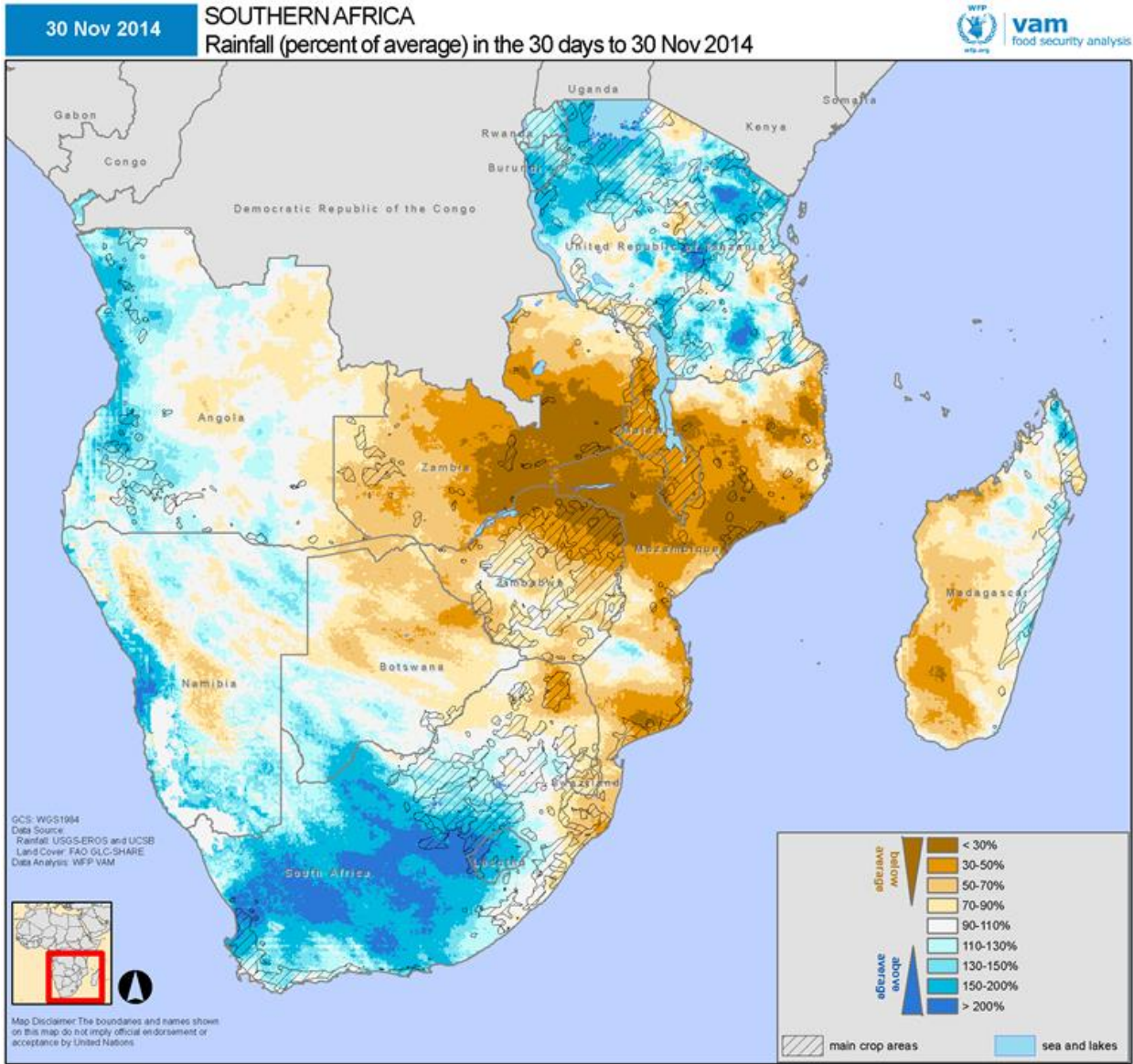
