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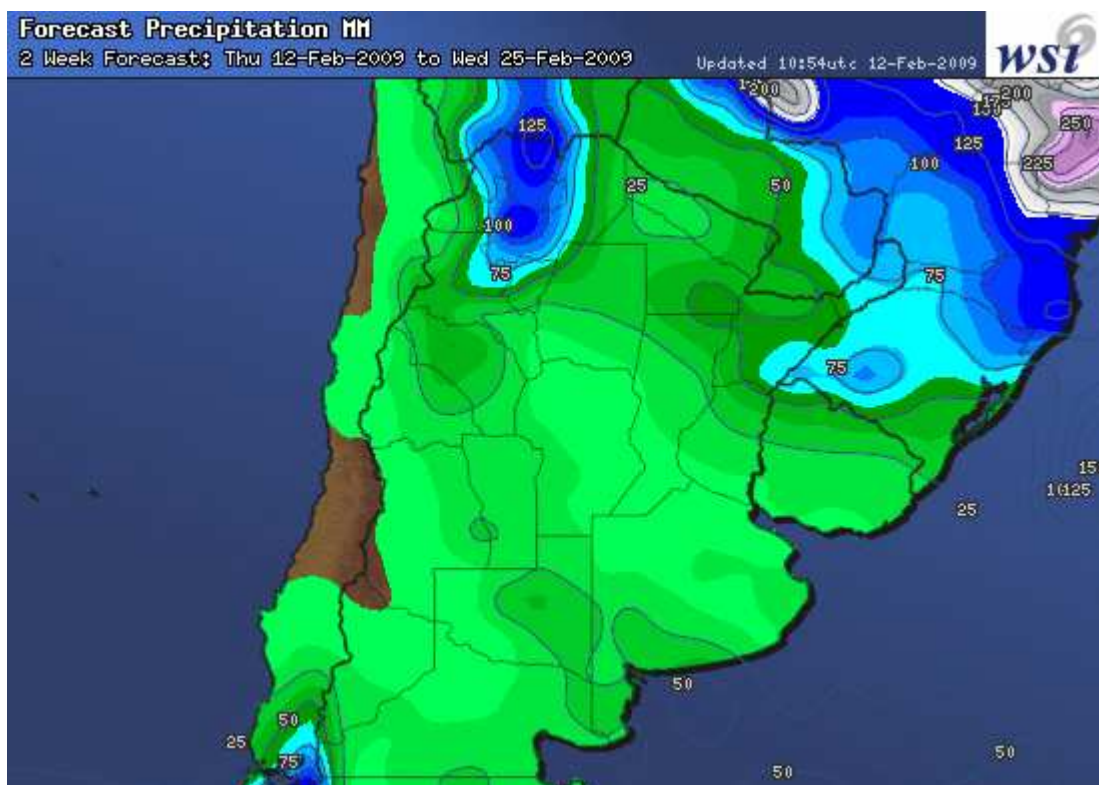
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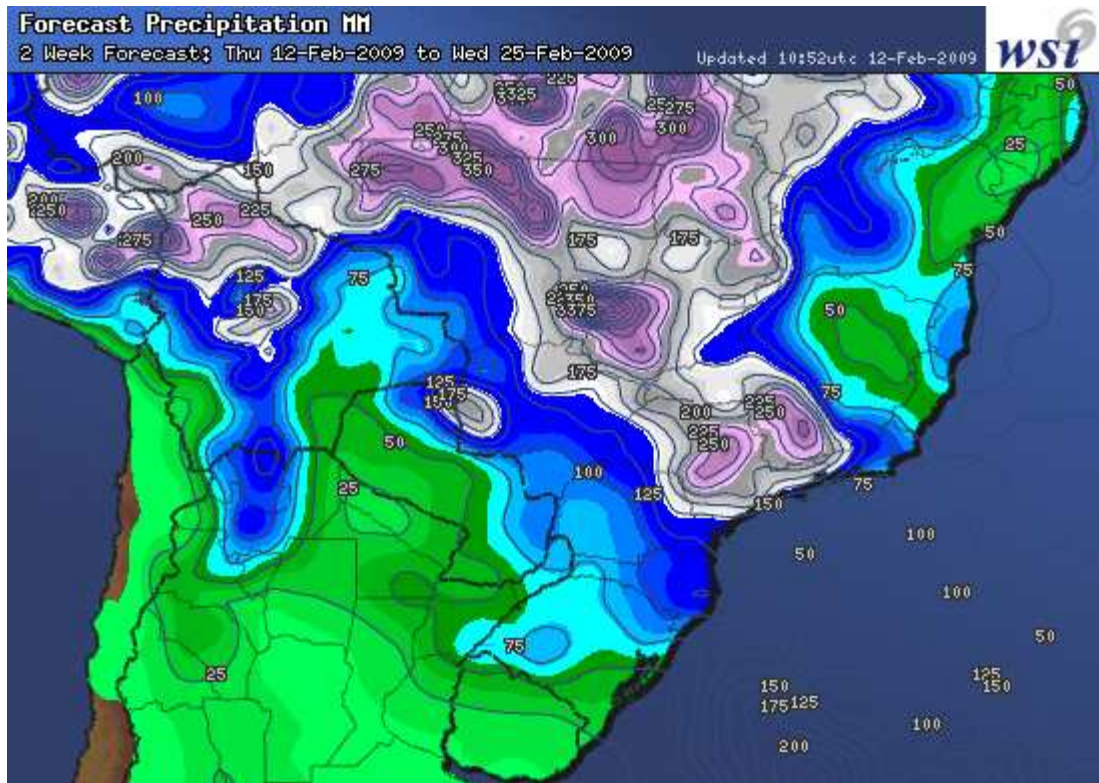
Headlines

