

Somalia Dekadal Rainfall Update

2nd Dekad of October 2014

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

During the 2nd Dekad of October (11th – 20th October 2014), there was a slight reduction of rainfall activities in the northwestern parts. Other areas continued to receive the Deyr rains. Moderate to heavy rains were recorded in many parts of the country. Below is a brief summary of the rainfall situation by region for this dekad.

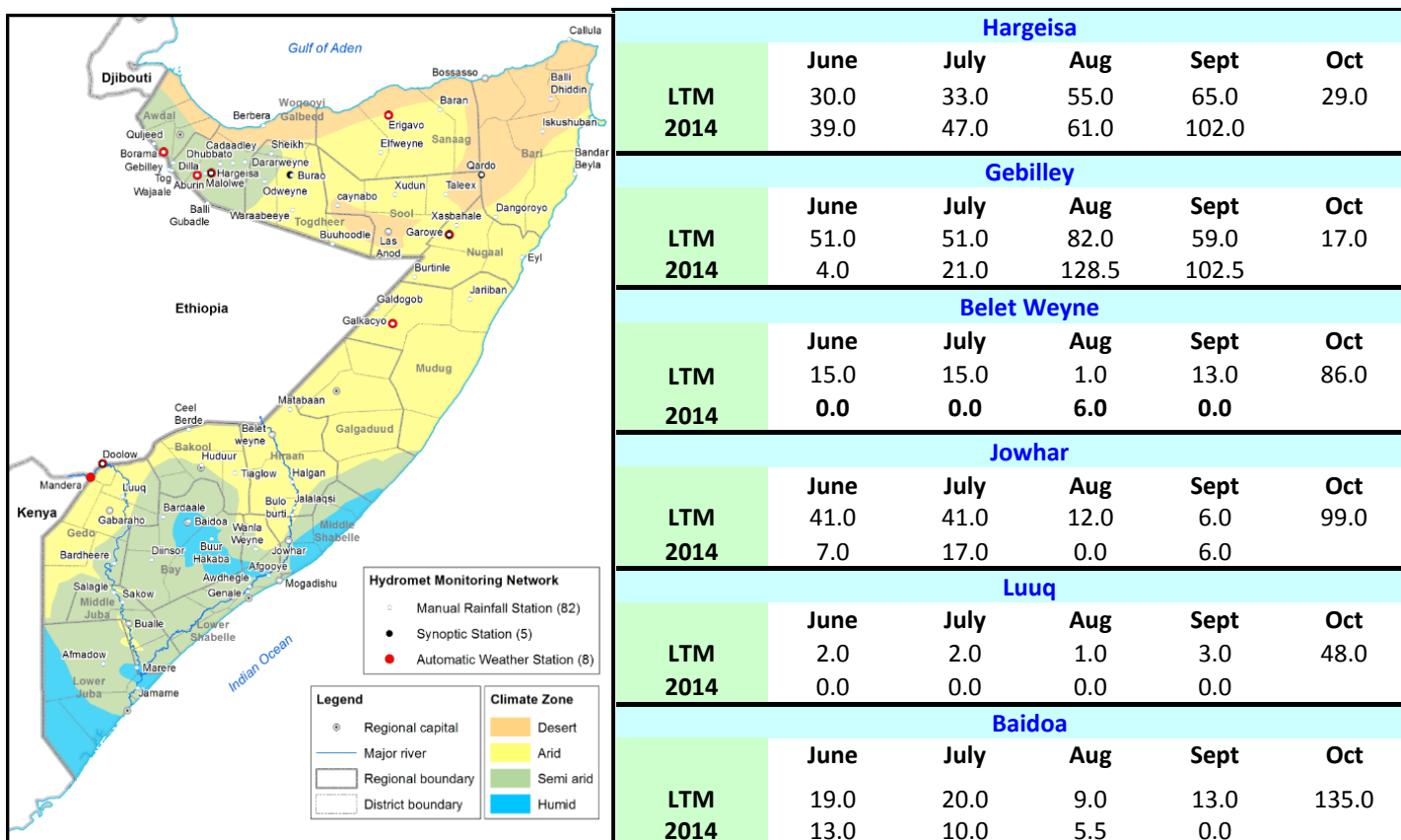
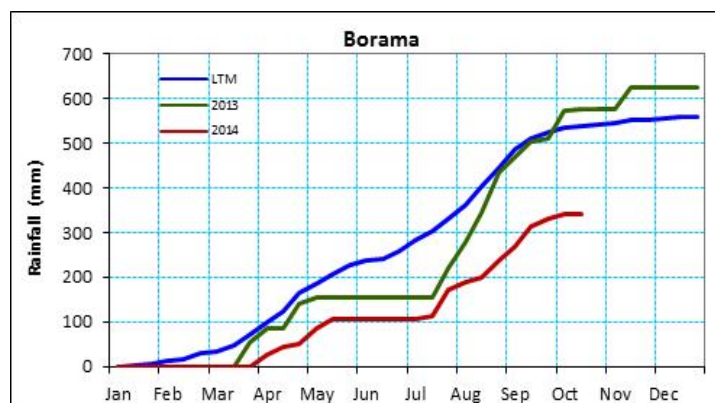
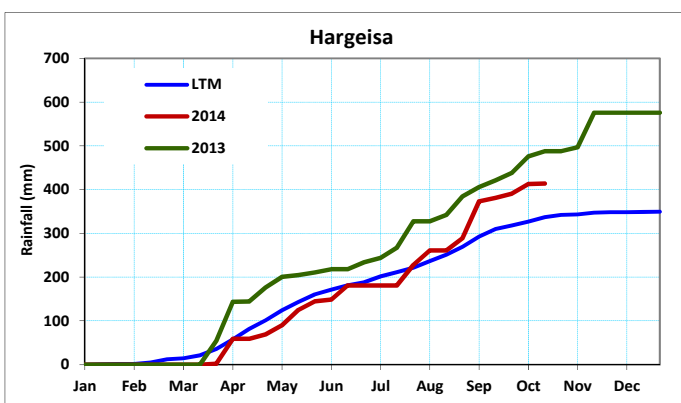


