

Climate change consequences in Africa



Africa

Famine and flooding

Northern and southern Africa are climate change hotspots, with the most recent Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change report predicting more heatwaves and aridity for these regions.

Temperatures in southern Africa are rising at double the global rate and Madagascar is currently in the grip of a climate change-fuelled famine. There's also been a southward shift in the occurrence of tropical cyclones. This is due to sea temperatures increasing as a result of global warming.

In western Africa the coastal capital of Nigeria, Lagos, has experienced a worsening of its yearly flooding. Home to more than 24 million people, Lagos may become uninhabitable by the end of this century as sea levels rise due to climate change, projections suggest.

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