

# Rainfall Forecasts Vs Observations during the 2024 MAM season and Outlook up to August

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# MAM forecast released on 29<sup>th</sup> Feb 2024

Above-average rainfall is expected over the Lake Victoria Basin, Highlands West of the Rift Valley, Central, Northern and Southern Rift Valley, Highlands East of the Rift Valley (including Nairobi County), Northeastern, Southeastern Lowlands, and Northwestern regions. Generally, near-average rainfall with a tendency to above average rainfall is expected over the Coastal region and parts of the Southeastern lowlands. Occasional storms are also likely to be experienced in some parts of the country. The temperature forecast suggests that for the larger part of the country, the season is likely to be warmer than average.

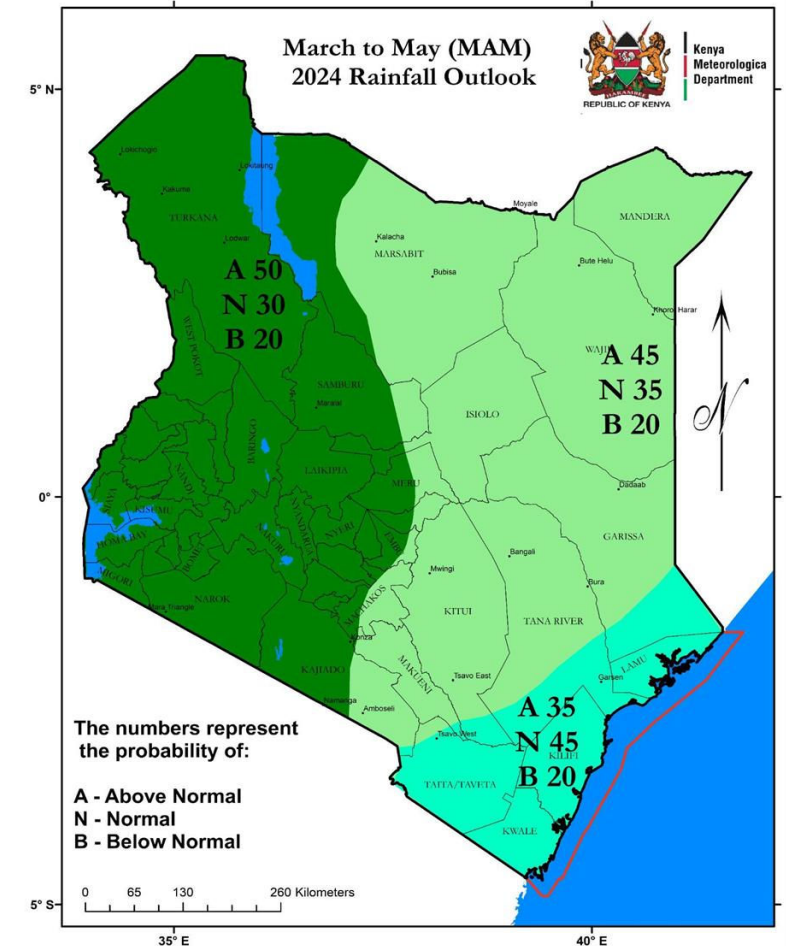
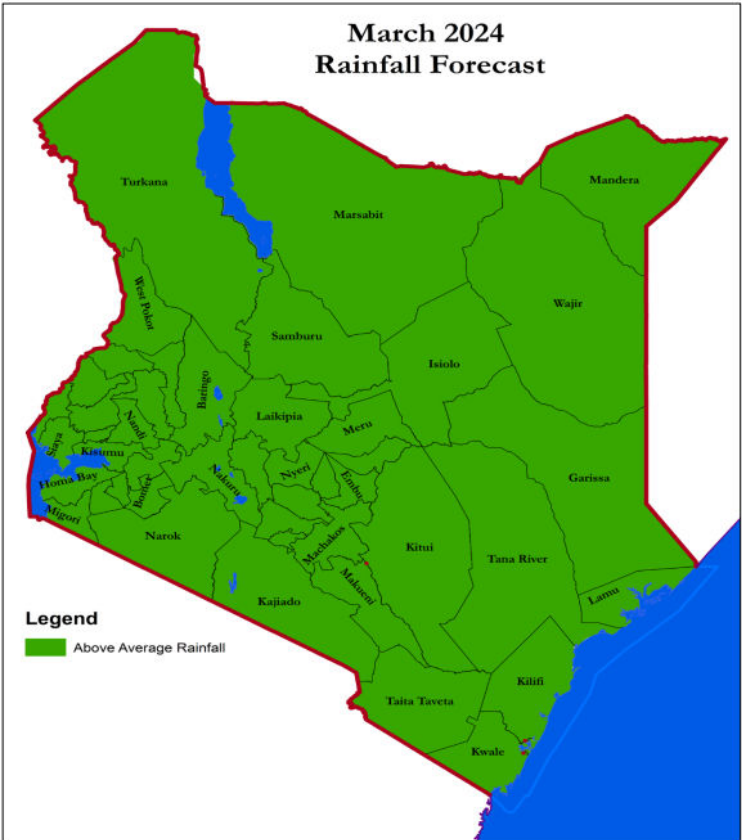


