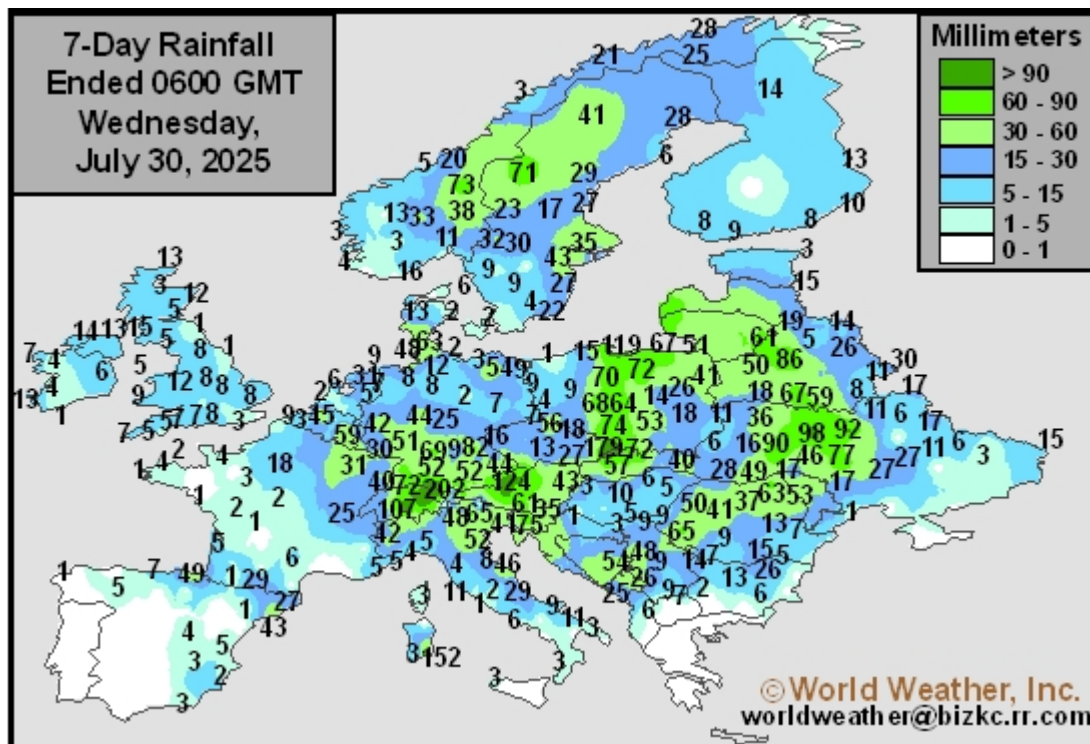


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Kansas City, July 31 (World Weather Inc.) – [Drought and unusually dry-biased conditions have dominated much of this growing season in France and the lower Danube River Basin.](#) Weather during this past week did include some rain; although, amounts and coverage were well below that which was needed to fix the situation. [Despite the short term bout of relief for some areas, the majority of both regions still have a huge need for significant rain to stop the decline of unirrigated crop production potentials and the next ten days will continue drier biased.](#) Other areas in Europe received enough rain to maintain relatively favorable crop conditions during the past week and additional moisture during the coming week will continue to support good crop prospects.

Rainfall varied across the main production areas in Europe during the past week. The western half of Ukraine and much of Belarus and Romania into Poland, central and southern Germany, Serbia, northern and central Italy, and neighboring locations received 0.50 to 4.00 inches of rain for the seven-day period ending July 30. Eastern fringes of France, northern Germany, Denmark, and Belgium received 0.32 to 2.32 inches of rain. The United Kingdom and Ireland, along with portions of eastern Ukraine and Bulgaria, received 0.20 to 1.02 inches of rain. Pockets in northeastern Spain and southern France received 0.28 to 1.93 inches of moisture. Little to no rain was noted elsewhere.

