Weekly Weather and Crop Bulletin for Pakistan



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Highlights of Past Weather (From 7th to 13th April, 2014)

Mainly normal/above normal day time temperature was reported from some parts of the during the week. Province wise country distribution of rainfall reported as follows:

- Light to moderate rainfall reported at many places in Punjab, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa and Gilgit-Baltistan & Kashmir regions.
- Dry weather was reported in Balochistan & Sindh.

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Past Weather of Provinces (From 7th to 13th

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Punjab

Light to moderate rainfall reported at many places in Punjab during the week. Weekly maximum and minimum temperatures recorded 32.3°C & 16.0°C respectively. For the present season average 133.6 growing degree days accumulated by the end of last week. Average relative humidity recorded 51% and wind speed in the morning/evening recorded 1.6/2.9 Knots. During the previous week highest amount of rainfall reported at Lahore 13.0mm and highest maximum temperature was recorded 40.3°C at Khanpur.

Sindh

Dry weather was reported in Sindh during the Weekly week. maximum and minimum 37.9°C 19.7°C temperatures recorded & respectively. For the present season average 167.5 growing degree days accumulated by the end of last week. Average relative humidity recorded 41% and wind speed in the morning/evening recorded 1.9/4.8 Knots. During the previous week highest maximum temperature was recorded 44.0°C at Nawabshah.

Khyber Pakhtunkhwa

Light to moderate rainfall reported at many places in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa during the week. Weekly maximum and minimum temperatures recorded 25.0°C & 10.0°C respectively. For the present season average 84.5 growing degree days accumulated by the end of last week. Average relative humidity recorded 53% and wind speed in the morning/evening recorded 1.1/2.8 Knots. The highest amount of rainfall was reported at Pattan 22.0mm and highest maximum temperature recorded 34.4°C at Bannu.

Balochistan

Dry weather was reported in Balochistan during the week. Weekly maximum and minimum temperatures recorded 31.8°C & 15.1°C respectively. For the present season average 128.2 growing degree days accumulated by the end of last week. Average relative humidity recorded 50% and wind speed in the morning/evening recorded 1.2/4.9 Knots. During the previous week highest maximum temperature recorded 41.0°C at Sibbi.

Gilgit-Baltistan and Azad Jammu & Kashmir

Light to moderate rainfall reported at many places in Gilgit-Baltistan & Kashmir regions during the week. Weekly maximum and minimum temperatures recorded 21.4°C & 7.2°C respectively. For the present season average 65.3 growing degree days accumulated by the end of last week. Average relative humidity recorded 50% and wind speed in the morning/evening recorded 0.9/3.3 Knots. During the previous week highest amount of rainfall reported at Muzaffarabad 26.0mm and highest maximum temperature recorded 32.4°C at Muzaffarabad.

Past Weather for Major Agricultural Plains (From 7th to 13th April, 2014)

Rawalpindi (Potohar region)

Rainfall reported as "Trace" (not measureable) during the week; however cloudiness in the morning/evening recorded 2.0/2.0 Oktas while, average relative humidity observed 44%. Mean day time temperature recorded 28.9°C & for the present season 110.6 growing degree days accumulated by the end of last week. Wind speed recorded in the morning/evening as 0.3/1.3 Knots.

Faisalabad (Central Punjab)

Rainfall reported as "Trace" (not measureable) during the week; however cloudiness in the morning/evening recorded 1.0/0.6 Oktas while average relative humidity observed as 43%. Mean day time temperature recorded 32.8°C & for the present season 138.4 growing degree days accumulated by the end of last week. Wind speed recorded in the morning/evening as 1.2/1.9 Knots.

Tandojam (Lower Singh)

Dry weather was reported during the week; however, average relative humidity observed as 45%. Mean day time temperature recorded 38.4°C & for the present season 160.3 growing degree days accumulated by the end of last week. Wind speed recorded in the morning/evening as 1.1/1.7Knots.

Quetta (Northern Balochistan)

Dry weather was reported during the week; however cloudiness in the morning/evening recorded 0.7/2.3 Oktas while, average relative humidity observed as 24%. Mean day time temperature recorded 22.8°C for the present season 80.8 growing degree days accumulated by the end of last week. Wind speed recorded in the morning/evening as 3.3/4.1 Knots.

