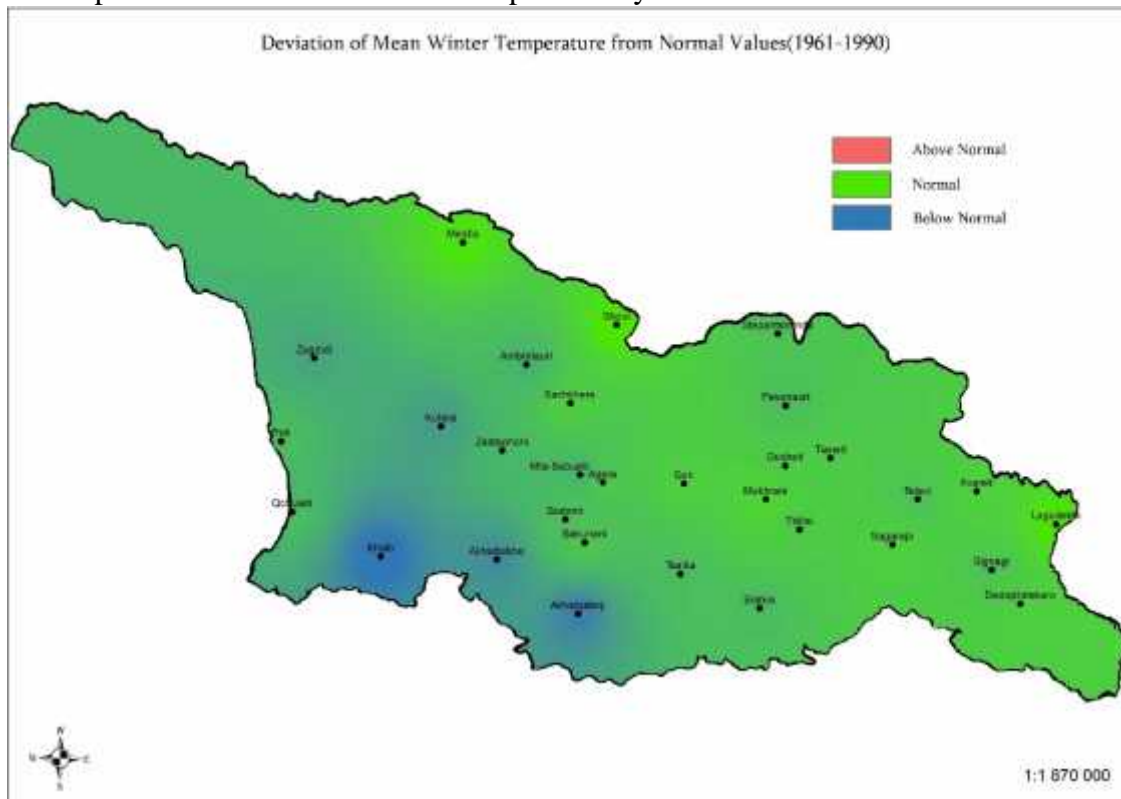


VERIFICATION OF THE SEECOF-16 WINTER 2016-2017 CLIMATE OUTLOOK AND SEASONAL BULETIN FOR THE TERRITORY OF GEORGIA

Temperature

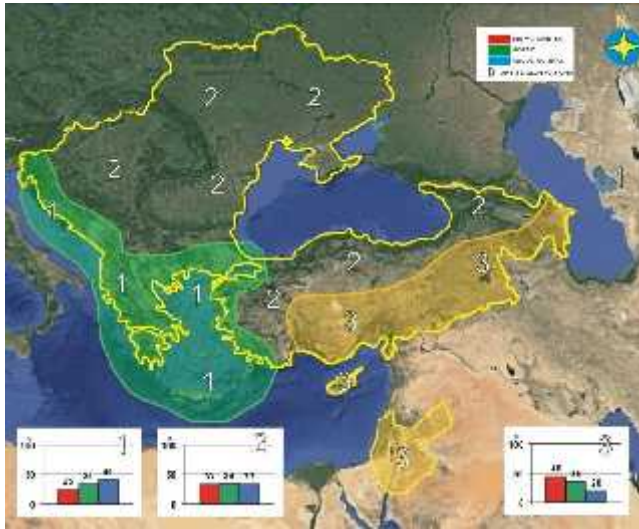


According to the SEECOF-16 outlook for the winter 2016-2017 in Georgia, seasonal temperature was expected above normal with 50 % probability.