Figure 1b: March-April-May (MAM) 2024 "Long-Rains" Season Outlook

# March Forecast Vs performance

March Forecast issued on 29<sup>th</sup> February

Above-average rainfall was forecast over most parts of the country



**Rainfall (% of LTM)**

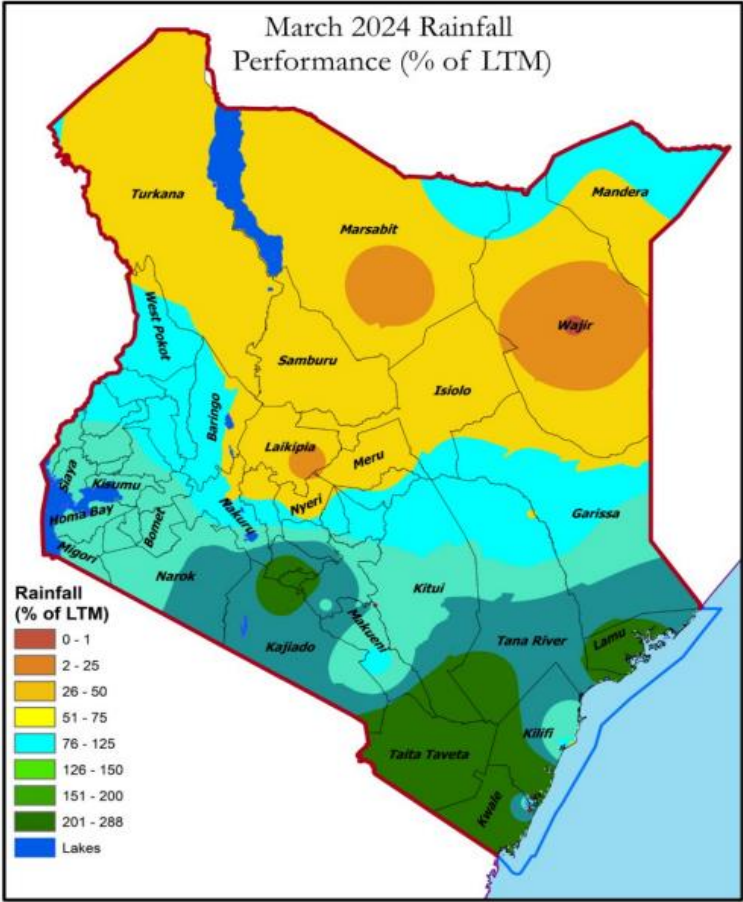
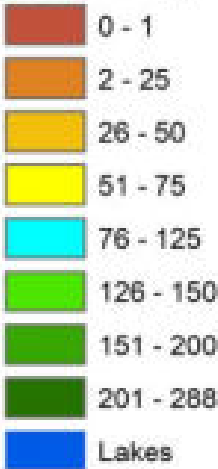


Figure 2c: March 2024 Rainfall Performance as a percentage of LTM

# April forecast Vs performance

April Forecast issued on 29th February

The outlook indicated near to above average across most parts of the country and highlighted the likelihood of occurrence of episodes of heavy rainfall