- **Argentina**: heat to return this week into next week all of Argentina next chanced of showers late next week, mainly north. **Brazil** wet now but early crop hurt by early season dryness (Parana in November-December)

More heat returns later this week.into next week all areas. Next shower chances late next week mainly in north, then week 2 in south. Driest middle from Cordoba to northern Buenos Aires. USDA lowered The Argentine soybean crop by 5.7 million tonnes to 43.8 million. (*Argentina* [CORN](#) and [BEANS](#)).



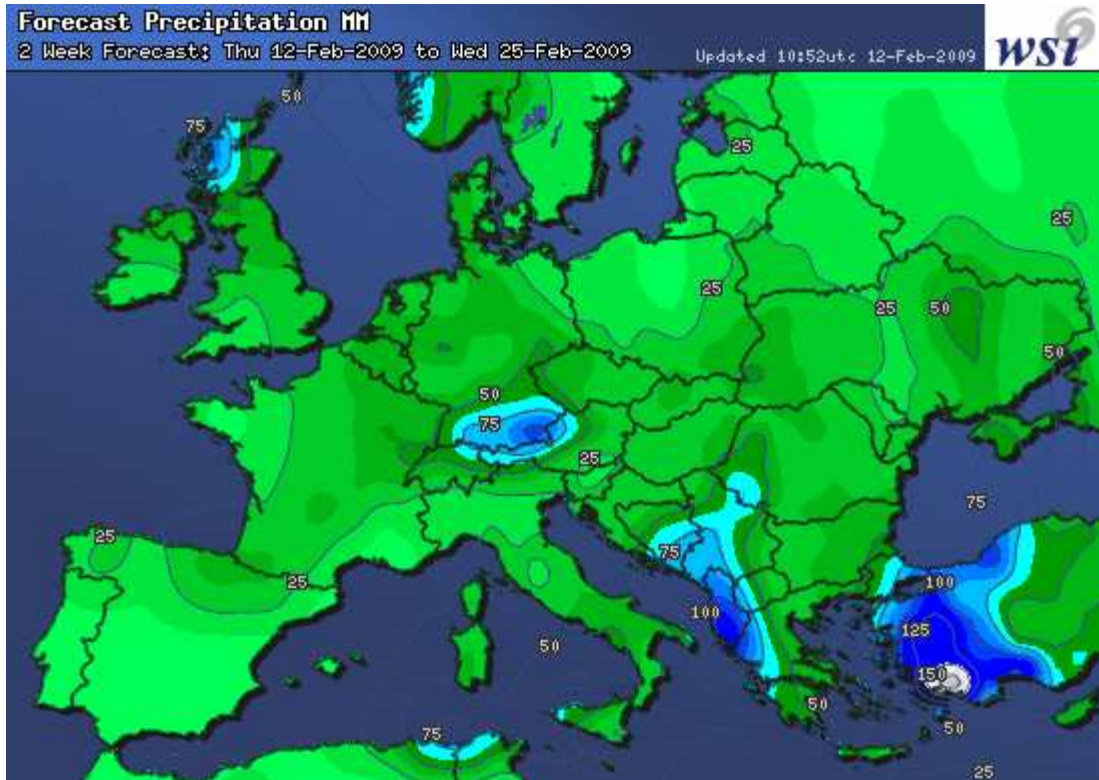
Rainfall yesterday in Rio Grande do Sul were moderate and needed. Rains next two weeks mainly central with next chance of showers in Rio Grande do Sul coming mainly the following weekend (21st-22nd) Later crops are benefiting. Drought in November and December has hurt Parana yields despite recent and forecast rains. Brazil bean crop was lowered in USDA report this week by 2 million tonnes to 57.0 million (Brazil [CORN](#) and [BEANS](#)).



