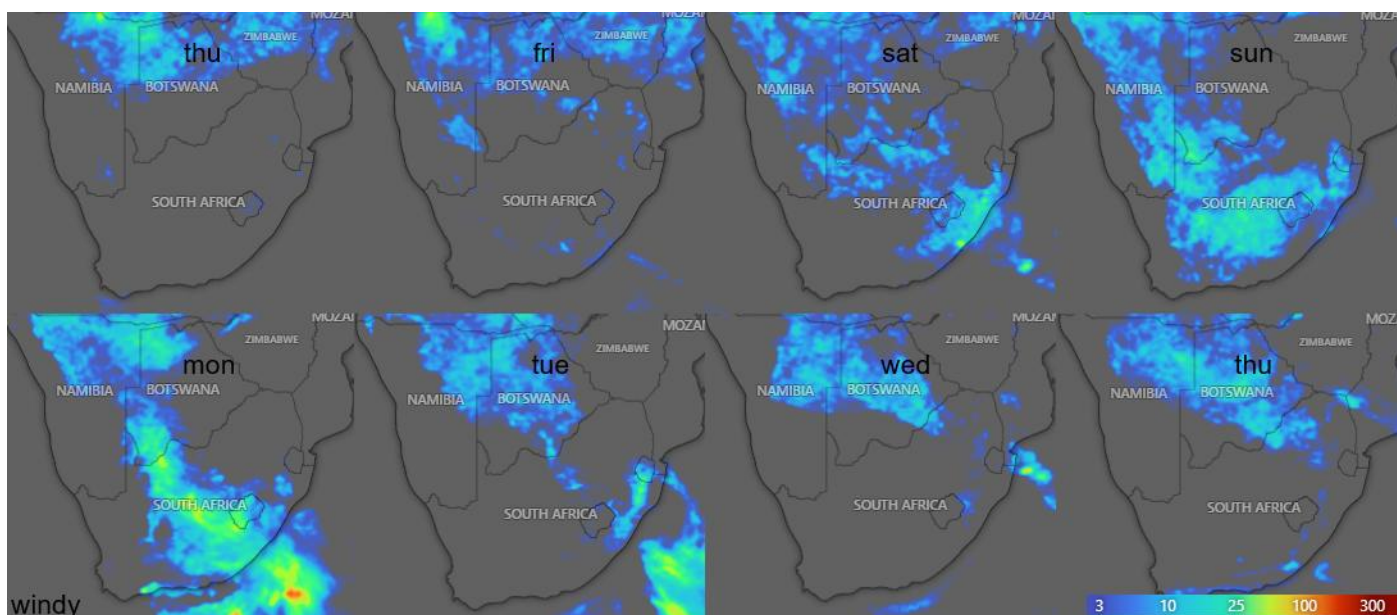


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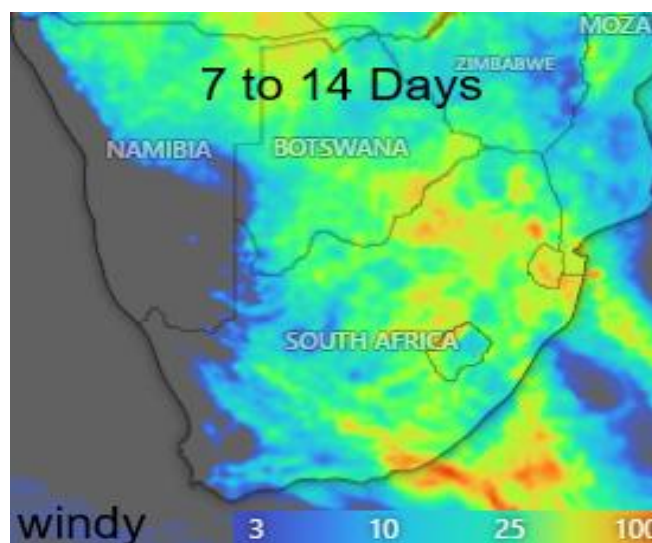
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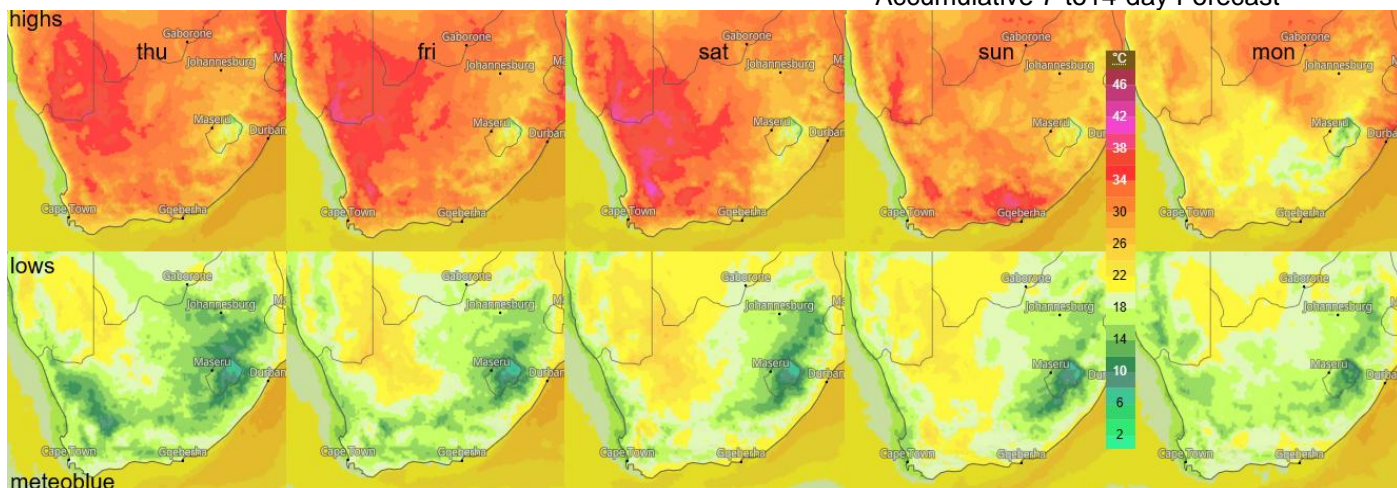
7 Day Precipitation Forecast