Usta Muhammad (Eastern Balochistan)

Dry weather was reported during the week; however cloudiness in the morning/evening recorded 0.7/1.4 Oktas while, average relative humidity observed as 42%. Mean day time temperature recorded 37.5°C & for the present season 172.3 growing degree days accumulated by the end of last week. Wind speed recorded in the morning/evening as 0.1/0.1 Knots.

Past Weather for Sub-Regional Agricultural Plains (From 7th to 13th April, 2014)

Rohri

Dry weather was reported during the week; however cloudiness in the morning/evening recorded 0.4/0.7 Oktas while, average relative humidity observed as 32%. Mean day time temperature recorded 37.3°C & for the present season 167.3 growing degree days accumulated by the end of last week. Wind speed recorded in the morning/evening as 0.6/2.6 Knots.

Multan

Dry weather was reported during the week; however cloudiness in the morning/evening recorded 0.5/0.2 Oktas while, average relative humidity observed as 46%. Mean day time temperature recorded 33.8°C & for the present season 144.8 growing degree days accumulated by the end of last week. Wind speed recorded in the morning/evening as 2.0/4.0Knots.

Lahore

Rainfall reported as 2.4mm during the week; however cloudiness in the morning/evening recorded 2.0/1.4 Oktas while, average relative humidity observed as 43%. Mean day time temperature recorded 31.8°C & for the present season 136.5 growing degree days accumulated by the end of last week. Wind speed recorded in the morning/evening as 3.7/6.3 Knots.

Zhob

Dry weather was reported during the week; however cloudiness in the morning/evening recorded 0.0/2.0 Oktas while, average relative humidity observed as 39%. Mean day time temperature recorded 26.4°C & for the present season 107.3 growing degree days accumulated by the end of last week. Wind speed recorded in the morning/evening as 5.0/6.7 Knots.

D.I. Khan

Dry weather was reported during the week; however cloudiness in the morning/evening recorded 0.0/0.6 Oktas while, average relative humidity observed as 55%. Mean day time temperature recorded 31.8°C & for the present season 133.5 growing degree days accumulated by the end of last week. Wind speed recorded in the morning/evening as 0.3/0.9 Knots.

Peshawar

Rainfall reported as 0.2mm during the week; however cloudiness in the morning/evening recorded 2.1/0.4 Oktas while, average relative humidity observed as 53%. Mean day time temperature recorded 31.1°C & for the present season 119.9 growing degree days accumulated by the end of last week. Wind speed recorded in the morning/evening as 1.1/2.0 Knots.

Murree

Rainfall reported as 12.3mm during the week; however cloudiness in the morning/evening recorded 2.1/2.9 Oktas while, average relative humidity observed as 49%. Mean day time temperature recorded 17.5°C & for the present season 55.4 growing degree days accumulated by the end of last week. Wind speed recorded in the morning/evening as 2.9/1.7 Knots.

Kalam

Rainfall reported as 1.0mm during the week; however cloudiness in the morning/evening recorded 4.3/3.7 Oktas while, average relative humidity observed as 61%. Mean day time temperature recorded 17.2°C by the end of last recorded week. Wind speed in the morning/evening as 0.0/0.7Knots.

Gilgit

Rainfall reported as 0.4mm during the week; however cloudiness in the morning/evening recorded 6.3/4.7 Oktas while, average relative humidity observed as 50%. Mean day time temperature recorded 22.0°C & for the present season 66.3 growing degree days accumulated by the end of last week. Wind speed recorded in the morning/evening 0.0/7.7 Knots.

Skardu

Rainfall reported as 0.1mm during the week; however cloudiness in the morning/evening recorded 4.1/4.4 Oktas while, average relative humidity observed as 42%. Mean day time temperature recorded 16.3°C & for the present season 34.4 growing degree days accumulated by the end of last week. Wind speed recorded in the morning/evening as 0.0/8.1 Knots.

Crop Situation for Major Agricultural Plains (Based on Data from Regional Agromet Centers)

Potohar Region (Rawalpindi)

There is presently one crop (irrigated condition) grown in the fields of RMC Rawalpindi.

Wheat (Chakwal-97): Good condition at Shooting stage.

Central Punjab (Faisalabad)

There is presently one crop (irrigated condition) grown in the fields of RMC Faisalabad.

Wheat: Very good condition at Wax Maturity stage.

Lower Sindh (Tandojam)

There is presently one crop (irrigated condition) grown in the fields of RMC Tandojam.