- **Stormy (snowy) much of Europe into western Asia with slow cooling south and east. Blocking builds week 2 bringing more arctic air west into all of Europe. Not the extreme cold of early January but well below normal.**

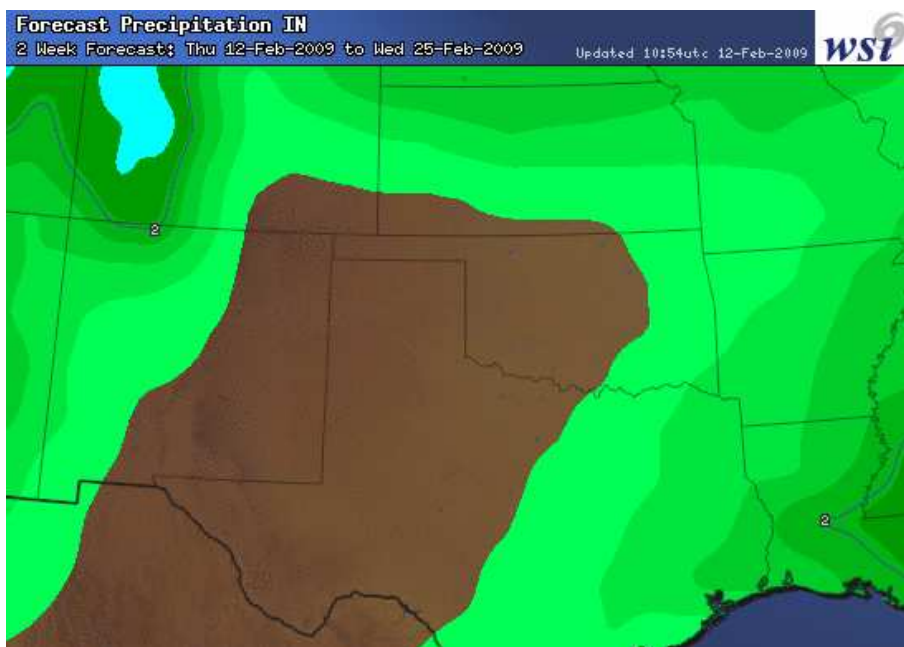
Stormy period across central and eastern Europe. Storms move east with snow into France, Germany and Poland and throughout the southern mountains where heavy winter snowpack will grow further. Much colder air comes to Eastern and central Europe next week as Atlantic blocking resumes though most extreme Siberian air will have migrated too far east to be tapped. Decent snows to provide protection for winter grains.

