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2026/2027 DOWNSCALED SEASONAL FORECAST

NENO DISTRICT

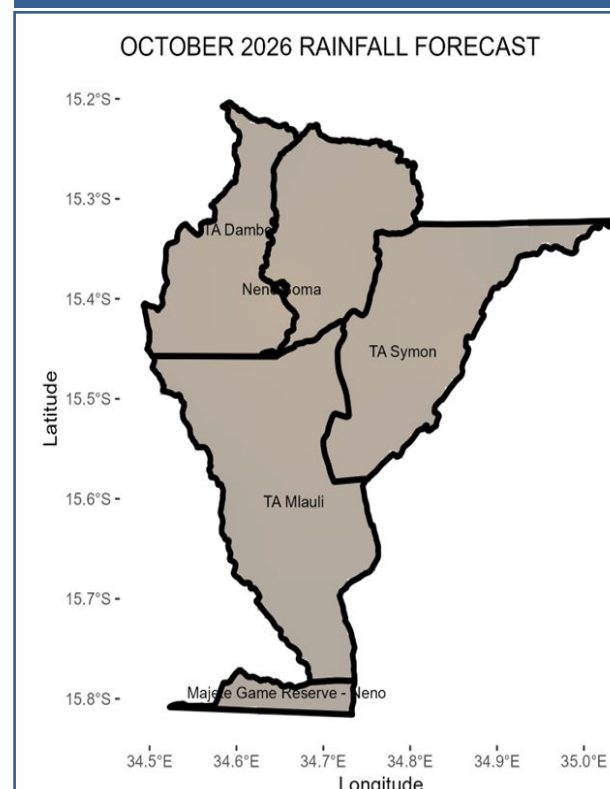


Overview

The 2026-2027 rainfall season is expected to be influenced by a strong El Niño. El Niño is the unusual warming of waters over the central-eastern equatorial Pacific Ocean which affects global rainfall patterns.

Neno district is expected to receive **normal to below normal** cumulative rainfall during the 2026/2027 rainfall season.

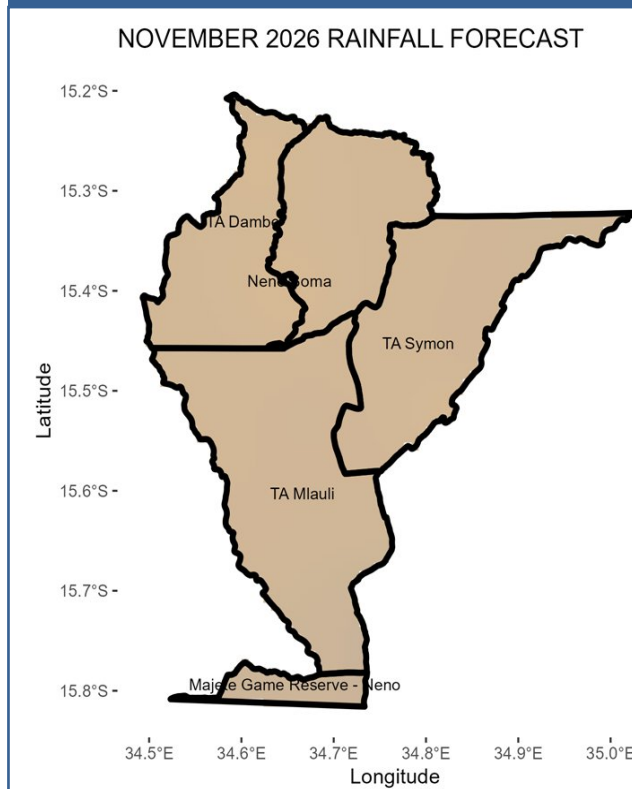
October 2026



During October, Neno District is expected to be hot and dry with chizimalupsa rains of less than 50 mm.

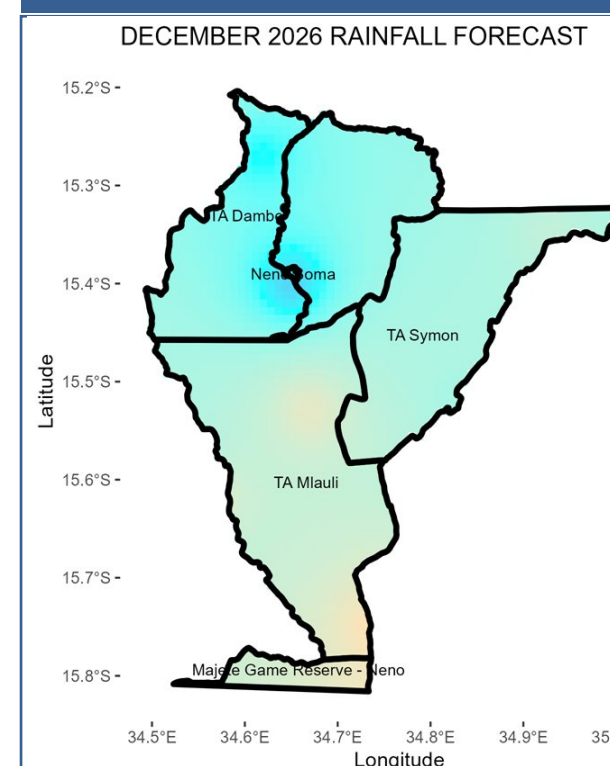
The rains will be accompanied by strong winds and lightening.

