

A review of the climate condition over Armenia winter season 2014-2015

The average temperature for **winter in Armenia, considered as December-February of 2014-2015**, was warmer than normal (1961-1990) by 2.7 °C. Most of region in Armenia experienced warm temperatures, while several stations recorded very warm temperatures (Fig. 1a). On the other hand there has been a shortage of precipitation during the winter, the territory of the country received about 80 - 90% of normal precipitation. However, it can be seen from Figure 1b that there is great spatial variability in precipitation distribution in Armenia, with dry and very dry regions in central and southwestern parts and normal to wet regions in northwestern and far southeastern parts of country.

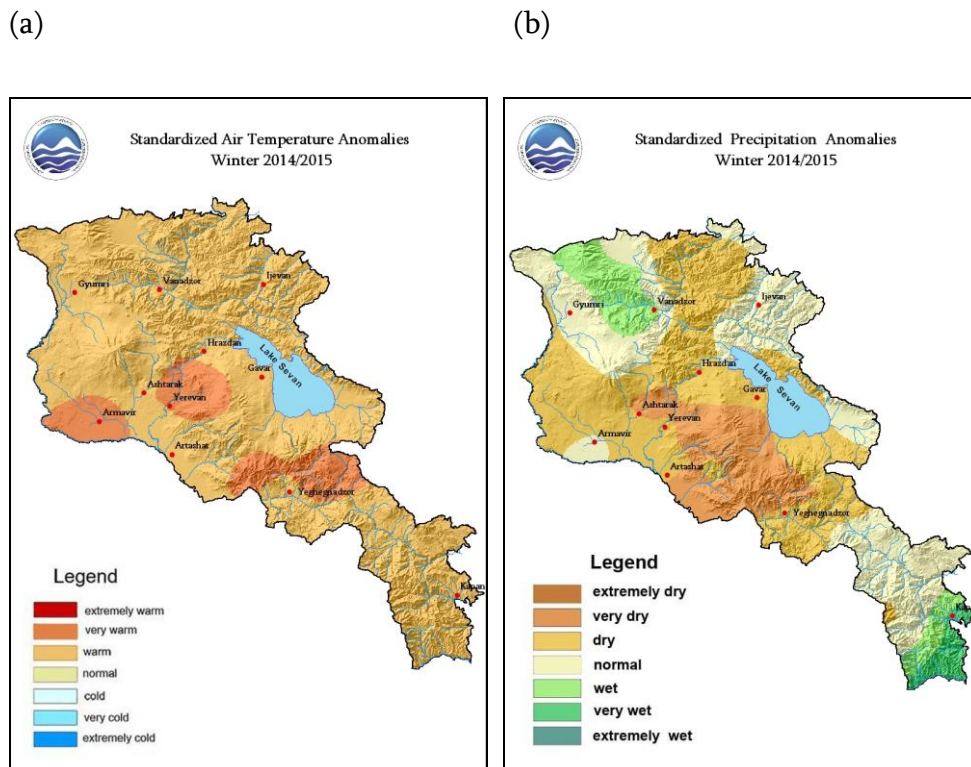


Figure 1. Anomalies of seasonal temperature (a) and precipitation (b) in winter 2014-2015 over Armenia (observational data from all 47 meteorological stations were used)