíla, Lunda Norte), Democratic Republic of the Congo (Kwango, Sud-Ubangi), Republic of Congo (Cuvette-Ouest), Kenya (Laikipia, Nakuru), Mozambique (Nampula), Namibia (Hardap, Ohangwena, Omaheke, Omusati, Oshikoto, Otjozondjupa), Rwanda (Iburasirazuba), Tanzania (Simiyu, Tabora), Zimbabwe (Mashonaland East, Mashonaland West)

More details:

Possibility of heavy precipitation between 100mm and 150mm is very likely in eastern Democratic Republic of Congo, southwestern Uganda, southwestern Kenya, western Burundi, western Rwanda, northern, and southern Tanzania, northern

Malawi, northeastern Zimbabwe, northwestern Mozambique, northern, and western South Africa, northeastern, and northwestern Madagascar.

Possibility of moderate precipitation in the range of 50mm to 100mm is very likely in Equatorial Guinea, southern Gabon, southern Congo, across Democratic Republic of Congo, eastern Burundi, eastern Rwanda, northern Tanzania, northeastern Mozambique, eastern Angola, western Botswana, southern, and eastern Namibia, southern, and eastern South Africa, and southern Madagascar.

The differences between areas likely to experience extreme rainfall and forecast impact alert levels are due to variabilities in the exposed population to the hazard as well as levels of vulnerability and coping capacities of the areas at risk.



Wind Storms:

Level 3: Libya (Al Marj, An Nuqat al Khams, Az Zawiyah, Benghazi, Darnah, Misratah, Surt, Tripoli), Tunisia (Bizerte, Béja, Jendouba, Kairouan, Le Kef, Nabeul, Sfax, Siliana, Sousse, Zaghouan), Chad (Borkou), Algeria (Annaba, El Tarf, Guelma, Skikda, Souk Ahras), Mali (Kidal), South Africa (Eastern Cape, Northern Cape)

Level 2: Algeria (Adrar, El Oued, Illizi, Ouargla, Tamanghasset, Tindouf), Eritrea (Debab), Sahrawi Republic (Es Semara, Laayoune), Libya (Al Jabal al Gharbi, Murzuq, Nalut), Morocco (Guelmim - Es-Semara, Marrakech - Tensift - Al Haouz, Souss - Massa - Draâ), Mali (Gao, Timbuktu), Niger (Agadez, Tillabéry), Somalia (Galguduud, Hiiraan, Jubbada Dhexe, Shabeellaha Dhexe, Shabeellaha Hoose), Tunisia (Kassérine, Kebili, Sidi Bou Zid, Tataouine), Chad (Tibesti), South Africa (KwaZulu-Natal, Western Cape), Namibia (!Karas), Sudan (Red Sea)

Level 1: Algeria (Tébessa)

More details:

Possibility of strong winds greater than 35 knots is very likely in northeastern Algeria, northern Libya, northern Tunisia, northeastern Mali, northern Chad, western, and southern South Africa.

Possibility of Moderate to strong winds of 15 to 35 knots are very likely in southern Morocco, northern Sahrawi, northern, and eastern Algeria, southern Tunisia, southern Libya, northern Mali, northern Niger, northeastern Sudan, coastal Somalia, southern Namibia, northwestern, and eastern South Africa.

The differences between areas likely to experience strong winds and forecast impact alert levels are due to variabilities in the exposed population to the hazard as well as levels of vulnerability and coping capacities of the areas at risk.



Riverine Floods:

Level 3: Botswana (North-West)

Level 2: Angola (Cunene), Morocco (Doukkala - Abda), Namibia (Ohangwena, Oshana, Zambezi), Mozambique (Cabo Delgado, Gaza, Nampula), Tanzania (Mtwara), Zambia (Northern, Western)

Level 1: Algeria (Chlef, Mostaganem, Relizane), Angola (Cuando Cubango, Luanda, Moxico), Botswana (Central, Chobe, Ghanzi), Democratic Republic of the Congo (Haut-Katanga, Lualaba, Tanganyika), Morocco (Marrakech - Tensift - Al Haouz, Meknès - Tafilalet, Tadra - Azilal), Malawi (Dowa, Kasungu, Mzimba, Nkhata Bay, Nkhotakota, Rumphi), Mozambique (Nassa), Namibia (Kavango, Oshikoto), Tanzania (Rukwa, Ruvuma, Songwe), South Africa (Limpopo), Zambia (Copperbelt, Eastern, Luapula, Muchinga, North-Western, Southern)

More details: Floods warning level 3 (High) is forecasted in Northern Botswana over Northwest district where 24,900 people, 2,702 Ha of cropland and 729,533 Ha of forest are at risk of riverine floods.

3. ADVISORIES

Level 4 Advisory:

According to the forecast in this edition of the Continental Watch, no member state of the African Union has been cited in level 4 warning for possible extreme precipitation, riverine flooding, and strong winds.

Level 3 Advisory:

National Disaster Management Authorities and National Hydrometeorological Services in Libya, Tunisia, Chad, Algeria, Mali, South Africa, Botswana, Burundi, Uganda, Malawi, Kenya, Madagascar, Mozambique, Tanzania, South Africa, Zambia, Democratic Republic of the Congo and Rwanda, are advised to monitor the heavy rainfall, riverine floods and strong winds in the next five days due to the medium possibility of heavy rainfall, riverine floods and strong winds, and update their flood contingency plans. The UMA, ECCAS, SADC, EAC AND ECOWAS Regional Climate Centres are advised to monitor closely possible impacts in the affected countries and provide technical assistance if needed.

Level 2 Advisory:

Hydrometeorological and National Disaster Risk Management Authorities of Burundi, Botswana, Kenya, Uganda, Malawi, Angola, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Republic of Congo, Gabon, Equatorial Guinea, Lesotho, Madagascar, Mozambique, Namibia, Rwanda, Tanzania, South Africa, Zambia, Algeria, Eritrea, Sahrawi Republic, Libya, Morocco, Mali, Niger, Somalia, Tunisia, Chad, Sudan and Angola, are advised to continue monitoring strong winds and the rainfall evolutions that are expected to cause sporadic flash floods and strong winds.

4. SOURCES

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