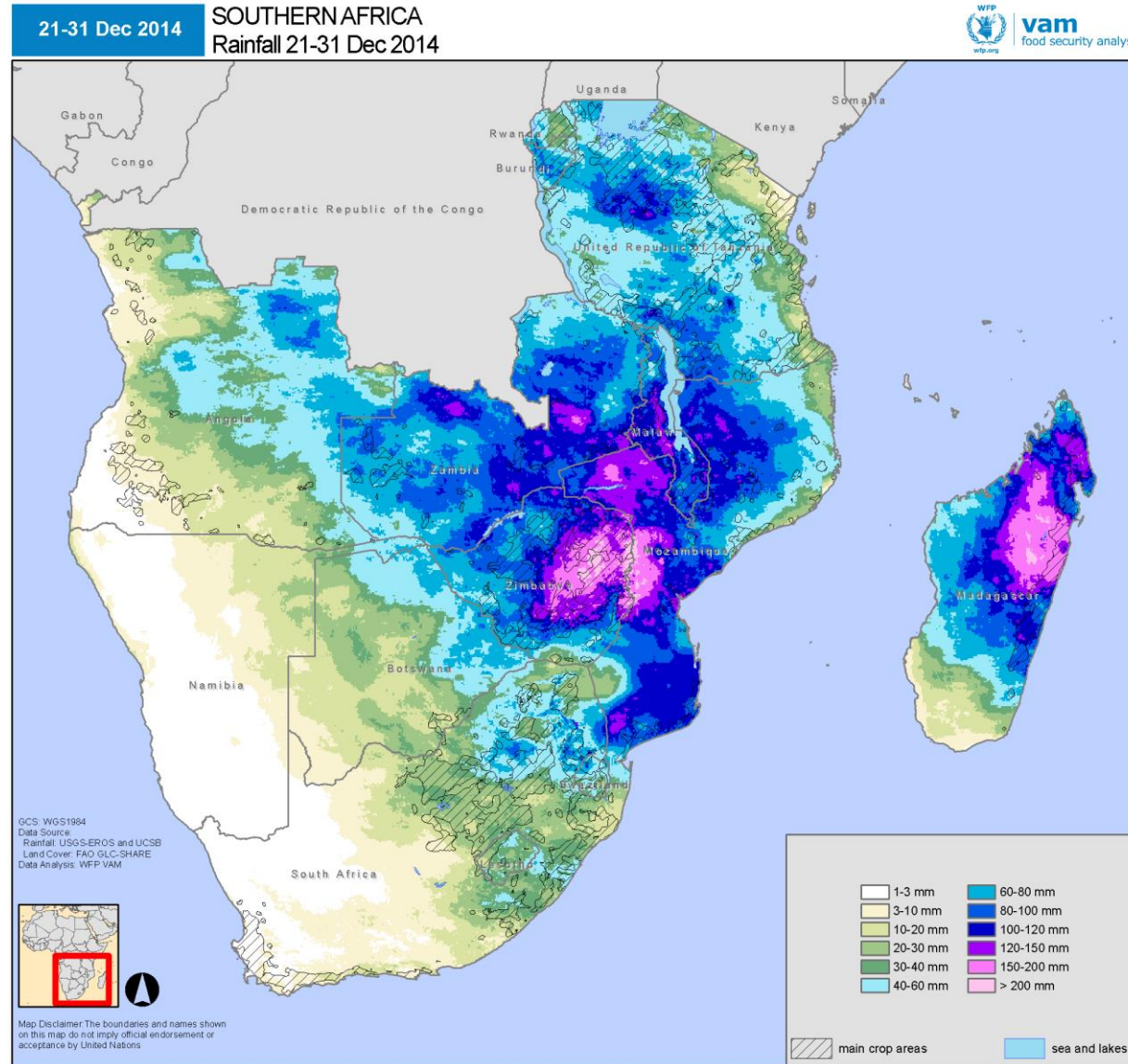