Mild temperatures and moderate rain forecast for eastern and central Ukraine and Caucasus with snow western Ukraine, Belarus north to the Balkans and especially south to the highlands of southeast Europe and western Turkey. Colder temperatures return next week Ukraine and southern Russia but not quite the extreme levels of January.



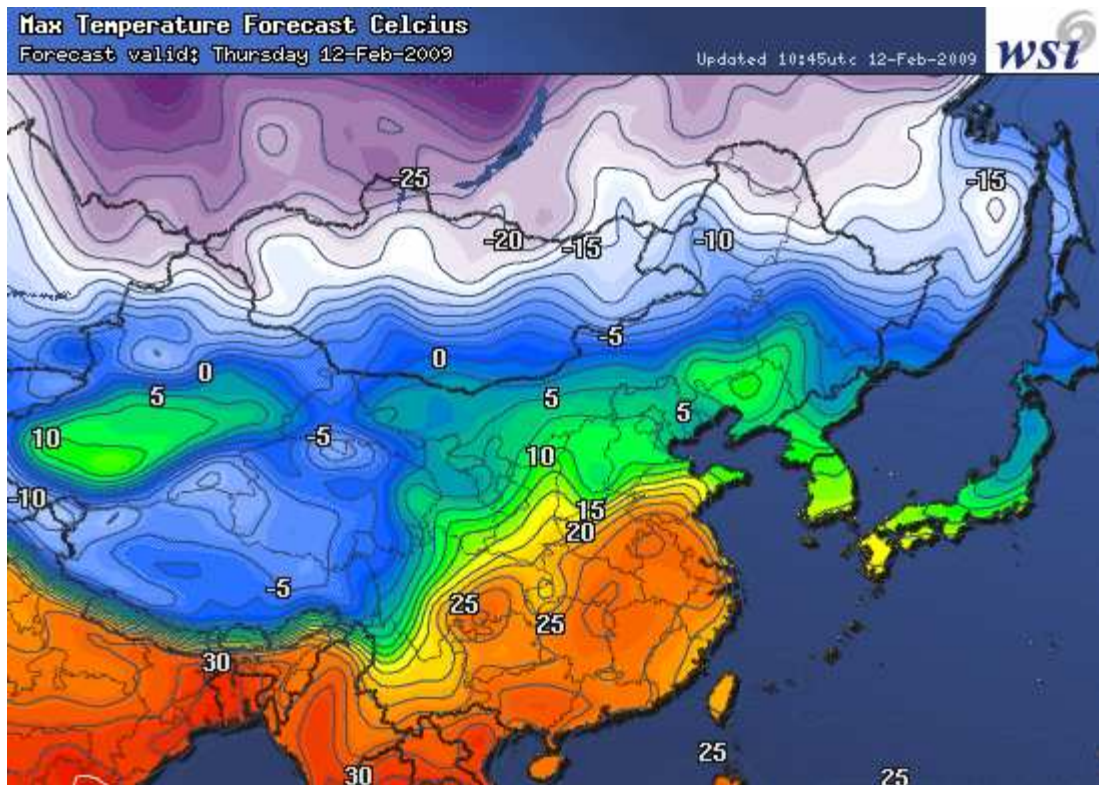
- **Back to drier in the [Southern High Plains](#).**

Active southern storm tracks with 3 storms in next two weeks should keep Kansas and eastern Oklahoma and northeast Texas wet or white north the next few weeks (2 week total shown). Western areas mainly miss out. No extreme cold.



- Brief heat spike in [China](#) gives way to cooling with some showers

Warmth in China (today's highs shown) coming to an end will be followed by cooling the end of the week with cold by early next week pushing south. China has had some of same dryness concerns (worst drought in 50 years NCP) as Southern Plains although winter is dry season. Some showers with front in east, heaviest Yangtze River south. Some concern recent warm weather may have softened crop north (Hebei and Shandong) and make more vulnerable to late cold. (*CHINA [WHEAT](#)*)



See full summary of all regions [here](#).