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VIHIGA COUNTY
WEEKLY WEATHER FORECAST

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Forecast validity: Tuesday, 1st September 2026 to Monday, 7th September 2026

General Weather Outlook.

- Vihiga County is expected to experience a **generally warm and mostly dry start to September**, with cool to mild mornings, hot afternoons and mild nights.
- The warmer locations, particularly lower-elevation areas, may experience temperatures above 30°C during the afternoons.
- Forecast indicates Vihiga town and Luanda to experience temperatures of about 31°C - 32°C on **Tuesday** and **Wednesday**.

Key Weather Highlights			
S/No	Sub-County	Wards	Weather conditions
1	Hamisi East	• Shamakhokho; • Muhudu; • Shiru.	Morning: Cool conditions, approximately 16-20°C, with occasional mist and cloud over elevated areas. Afternoon: Warm around 27-31°C. Mostly dry early in the week, but isolated showers may develop later in the period.
2	Hamisi West	• Banja; • Tambua; • Jepkoyai; • Gisambai.	Night: Cool to mild, approximately 16-20°C, with partly cloudy skies.
3	Sabatia	• Lyaduywa/Izava; • West Sabatia; • Chavakali; • North Maragoli; • Wodanga; • Busali	Morning: Cool and occasionally misty, especially in elevated locations. Afternoon: Warm, approximately 27-31°C, with sunny intervals dominating most days. A localized shower cannot be ruled out towards Sunday and Monday . Night: Cold to mild, partly cloudy.

4	Vihiga	- Lugaga-Wamuluma; - South Maragoli; - Central Maragoli; - Mungoma.	Morning: Cool to mild, approximately 18-21°C, with partly cloudy skies. Afternoon: Warm to hot, approximately 29-32°C, with prolonged sunny intervals. Night: Mild, approximately 18-22°C.
5	Emuhaya	- North East Bunyore; - North Bunyore; - West Bunyore; - South Bunyore; - Central Bunyore.	Morning: Cool to mild, with occasional cloudiness. Afternoon: Warm, approximately 28-31°C. Mostly dry conditions are expected, although isolated showers may occur later in the forecast period. Night: Mild and partly cloudy.
6	Luanda	- Luanda Township; - Wemilabi; - Mwibona; - Luanda South; - Emabungo.	Morning: Mild, approximately 19-22°C. Afternoon: The warmest conditions in the county are likely here, with temperatures around 30-33°C, particularly during Tuesday and Wednesday. Night: Mild, approximately 19-23°C.

Weekly Weather Forecast							
Sub-Counties (Hamisi East, Hamisi West, Sabatia, Vihiga, Emuhaya and Luanda)							
Day/Date	Tuesday 01 September 2026	Wednesday 02 September 2026	Thursday 03 September 2026	Friday 04 September 2026	Saturday 05 September 2026	Sunday 06 September 2026	Monday 07 September 2026
Morning	 Cool to mild, Sunny	 Mild, Sunny	 Mild with increasing cloud	 Cool to mild, partly cloudy	 Cool, Sunny	 Cool to mild, with cloud intervals	 Partly cloud and mild
Afternoon	 Warm, Sunny	 Hot, Sunny	 Warm, isolated light showers possible	 Warm, Sunny intervals	 Warm to Hot, Sunny	 Warm, localized showers possible	 Warm with a chance of localized showers
Night	 Mild, Clear skies	 Mild, Clear skies	 Mild, Clear skies	 Mild, Partly cloudy	 Mild, Partly cloudy	 Mild, partly cloudy	 Mild; isolated showers possible

Rainfall Distribution	<i>Nil</i>	<i>Nil</i>	<i>Few places</i>	<i>Nil</i>	<i>Nil</i>	<i>Few places</i>	<i>Few places</i>
Max. Temp.	30°C	30°C	30°C	31°C	31°C	30°C	32°C
Min. Temp.	17°C	16°C	16°C	16°C	17°C	18°C	18°C
Hazard							

Colour Coding on Weather Conditions		
S/No	Colour	Description
1		No severe weather expected.
2		Severe weather conditions are likely to occur that may pose a threat to life and damage property.
3		Dangerous and potentially life threatening weather conditions are expected. Take appropriate action immediately to ensure your safety and the safety of your family and neighbours.

Advisories by sector.

1) Agriculture

- Take advantage of the mostly dry weather for harvesting, drying and post-harvest handling.
- Farmers should ensure harvested produce is properly stored and protected.
- Monitor soil moisture, particularly where the dry spells persists.
- Avoid unnecessary burning of vegetation because hot and dry conditions can increase fire risk

2) Livestock

- Ensure sufficient drinking water during hot afternoons.
- Provide shade for livestock, especially in warmer lowland areas.
- Avoid transporting animals during the hottest part of the afternoon where possible.

3) Transport & Infrastructure

- Generally favourable travel conditions are expected.
- Drivers should remain cautious if localized showers develop towards the of the period.
- Wet roads may become slippery following brief showers.

4) Health

- Stay hydrated during hot afternoons.
- Reduce prolonged exposure to direct sunshine during the hottest hours.
- Young children and elderly people should be protected from excessive heat.

5) Disaster Risk Reduction

- Monitor the sky for rapidly developing convective clouds.
- If thunderstorms develop, avoid open fields, hilltops and isolated trees.
- Seek safe shelter when lightning is observed.

Weekly Summary

The period 1-7 September 2026, Vihiga County is expected to be characterized by **cool to mild mornings, warm to hot afternoons and mild nights**. The first half of the week is likely to be **predominantly dry**, while localized showers may become more likely on **Thursday** and again towards **Sunday** and **Monday**.

SMS version of the weekly forecast

Vihiga Weekly 1st - 7th September 2026: Tue, Wed, Fri, Sat; Sunny AM/PM 1, 2, 3; Thu, Sun, Mon; li rain few PM 1, 2, 3.

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APPENDIX I: INTERPRETATION OF TERMS

S/No	Term	Rainfall Amount (24 hrs)	Description
1	Light	< 5mm	Gentle rain, drizzle.
2	Moderate/Lingering	5 - 20 mm	Steady, noticeable rain.
3	Heavy	21 - 50 mm	Intense rain, possible thunder.
4	Very heavy	> 50 mm	Prolonged rain, high intensity.

S/No	Term	Area Affected	Description
1	Few places	< 33%	Rain in a small portion of the region.
2	Several places	33% - 66%	Rain in multiple but not in most parts of the region.
3	Most places	> 66%	Rain in nearly all parts of the region.

S/No	Term	Area Affected	Description
1	Isolated	Less than 25%	Very few places affected.
2	Scattered	25% - 50%	Several, but not most, areas affected.
3	Numerous	51% - 70%	Many areas affected.
4	Widespread	Over 70%	Almost all areas affected.

S/No	Term	Time Coverage (%)	Meaning
1	Occasional	Less than 25%	Happens rarely or a few times.
2	Intermittent	25% - 50%	Starts and stops, comes and goes.
3	Frequent	51% - 75%	Occurs regularly.
4	Very frequent/Common	Over 75%	Happens almost all the time.

S/No	Term	Probability of Occurrence	Description
1	Possible	10% - 30%	There is low confidence.
2	Chance of/May	31% - 50%	There is moderate confidence.
3	Likely	51% - 75%	There event is more probable than not.
4	Expected	76% - 90%	There is high confidence.
5	Very likely	91% - 99%	There is very high confidence. Almost certain.
6	Certain	100%	The event is guaranteed to occur.

APPENDIX II: VIHIGA COUNTY CLIMATOLOGICAL ZONES