The Maize Triangle faces a warm to hot **week ahead**. Expect daytime highs of 28-34°C with partly cloudy skies and good sunshine for crop growth. Scattered showers and isolated thundershowers are likely, especially mid-to-late week, under a weak La Niña pattern favouring moisture.

The **7-14-day** period, shows a transition to slightly drier and warmer conditions as weak La Niña influences fade. Expect partly cloudy skies with ample sunshine. Highs mostly 28-32°C, nights mild. Rainfall more variable and lighter—scattered afternoon thundershowers possible but less frequent.



Accumulative 7-to-14-day Forecast



5-Day High and Low Temperature Forecast

## **North America**

**Midwest:** Winds, snow, and thunderstorms continue. Snowpack is very low—needs major precip before spring planting. Drought streaks (esp. MO to NW OH) are the big concern, but an active pattern brings storms: one Wed, another Thu/Fri, possible lingering showers weekend. Widespread rain/thunder south, snow north. More systems next week.

**Central/Southern Plains (Nebraska focus):** Strong winds + dry soils sparked wildfires recently. Weekend rain helped some, but soil moisture poor for winter wheat (esp. west); drought major in NE, OK, TX ahead of planting. Winds easing, but storms continue snow band across NE Thu, possible showers/snow KS Fri. Next week's systems favour northern Plains; south/central may see drying winds + rising temps.

**Northern Plains:** Heavy snow ongoing Wed (northern areas), more possible Thu (southern). Blizzard conditions in spots from strong winds. Cold lingers short-term, then warms before next big storm next week.

**Delta/Mississippi River:** Weekend system brought widespread precip, boosting river levels some. But drought remains widespread pre-planting. More storms rest of Feb favour Plains/Midwest for heavy precip—Delta likely misses out, drought persists.

Active, unsettled pattern overall with drought relief uneven.

## **South America**

**Brazil:** Isolated showers in central areas recently allowed faster soybean harvest/corn planting progress. But subsoil moisture low—needs rain for upcoming safrinha corn. Waves of showers from Argentina expanding this week, more so next week.

**Argentina:** Spotty shower waves through weekend, favouring less needy areas; possible better coverage in Buenos Aires Mon. Some soil moisture gains, but corn/soy conditions stagnant since Jan declines—no real progress. Too late for some crops, but later-planted ones could still benefit.

## **Other Regions**

**Europe:** Active pattern persists but eases up in Spain (recently very wet). Poland still short on precip for spring, though time remains. Frequent precip through end of Feb supports winter crops and upcoming spring planting—some areas risk getting too wet, potentially delaying fieldwork into March.

**Black Sea Region:** Pattern turning much more active with frequent precip chances through end of Feb. Temps mixed, no major arctic threats to damage wheat.

**Eastern Australia:** Northern areas wetter in 2026, but key eastern ag zones lagging. Weekend rain helped Queensland some, but dryness hard to shake off. Models now converging on a front moving into southeast this weekend and stalling—could deliver more useful rain for cotton/sorghum (mostly in fill stage).

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