Somalia Dekadal Rainfall Update

1st Dekad of May 2014

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

During the 13th Dekad (1st – 10th May 2014), moderate to heavy rains were recorded in many parts of the country with the southern parts receiving the highest amounts of rains but with poor spatial and temporal distribution. The dekad also marked a late start of the season for many parts in central and north eastern parts of the country. Below is a brief summary of the rainfall situation by region for this dekad.

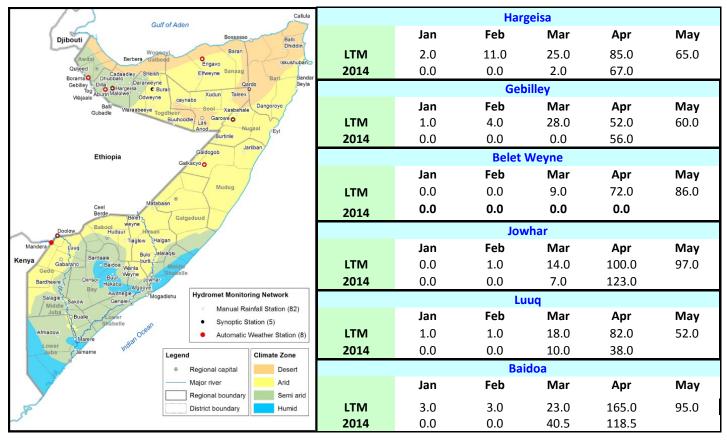
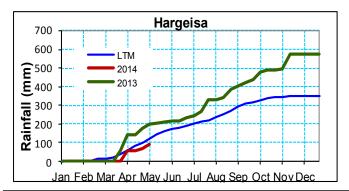
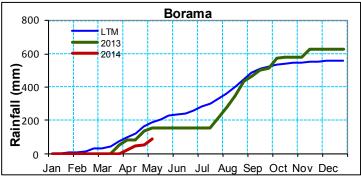


Figure 1: Rainfall Observational Network with Long Term Mean Monthly Rainfall (1963-1990) Compared to 2014

North West Region

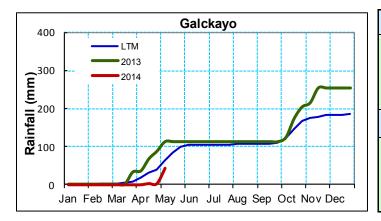
Many stations in the region received significant amounts of rains. The central part of Somaliland which had not received any rains in the previous month also received good rains including Odweyne (80mm) and Burao (73mm). The agricultural areas of Borama and Gebilley received light to moderate rains. These rains however still remain below the normal rains at this time of the year as seen in the two graphs below.





North East Region

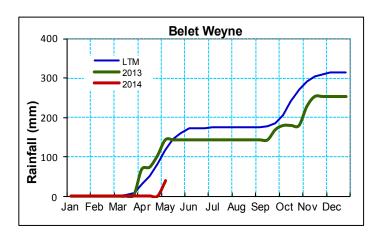
During the reporting period, very light to moderate rains were received in many parts of Puntland marking a late start of the Gu rainy season. Galgadob in Mudug region recorded the highest amount of 79mm, Galckayo in the same region received 39mm while Las Anod in Sool received a total of 16.5mm.

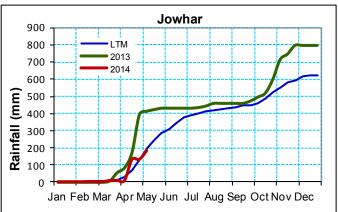


Galckayo					
	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May
LTM	0.0	0.0	4.0	37.0	50.0
2013	0.0	0.0	0.0	3.0	
Qardo					
	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May
LTM	0.0	1.0	7.0	26.0	31.0
2013	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	

Shabelle Valley

The Shabelle valley continued to receive good rains during the period in review. The rains are however below normal and poorly distributed. Belet Weyne received a total of 39mm while Bulo Burti recorded 80mm.





Juba Valley

Some stations within these regions recorded moderate to heavy rains. Baidoa recorded a total of 54.5mm, Dinsor 86.5mm and Qansadheere 115mm. Bardera in lower parts Gedo region received a total of 157 mm but upper parts of the region did not receive any significant rains while Lower Juba recorded moderate rains.