Wheat (PD-1): Good condition at Harvesting stage. Northern Balochistan (Quetta)

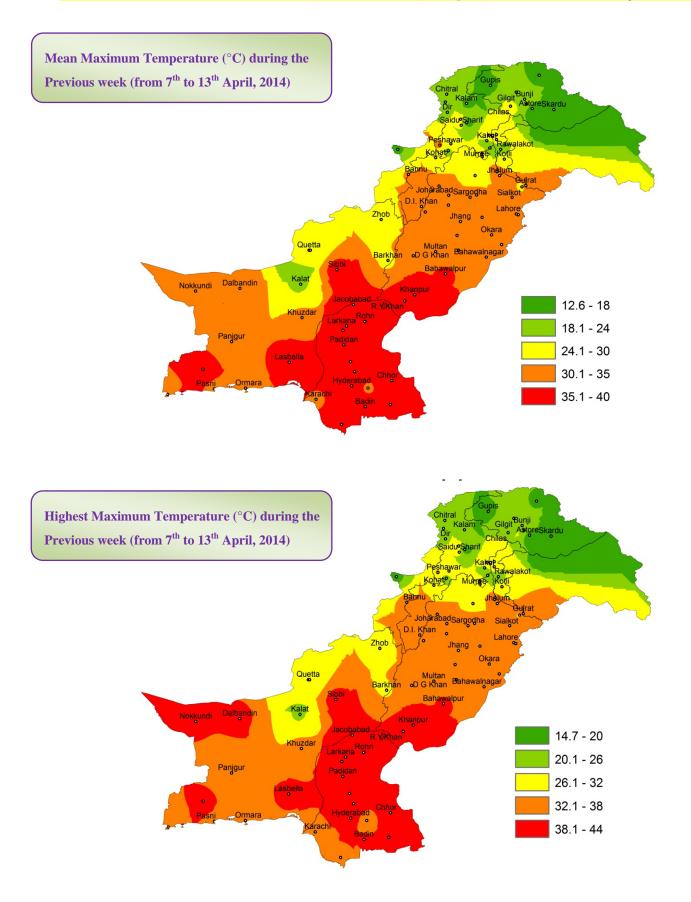
There is presently one crop (irrigated condition) grown in the fields of RMC Quetta.

Wheat (Local white): Good condition at Shooting stage.

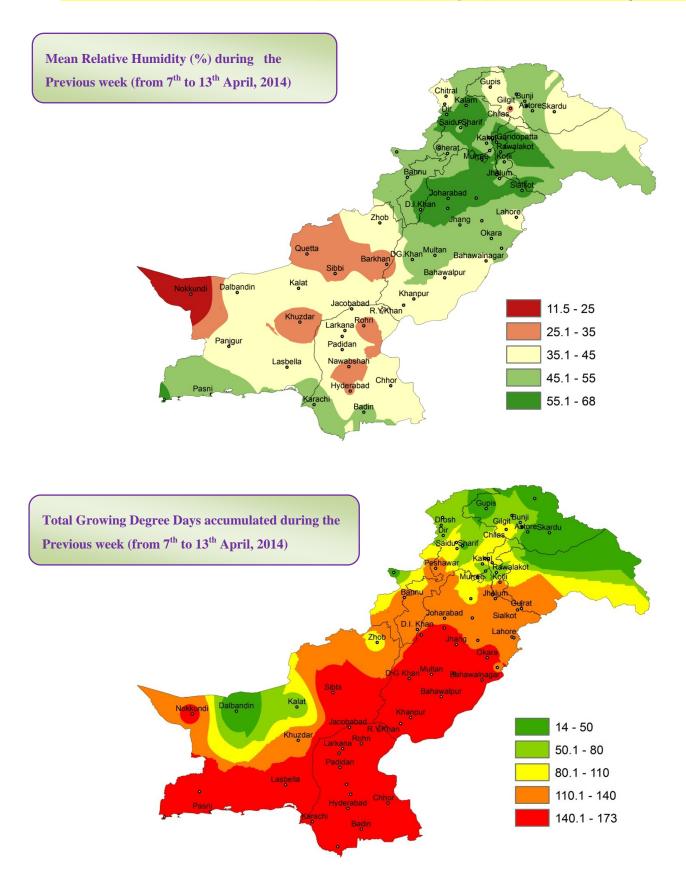
Eastern Balochistan (Usta Muhammad)

There is presently one crop (irrigated condition) grown in the fields of RMC Usta Muhammad.