November 2026



In the month of November, Most areas are expected to receive normal rainfall amounts ranging from 50 mm to 100mm accompanied by lightening and strong winds.

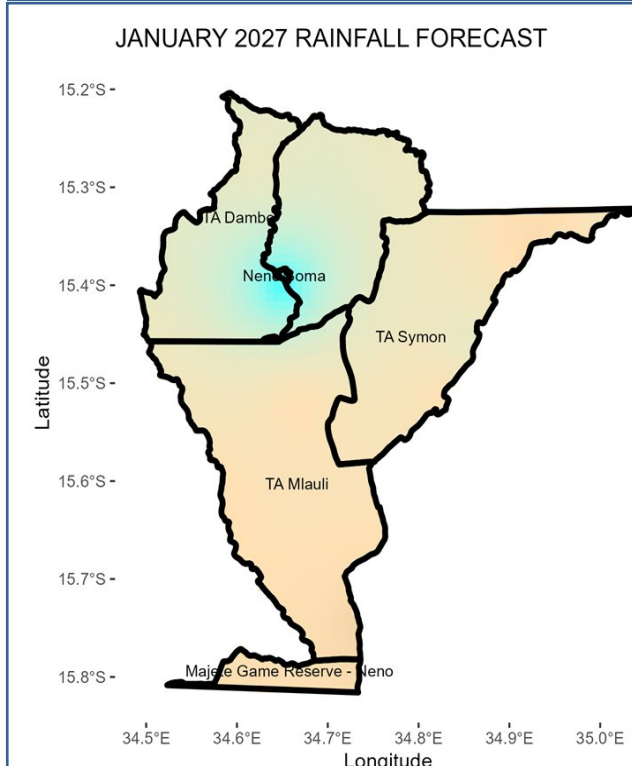
December 2026



Most areas are expected to receive normal to above normal rainfall amounts of 200 mm, however Neno Boma and TA Dambe are expected to receive an increased amounts of 250 mm to 300 mm.

Onset of the season is expected in the second week of December.

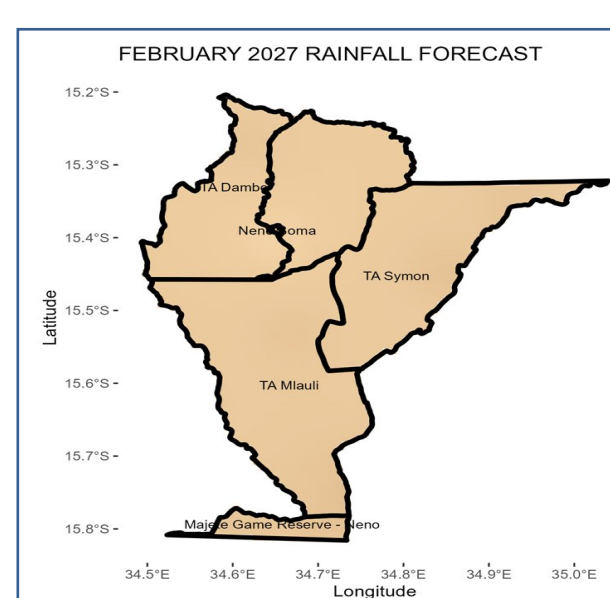
January 2027



Most areas of Neno will receive below normal rainfall amounts ranging from 50 mm to 150 mm. While Neno Boma and TA Dambe will receive slightly higher amounts reaching 200 mm.

A dry spell of about two weeks is likely to occur in the month.

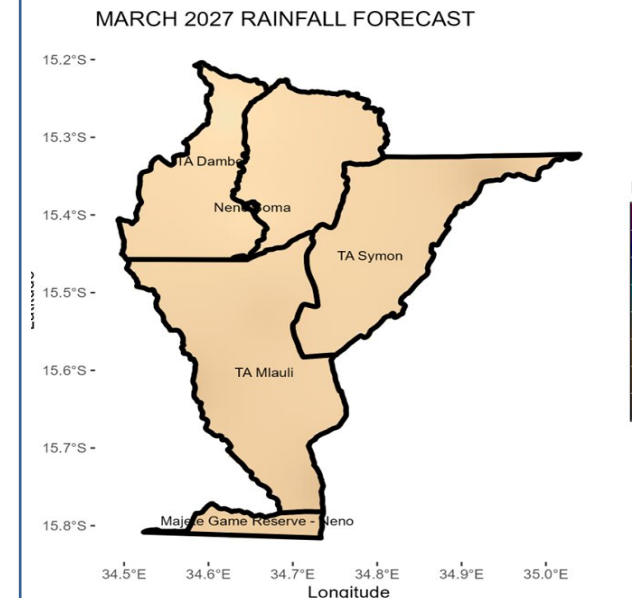
February 2027



Most parts are likely to receive below normal rainfall amounts ranging between 70 mm to 120 mm .