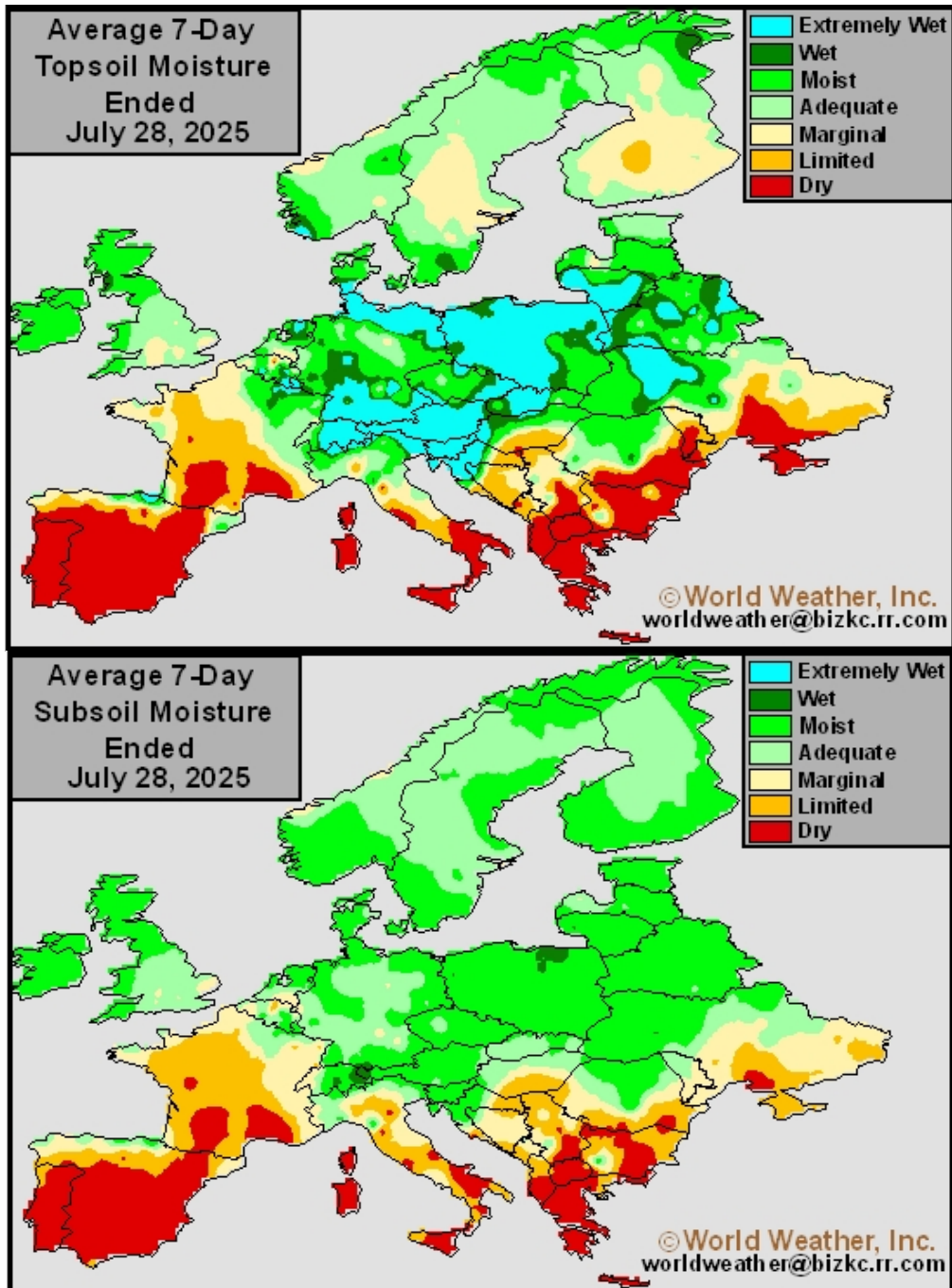


Many areas in France, the lower Danube River Basin, and much of the Iberian Peninsula and the southern two-thirds of Italy continue to have short or critically short soil moisture. [While dryness is common in Spain and Italy this time of year, ongoing dryness in France and the lower Danube River Basin continues to promote a less than favorable](#)

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to poor environment for the grains, oilseeds, and other crops produced this time of year. Some of the drier biased areas in France and neighboring areas of the U.K. have been dealing with below normal precipitation most of this calendar year. All of the drier biased areas have struggled with dryness for much of July and production potentials in unirrigated areas have been slipping lower. A general soaking rain in the near future would still be welcome to support better late-season development.