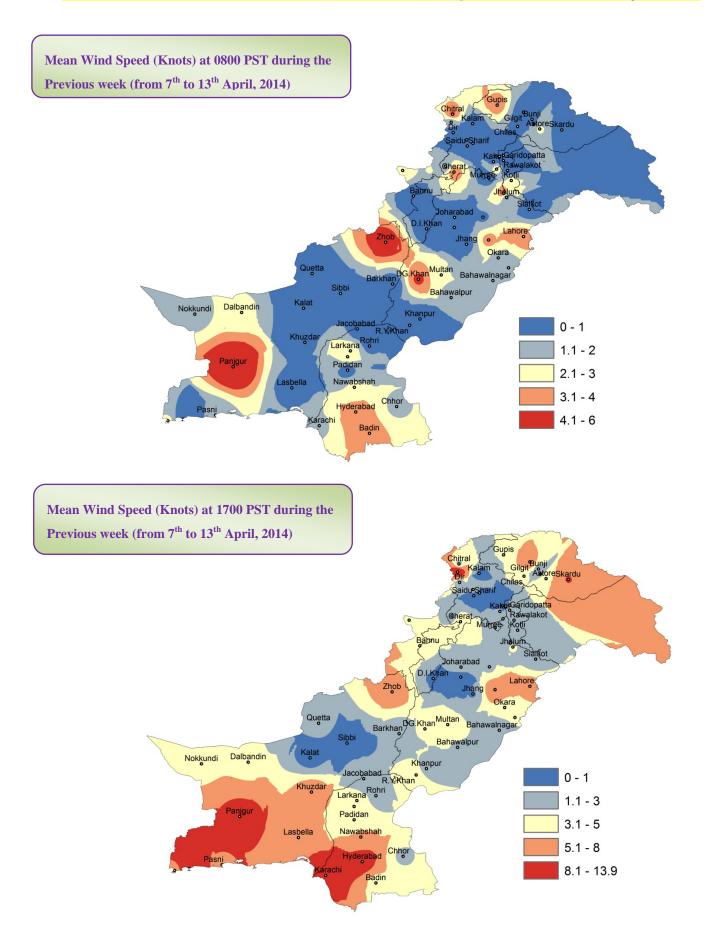
Wheat: Good condition at Full Maturity stage.



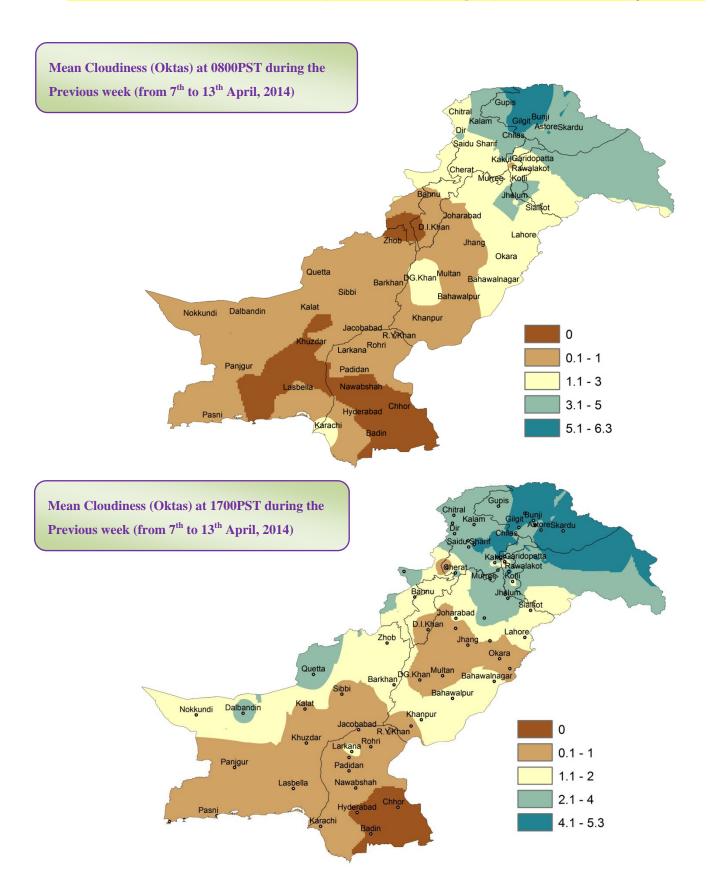
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Weekly Weather Advisory for Farmers (From 14th to 20th April, 2014)

A shallow westerly wave is expected to approach Western & Upper parts of the country on Tuesday (evening/night) and likely to persist during next 24 hours. Another fresh westerly wave is expected to approach upper parts of the country on Thursday and likely to persist till Saturday.