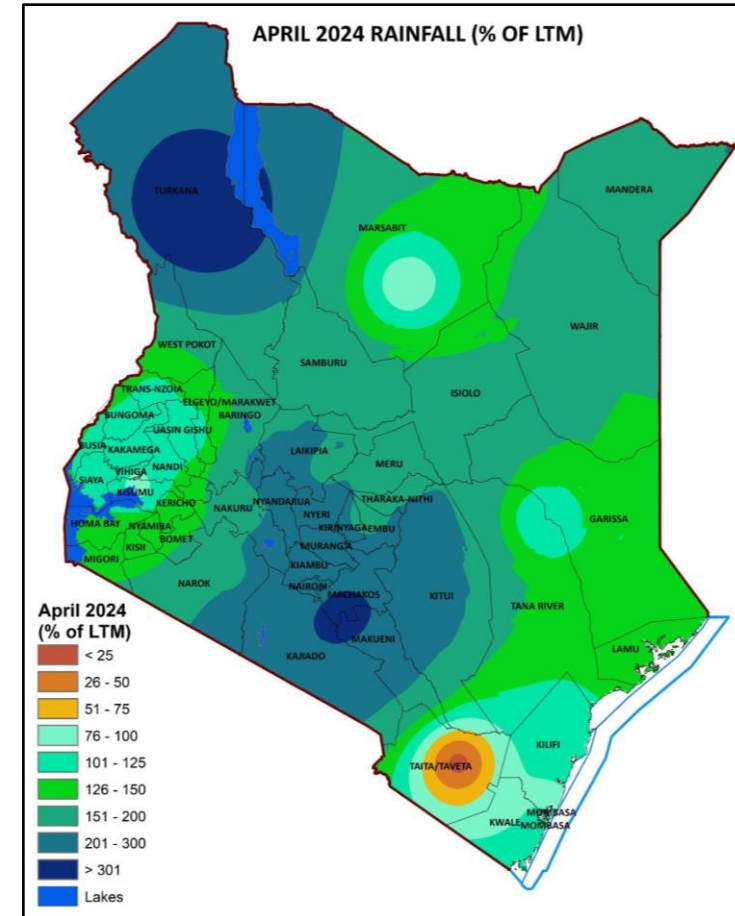
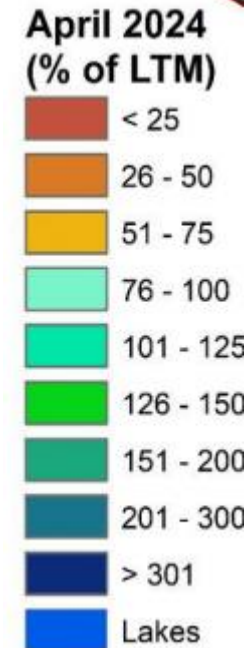
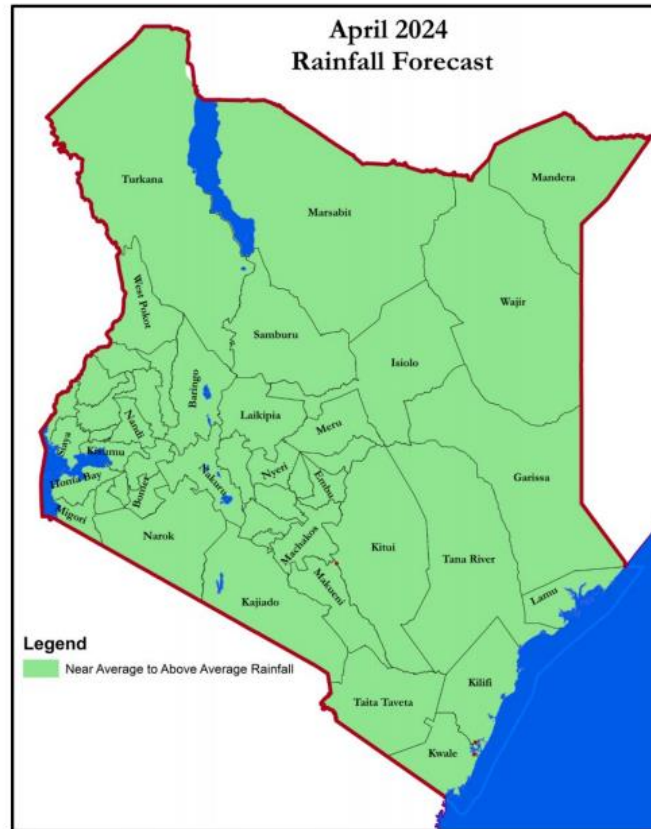
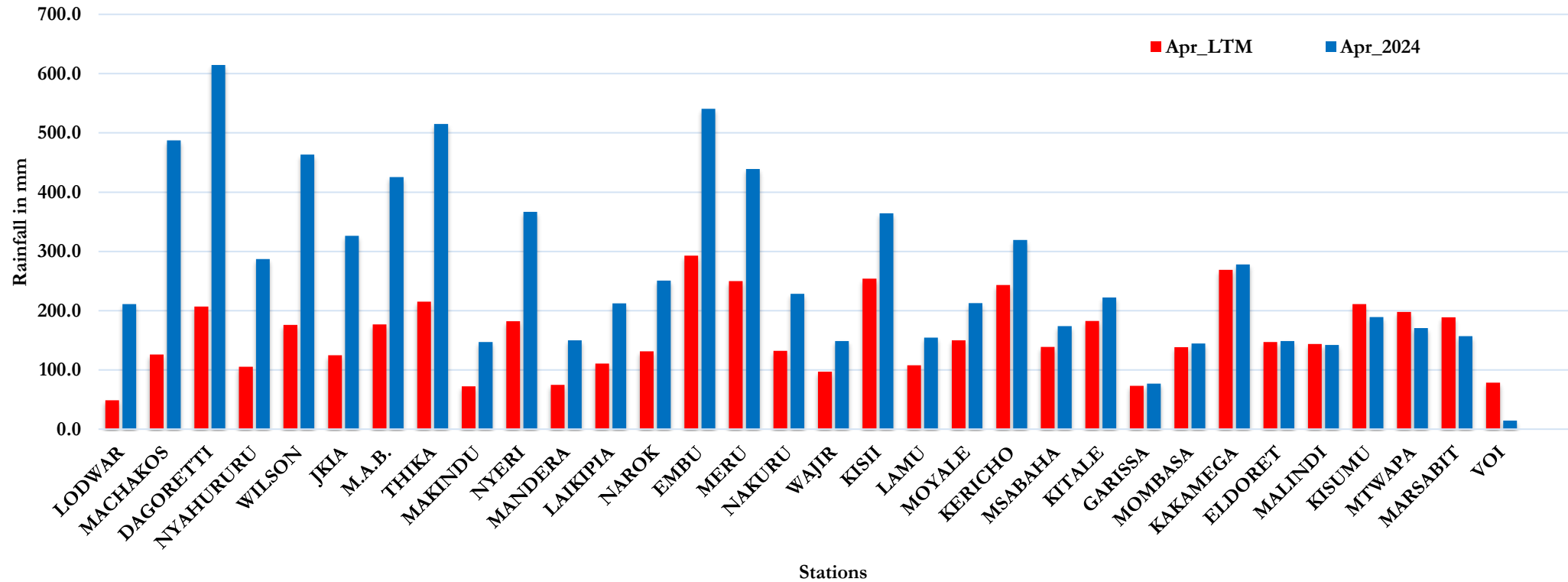