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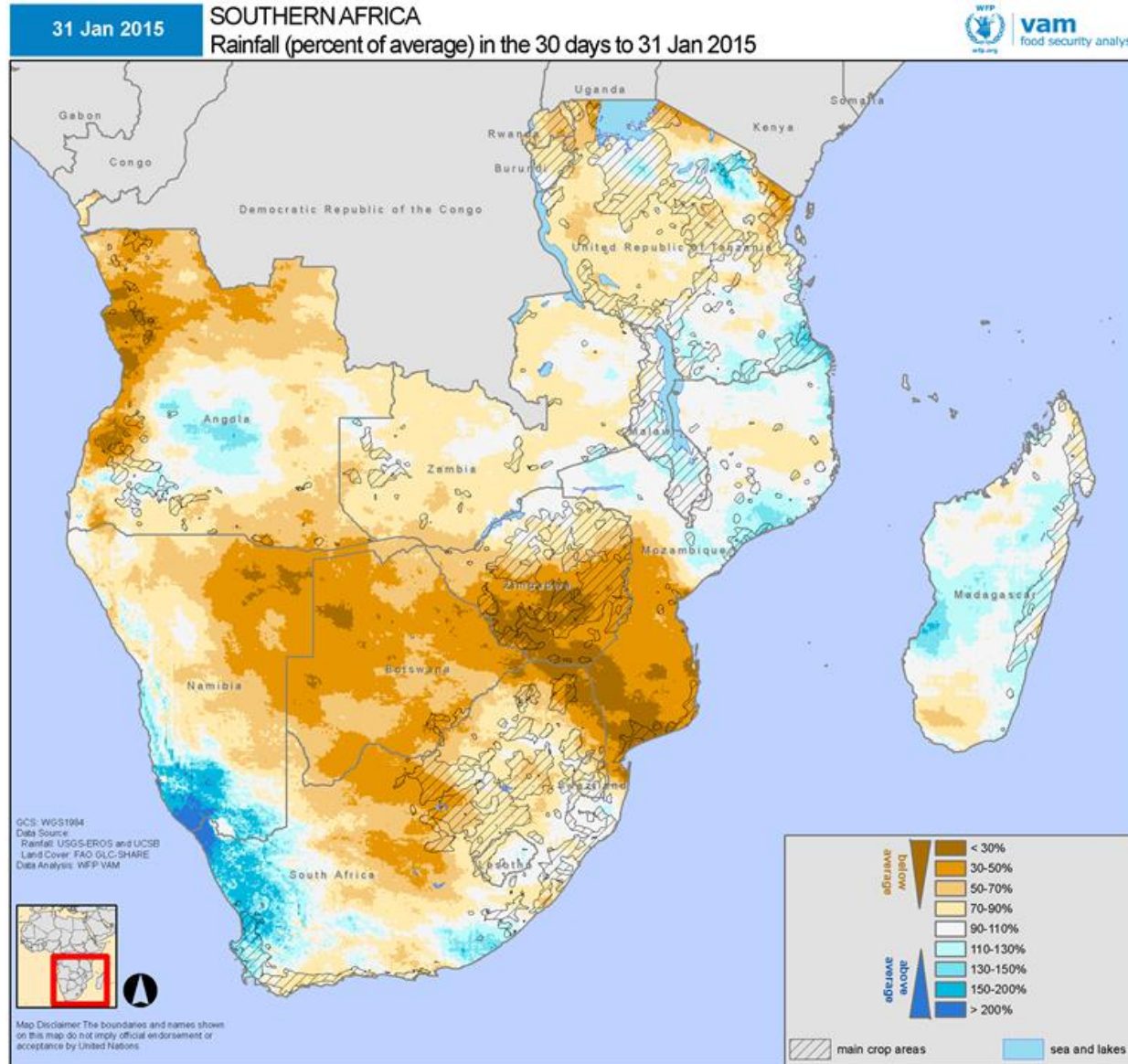
# A poor start to the season: October-December 2014 rainfall compared to average