Punjab including Islamabad

Dust-thunderstorm with light rain is expected at isolated places in Central & South Punjab (D.G. Khan, Multan, Sahiwal and Bahawalpur divisions) on Tuesday (evening/night) & Wednesday. Rainthunderstorm is expected at isolated places in Islamabad, upper Punjab (Rawalpindi, Gujranwala, Sargodha Lahore divisions) and on Wednesday/Thursday.

More rain-thundershower (associated with gusty winds) is expected at scattered places in Islamabad, upper Punjab (Rawalpindi, Gujranwala, Sargodha and Lahore divisions) during Friday/Saturday, while, at isolated places in South Punjab during the period.

Khyber Pakhtunkhwa

Rain-thunderstorm is expected at isolated places in KP (Malakand, Hazara, Peshawar, Kohat, Bannu and D.I. Khan divisions) on Tuesday (evening/night) & Wednesday.

More rain-thundershower (associated with gusty winds) is expected at scattered places in upper KP (Malakand, Hazara Peshawar and Kohat divisions) on Thursday & Friday, while at isolated places on Saturday.

Balochistan

Mainly dry weather is expected in most parts of the province during the week. However, rain-thunderstorm is expected at isolated places in Quetta & Zhob divisions on Tuesday (evening/night)/Wednesday.

Sindh

Mainly hot and dry weather is expected in most parts of the province during the week, however partly cloudy weather conditions with possibility of rain-thunderstorm at one or two places in upper Sindh (Sukkar division) on Tuesday (night)/Wednesday (morning) and again during the weekend.

Kashmir

Scattered rain-thundershower (associated with gusty winds) is expected in Kashmir from Wednesday to Saturday. Mainly dry weather with partly cloudy conditions is expected during rest of the days of the week.

Gilgit-Baltistan

Partly cloudy to cloudy weather conditions would prevail over Gilgit-Baltistan during the week, However rain-thunder is expected at isolated places in Gilgit-Baltistan with occasional gap from Wednesday to Saturday.

Advises for Crops

Sugarcane: Farmers are advised to manage irrigation practices as per weather prediction during the week.

General Information Farmers of rainfed areas, obtaining crop water through tube wells are advised to schedule the irrigation according to the expected weather mentioned above during the week. It is advised to ensure field sanitation and spray prophylactic fungicidal sprays to prevent spread of diseases on vegetables. Farmers should also free the crops from excess of weeds after recent rains especially in upper half of the country.

National Weather Data of Selected Cities

(Weekly Data From 7th to 13th April, 2014)