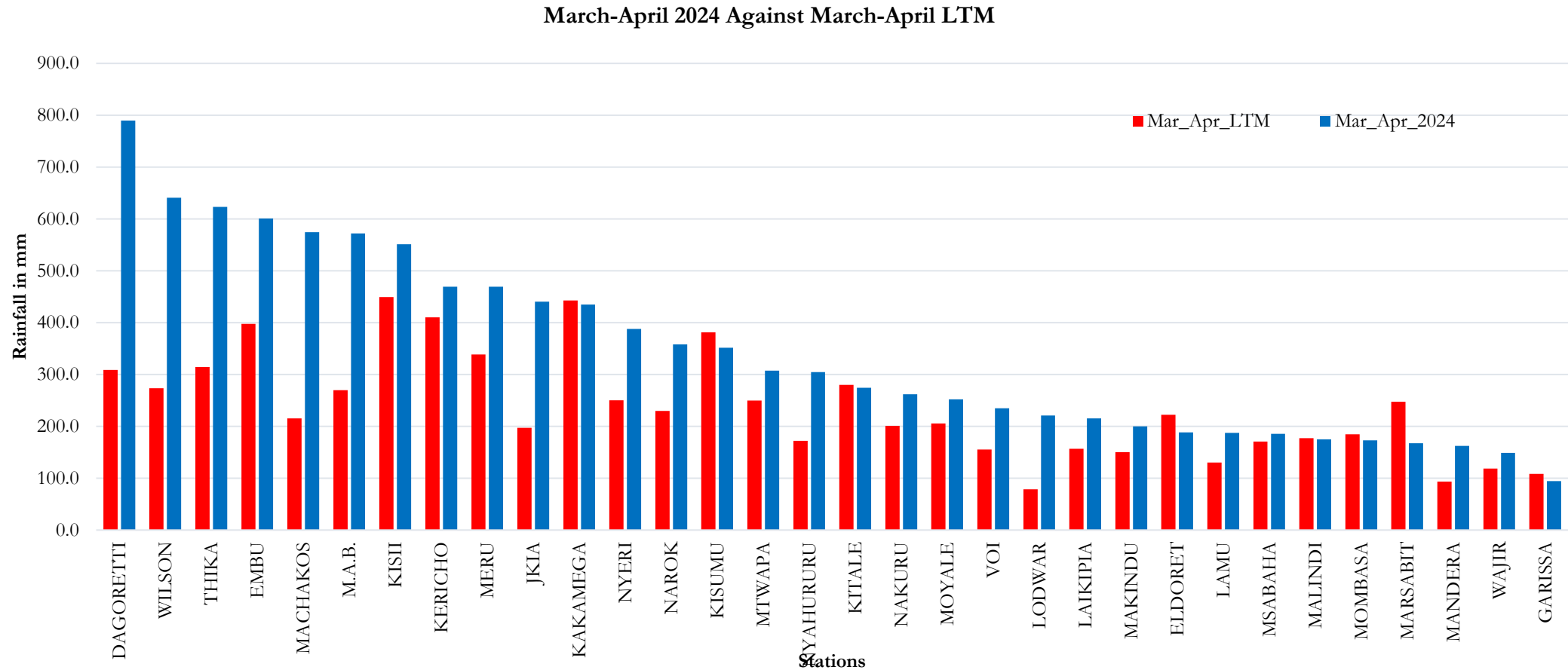
Figure 1: The expected rainfall performance during April 2024.

# April 2024

April 2024 Rainfall Totals against April LTM



# March-April 2024 Against March-April LTM



# Dates on which heavy rainfall advisories were issued

**2024-05-02-18-31-53.xml** Heavy rainfall over several parts of the Country

**2024-04-25-16-39-14.xml** Heavy rainfall over several parts of the Country

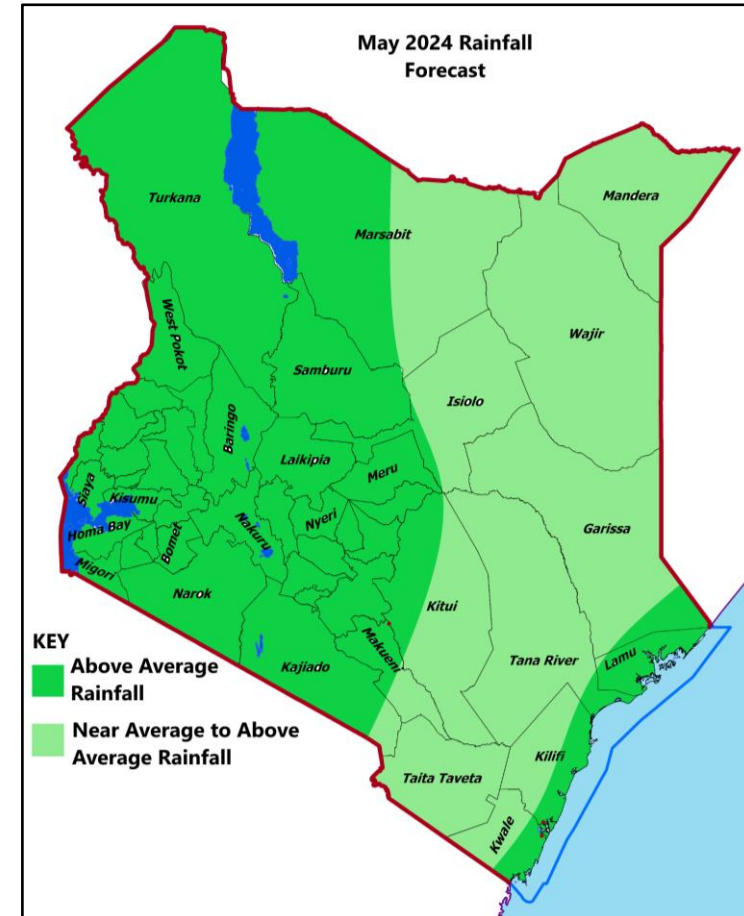
**2024-04-20-18-55-22.xml** Heavy rainfall over several parts of the Country

