



Wheat prices overnight are down 6 in SRW, down 8 1/2 in HRW, down 6 3/4 in HRS; Corn is up 1 1/2; Soybeans up 9 1/2; Soymeal up \$0.30; Soyoil up 0.81.

For the week so far wheat prices are down 16 3/4 in SRW, down 23 in HRW, down 14 3/4 in HRS; Corn is up 10 1/2; Soybeans up 40 1/4; Soymeal up \$1.08; Soyoil up 2.25.

For the month to date wheat prices are up 10 3/4 in SRW, up 16 1/4 in HRW, up 7 3/4 in HRS; Corn is up 48 3/4; Soybeans up 154 1/2; Soymeal up \$70.20; Soyoil up 2.34.

Chinese Ag futures (MAY 22) Soybeans up 78 yuan ; Soymeal up 18; Soyoil up 52; Palm oil up 38; Corn down 9 -- Malaysian Palm is up 168. Malaysian palm oil prices overnight were up 168 ringgit (+3.65%) at 4772.

There were no changes in registrations. Registration total: 1,900 SRW Wheat contracts; 39 Oats; 50 Corn; 244 Soybeans; 143 Soyoil; 0 Soymeal; 92 HRW Wheat.

Preliminary changes in futures Open Interest as of December 27 were: SRW Wheat down 183 contracts, HRW Wheat up 504, Corn up 18,204, Soybeans up 1,832, Soymeal down 4,155, Soyoil down 9,954.

*Brazil Grains & Oilseeds Forecast:* Rio Grande do Sul and Parana Forecast: Mostly dry through Tuesday. Isolated showers Wednesday-Friday. Temperatures near to above normal through Friday. Mato Grosso, MGDS and southern Goias. Forecast: Scattered showers north through Tuesday. Scattered showers Wednesday-Friday. Temperatures near normal through Friday.

*Argentina Grains & Oilseeds Forecast:* Cordoba, Santa Fe, Northern Buenos Aires Forecast: Mostly dry through Wednesday. Isolated showers Thursday-Friday. Temperatures near to above normal through Friday. La Pampa, Southern Buenos Aires Forecast: Mostly dry through Wednesday. Isolated showers Thursday-Friday. Temperatures near to above normal through Friday.

The player sheet for Dec. 27 had funds: net sellers of 3,500 contracts of SRW wheat, buyers of 9,000 corn, sellers of 12,500 soybeans, buyers of 5,000 soymeal, and buyers of 4,500 soyoil.

	Corn	Soybeans	Wheat	Soymeal	Soyoil
Dec. 27	+9,000	+12,500	-3,500	+5,000	+4,500
Dec. 23	+4,000	+2,000	0	+2,000	+2,000
Dec. 22	+5,000	+12,000	+6,000	+4,500	+4,000
Dec. 21	+9,000	+9,500	+12,000	+4,500	+3,500
Dec. 20	-2,500	+3,500	+1,000	+3,000	-3,500

#### TENDERS

- CORN SALE: The U.S. Department of Agriculture confirmed private sales of 269,240 tonnes of U.S. corn to unknown destinations for delivery in the 2021/22 marketing year that began Sept. 1.
- BARLEY TENDER: Jordan's state grains buyer issued an international tender to purchase 120,000 tonnes of animal feed barley

#### PENDING TENDERS

- WHEAT TENDER: Jordan's state grain buyer issued an international tender to buy 120,000 tonnes of milling wheat, which can be sourced from optional origins
- WHEAT TENDER: Iraq's state grains buyer issued a tender to buy a nominal 50,000 tonnes of milling wheat with a limited number of trading companies asked to offer

#### US BASIS/CASH

- Basis bids for soybeans and corn shipped by barge to the U.S. Gulf Coast inched higher on Monday in response to exporter needs and high costs for freight, traders said.
  - Barge freight rates on Midwest rivers have surged this month due to tight supplies of empty vessels, although market activity was slow on Monday following the Christmas holiday weekend.
  - CIF markets remained inverted, with December soybean barges commanding a premium of roughly 20 cents a bushel above early January loadings.
  - New soybean export sales, however, have slowed as importers are increasingly looking to cheaper, new-crop Brazilian beans, which will hit the market in early 2022.
  - CIF Gulf soybean barges loaded in December were bid at about 112 cents over January futures, up 2 cents from Thursday. January barges were bid at around 88 cents over futures, up a penny.
  - FOB soybean basis offers for January loadings held at around 125 cents over CBOT January futures, underpinned by tight export capacity.

