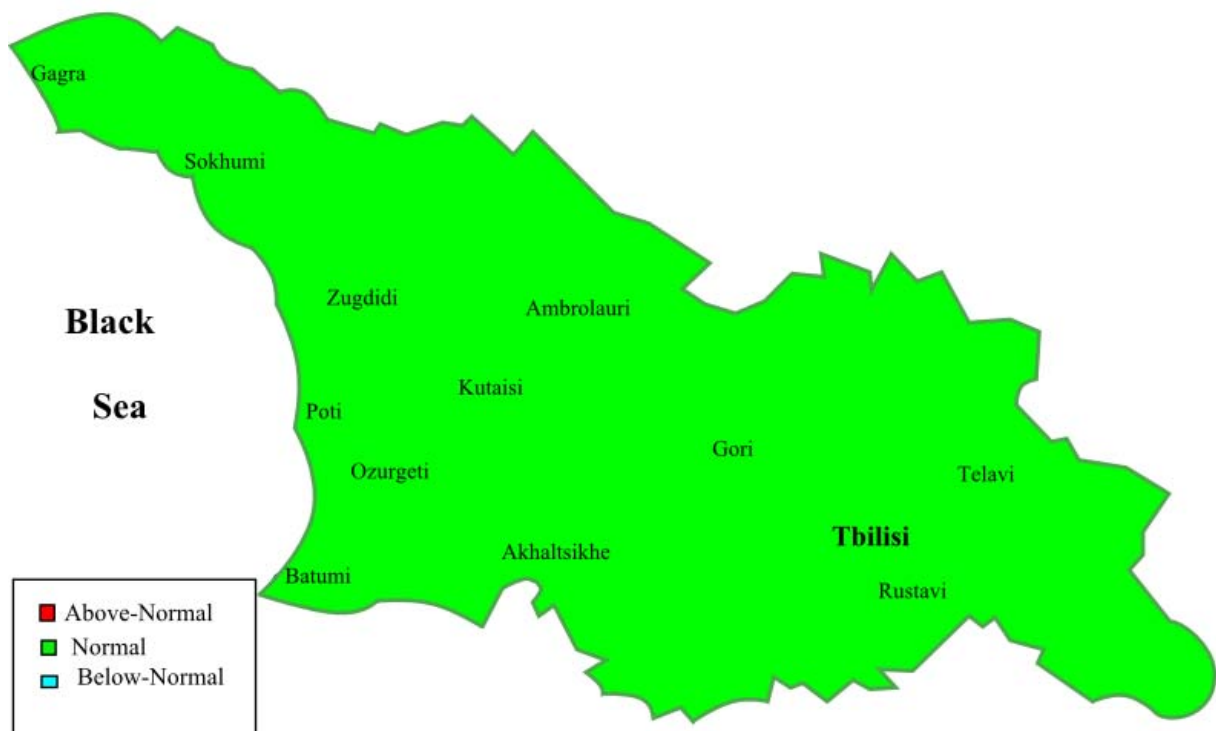


Assessment of the Summer 2013 in Georgia

Temperature

Summer 2013 was near the norm in Georgia (only June was 1^o above normal). Mean seasonal temperature on the Black Sea Coastal Zone, Kolkheti Lowland, Flat of Kartli and Kakheti were +20, +23^o; in Mountainous Regions of Georgia +17, +20^o; in High Mountainous Regions +14, +15^o, so temperature was near the normal in whole Georgia.

The outlook for Georgia, the summer 2013 was expected to be the normal with 40% probability. So the outlook for summer was correct for Georgia.



Precipitation

Weather in Georgia in summer 2013 was mainly caused from high-pressure area spreading over Europe and atmospheric fronts formatted in periphery parts of it, entering in Georgia from the east or the west parts of Caucasus, accompanied by wave action from south.

In addition, in certain days the cyclones which moved over Europe and the European part of Russia and fronts related to the cyclones invade in Georgia from the west and the north-west of the Black Sea. So, almost every day was rainy during the summer. Despite this the summer period was not marked by abundant precipitation. A heavy rain was just on 18 August in Poti-110 mm, and in Kobuleti 118 mm. amount of precipitation was above the norm on the Black Sea coastal zone and in Tbilisi, on the rest of territory it was near the norm.

The outlook for Georgia, summer 2013 was expected above the norm with 50 % on the Black Sea coastal zone, and normal with 34% on the other territory. So the outlook for the most territory of Georgia is correct.

