



TAITA TAVETA COUNTY
 MONTHLY WEATHER FORECAST FOR MAY, 2026
 Forecast Period: 1st – 31st May, 2026

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THE OUTLOOK FOR MAY 2026 AND THE REVIEW OF APRIL 2026, FOR TAITA TAVETA COUNTY

1. HIGHLIGHTS

1.1 The Forecast for May, 2026

Parts of Taita Taveta county are likely to experience near average to below average rainfall. Mean temperatures are predicted to be above-average over most of the county.

1.2 Outlook for the next three months (May-June-July) 2026:

May marks the cessation of the long rains season in most parts of Kenya, and this includes this great county of Taita Taveta. June is expected to be the beginning of the cold and dry season which will continue into July and August. Mean temperatures are likely to be warmer than average over most parts of the county.

1.3 The Review for April 2026

Rainfall was received in several parts of the county. The central highlands and few parts of Taveta sub-county received enhanced rainfall. Mean temperatures remained near-average over most parts of the county.

2. RAINFALL OUTLOOK FOR MAY 2026

2.1 May Rainfall Climatology

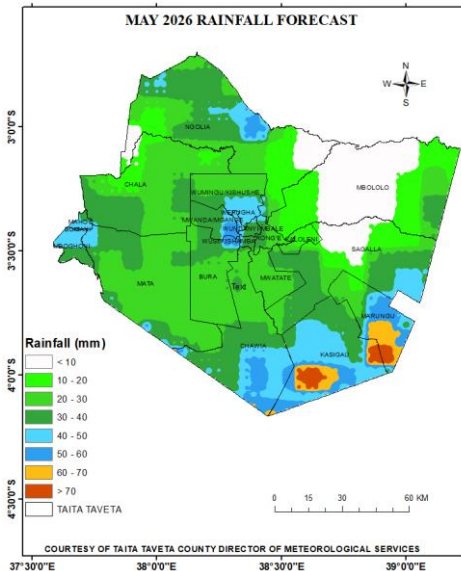
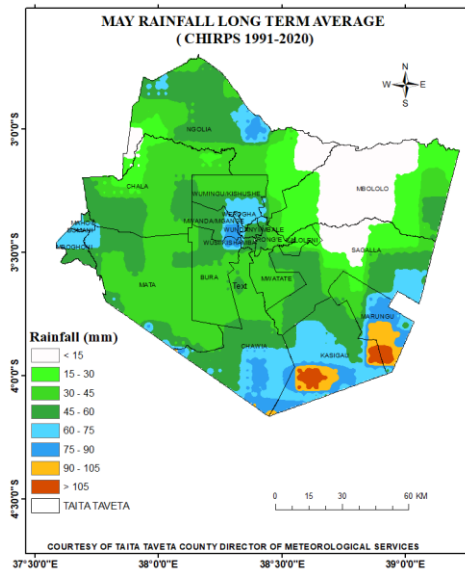


Figure 1: May Rainfall long term average for the county.

Figure 2: Rainfall is expected to be near-average to below-average across most areas, with uneven distribution; the southeastern parts may receive enhanced rainfall. Occasional storms and isolated heavy rainfall events are likely over few places. Temperatures are expected to be near to slightly above average.

Figure 1: May Rainfall Long-Term-Average

Figure 2: May 2026 Rainfall Forecast

2.2 Rainfall Outlook for May 2026

The outlook indicates that rainfall is likely to be near-average to below-average across most parts of the county. Occasional storms are however likely to be experienced over few places especially during the first half of the month.

3. POTENTIAL IMPACTS

The following are the likely impacts of the May 2026 rainfall in different sectors across the county:

3.1 Agriculture:

Near-average to below-average rainfall combined with episodic heavy storms may lead to uneven soil moisture conditions that may stress crops already weakened by earlier rains.

3.2 Water Resources and Flood Management

Some regions may see only modest improvement in surface and groundwater availability. There is a risk of water scarcity in some parts of the county which are expecting below-average rainfall. Households should harvest and store runoff water safely to build resilience while county governments should repair damaged water infrastructure.

3.3 Transport and Infrastructure

Isolated heavy rainfall events may result in road wash-outs and disrupt transport. Transport agencies should pre-position road maintenance teams, repair damaged culverts, and issue travel advisories for flood-prone corridors. The County government should grade rural roads and reinforce drainage before heavy showers occur.

3.4 Health

Isolated heavy rainfall events may result in localized flooding. Health authorities should ensure safe water supplies and promote household-level mosquito control and hygiene campaigns.

3.5 Disaster Management and Humanitarian Response

Localized heavy storms may still trigger sudden emergencies despite the otherwise low-to-moderate monthly totals.

NB: This outlook should be used together with the Weekly County Forecasts developed and availed by the County Meteorological Office, as well as any other weather updates and advisories that may be communicated when necessary.

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