| | Maximum/Day | | Growing | Relative | Rainfall | Cloudiness | Cloudiness | Wind | Wind |
|--------------|-------------|--------------------|---------|----------|----------|------------|------------|------------------|------------------|
| Stations | - | ime rature (°C) | Deg. | Humidity | (mm) | (Oktas) | (Oktas) | Speed (Knots) | Speed (Knots) |
| | Mean | Highest | Days | (%) | | 0800PST | 1700PST | 0800PST | 1700PST |
| Astore | 12.5 | 14.5 | 13.2 | 49 | 5.0 | 5.1 | 5.1 | 2.3 | 5.1 |
| Badin | 37.3 | 38.5 | 167.7 | 47 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 3.4 | 4.0 |
| Bahawalnagar | 34.8 | 38.0 | 154.5 | 43 | 0.0 | 2.1 | 1.8 | 1.4 | 1.7 |
| Bahawalpur | 35.4 | 38.5 | 154.4 | 44 | 0.0 | 0.6 | 1.9 | 1.4 | 2.9 |
| Balakot | 26.2 | 27.5 | 91.4 | 49 | 13.0 | 3.3 | 3.9 | 0.7 | 0.6 |
| Bannu | 30.5 | 34.4 | 122.1 | 54 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.7 | 0.0 | 4.6 |
| Barkhan | 29.2 | 31.5 | *** | 30 | 0.0 | 0.6 | 1.3 | 0.0 | 1.3 |
| Bunji | 21.7 | 24.6 | 75.9 | 45 | 4.0 | 6.0 | 5.4 | 0.6 | 1.7 |
| Cherat | 21.8 | 23.0 | *** | 48 | 0.0 | 2.0 | 2.1 | 3.7 | 4.6 |
| Chhor | 39.7 | 41.2 | 168.4 | 41 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.7 | 2.6 |
| Chilas | 24.9 | 26.0 | 96.6 | 34 | 0.1 | 5.0 | 4.0 | 0.9 | 3.4 |
| Chitral | 23.4 | 25.1 | 66.2 | 44 | 2.0 | 2.6 | 2.3 | 4.3 | 2.0 |
| D.I.Khan | 31.8 | 34.0 | 133.5 | 55 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.6 | 0.3 | 0.9 |
| Dalbandin | 34.5 | 39.0 | 22.8 | 40 | 0.0 | 0.3 | 2.1 | 2.3 | 4.0 |
| DG.Khan | 34.6 | 36.0 | 152.6 | 50 | 0.0 | 2.1 | 0.9 | 4.3 | 3.4 |
| Dir | 22.7 | 25.0 | 72.5 | 61 | 6.1 | 3.1 | 3.3 | 0.0 | 1.1 |
| Drosh | 23.0 | 25.4 | 64.0 | 38 | 1.0 | 2.6 | 2.3 | 1.1 | 14.0 |
| Faisalabad | 32.8 | 35.5 | 138.4 | 43 | 0.1 | 1.0 | 0.6 | 1.2 | 1.9 |
| Garidopatta | 27.6 | 31.5 | 90.0 | 58 | 5.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 3.4 |
| Gawader | 35.2 | 38.0 | 161.8 | 50 | 0.0 | 0.9 | 0.4 | 0.0 | 9.0 |
| Gilgit | 22.0 | 24.5 | 66.3 | 50 | 0.4 | 6.3 | 4.7 | 0.0 | 7.7 |
| Gupis | 16.8 | 18.5 | 38.3 | 43 | 0.0 | 4.9 | 3.4 | 3.7 | 3.1 |

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|--------------|-----------------------|------|-------|-------------------------|------------------------|-------------|-----|-----|------|
| Hyderabad | 37.8 | 40.0 | 171.0 | 35 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 3.7 | 10.6 |
| Islamabad | 28.6 | 30.2 | 109.3 | 59 | 0.3 | 2.4 | 2.4 | 0.0 | 2.9 |
| Jacobabad | 38.2 | 41.0 | 167.0 | 45 | 0.0 | 0.7 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 1.7 |
| Jhang | 34.0 | 37.3 | 140.9 | 51 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.7 | 0.6 | 0.9 |
| Jhelum | 30.8 | 32.9 | 128.0 | 54 | 0.5 | 2.9 | 2.3 | 0.6 | 3.1 |
| Jiwani | 32.9 | 35.0 | 156.4 | 58 | 0.0 | 0.4 | 0.0 | 2.3 | 7.7 |
| Joharabad | 32.1 | 34.4 | 133.9 | 61 | 1.0 | 0.9 | 1.1 | 0.3 | 2.0 |
| Kakul | 23.3 | 25.0 | 76.1 | 55 | 14.0 | 2.6 | 1.3 | 0.6 | 1.4 |
| Kalam | 17.2 | 20.0 | * * * | 61 | 1.0 | 4.3 | 3.7 | 0.0 | 0.7 |
| Kalat | 23.1 | 25.5 | 61.9 | 45 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.9 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Karachi | 34.7 | 36.0 | 159.3 | 54 | 0.0 | 1.3 | 0.3 | 1.7 | 10.0 |
| Khanpur | 36.5 | 40.3 | 157.6 | 44 | 0.0 | 0.4 | 1.4 | 0.0 | 2.0 |
| Khuzdar | 30.8 | 33.0 | 130.3 | 29 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.7 | 0.6 | 6.9 |
| Kotli | 28.6 | 30.6 | 117.2 | 51 | 3.2 | 3.4 | 1.7 | 2.3 | 1.3 |
| Lahore | 31.8 | 34.0 | 136.5 | 43 | 2.4 | 2.0 | 1.4 | 3.7 | 6.3 |
| Larkana | 37.8 | 42.0 | 173.0 | 38 | 0.0 | 0.4 | 1.3 | 2.6 | 3.7 |
| Lasbella | 38.6 | 39.0 | 157.9 | 42 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.9 | 0.3 | 6.0 |
| Lower Dir | 27.3 | 29.5 | 106.8 | 57 | 14.0 | 1.7 | 2.6 | 0.3 | 2.0 |
| M.B Din | 31.1 | 34.0 | 131.0 | 58 | 2.1 | 2.7 | 2.4 | 0.9 | 2.6 |
| Malam Jabba | 13.6 | 15.2 | 25.2 | 68 | 11.0 | 3.0 | 4.9 | 0.0 | 0.9 |
| Mangla | 30.3 | 32.3 | 120.5 | 56 | 1.0 | 3.6 | 3.6 | 4.3 | 2.9 |
| Mir Khani | 24.0 | 27.0 | 81.9 | 45 | 0.0 | 2.0 | 1.9 | 1.0 | 2.4 |
| Moinjodaro | 37.9 | 42.0 | 163.1 | 40 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.7 | 2.6 | 3.4 |
| Multan | 33.8 | 36.1 | 144.8 | 46 | 0.0 | 0.5 | 0.2 | 2.0 | 4.0 |
| Murree | 17.5 | 19.4 | 55.4 | 49 | 12.3 | 2.1 | 2.9 | 2.9 | 1.7 |
| Muzaffarabad | 28.9 | 32.4 | 107.1 | 58 | 26.0 | 2.7 | 4.9 | 0.0 | 0.0 |

