## Weather: Season 2020/21

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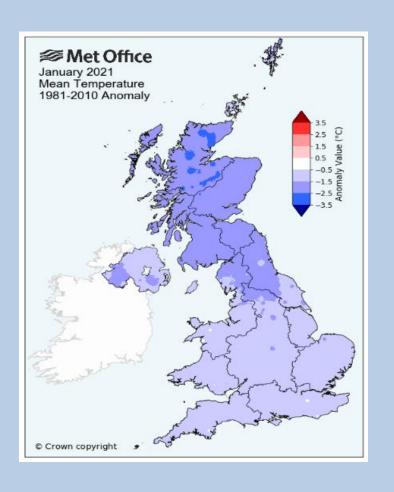
Data extracted from the Met-Office web site



(http://www.metoffice.gov.uk/research/climate/)

## Keys to anomaly maps

(% differences of 2020/21 from 30 year mean 1981-2010)



Mean Temperature

Blue colour = cold

Pink/red = hot

Mean rainfall

Blue colour = wet

Browns = dry

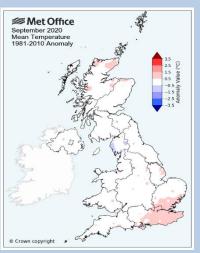
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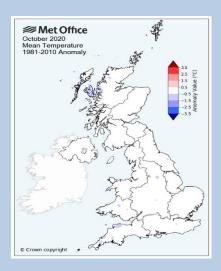
# Anomaly maps mean temperature and rainfall Sept-Dec 2020

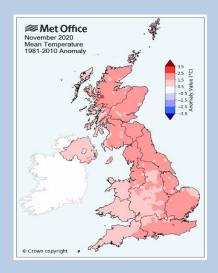
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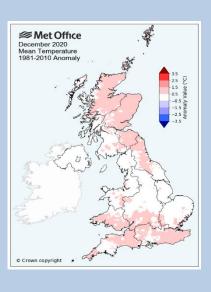
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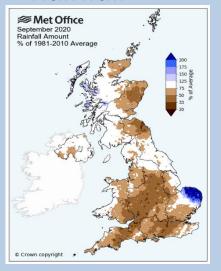


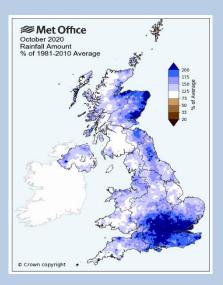


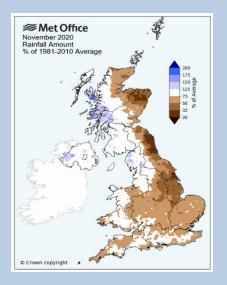


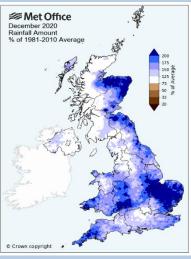


#### Rainfall



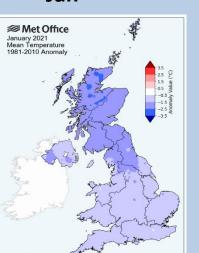




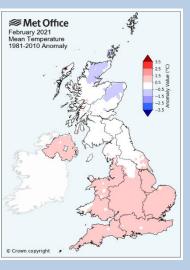


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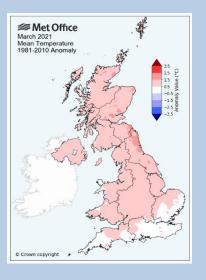
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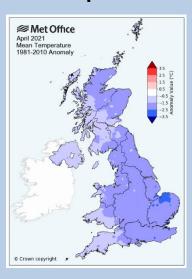




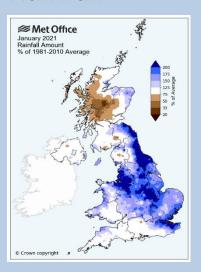
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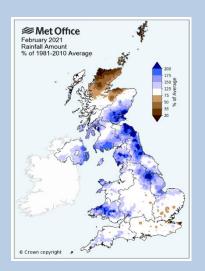


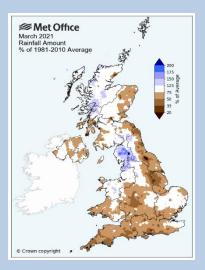
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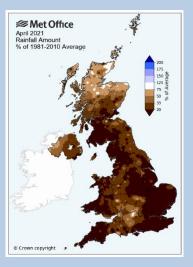


Rainfall









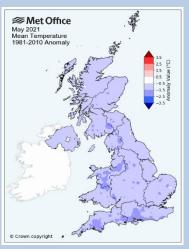
#### Anomaly maps mean temperature and rainfall Temperature May-Aug 2019

