

# Darfur Crisis: Rain Timeline

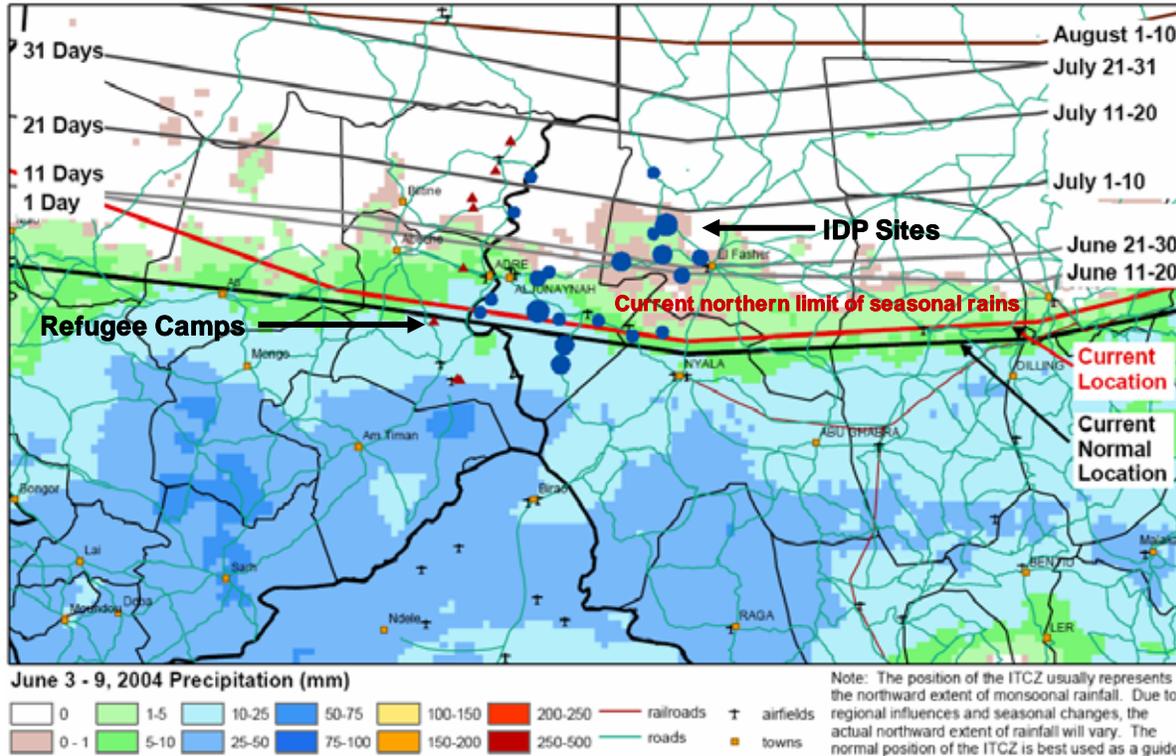
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Time remaining before seasonal rains cut off sites in Darfur and Eastern Chad

Number of days until the rains normally set in.

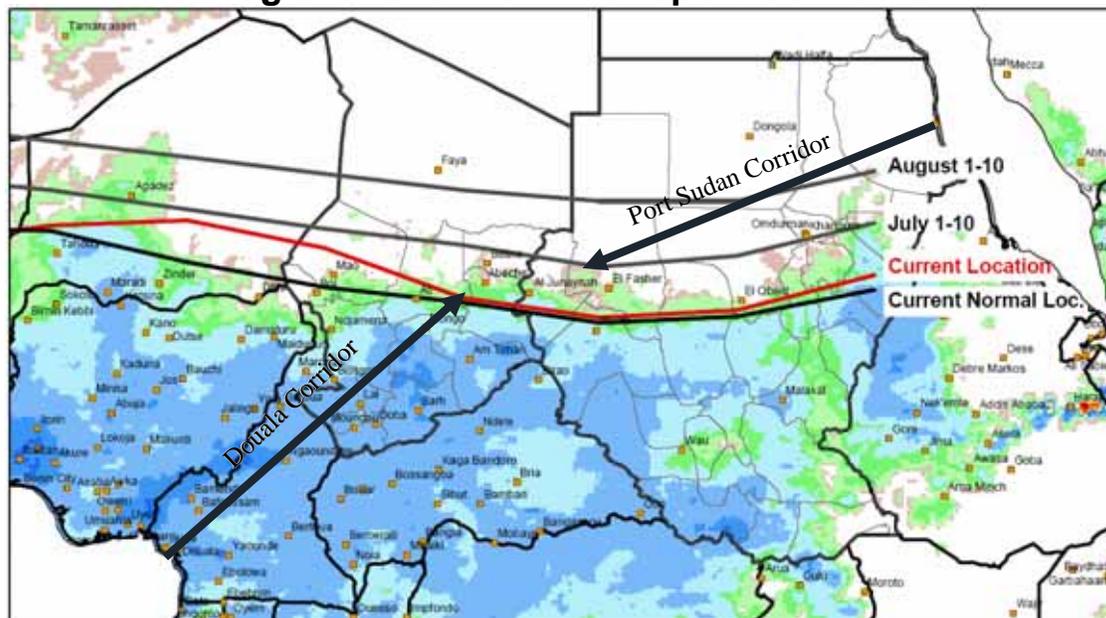
Date the rains normally set in.

