

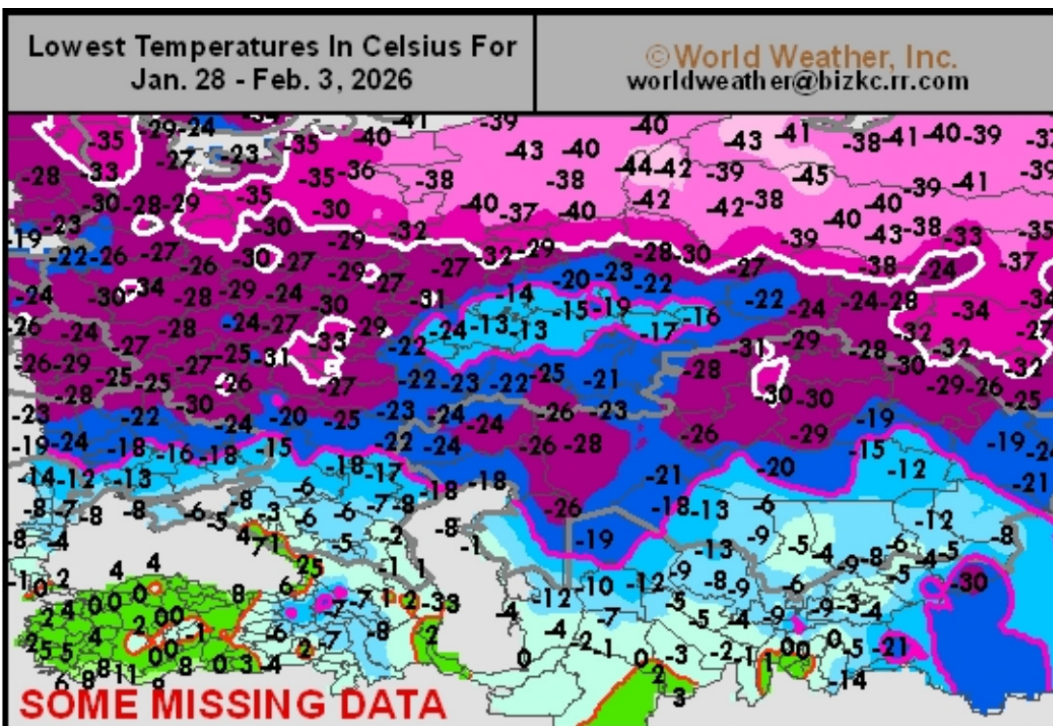
# Russia, Ukraine Winter Grains, Oilseeds Safe From Cold

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Kansas City, February 3 (World Weather Inc.) – Periods of colder-than-usual weather impacted Russia, Ukraine, and neighboring areas during the past week. *Snow was on the ground for much of the main winter grain and oilseed areas with exceptions for pockets in Russia's lower Volga River Basin and a few locations near the Black Sea in Ukraine. Crops were either shielded from the cold or did not experience temperatures cold enough to damage crops. Arctic air will again slowly advance over the region during the next few days with another bout of arctic air possible early next week. No significant winterkill is expected despite a brief warm-up between arctic air masses.*

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Colder-than-usual conditions were noted at times for Russia, Ukraine, and Kazakhstan during the past week. Lowest readings dropped to the -20s and negative teens Fahrenheit from the northern half of Ukraine, though much of Russia's production region (outside portions of the USDA defined 'Southern Region') and into western Kazakhstan. Some of the warmest low temperatures were in the negative and positive single digits. A few locations in Russia's lower Volga River Basin and pockets near the Black Sea in Ukraine had little to no snow on the ground during the coldest periods, though the main winter grain and oilseed locations were generally blanketed by snow.