- For corn, CIF barges loaded in December were bid around 84 cents over March futures, up 1 cent from Thursday. FOB basis offers for January corn loadings held at around 110 cents over March.
- Spot U.S. millfeed values held steady on Monday in subdued trade.
  - Demand for feed products has been lighter than normal this month amid mild winter weather in areas of the central and southern United States. Animals tend to consume less when the weather is warmer.
  - Nonetheless, supplies were expected to be tight this week given that many flour mills have shortened production schedules around the holidays.
  - Also, firm corn prices underpinned feed markets in general. Corn competes with wheat-based millfeed for space in animal feed rations.
- Spot basis bids for soybeans were flat at processors and elevators around the interior of the U.S. Midwest on Monday, grain dealers said.
  - Soybean bids were steady to firm along rivers, rising by 2 cents a bushel in Morris, Illinois.
  - A rally in the futures market sparked a fresh round of soybean sales by farmers, an Ohio dealer said.
  - The cash basis for corn was steady to weak at processors, falling by 6 cents a bushel in Blair, Nebraska, and flat at interior elevators and river terminals.
  - Deals for corn were scarce.
  - Some dealers rolled their soybean basis bids to the March futures from January.
- Spot basis bids for hard red winter wheat held steady at rail and truck market terminals across the southern U.S. Plains on Monday, grain dealers said.
  - Country movement was light.
  - Farmers were not interested in booking deals for their wheat at current price levels, an Oklahoma dealer said.
  - Protein premiums for hard red winter wheat delivered by rail to or through Kansas City were steady to up sharply, rising by 25 cents a bushel for wheat with protein content of 11.4% and by 10 cents a bushel for wheat with protein content ranging from 11.6% through 12.2%.
  - Premiums were unchanged for all other grades of wheat, according to CME Group data.
  - On a continuous basis, the most-active hard red winter wheat contract KWv1 hit its highest since Nov. 29 earlier in the session.
- Spot basis bids for corn were steady to weak at elevators, ethanol plants and processors around the interior of the U.S. Midwest on Monday morning, grain dealers said.
  - The corn basis was unchanged along rivers.
  - Cash bids for soybeans were mixed at river terminals, steady to firm at interior elevators and steady at processors.
  - Farmers were active sellers of soybeans on the cash market, enticed by a 25-cent rally in futures prices, an Iowa dealer said.

- But most growers were content to leave corn in storage bins and wait to see if prices rise in 2022.
- Dealers began rolling their soybean basis bids to the Chicago Board of Trade March futures from the January
- Spot basis offers for U.S. soymeal were mostly steady at processors in both the rail and truck markets on Monday, dealers said.
  - Demand was routine.
  - Most end users had placed orders for enough soymeal to last them until January so there was not much new activity on the spot market, an Iowa dealer said.
  - Strength in the futures market also deterred new deals.
  - Dealers began rolling their basis offers to the March futures contract SMH2 from the January.
  - Although the basis was mostly flat, truck offers fell by \$5 per ton in the Kansas City area.

#### CFTC Money Managers' Commodity Positions for Dec. 21

Agriculture:	Dec. 21	Dec. 14	Weekly Net Chg	Weekly % Chg
Corn	360,416	345,980	14,436	4.2%
Soybeans	72,924	40,975	31,949	78.0%
Soybean Oil	39,078	44,783	-5,705	-12.7%
Soybean Meal	50,551	40,534	10,017	24.7%
Wheat CBOT	-11,007	-7,303	-3,704	-50.7%
Wheat KCBT	58,807	57,164	1,643	2.9%
Sugar	153,586	183,672	-30,086	-16.4%
Cocoa	-14,724	-17,740	3,016	17.0%
Cotton	70,786	69,636	1,150	1.7%
Coffee	50,295	54,952	-4,657	-8.5%
Live Cattle	68,752	82,254	-13,502	-16.4%
Feeder Cattle	387	4,793	-4,406	-91.9%
Lean Hogs	53,982	48,492	5,490	11.3%

**U.S. Inspected 719k Tons of Corn for Export, 1.577m of Soybean**

				Weekly	Yearly
Weekly:	Dec. 23	Previous	Year Ago	% Chg	% Chg
Corn	719.0	1,001.5	1,266.3	-28.2%	-43.2%
Soybeans	1,577.4	1,890.4	2,273.6	-16.6%	-30.6%
Wheat	271.3	226.7	407.4	19.7%	-33.4%
Sorghum	175.0	317.3	257.5	-44.9%	-32.0%