Figure 1: Rainfall Observational Network with Long Term Mean Monthly Rainfall (1963-1990) Compared to 2014

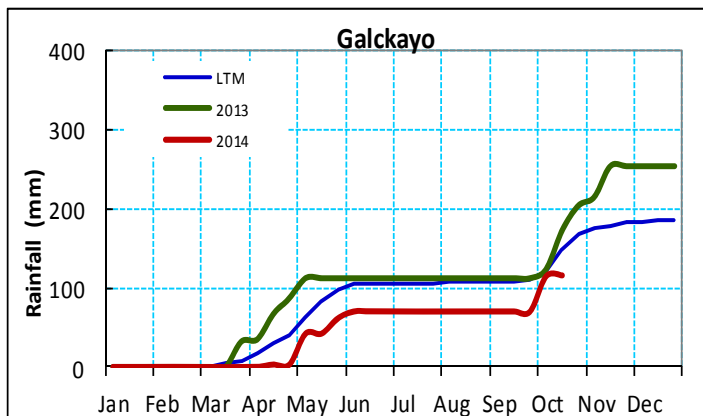
North West Region

There was a significant reduction rainfall activities within this region. Only parts of the central areas of Somaliland recorded moderate rains, others areas remained dry. Some of the stations that recorded rains include; Caynabo (61mm), Elafweyne (36mm) and Sheikh (30mm). The cumulative rainfall for the year 2014 is above normal in some parts while others like Borama remain below normal seen in the graphs below;



North East Region

Heavy rains continued to be received in this region. Some stations recorded moderate to heavy rains including; Taalex (32mm), Galdogob (128mm), Garowe (56mm) and Burtinle 29mm. This came as a relief following a prolonged dry period in the area.