# December-January: Flooding in Malawi, Mozambique and Madagascar

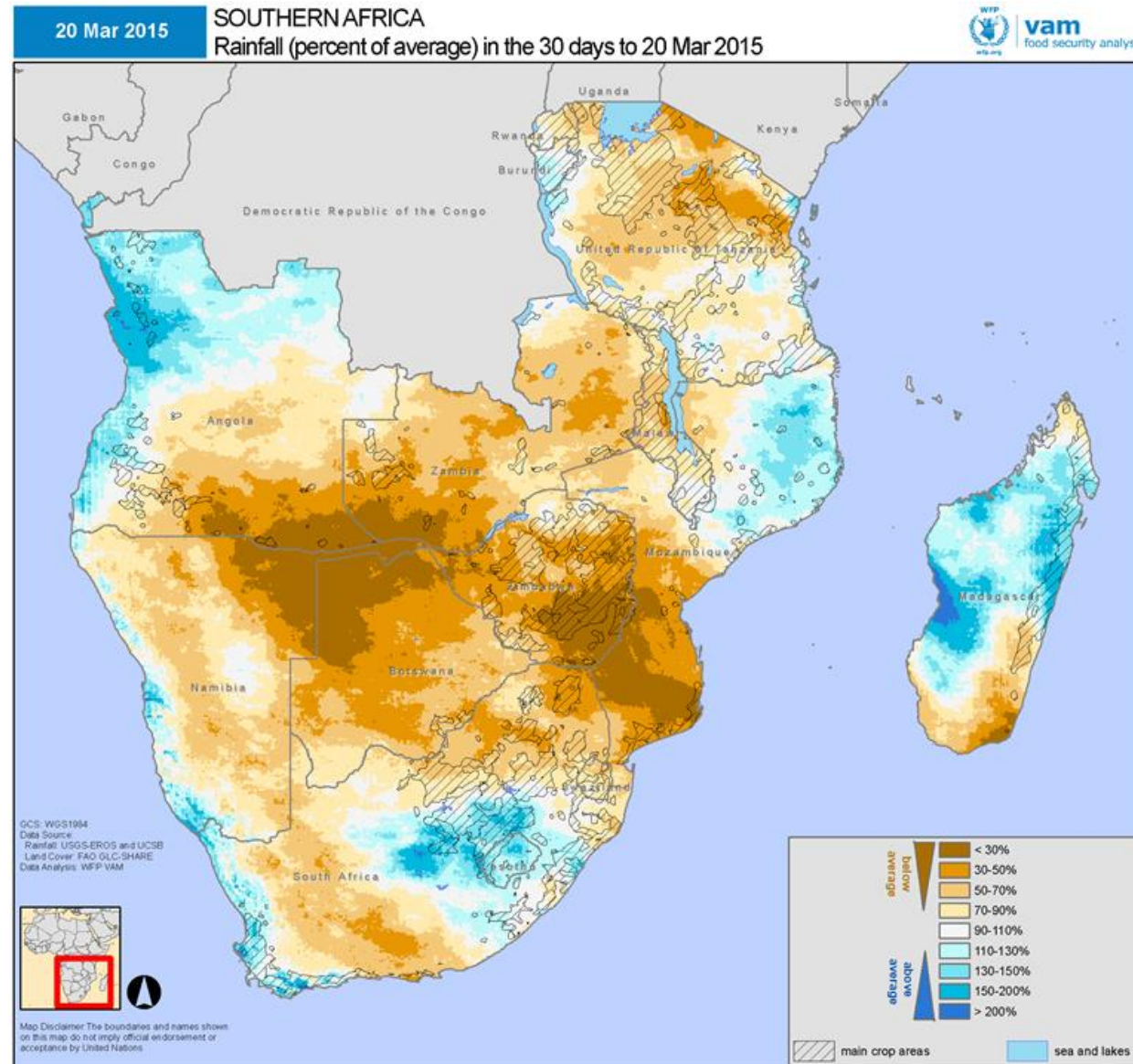


# Generalized dryness across the region: January 2015 rainfall compared to average

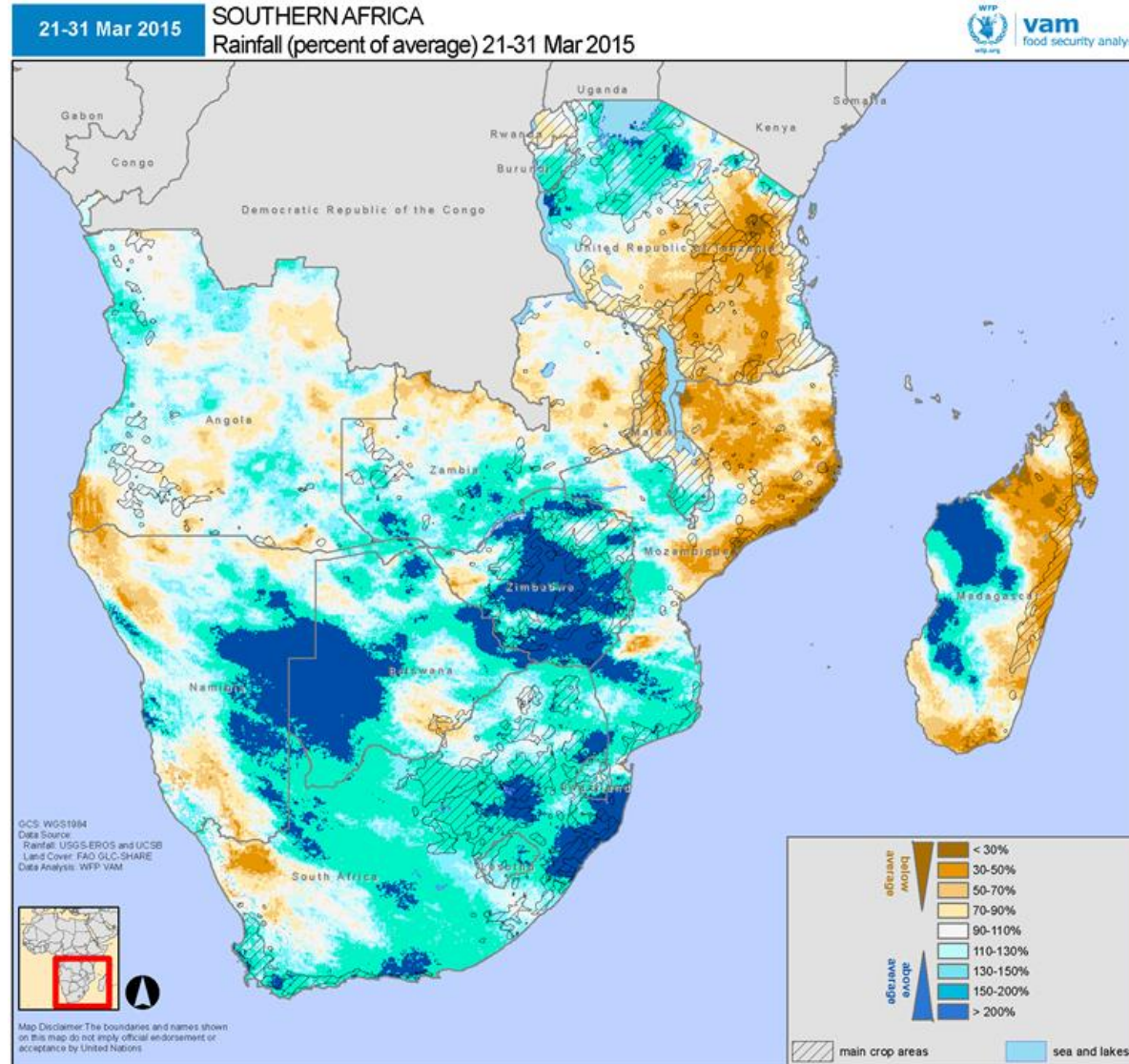




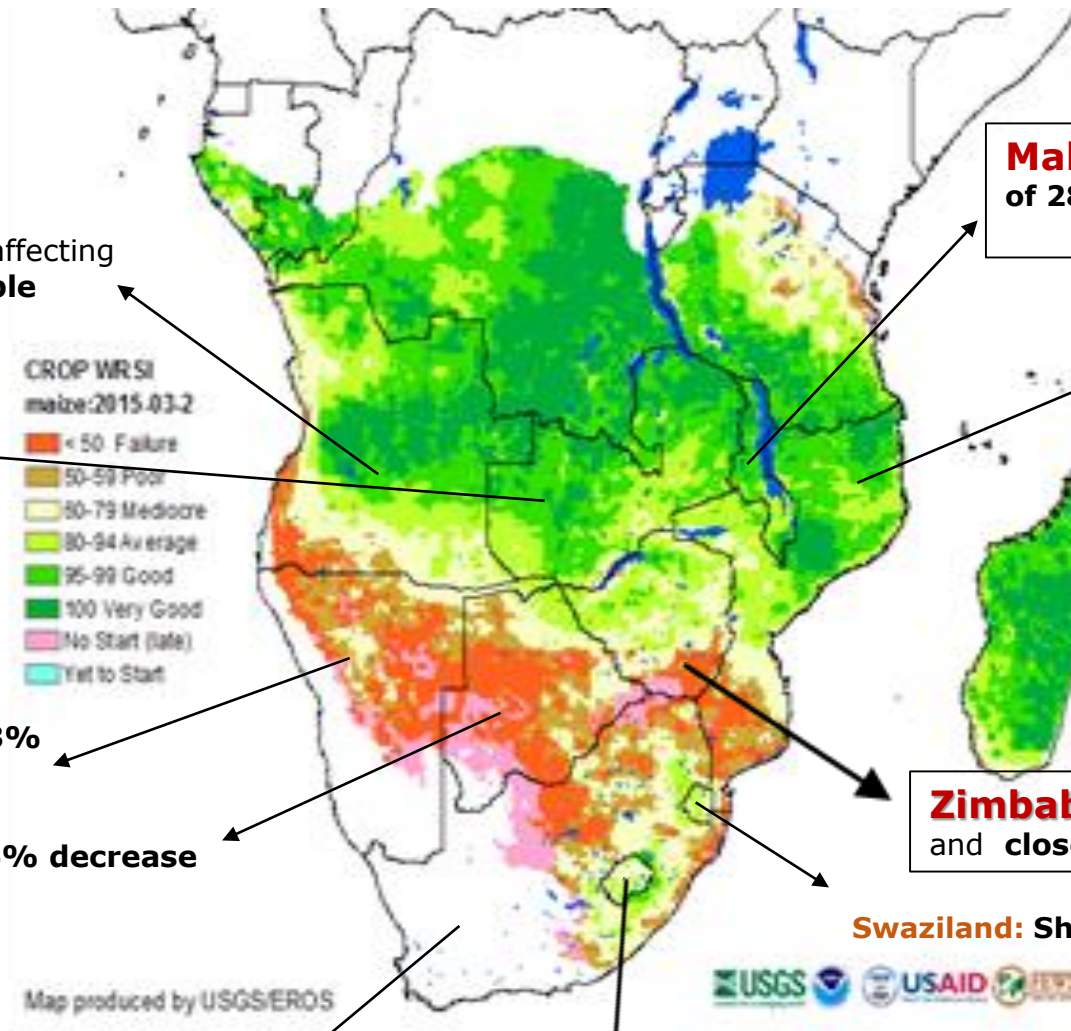
# February-March: Dryness continues



# Rains in March: too little, too late



# Projected impact of erratic weather in latter half of 2015



**Angola:** Dry spells affecting some **460,000 people** in Cunene province

**Malawi:** estimated maize production decline of **28%** compared to last year.

**Mozambique:** **93,000 ha** destroyed by floods; less than 1/2 of normal rainfall in the south

**Madagascar:** some **600,000** food insecure people in three southern regions

**Zimbabwe:** as much as a **50 percent loss** of planted area, and **close to 100 percent loss** in the south

**Swaziland:** Shortfall of **70,540 mt** of maize

**Lesotho:** projected to be *even more* reliant on imports, with a **27% price increase** for maize already

**Zambia:** **28.7% decrease in maize production** from last season, but due to carry-over stocks from last year there is a maize surplus (circa 880,000mt)

**Namibia:** crop production **33% below five-year average**

**Botswana:** **36% decrease** in planted area

**South Africa:** **32% reduction** of harvest output compared to last year, as well as compared to the past 5 year trend

