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## **Should seasonal rainfall forecasts be used for flood preparedness?**

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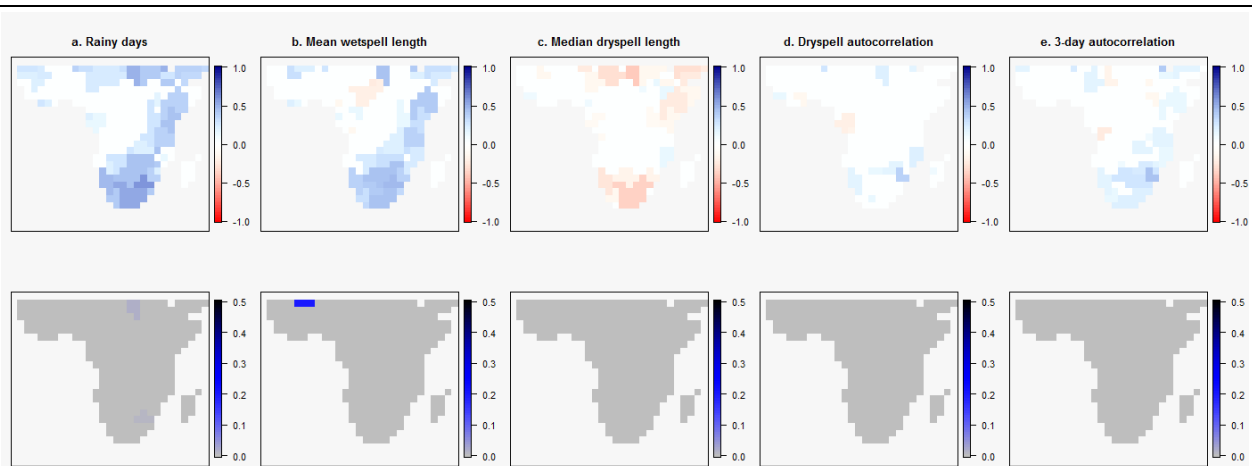


Figure S1: Same as figure 2 for the following variables (a) Rainy days: number of days with more than 1mm of rain (b) Mean wetspell length: mean length of consecutive days of rain greater than 1mm, (c) Median dryspell length: median length of consecutive dry days, (d) Dryspell autocorrelation: Spearman rank lag-1 autocorrelation of successive dry spell lengths, (e) 3-day autocorrelation: Spearman rank lag-3 autocorrelation of daily rainfall amounts.

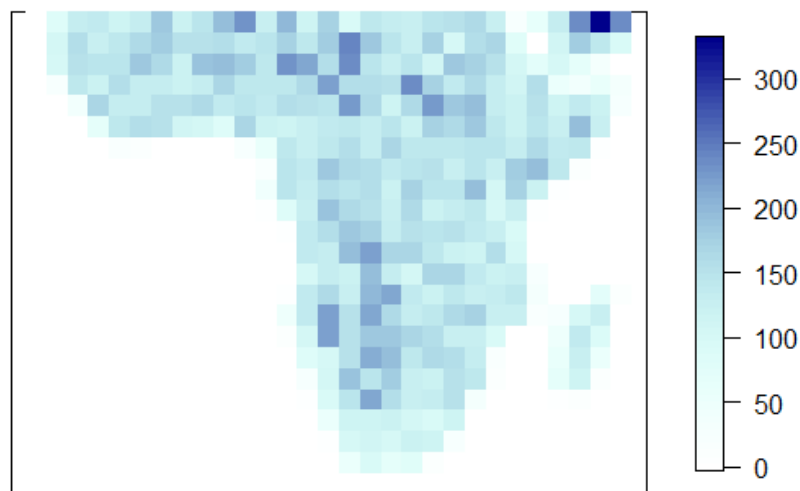


Figure S2: Number of GloFAS river pixels greater than 1000km<sup>2</sup> of upstream area, per 2.5 degree gridbox.