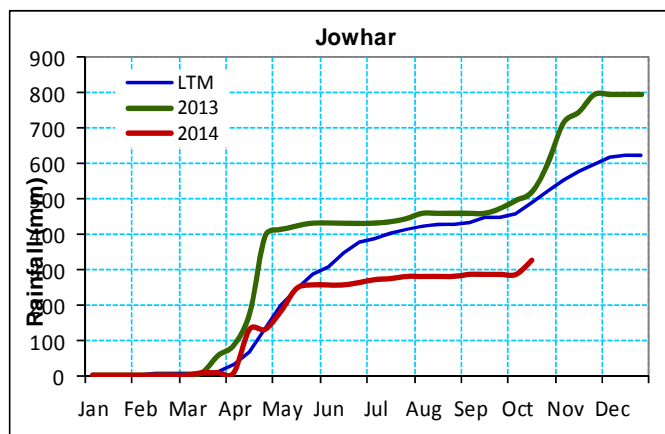
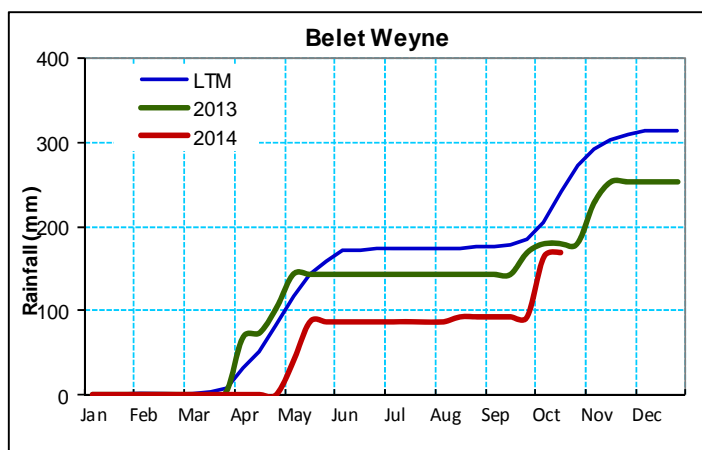


Galckayo					
	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct
LTM	6.0	0.0	1.0	4.0	48.0
2014	58.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	

Qardo					
	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct
LTM	4.0	0.0	4.0	8.0	26.0
2014	109.0	0.0	2.0	14.0	

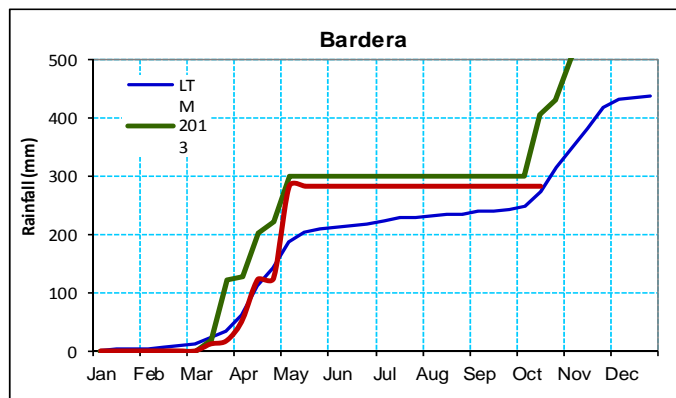
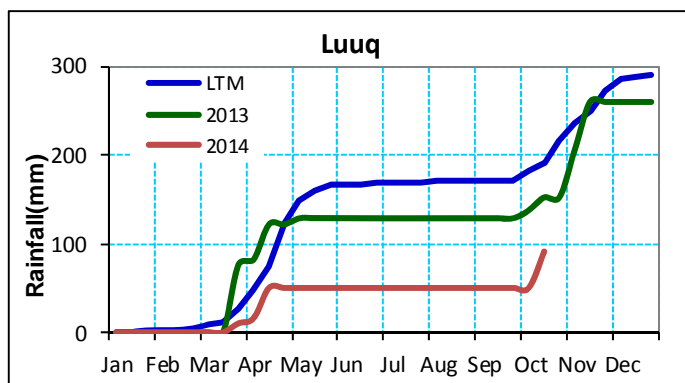
Shabelle Valley

The Shabelle valley continued to receive moderate rains during the period under review. Rains within the Ethiopian highlands and within Somalia led to an increase of river levels along the Shabelle River causing floods in Hiraan region and posing a high risk of flooding in the lower reaches of the river.



Juba Valley

Moderate to heavy rains were received within the Jubas, Bay and Bakool regions. However some parts within the region are yet to receive the much awaited rains. This include Bardera, Bualle and parts of the Lower Juba region.



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