Market			YTD
Year-to-Date:	Current	Previous	% Chg
Corn	12,033.2	14,129.3	-14.8%
Soybeans	28,938.6	37,456.4	-22.7%
Wheat	11,918.1	14,539.5	-18.0%
Sorghum	1,727.0	2,191.5	-21.2%
Barley	10.0	20.9	-52.2%

#### U.S. Corn, Soybean, Wheat Inspections by Country: Dec. 23

Soybeans		Corn		Wheat	
Country	Tons	Country	Tons	Country	Tons
Grand Total	1,577.4	Grand Total	719.0	Grand Total	271.3
China	750.3	Mexico	307.1	Japan	90.3
Germany	154.0	Japan	190.0	Colombia	45.2
Turkey	119.5	China	138.1	Mexico	38.2
Thailand	78.6	Costa Rica	27.6	South Korea	30.0
Mexico	70.1	Panama	25.5	Nigeria	27.5
U.K.	66.0	Colombia	13.7	Haiti	27.5

#### Malaysia Dec. 1-25 Palm Oil Exports to EU 303,756 Tons: SGS

Following is a table of Malaysia's palm oil export figures, according to estimates by independent cargo surveyor SGS Malaysia Sdn.

- EU imported 303,756 tons; -2.2% m/m
- India imported 242,530 tons; -21.3% m/m
- Turkey imported 155,460 tons; +150% m/m

#### Malaysia Dec. 1-25 Palm Oil Exports -2.56% M/m: Intertek

	Dec.	Dec.	Dec.	Dec.	Dec.	Nov.	Nov.
	1-25	1-20	1-15	1-10	1-5	2021	1-25
Total	1,306,408	1,072,968	772,137	572,689	255,500	1,668,648	1,340,778
MoM%	-2.56%	-5.08%	-12.49%	0.22%	-2.68%	13.59%	10.93%

#### Indonesia to Hit 2021 Biodiesel Consumption Target: Agency

Indonesia will probably consume 9.3 million to 9.4 million kiloliters of biodiesel this year, said Eddy Abdurrachman, president director of the Indonesia Oil Palm Plantations Fund Management Agency (BPDPKS).

- Govt's target is 9.41m kiloliters for 2021; goal next year is 10.15m
- Agency may collect 71 trillion rupiah from export levy this year
  - Fund collection as of Dec. 17 stood at 69.7 trillion rupiah
- About 45 trillion rupiah of export levy may be collected in 2022 as prices of crude palm oil may fall to about \$800-\$900 CIF Rotterdam
- Agency has disbursed 51.86 trillion rupiah to subsidize 9.18m kiloliters of biodiesel so far this year
- Indonesia's palm oil output seen recovering to 51m tons in 2022 from 49.7m tons this year
- Exports demand for crude palm oil and other crude products next year seen relatively stagnant at 27.9m tons
- Domestic consumption of palm oil in 2022 is projected at 11.4 m tons vs. 11.1m tons this year

### **Dry weather affects Ukraine winter wheat crops in central regions**

Winter wheat crops in Ukraine's central regions, which make up a third of all sowings in the country, have been affected by poor weather and are mostly in satisfactory condition, APK-Inform agriculture consultancy said on Tuesday.

Farmers were unable to sow all of the planned areas with winter wheat for the 2022 harvest due to severe drought in the main producing regions, planting a total of 6.2 million hectares or 94% of the expected area.

The current satisfactory state of crops, according to APK-Inform, is associated with arid weather conditions in the regions from the beginning of sowing to the development of plants.

"Some farmers reported about possible reseeding of winter crops due to a lack of sprouted plants", the consultancy said.

In recent years, many Ukrainian regions have been sowing winter crops in dry soil in the hope that a wet and mild winter will allow the plants to grow and give a good harvest.

Ukraine harvested a record 32.4 million tonnes of wheat in 2021.

### **China to Boost Production of Soybeans for Edible Oil in 2022**

China must expand production of soybeans as oil plants in 2022 as a "key political task that must be fulfilled," the agriculture ministry says in a statement, citing a national meeting held Monday in Beijing.

