

**National Climate Bulletin and the assessment of the MedCOF/SEECOF**  
**Climate outlook for BULGARIA for previous season (winter 2017)**

synop	lat	lon	name	T winter degC		0.67	observed	R winter mm		0.67	observed
				0.33	0.5			0.33	0.5		
15502	43.9942	22.8525	Vidin	0.1	0.7	1.2	-1.1	84.5	116	152.6	84
15549	43.5661	26.5078	Razgrad	-0.2	0.6	1.3	-0.8	98	120.1	134.4	94
15552	43.2125	27.9522	Varna	2.9	3.3	3.6	1.8	82.6	109.1	124.6	87
15655	42.4975	27.4825	Burgas	3.1	3.9	4.2	1.9	100.1	124.1	146.6	102
15640	42.6775	26.3397	Sliven	2.4	3	3.3	1.5	96.7	123	140.4	73
15730	41.6467	25.3853	Kardjali	2.1	2.6	3.4	1.2	154.9	168.7	197.1	98
15712	41.55	23.2672	Sandanski	3.2	3.8	4.5	2.7	97.8	121.5	164.6	49
15614	42.65	23.3833	Sofia	-0.4	0.2	1.2	-1.1	80.9	105.5	131.3	84

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Country	Seasonal temperature DJF		Seasonal precipitation DJF		High Impact Events
	Observed	MedCOF climate outlook for temperature	Observed	MedCOF climate outlook for precipitation	
Bulgaria	Below normal	Near normal	Near or below normal	Near or above normal	<p>December 2016 was a very dry. January 2017 was very cold. For some of the monitored stations it was the coldest January since 1960.</p> <p>There was a very significant snow event from 6 to 11 January 2017. It produced significant snow cover in the entire country. If compared to similar snow events from the last five years it appears to be the most important recent snow event (Fig. 5a).</p> <p>The same period was also extremely cold. It ranks 4<sup>th</sup> among the coldest such 5-days periods since 1991. However in terms of felt temperature it</p>

					is the coldest period. The reason is that the low temperatures were accompanied by strong winds and cloudy conditions (Fig. 5b). The same winds and cloudiness however prevented minimum temperatures from exceeding the absolute minimums for January.
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