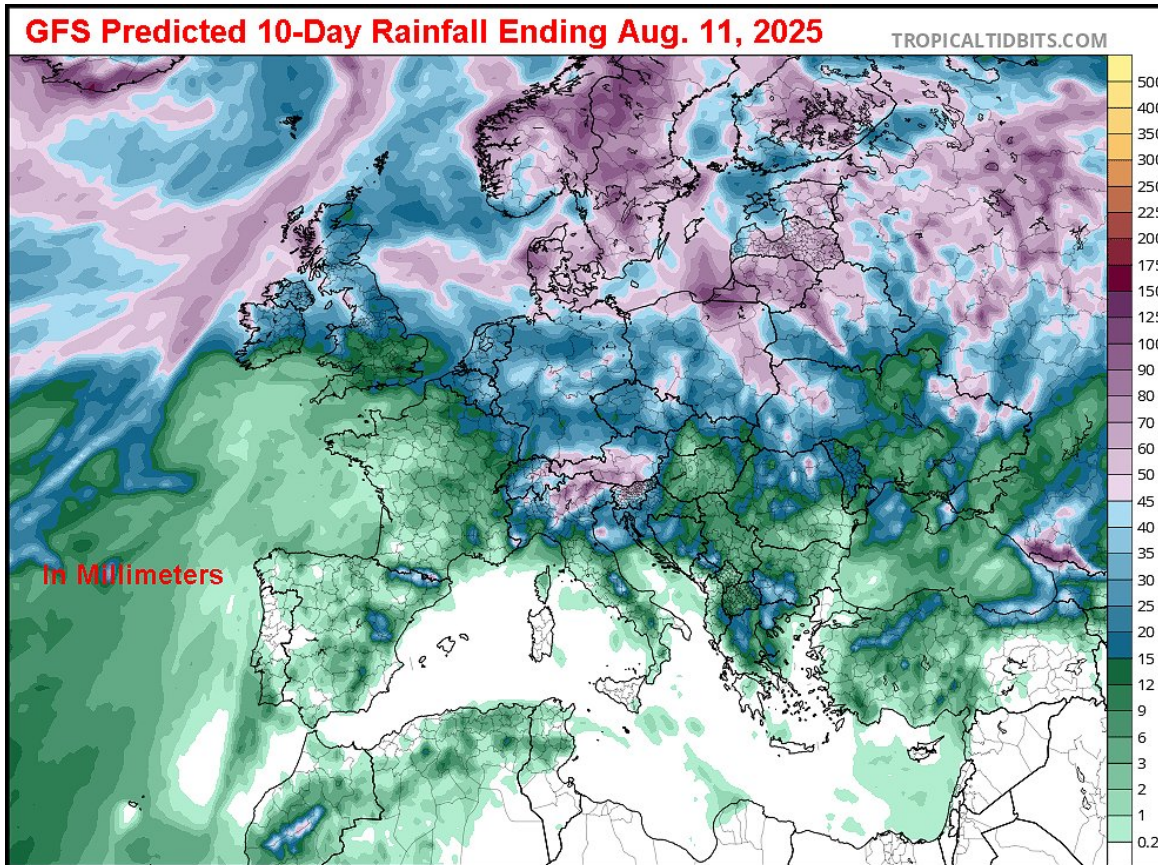
The remaining production areas in Europe have adequate to excessive topsoil moisture. The environment remained relatively favorable for aggressive growth, even in areas that have abundant moisture. Production potentials remain favorable.



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WEATHER OUTLOOK

Precipitation will remain highly variable across Europe during the coming week to ten days. An upper-level trough of low pressure will meander across northern Europe through the end of the weekend that will generate erratic rainfall for most locations outside the Iberian Peninsula and western France. Another upper-level disturbance will generate rain for portions of Europe Monday and Tuesday before drier weather evolves Wednesday.



The United Kingdom and Ireland through Belgium, Netherlands, Germany, and Denmark into Poland, Belarus, the Baltic States, and western fringes of Ukraine will receive 0.50 to 3.00 inches of rain by next Thursday morning. However, pockets in southern England will only receive 0.10 to 0.50 inch of rain. Eastern fringes of France and the remaining locations in Eastern Europe will receive 0.10 to 1.00 inch of rain, though pockets in the lower Danube River Basin will receive 1.50 to 2.00 inches of moisture. Other areas in France and much of the Iberian Peninsula will either be dry or not receive enough rain to counter evaporation. A high-pressure ridge may then build over Europe August 8 – 14 and could promote drier than normal conditions for much of the continent.

Temperatures will trend near to slightly above normal for Europe during the coming week. Southeastern Europe, Ukraine, Belarus, western and southern France, and much of the Iberian Peninsula and Italy will often warm to the 70s and 80s Fahrenheit. Many areas in Spain and Italy will often warm to the 90s as well. Highs elsewhere will be in the 60s and

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70s most often. The temperature profile could then increase to seasonably warm levels August 8 – 14 if the ridge verifies.

France and the lower Danube River Basin will remain too dry for favorable crop conditions in the coming weeks despite some better rainfall in pockets of extreme southeastern Europe. The rain that does fall will be too light to significantly improve the moisture profile. Concern over additional production losses will increase, especially if the warmer and drier bias verifies during the second week of the outlook.

The remaining production areas in Europe will either receive enough rain or have enough moisture in the soil to maintain aggressive growth for at least the next seven days. Portions of southern England may trend a little dry next week and would welcome a boost in rain.

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