- The statement doesn't give specific target for soybean output
- China seeks to stabilize grain output to ensure good harvest next year
- Stable vegetable supply will be ensured; pork production will be stabilized

### **China Set to Give Safety Nod to More Domestic GMO Corn Varieties**

China is looking to grant safety approval to more genetically modified (GMO) corn varieties by domestic producers, a move that could lead to commercial planting of these crops in the top corn buyer.

The agriculture ministry is seeking public opinion on the safety approval of three GMO corn strains by China National Tree Seed Corp. and China Agricultural University, Hangzhou Ruifeng Biotech Co., and Beijing Dabeinong Technology Group Co., according to a notice on its website.

Genetically modified organisms are common in many of the world's top crop producers, with much of the corn and soybeans in the U.S., Brazil and Argentina grown from GMO seeds. Their use is still limited

in certain countries due to concerns over the health and environmental impact. Beijing allows imports of GMO crops for processing and they cannot be used as seeds.

The move comes as China's scooping up global grain supplies to feed its hog herd recovering from African swine fever. Corn imports soared to record levels, sparking a global price rally as investors were also worried about supply.

Beijing has ramped up its focus on food security in the past year, including urging greater self-sufficiency in staple grains. In November, the agriculture ministry laid the groundwork for growing GMO soybeans and grains, such as rice and corn, on Chinese soil for the first time.

The ministry is also looking to approve seven new GMO cotton strains. Members of the public have until Jan. 17 to submit their feedback.

#### **LATAM CROP WEATHER: Rain Relief Seen for South Brazil Early Jan.**

South Brazil will remain dry this week, increasing soybean and corn stress, though showers are expected to bring relief to parched crops in the first week of January, Celso Oliveira, a meteorologist at Climatempo in Sao Paulo, says in telephone interview.

- Rio Grande do Sul and Parana states may get from 20mm to 40mm (0.8 to 1.6 inches) starting Jan. 1
- Precipitation will aid soy fields in Rio Grande do Sul, where seeding is almost finished, while it will be too late to halt losses in some parts of Parana
- In Central and North Brazil, heavy showers seen in the next seven days, with accumulation reaching as much as 200mm
- In Mato Grosso, persistent rain will delay the soybean harvest initially expected to begin in the first week of January

#### **ARGENTINA SOY & CORN**

- Heat and only spotty rain seen in Argentina this week, while some showers are expected Jan. 1 through Jan. 6
- That rain event will bring some relief before a new dry spell in the second week of January

#### **Uruguay Soy Crop Needs Rain Soon to Avoid Damage: Minister**

Uruguay's developing soy crop is at risk of "important" damage without rain in the coming days, Agriculture Minister Fernando Mattos told reporters in Montevideo.

- Flowering corn crop needs rain even more urgently than soy
- Drought could also compromise availability of forage for cattle
- NOTE: Agriculture Ministry forecasts a 2021-22 soy harvest of approx. 2.2m metric tons, a 29% increase from the 2020-21 harvest

#### **WEATHER SUMMARIES**

**WORLD SOYBEAN PROSPECTS:** Favorable conditions for reproductive to filling soybeans in central and northern Brazil, poor conditions in the south. Dryness concerning developing to reproductive soybeans in Argentina.

**WORLD CORN PROSPECTS:** Favorable conditions for reproductive to filling corn in central and northern Brazil, poor conditions in the south. Dryness is concerning for developing to reproductive corn in

Argentina, and slowing additional planting. Showers benefiting corn planting and establishment in South Africa.

*WORLD WHEAT PROSPECTS:* Periods of precipitation in the Pacific Northwest favoring soil moisture and drought reduction. Dryness in the Southwestern Plains continuing to stress winter wheat. Favorable conditions for winter wheat establishment in southern Europe. Crops dormant mostly in good conditions across the north and east. Crop is dormant in Ukraine and western Russia in poor condition. Isolated showers not overly concerning for harvest of winter wheat in Australia. Winter wheat dormant in favorable condition in China. Scattered showers in North Africa, favoring winter wheat planting and establishment. Drought in Morocco continues despite showers, however.