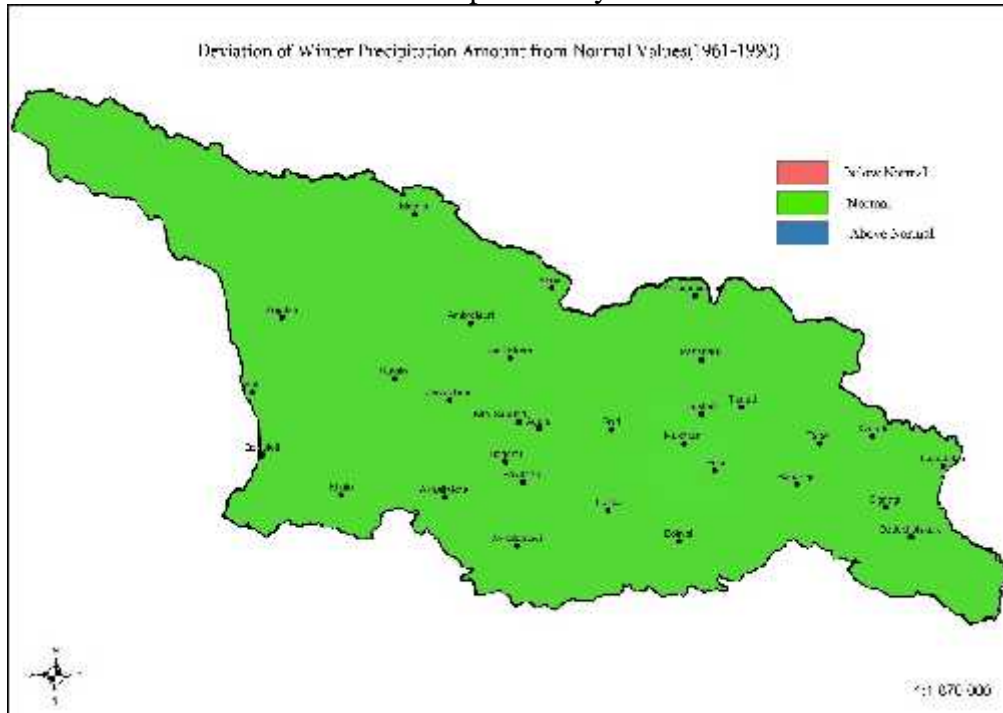


Climatological monitoring showed that the winter of 2016-2017 was near normal in almost territory of Georgia, except several mountains regions, where temperature was below normal. So the outlook for warm winter was not correct.

Precipitation:



Outlook for precipitation in winter 2016-2017 in Georgia, was expected near normal 34 %, below and above normal with 33 % probability.



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Analysis of the 2016-2017 winter season:

Winter temperatures (reference period 1961-1990)

Mean seasonal temperature on the Black Sea Coastal Zone and Kolkheti Lowland were +4,+6⁰; Flat of Kartli and Kakheti 0,+3; in Mountainous regions of Georgia -2, 0⁰; in High Mountainous regions -5, -3⁰.

So temperature was near normal in almost territory of Georgia, except several mountains regions, where temperature was below normal.

Winter Precipitation (reference period 1961-1990)

In Georgia amount of precipitation in 2016-2017 winter was near normal.

Verification of the SEECOF-16 climate outlook for the 2016-2017 winter season:

Country	Seasonal temperature (DJF)		Seasonal precipitation (DJF)		High Impact Events
	Observed	SEECOF-16 climate outlook for emperature	Observed	SEECOF-16 climate outlook for recipitation	
Georgia	Near normal	Above normal (20,30,50)	Near normal	Near normal (33,34,33)	December was extremely Cold, it was 2 and 3 degrees colder than normal. Amount of precipitation was above than normal. In January and February air temperature was variable, near norm, above and in several stations below than normal. Amount of precipitation was below than normal.