

Somalia Dekadal Rainfall update

3rd Dekad of April 2014

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This bulletin provides summary of 10 days (Dekadal) observed rainfall in Somalia

During the 12th Dekad (21st – 30th April 2014), moderate to heavy rains were recorded in the southern parts of the country especially in bay and Bakool regions. Light rains were received in the north western parts of the country. The north eastern and central parts did not receive any significant rainfall during the period. In general the rainfall performance of April rains in the country was below normal with the North East and central parts experiencing extremely depressed rains. Below is a brief summary of the rainfall situation by region for this dekad.

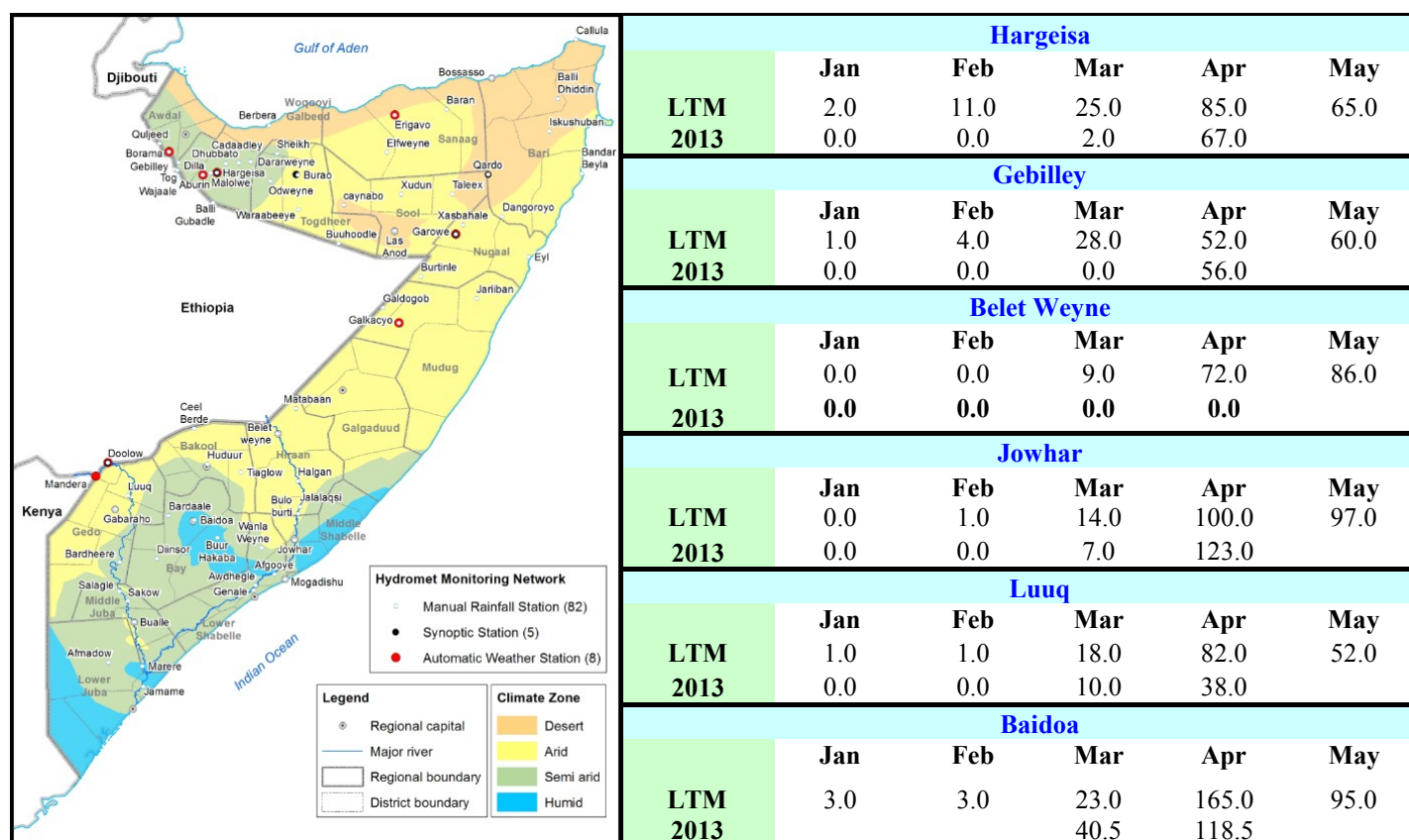
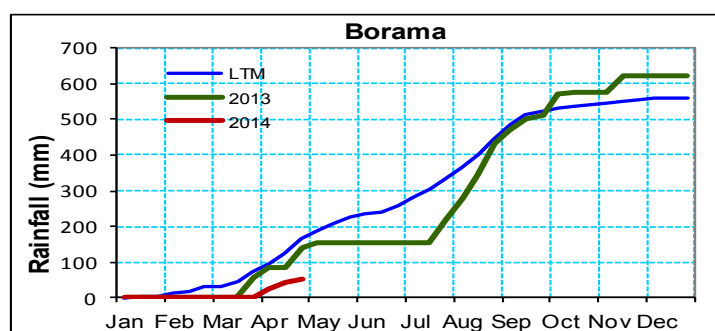
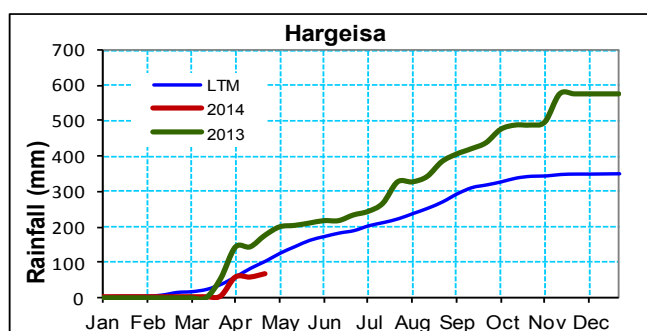