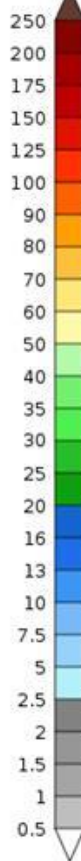
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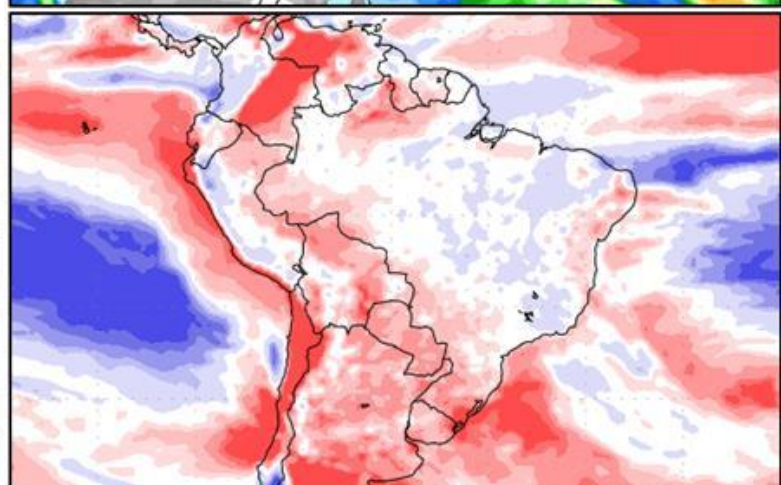
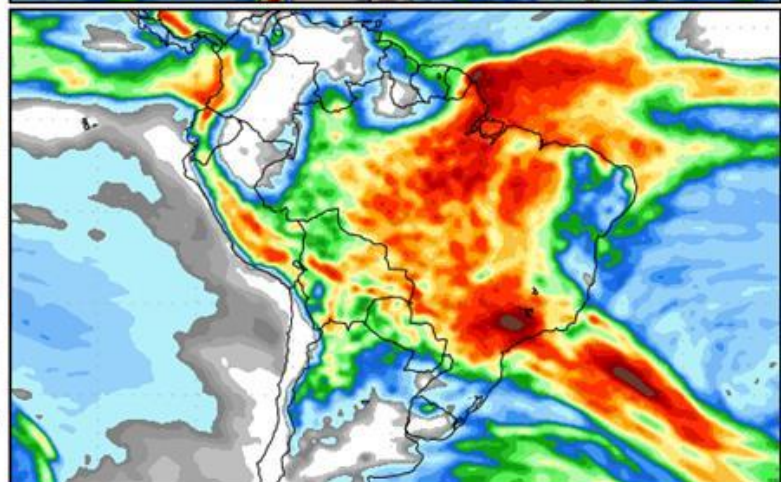
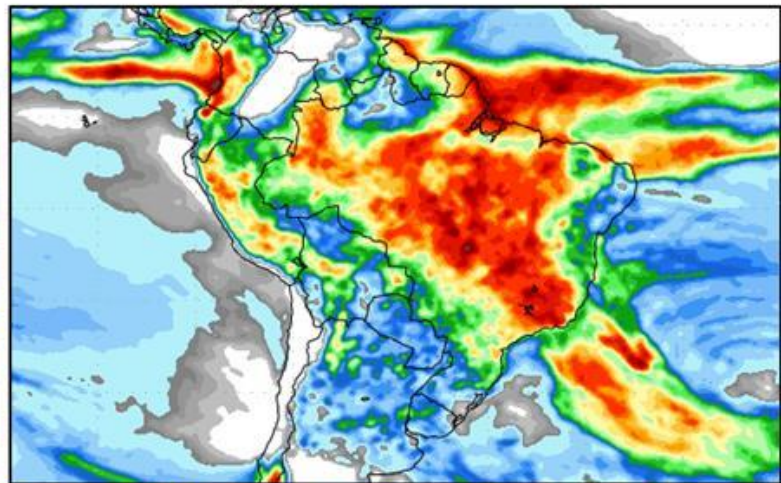
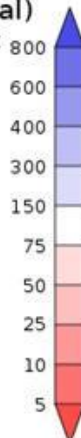
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Precipitation (% of normal)  
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Precipitation forecasts from the National Centers for Environmental Prediction.  
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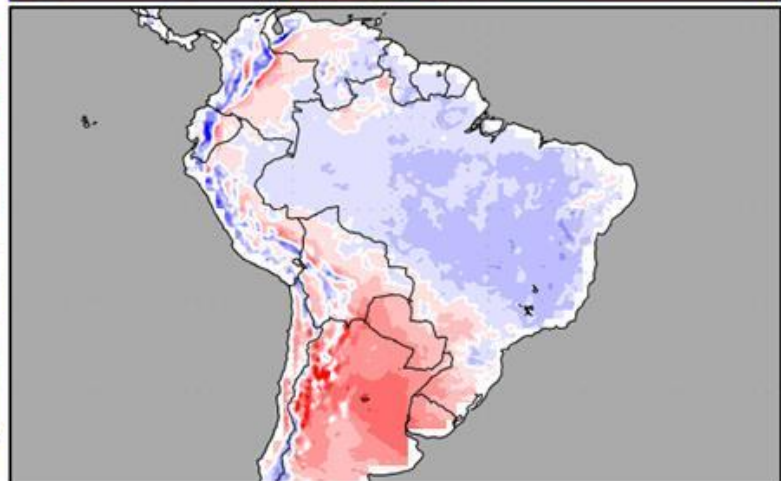
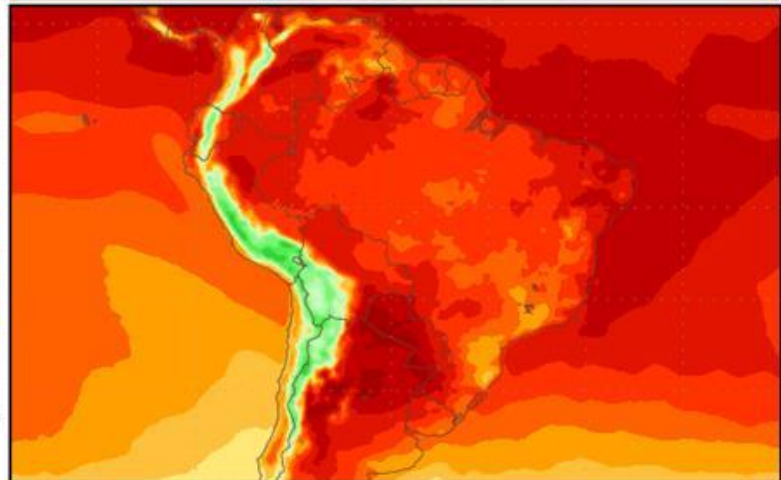
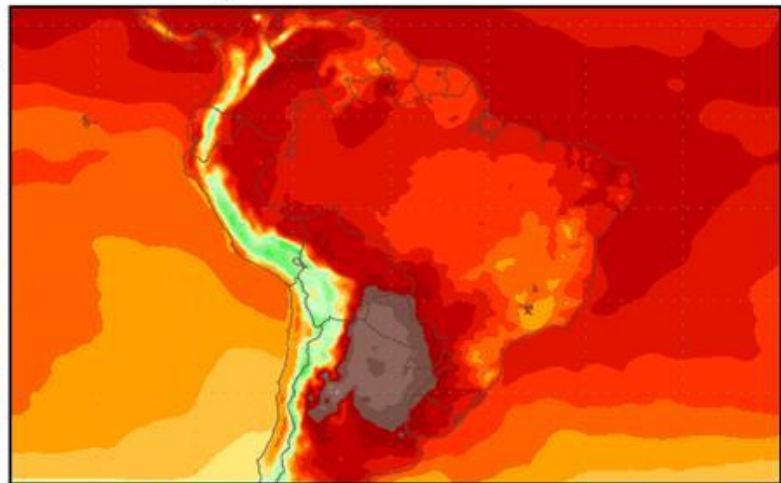
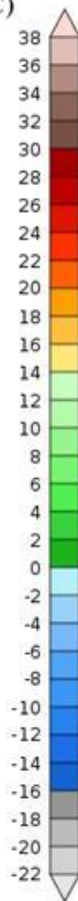
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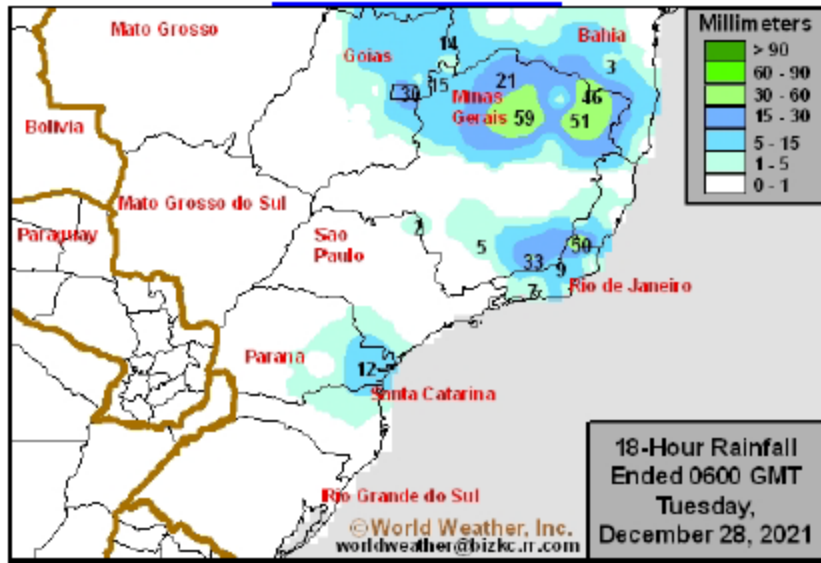
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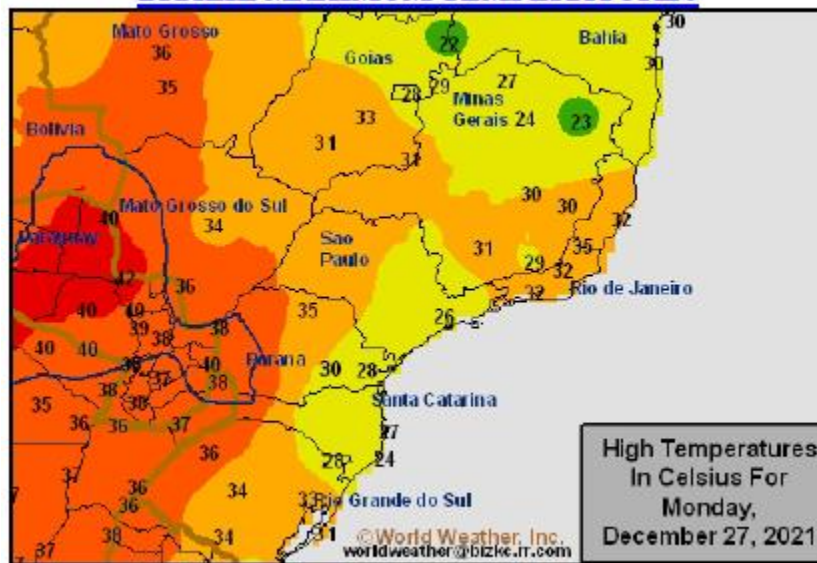