**2024-04-13-12-29-20.xml** Heavy rainfall over several parts of the Country

**2024-04-01-17-02-59.xml** Heavy rainfall over most parts of the Country

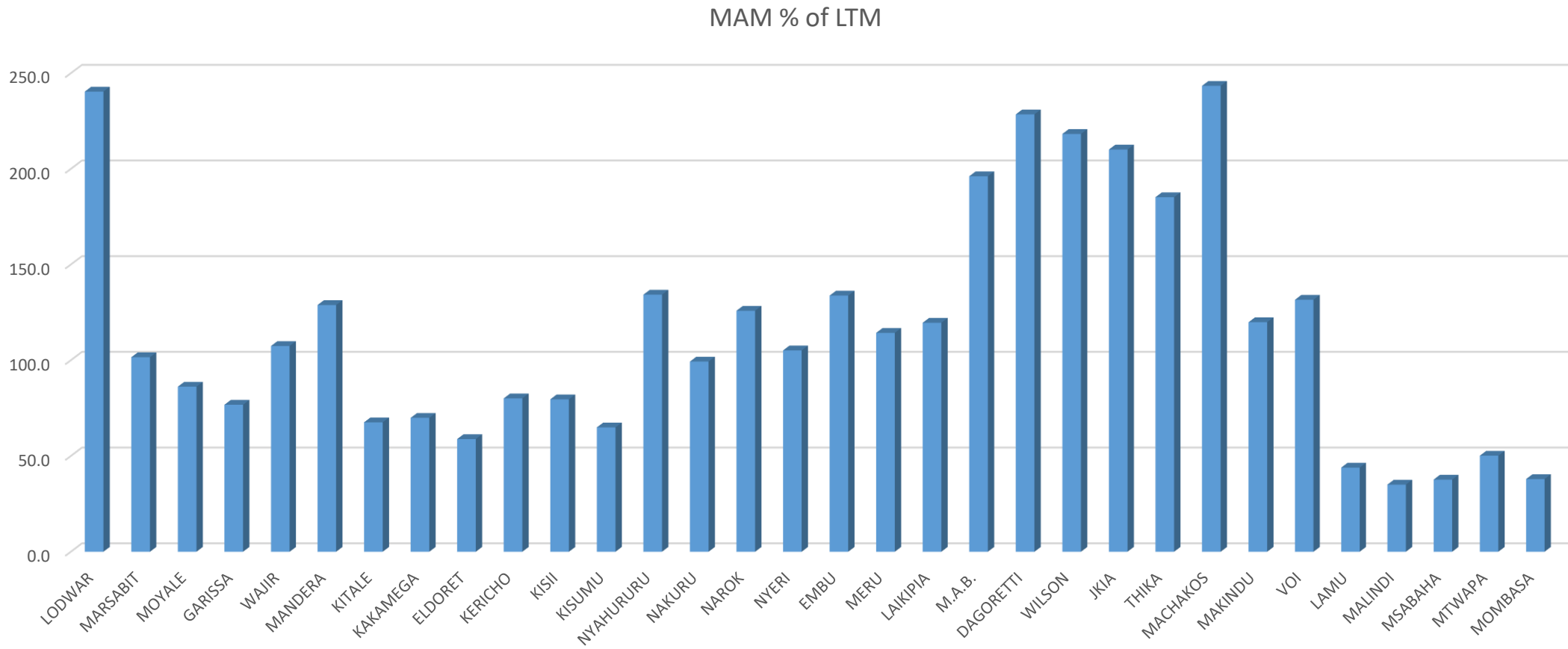
# Rainfall Forecast for May 2024

The outlook for May 2024 indicates that several parts of the country are likely to experience near-average to above-average rainfall. Occasional storms are also likely to be experienced.





