

## October 2024

October is expected to be **dry and hot**. Rains are most unlikely in this month, although **Chizimalupya rains may occur in little amounts**. These rains might be accompanied by **gusty winds**.

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## November 2024

Normal to below-normal rainfall amounts are predicted for the month of November. Rains that signify the start of the season are expected from the **last week of November into December**. Expect the rains to be accompanied by **gusty winds and lightning**.

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## December 2024

Expect rainfall amounts of about **200 to 250mm** over Likoma and Chizumulu Island during December. This is **normal to below-normal amounts for Likoma** while **normal to above-normal for Chizumulu Island**.

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## January 2025

Above-normal to normal rainfall amounts are forecasted for Chizumulu, while normal to below-normal rainfall amounts will continue over Likoma Island. Chizumulu is expected to register about **300 mm** of rainfall while **200 mm** is expected for Likoma.

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## February 2025

Rainfall activities will improve over Likoma Island during February where the island might record total rainfall of about **300 mm**, while totaling to **325 mm** over Chizumulu Island. This is **normal to above-normal rainfall amounts posing a threat of flash flooding**. Dry spells of longer than **7 days are most likely** in the month.

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## March 2025

Normal to above-normal monthly rainfall with amounts of about **200 to 250mm** are expected in most areas in the district during March.

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## April 2025

Gradually, the rainfall season is going to an end, though about **100mm to 150mm** rainfall totals are expected in the district, representing **above-normal to normal range**. Cessation is expected from the **second to last week of April** across the district.

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## Season Summary

Rainfall onset is anticipated between the **last week of November and the last week of December 2024**. A dry spell of approximately one week is possible in February 2025. Cessation is expected between the **second week and last week of April**, making the season last between **100 and 145 days**.

The **2024-2025 rainfall season** is expected to be influenced by a **weak La Niña**, which is the unusual cooling of ocean waters over the eastern-central equatorial Pacific Ocean. Likoma district is expected to receive **normal to below-normal total rainfall amounts between October and January 2024**, while **normal to above-normal monthly rainfall amounts are expected from February to April 2025**.