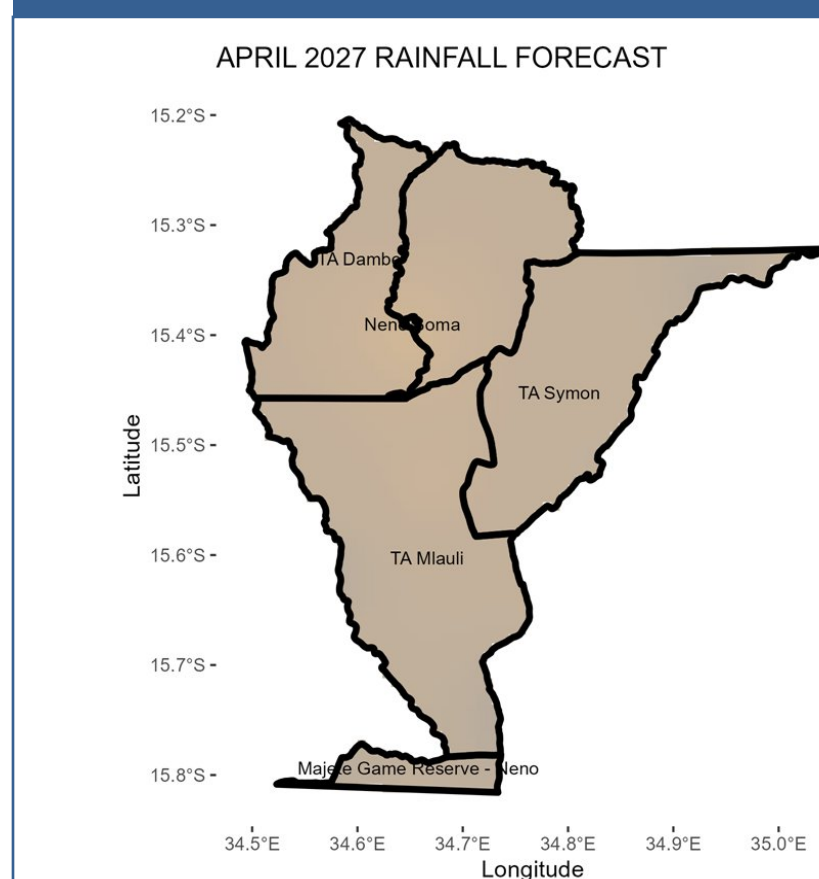
A dry spell of about two weeks is likely to occur during this month.

March 2027



During the month of March, most areas in the district are expected to receive normal rainfall amounts in the range of 100 mm to 150 mm. Rainfall cessation is expected in the last week of March.

April 2027



Most areas are expected to receive normal to above normal rainfall amounts in the range of 50mm to 100 mm.

SEASON IN SUMMARY

Rainfall Onset

Excepted in the Second Week of December 2026

Dry Spells

High likelihood of about 2 weeks dry spells in January and February

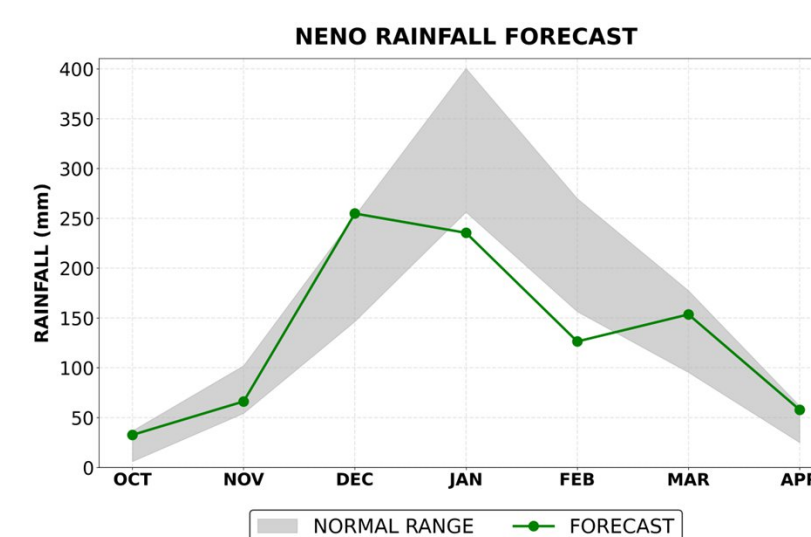
Seasonal Length

Expected to last 100 to 120 days

Cessation

Likely in the last week of March 2027

MONTH	NORMAL RANGE	FORECAST
OCT	5.9-36.7	32.6
NOV	54.3-102.0	66.2
DEC	146.3-252.4	254.8
JAN	256.2-400.4	235.4
FEB	156.4-267.8	126.4
MAR	95.4-177.4	153.6
APR	25.0-61.6	57.9



The table and figure above show monthly rainfall distribution at Neno with a normal band in grey.

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