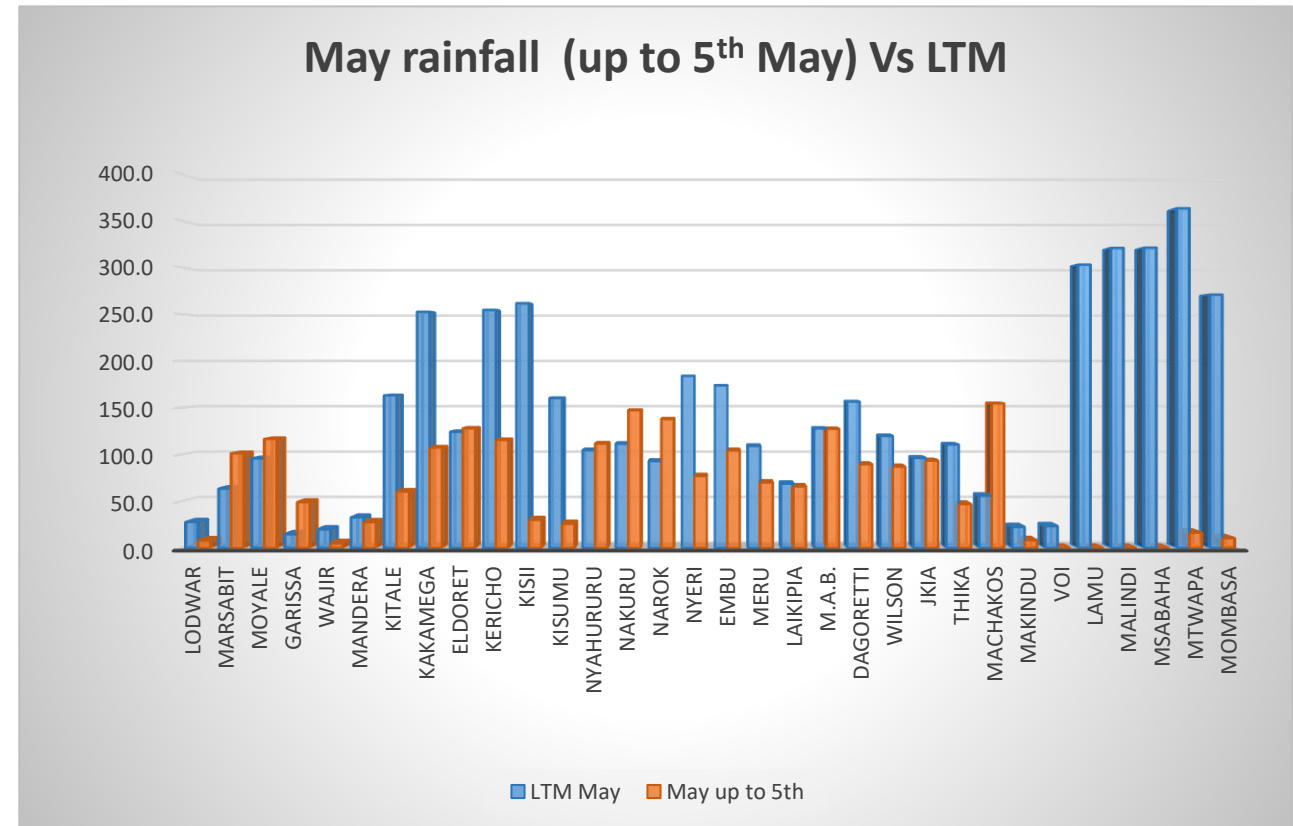
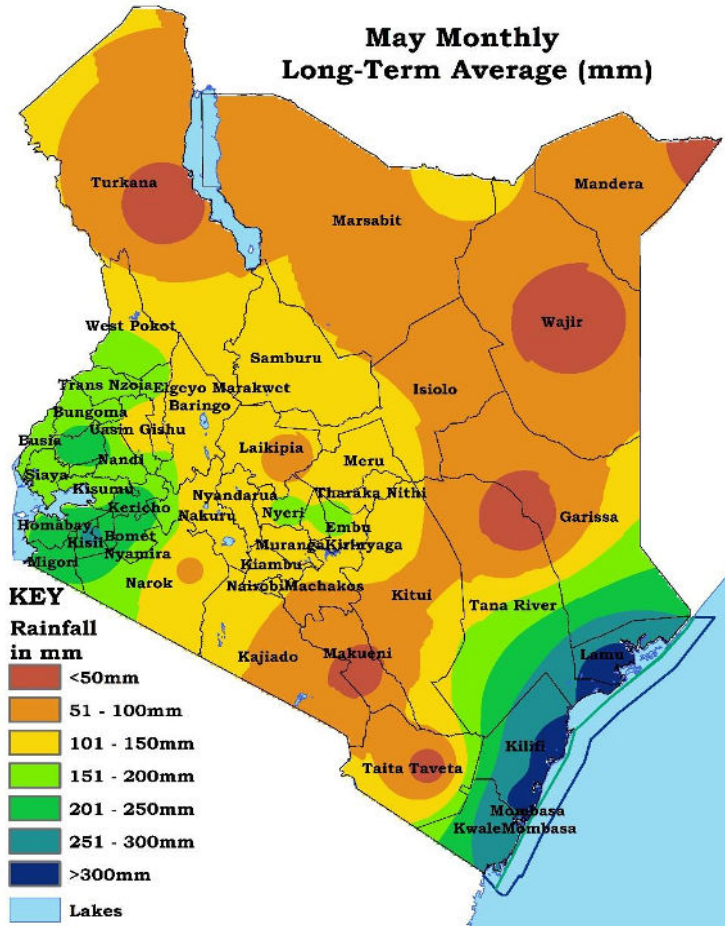
# Performance of the season up to 5<sup>th</sup> May



# Ranking of MAM 2024

| Rank | MAB  |       | Dagoreti |       | Wilson |       | Kabete |       |
|------|------|-------|----------|-------|--------|-------|--------|-------|
| 1    | 2024 | 779.4 | 2024     | 973.6 | 2024   | 858.3 | 2024   | 978.3 |
| 2    | 1968 | 558.3 | 1981     | 707.3 | 2018   | 598   | 2018   | 734   |
| 3    | 1988 | 558   | 1978     | 556.6 | 1988   | 503.9 | 2013   | 684   |
| 4    | 2018 | 517.1 | 1988     | 552.3 | 1977   | 488.9 | 1988   | 638.6 |
| 5    | 2010 | 487.3 | 2018     | 545.1 | 1968   | 477.7 | 1981   | 629.8 |
| 6    | 2013 | 484.8 | 1977     | 536   | 2012   | 446.4 | 1978   | 612.8 |
| 7    | 2016 | 433.3 | 1964     | 532   | 1990   | 442.9 | 2004   | 504.6 |
| 8    | 1974 | 425.9 | 2013     | 510.2 | 1992   | 442   | 2010   | 502.8 |
| 9    | 1986 | 418.1 | 2020     | 510   | 1978   | 440   | 1977   | 496.8 |
| 10   | 1990 | 416.7 | 1970     | 496.2 | 2020   | 433.4 | 1990   | 494.9 |
| 11   | 2006 | 407.7 | 1963     | 491.7 | 1963   | 430.4 | 2023   | 490.3 |
| 12   | 2023 | 402.2 | 1968     | 486.1 | 1981   | 429.7 | 2020   | 486   |
| 13   | 2004 | 401.6 | 2012     | 474.6 | 1970   | 409.7 | 2006   | 480.8 |
| 14   | 1978 | 395.6 | 2006     | 464.1 | 1964   | 409   | 2016   | 479.2 |
| 15   | 1981 | 393   | 1990     | 463.1 | 2013   | 408.3 | 1997   | 469.5 |