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|--------------|------|--------|-------------------|----|------|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| Nawabshah | 39.9 | 44.0 | 167.5 | 33 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 2.3 | 5.6 |
| Nokkundi | 34.4 | 38.5 | 145.2 | 12 | 0.0 | 0.7 | 1.0 | 1.4 | 4.3 |
| Noorpurthal | 35.0 | 37.5 | 143.0 | 58 | 0.0 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.0 |
| Okara | 33.0 | 35.5 | 143.0 | 47 | 1.0 | 1.6 | 0.3 | 1.7 | 4.0 |
| Padidan | 38.6 | 41.5 | 170.6 | 40 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.6 | 0.3 | 3.4 |
| Panjgur | 30.1 | 34.5 | * * * | 39 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 6.0 | 9.4 |
| Parachinar | 17.1 | 18.3 | 43.2 | 53 | 8.8 | 2.9 | 3.0 | 3.0 | 5.0 |
| Pasni | 34.1 | 37.5 | 148.4 | 53 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.1 | 7.7 |
| Peshawar | 31.1 | 32.4 | 119.9 | 53 | 0.2 | 2.1 | 0.4 | 1.1 | 2.0 |
| Quetta | 22.8 | 26.0 | 80.8 | 30 | 0.0 | 0.7 | 2.3 | 3.3 | 4.1 |
| R.Y.Khan | 37.6 | 40.2 | 160.4 | 44 | 0.0 | 0.6 | 0.6 | 0.6 | 4.6 |
| Rawalakot | 19.8 | 22.5 | 51.6 | 68 | 20.2 | 2.6 | 4.4 | 0.0 | 1.1 |
| Rohri | 37.3 | 41.5 | 167.3 | 32 | 0.0 | 0.4 | 0.7 | 0.6 | 2.6 |
| Rawalpindi | 28.9 | 31.0 | 110.6 | 44 | 0.1 | 2.0 | 2.0 | 0.3 | 1.3 |
| Sahiwal | 33.1 | 36.5 | 138.7 | 52 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 0.0 | 1.4 | 3.1 |
| Saidu Sharif | 25.3 | 27.5 | 95.9 | 51 | 4.2 | 1.4 | 3.4 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Sialkot | 29.8 | 31.8 | 123.7 | 57 | 5.2 | 2.6 | 1.4 | 0.3 | 1.4 |
| Sibbi | 37.8 | 41.0 | 170.4 | 34 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.6 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Skardu | 16.3 | 17.6 | 34.4 | 42 | 0.1 | 4.1 | 4.4 | 0.0 | 8.1 |
| Tandojam | 38.4 | 40.0 | 160.3 | 45 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.1 | 1.7 |
| U.Muhammad | 37.5 | 41.0 | 172.3 | 42 | 0.0 | 0.7 | 1.4 | 0.1 | 0.1 |
| Zhob | 26.4 | 30.0 | 107.3 | 39 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 2.0 | 5.0 | 6.7 |

*** Shows that data was not available.