Figure 1: Rainfall Observational Network with Long Term Mean Monthly Rainfall (1963-1990) Compared to 2014

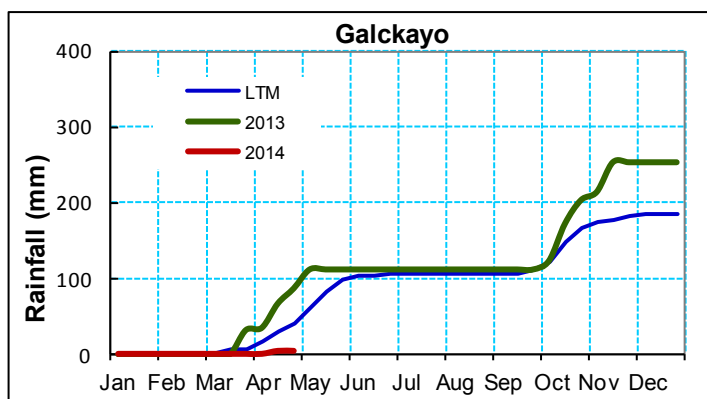
North West Region

The western parts of Somaliland received light to moderate rains of up to 30mm while the eastern parts did not record any rains during the period in review. Generally the rainfall performance in the region during the month of April was below normal across the region. The agricultural areas of Borama and Gebilley received insufficient rains. This has also affected the water sector due to depletion the ground which is now the only available source.



North East Region

During the reporting period, very minimal rains were reported in the area.

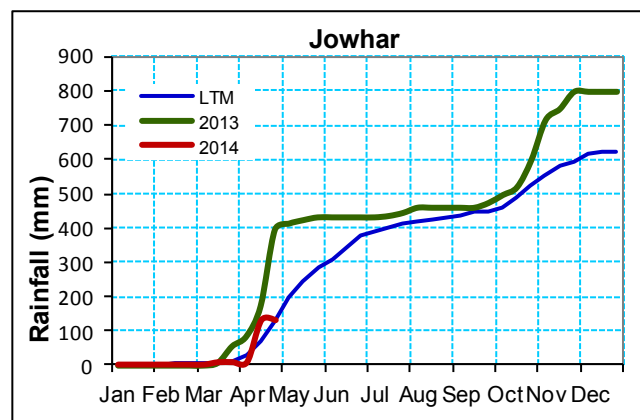
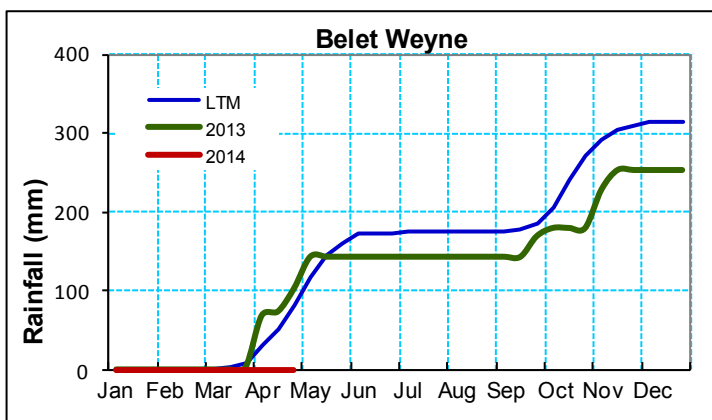


Galckayo					
	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May
LTM	0.0	0.0	4.0	37.0	50.0
2013	0.0	0.0	0.0	3.0	

Qardo					
	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May
LTM	0.0	1.0	7.0	26.0	31.0
2013	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	

Shabelle Valley

While there were no rains in the upper parts of the Shabelle valley, the middle and lower parts recorded good rains during the third dekad fo April. The rains are however below normal at this time of the year.



Juba Valley

Many stations within this regions recorded moderate to heavy rains. Baidoa recorded a total of 34mm, Dinsor, 40mm and Qansadheere 13mm. The upper parts of Gedo did not receive any significant rains while Lower Juba recorded moderate rains.