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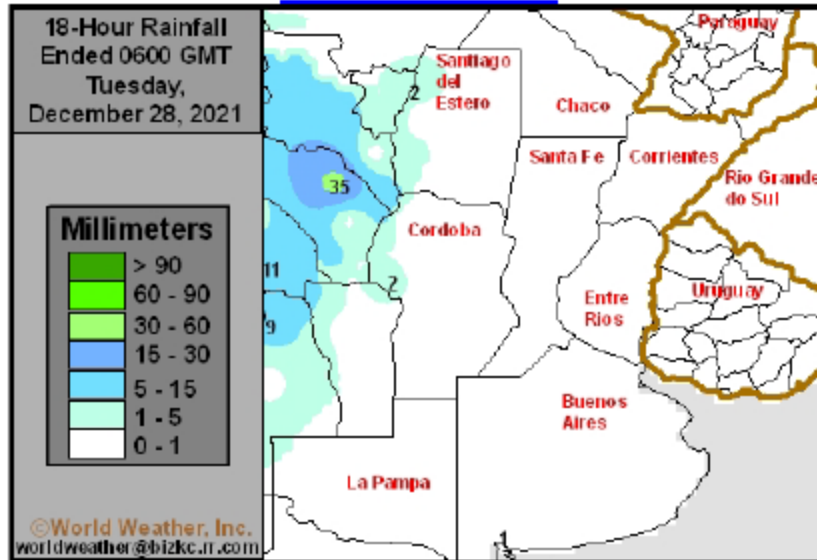