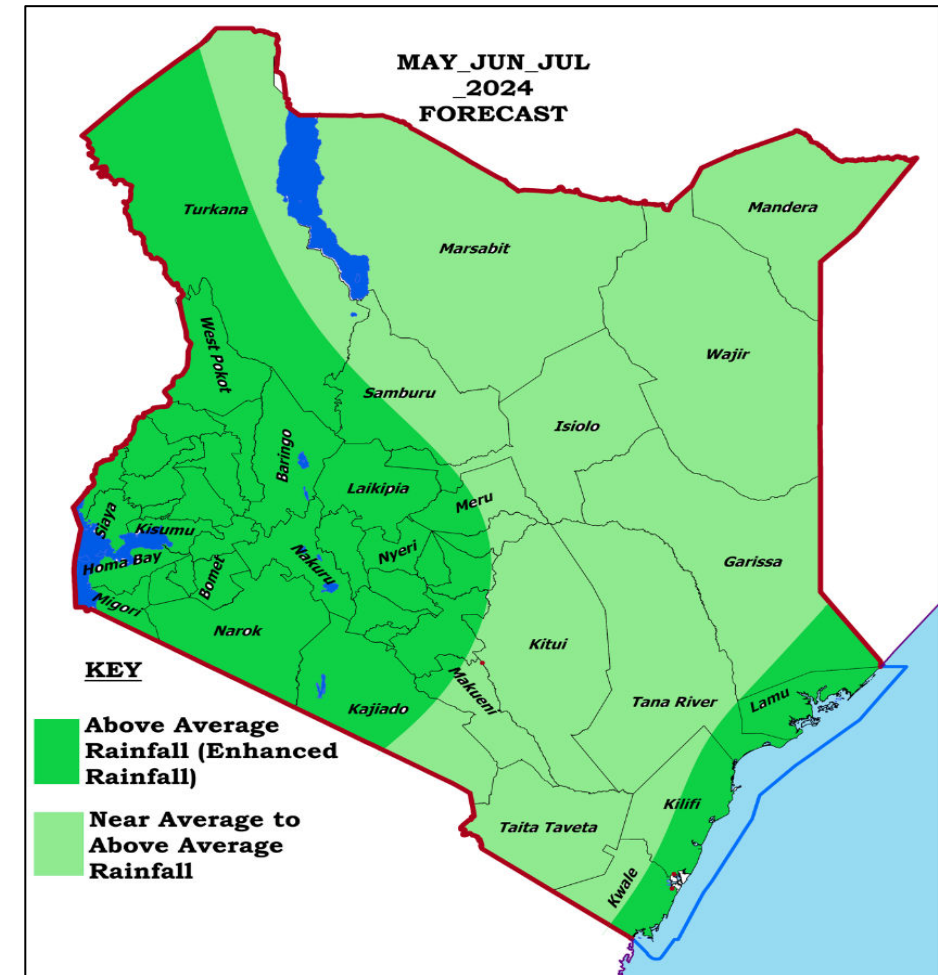
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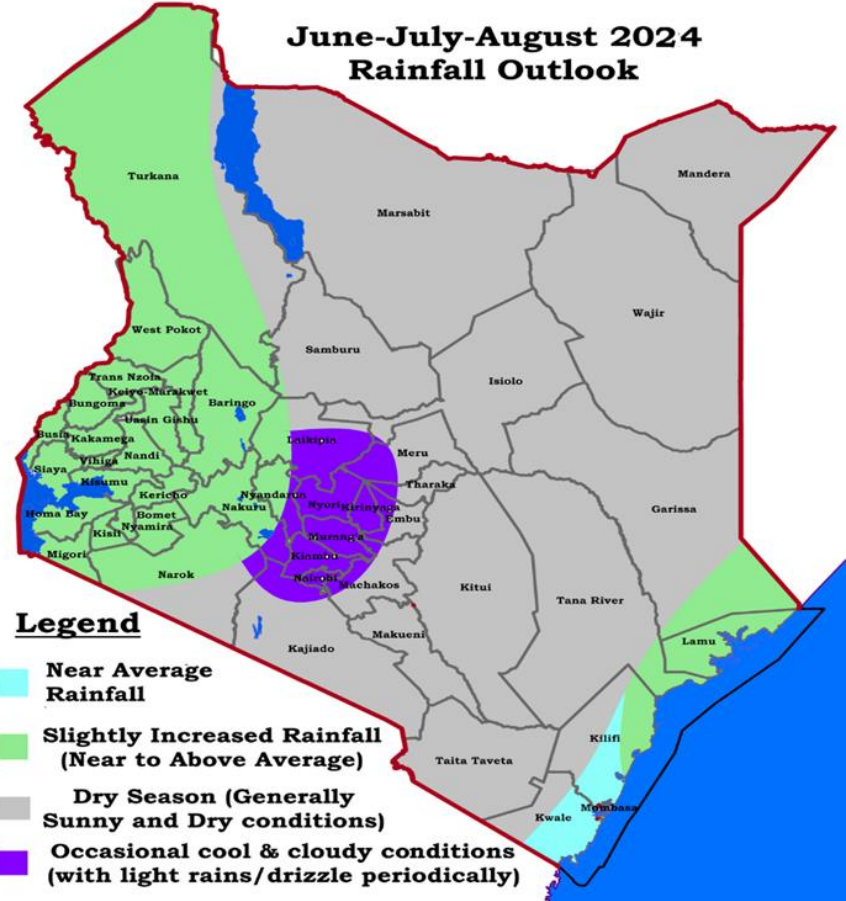
# May to July forecast

The forecast for the next three months indicates that rainfall is expected over the Highlands West of the Rift Valley, the Lake Victoria Basin, Central and South Rift Valley, as well as the Coastal region. The Highlands East of the Rift Valley, including Nairobi County and parts of the Southeastern lowlands, are likely to experience rainfall in May and remain generally cool and cloudy with occasional light rains in June and July. The rest of the country is expected to receive occasional rainfall in May and remain generally dry in June and July.

Temperature is expected to be warmer than normal across the entire country during the forecast period, with higher probabilities for warmer than average temperatures expected over the eastern half of the country.