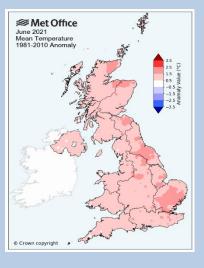
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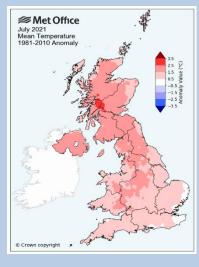
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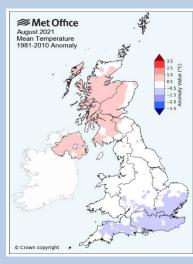
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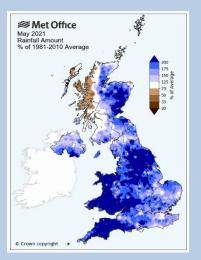


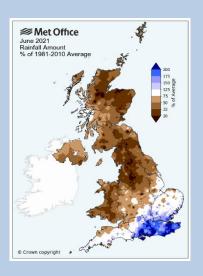


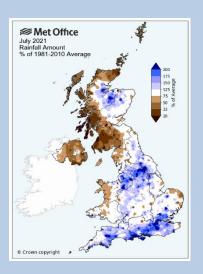


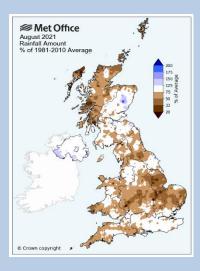


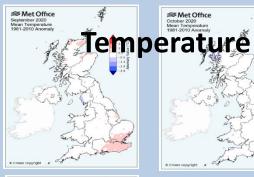
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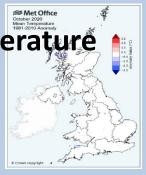


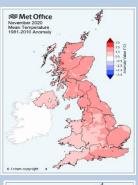


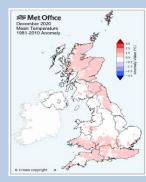


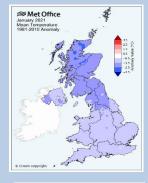


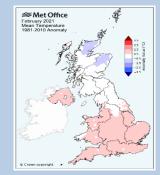


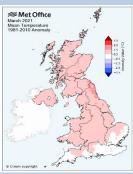


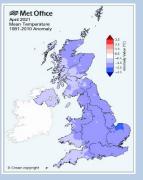


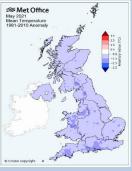


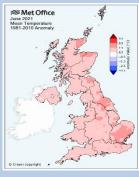


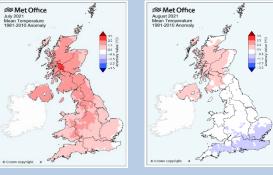


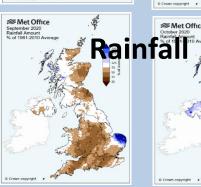




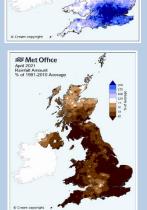


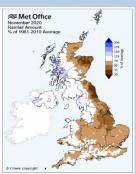


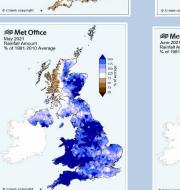


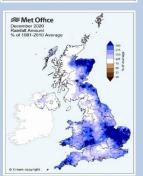


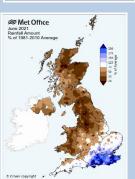
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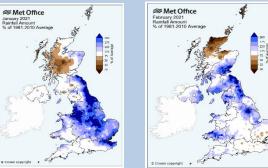


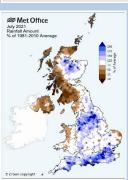


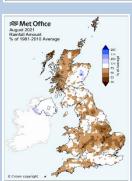












### Overall view Sept 20 – Aug 21

- A reasonably benign autumn followed by an unexceptionable winter
- Spring started very dry and cold and the cold continued into May, but the rain came back. In the run up to harvest the weather was unsettled, delaying the start
- Overall, the year in my view could be classed as 'unsettled' Met office records a number of floods and incidents of storm damage
- The standout feature was the particularly cold dry April followed by the cold wet May

## **Agricultural Implications**

- Reasonable autumn for crop establishment
- Cold dry spring delayed crop growth, posed problems for spring crop establishment and damaged fruit crops
- Run up to harvest was rather too unsettled and wet but weather improved as August progressed
- Reasonable grain yields

## Thank you – that's it

Any Questions??



(http://www.metoffice.gov.uk/climate/uk/)