



WEATHER FORECAST FOR THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY 2026

1. Summary: During the month of February 2026, rainfall ranging between 80 and 360 mm is expected across the country. The predicted rainfall will be above the range of the Long-Term Mean (LTM). The LTM for February normally ranges between 40 and 259 mm. The three dekads of February 2026 are expected to be above the range of the LTM rainfall. The daytime maximum temperature is expected to range between 21°C and 30°C while night time minimum temperature is expected to range between 9°C to 18°C. Moderate to strong winds speed is predicted to range between 4 to 12 m/s across the country. The expected rainfall will mainly be influenced by the weak active phase of the Madden-Julian Oscillation (MJO), which is expected to enhance moisture influx over the region where Rwanda is located and the Intertropical Convergence Zone (ITCZ) drifting towards south of the Equator.

2. Rainfall forecast: The highest rainfall amount ranging between 290 and 360 mm is expected in Western Province excluding the western parts of Rubavu, Musanze and Nyaruguru Districts, northern parts of Burera and Gakenke Districts, southern parts of Huye and Gisagara Districts as well as Nyamagabe District excluding its eastern parts. Rainfall ranging between 220 and 290 mm is expected in Kigali City, the remaining parts of Rubavu District, Northern and Southern Provinces. Rainfall ranging between 150 and 220 mm is expected in Bugesera, Ngoma and Rwamagana Districts, western parts of Nyagatare, Gatsibo and Kayonza Districts as well as the southern parts of Kirehe District. The remaining parts of Kayonza, Kirehe, Gatsibo and Nyagatare Districts are expected to receive rainfall amounts ranging between 80 and 150 mm.

3. Temperature forecast

- **Maximum temperature:** The highest maximum temperature ranging between 28°C and 30°C is expected in Bugarama plain, Amayaga region, Bugesera District, Kigali City, many parts of Nyagatare, Rwamagana and Ngoma Districts, eastern parts of Gatsibo and Kayonza Districts as well as a small portion of the eastern parts of Kirehe District. While the lowest maximum temperature ranging between 21°C and 24°C is expected in the northern parts of Rulindo, Gakenke and Musanze Districts, many parts of Nyabihu, Rutsiro and Burera Districts, western parts of Gicumbi, Ngororero, Nyamagabe and Nyaruguru Districts, eastern parts of Rusizi, Nyamasheke and Rubavu Districts as well as the central parts of Karongi District.



- **Minimum temperature:** The lowest minimum temperature ranging between 9°C and 11°C is expected in northern parts of Musanze and Gakenke Districts, southern parts of Burera and Karongi Districts, western parts of Nyabihu, Ngororero, Nyamagabe and Nyaruguru Districts as well as the eastern parts of Rubavu, Rutsiro, Nyamasheke and Rusizi Districts. While the highest minimum temperature ranging between 16°C and 18°C is expected in Bugarama plain, central parts of Kigali City, northern parts of Kirehe and Gatsibo Districts, southern parts of Kayonza District as well as the central parts and southern parts of Nyagatare District.

4. Forecast of wind speed: Strong wind speed ranging between 8 and 12 m/s (orange colour) is expected in Huye District, western parts of Nyanza, Gatsibo, Ngororero and Rusizi Districts, northern and southern parts of Burera, Nyabihu and Gakenke Districts, northern parts of Rulindo and Kamonyi Districts, southern parts of Bugesera and Rusizi Districts, central parts of Ngoma, Gisagara and Nyaruguru Districts, western and eastern parts of Karongi, Gicumbi and Kayonza Districts, eastern parts of Musanze, Kirehe and Nyamagabe Districts, eastern and northern parts of Nyamasheke District. Moderate wind ranging between 4 and 6 m/s (green colour), is expected in a small portion of southern parts of Kigali City, eastern parts of Nyagatare District, western parts of Rubavu and Rutsiro Districts, a small portion of central and southern parts of Nyamasheke District, a small portion of central and western parts of Muhanga District as well as the central parts of Rusizi District. The remaining parts of the country are expected to experience moderate to strong wind speed ranging between 6 and 8 m/s (yellow colour).

5. Advisory: Due to the expected rainfall accompanied by thunderstorms in Western, Southern and Northern Provinces as well as Kigali City and strong wind expected mainly in Gisagara, Huye, Nyamagabe, Nyaruguru, Kirehe, Ngoma, Kayonza, Musanze and Burera Districts, METEO RWANDA advises the public to take necessary precaution measures to mitigate potential impacts and take advantage of using climate information in planning, mainly in agriculture as well as follow guidance from the relevant authorities.

For more detailed information on the spatial distribution of rainfall, maximum temperature, and wind speed, please refer to the maps provided below.