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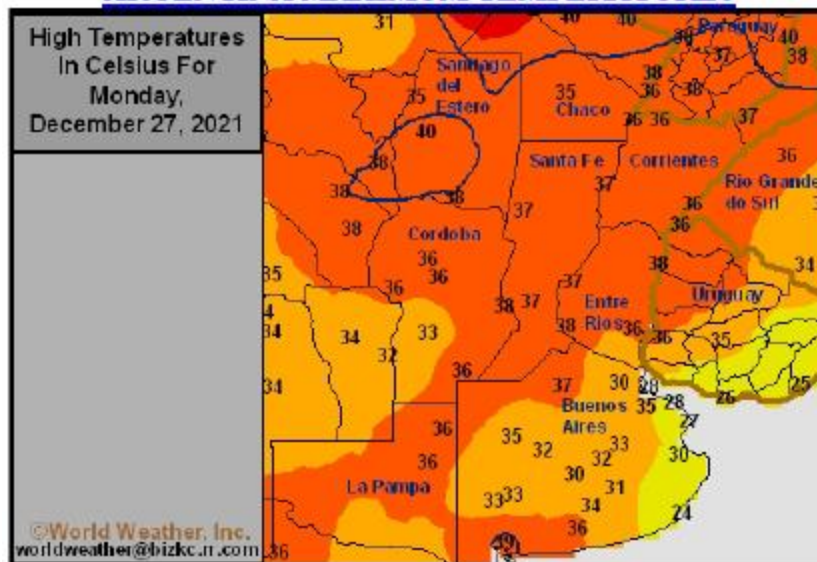