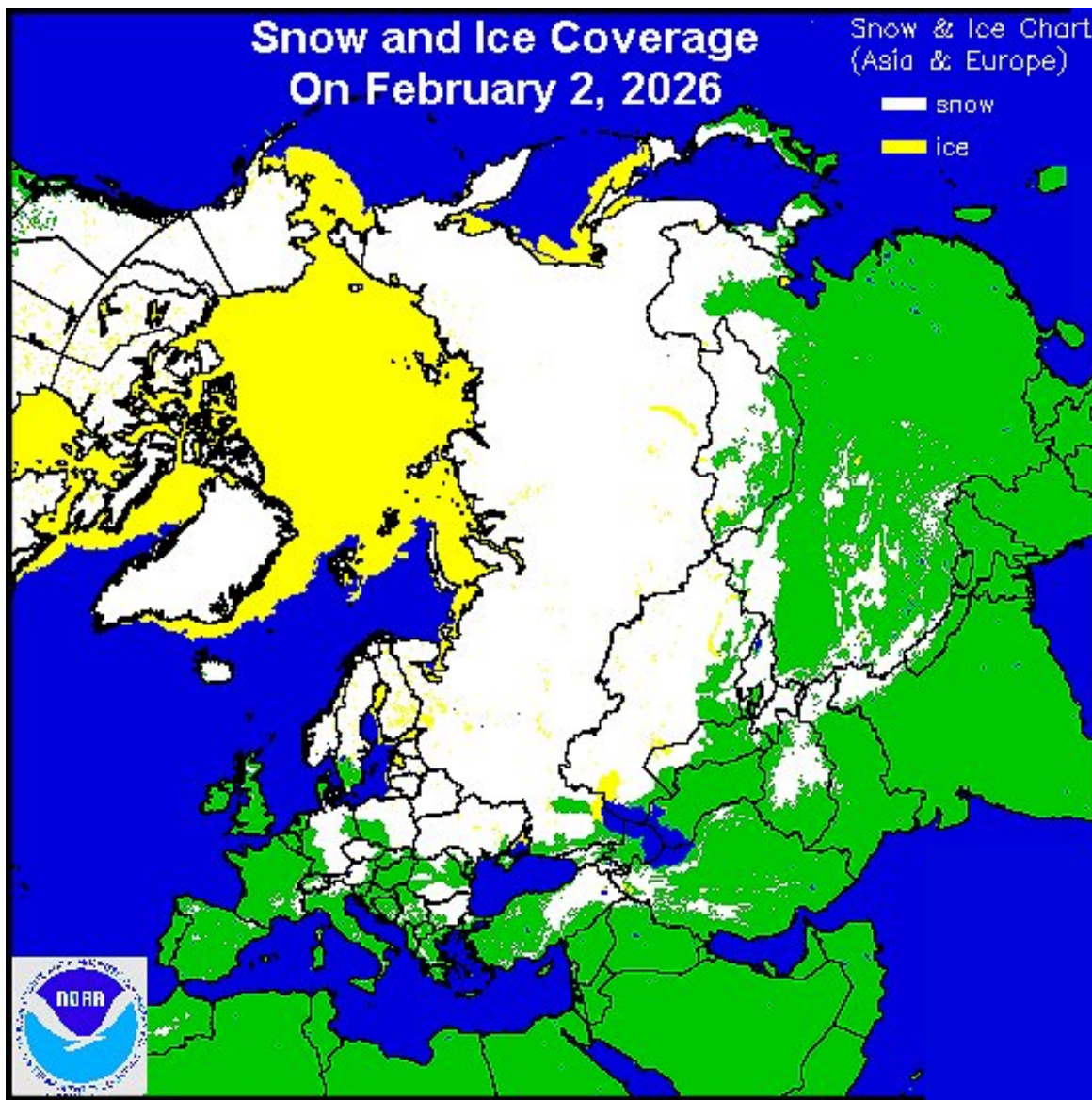


*Winterkill, if any, was suspected of being minimal for much of Russia, Ukraine, and western Kazakhstan in recent days during the coldest mornings. Only minor damage was considered possible in the snow-free pockets of the lower Volga River Basin where temperatures were not cold enough to induce such conditions. Overall, production*

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potentials for winter wheat, barley, rye, and rapeseed remain favorable due to adequate amounts of moisture in the soil and minimal winterkill threats this year.

An arctic airmass will make its way over Ukraine, Russia, and Kazakhstan through Saturday. Nighttime lows will drop below zero degrees Fahrenheit from northern and eastern Ukraine through much of Russia's crop country and into portions of Kazakhstan Wednesday and Thursday. The coldest conditions will then shift into Russia and Kazakhstan Friday and Saturday. After a brief period of warming later this weekend, another cold air mass will help drop temperatures near or below zero degrees in portions of Russia, western Kazakhstan, and eastern Ukraine early next week. Periods of colder than usual weather will again be possible February 11-17, although most computer forecast models suggest a warming trend during that period.



Precipitation will vary across Ukraine, Russia, and Kazakhstan during the coming week. A disturbance will bring snow and eventually rain and freezing rain from Ukraine

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later today into the end of the weekend. Moisture totals by next Tuesday morning will range from 0.10 to 0.75 inch in most locations with local amounts of 1.00 inch or slightly more in western Ukraine, and Russia's Ural Mountains region. Several areas in eastern Ukraine and the Volga River Basin will either see minimal snow accumulate or not see any new snow accumulations. Other production areas will receive enough snow to keep the ground blanketed.

*The threat for winterkill will remain minimal for much of Ukraine, Russia, and western Kazakhstan during the coming week. Pockets in the lower Volga River Basin may remain snow-free with minor damage possible, although not likely. Long-term production potentials will remain favorable.*

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