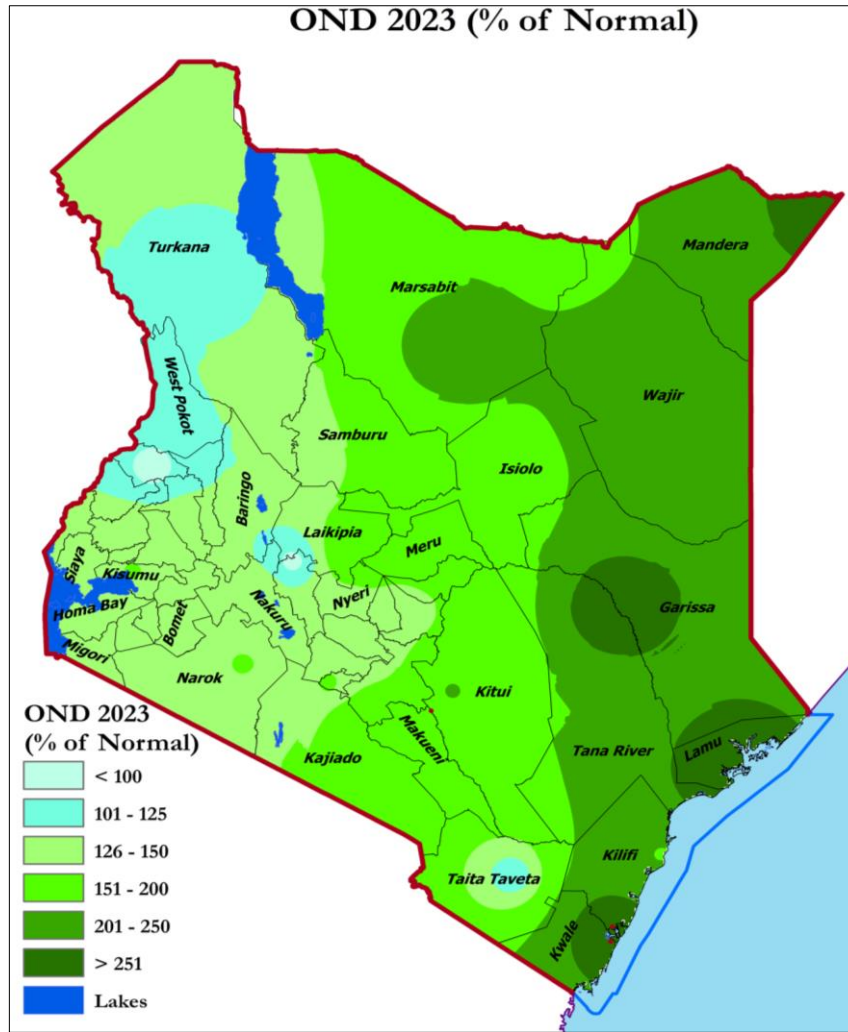


# June to August Outlook



# October-December 2023 Seasonal Rainfall Performance (%) against OND LTM

Above average rainfall was observed over the whole country .



## 2023 OND Forecast

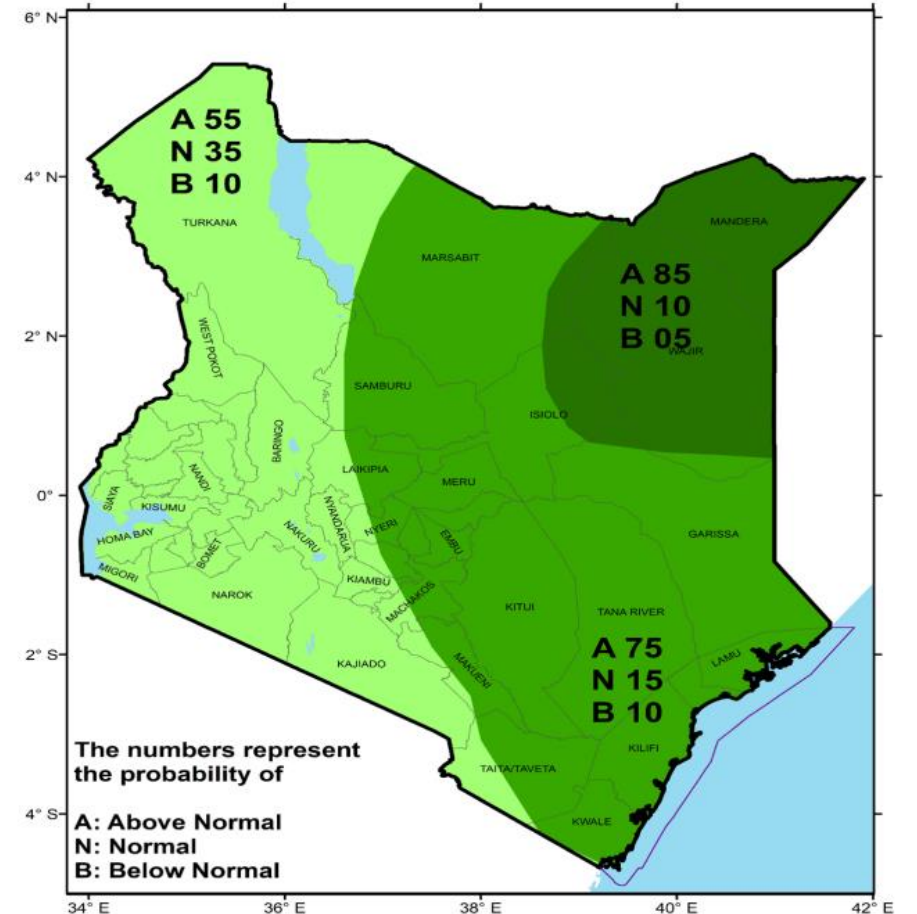


Figure 1b: October-November-December (OND) 2023 Rainfall Forecast