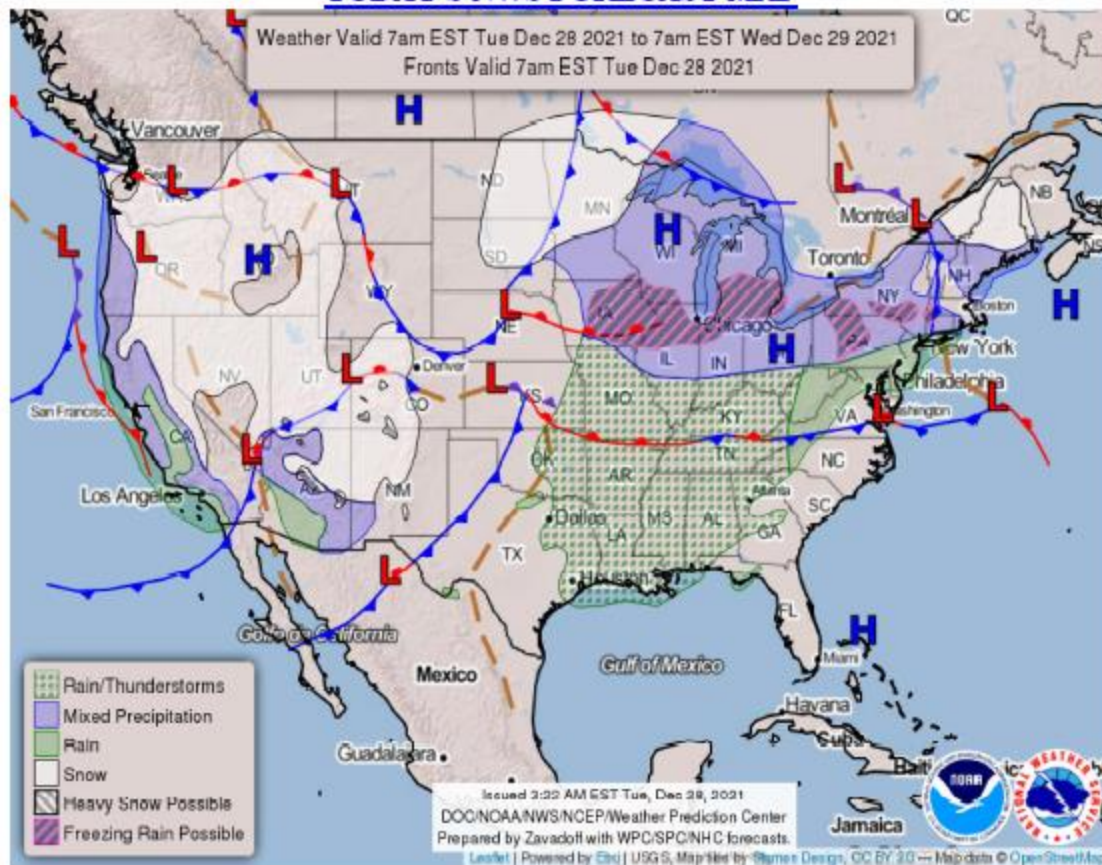
## ARGENTINA RAIN



## ARGENTINA MAXIMUM TEMPERATURES



## TODAY'S NWS FORECAST MAP



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