Use the number of days to estimate the time remaining until the rains begin



Once seasonal rains start in the region, much of eastern Chad will be cut off. While large towns in Darfur may be accessible, surrounding areas will be difficult to access. All efforts should be made to provide refugees and IDPs with shelter and to preposition or distribute relief supplies to last through the rainy season. Already rains have begun in most of South Darfur and parts of West Darfur. Normally within the next two weeks, the rains will start in all of West Darfur and parts of North Darfur including El Fasher. Within one to two weeks rains should also set in over Abeche in Chad.

## Regional Overview: Transport Corridors



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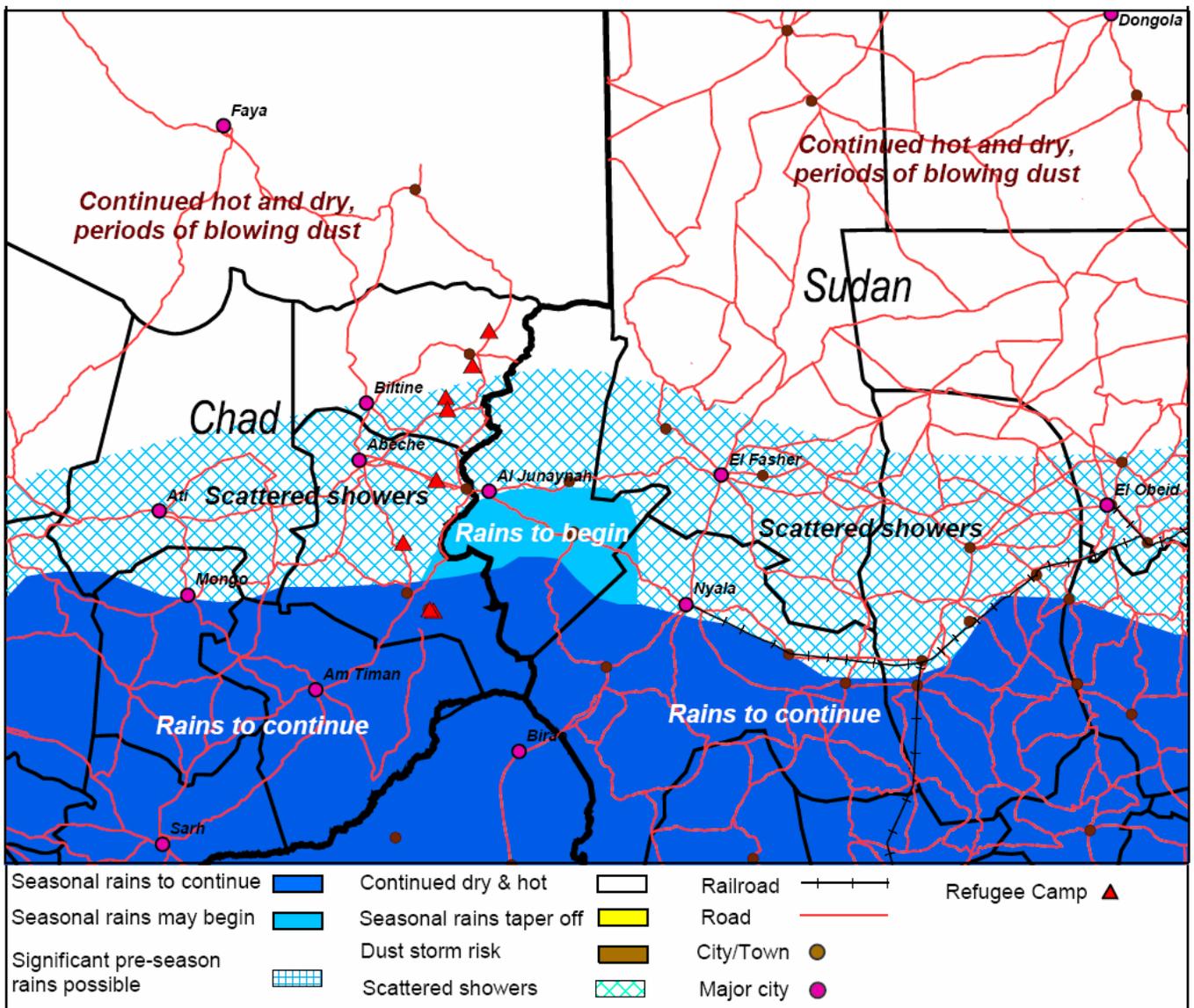


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## Seven Day Rainfall Forecast

June 11 — 17 2004

- ⇒ Monsoonal rains have started over Salamat and southern Ouaddai in Chad as well as over 2/3rds of South Darfur and the higher terrain of southern West Darfur. Monsoonal rains will continue across these areas with the wet season beginning across central West Darfur. Although monsoonal rains start across West Darfur and vicinity during June into early July, the heaviest rains typically fall during late July through August. Rains taper off during September.
- ⇒ Scattered showers are possible over northern Ouaddai and southern Biltine in Chad as well as northern West Darfur and southern North Darfur in Sudan. Most of the time conditions will be dry and hot, with occasional blowing dust.
- ⇒ Hot, dry conditions are expected across most of Biltine and the far northern portion of West Darfur. Occasional blowing dust is expected.



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