



Somaliland Weekly Weather Forecast 07 to 13 May 2025

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Dry conditions are forecast across much of Somaliland, with localized light and moderate rainfall expected in parts of in southern parts of Laascanod, eastern parts of Taleex, Southern parts of Hargeisa, southern parts of Burco and Oodwayne districts.

Weather Review for the Week Between 30 April and 06 May

Over the past first week (30 April – 6 May), several areas across Somaliland experienced light to moderate rainfall. Moderate rains of above 50 mm were received at Baki (113.0 mm), Hargeisa (112.0 mm), Seyla (90.0 mm), Qolujeed (66.0 mm), Salaxley (56.0 mm), and Boorama (54.0 mm). These significant rains are likely to have contributed to both agriculture and water availability. The other stations that received light rains of below 50 mm are: Amoud (45.0 mm), Laasadacawo (43.0 mm), Ceel-afwayn (42.0 mm), Balidhiig (40.0 mm), Balligubadle (39.0 mm), Aburin (37.5.0 mm) Xarirad (33.0 mm), Gabiley (31.0 mm), Dhubato (30.0 mm), Garbodarar (29.0 mm), Malowle (28.0 mm), Taysa (23.0 mm), Boon (24.0 mm), Alleybadey (22.0 mm) Gacanlibah (21.0 mm), Burco (13.0 mm), and Caada (12.0 mm).

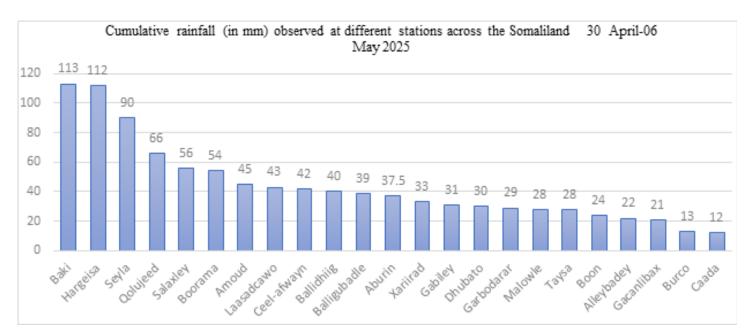


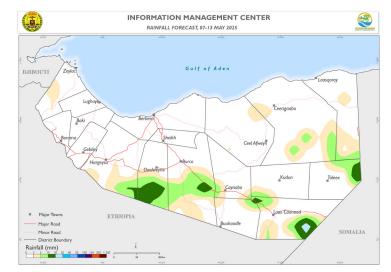
Figure 1: Cumulative observed rainfall across Somaliland between 30 April and 6 mAY2025

Rainfall Forecast (07-13 May 2025)

For the upcoming week, the NOAA-NCEP GFS model forecasts generally dry conditions in most parts of Somaliland. Light to moderate isolated rainfall is likely over select areas of Lasqorey and Ceerigaabo districts in Sanaag region, Buhoodle, Laascanod and southern parts of Xudun districts in Sool region, southeast of Burco district in Togdheer region, eastern parts of Berbera and southern parts in Sheikh Saaxil region. The rains over most of these areas will range from 1 mm to 20 mm.

The spatial distribution of the forecast rainfall (Map 1) is as follows:

- Moderate cumulative rainfall between 50.0 mm and 100.0 mm is expected in a few areas in the southern parts of Laascanod district in (Saaxil region).
- Light rainfall of between 1.0 mm to 30.0 mm is anticipated in same parts of Somaliland including of southern parts of Zeilac district in Awdal region, southern parts of Hargeisa district in Maroodijeex, southern parts of Burco and Oodwayne districts in Togdheer, Caynabo, southern parts of Laascanod and eastern parts of Taleex districts in Sool region and western parts of Ceerigaabo, eastern parts of Ceel-afwayn and southern parts of Lasqorey districts in Sanaag region.
- **Dry conditions** are expected likely to prevail over the rest of the areas in Somaliland.



Map 1: Rainfall forecast over Somaliland from 07 to 13 May 2025

Impacts Associated with Weekly Weather Forecast

During the past week, the Gu rains that began across Somaliland have likely had initial positive impact on agro-pastoral livelihoods in the eastern and western parts. Improving soil moisture conditions are likely to favor crops and fodder growth while replenishing both surface and groundwater sources. However, this week's forecasted dry and hot conditions in most parts Somaliland are expected to increase evapotranspiration reducing soil moisture retention. While the immediate effects on crops and pasture are not expected to be severe, prolonged dryness could pose challenges in the future.

Disclaimer: Users are advised that this is a forecast and at times there may be discrepancies between estimates and actual amounts of rainfall received.



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