

Climate Change and Cereal Production Evolution Trend in the Sahel: Case Study in Mali from 1951 to 2010

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Abstract

Mali is a Sahelian country with a large climatic contrast from North to South. The current climatic and production evolutionary study is focused on the six major agro-climatic cereal production zones ranging from Kayes (400 mm) to Sikasso (>1000 mm) of rainfalls. Climatic data are rainfall records, daily maximum and minimum temperatures from 60 years of the six major synoptic weather observation stations. Data were analyzed on comparing average decades of the two normal periods of 30 years (1951-1980) and (1981-2010). Annual agronomic production data for millet, sorghum, maize and rice are derived from Mali's agricultural statistics base from 1984 to 2013. Main climatic results analyses indicate that climate change resulted in a decrease of 100 mm isohyets between the 2 periods of 30 years. The structure of the rainy season was little changed between these two periods since the average start of the season was delayed by 6 days and the average end date of the season became earlier by 4 days. Maximum temperatures increased significantly from + 0.44 °C to + 1.53 °C and minimum temperatures significantly increased from + 1.05 °C to + 1.93 °C in varying way depending on the sites. Statistics of major agronomic food crop production in Mali from 1984 to 2013 indicate an average increase of 985 to 4492 thousand tones, or 22% increase per year. There is a positive upward in saw tooth trend in Malian production from 1984 to 2013. This positive trend is the result of a combination of agricultural extension, agronomic research application and the management of small farmer holder in the Sahel. This evolution needs better study for drawing necessary right conclusions.

Keywords: rainfalls, food crop, millet, sorghum, maize, rice, production, climate change, temperatures, Sahel

1. Introduction

Mali is one of the largest countries in West Africa. It is a landlocked and located between 10 and 25 degrees north latitude. Its population, which was 7,620,000 in 1987, increased to 17,467,108 million in 2016. This population accounts for more than 80% of the agricultural sector. Considered as West Africa breadbasket, Mali is divided into four climatic zones along the north-south gradient:

- The Saharan climate in the north, occupies 2/3 of the country, with rainfall ranging from 50 to 250 mm per year. Windy alluvial floodplains and sand dunes cover the landscape. Clay soils are more or less sodic and sterile (Bertrand & Gigou, 2000).
- The Sahelian climate extends from the Atlantic coast of West Africa to Sudan and is limited by isohyets 100 mm in the north and 600 mm in south, of annual rainfalls (De Vries, F.W.T. & Djiteye, 1982). In Mali, the

Sahelian climate goes from East of Senegal border to West of Niger border.

- The Sudanese climate (south of the Sahelian zone) has an average of 700-900 mm yearly rainfall.
- The Sudano-Guinean climate has a yearly average rainfall ranging from 1000 to over 1200 mm in the south of the country (Bertrand & Gigou, 2000).

Areas, such as the Sahel zones, were hit by series of rainfall deficits in 1968, 1972, 1983 and 1984. These years of black episodes for the Sahelian population had been justified by the scientific community as a crisis related to the Sahelian climate known by its aridity, the destruction of poor soils under the effect of excessive grazing linked to human activity (Boudet, 1972). It has been called "drought in the Sahel". However the drying process does not date from our era but is around 2500 BC. J.C. (Klaus & S., 1992).

Nowadays, climate change phenomenon is global with alarming episodes of other climate parameters such as temperature, we talk of climate change. Global warming was first discussed and modeled for the first time (Arrhenius, 1896). Since then, several researchers have focused on climate change to identify scientific, technical and socio-economic information needed to understand climate change (De Vries et al., 1982).

Since agriculture birth, man has always been interested in his bioclimatic environment. The complexity of the climate in its diversity and in relation to the various factors influencing its evolution and its variation make that the climatic phenomenon exceeds men memory capacities or the popular conscience which records only the events of natural disasters (great famine, great flood, heat waves, hurricanes etc.). The literature reports series of important droughts (1680, 1750, 1820, 1830, 1910, 1914, 1930, 1940, 1944 and with its worse burden and duration, the great drought of 1968 to 1983). In order to overcome difficulties in memorizing climatic phenomena and to build up archival data for statistical purposes, recording of reliable climate data in space and time necessitated the creation of synoptic weather stations across worldwide including Mali. In this current paper, climate trends are studied using archived climatic data. These results will be cross-referenced with Mali agronomic data derived from its agricultural statistics to draw conclusions for the likely evolution of agricultural production in Mali.

2. Materials and Method

This paper examines the ten-year evolution of temperature, rainfall, seasonal structure in space and time over a period of 60 years broken down into two normal series of 30 years (1951-1980) and, 1981- 2010). Climatic data analyzes are coupled with rain fed and irrigated crops production data such as millet (*Pennisetum glaucum (L.) R. Br.*), sorghum (*Sorghum bicolor L. Moench*), rice (*Oriza sativa*) and maize (*Zea mays L.*) in six contrasting agro ecologies along following north-south gradient in Mali.

2.1 Meteorological Data

Consist of maximum temperatures (TX), minimum temperatures (TN) and daily rainfall of six synoptic weather stations in Mali over the last 60 years. Comparable observation periods are two series of 30 years or normal year in agro climatology and come from the Mali National Agency of Meteorology (ANM). The first series of 1951-1980 corresponds to the onset of rainfall subsidence in the Sahel (drought of 1972-1973) and the second is the current phase impacted by climate change.

Seasonal structure analysis (beginning and end of the rainy season) in Mali

The determination of the start and end dates of rainy season were carried out from six synoptic stations according to the methodology described (Traoré S. B., Reyniers F. N., Vaksmann M., Koné B., Sidibé et al., 2000) (Traoré S. B. et al., 2000). These authors defined rainy season start time as the moment when, from May 1st, the water reserve reaches 30 mm without falling back below 15 mm within next 20 days. The end of the seasons corresponds to the moment when plants water requirement (ETR / ETP ratio between actual and potential evapotranspiration) definitely drops below 90%. This is the time when rainfall does not compensate evapotranspiration. The end of the season usually corresponds to crop maturity phase which is completed thanks to water stored in the soil and with the last rains.

Maximum and minimum temperatures

Maximum and minimum temperatures were organized on ten year average basis following the two series of normal agro-climatic conditions. The first normal was from 1951-1980 and the second normal was 1981-2010. Pair wise statistical analysis comparison of each first normal decade of 1951-1980 to that of its second counterpart 1981-2010 (Table 1-12) was performed.

Six synoptic stations were studied: Nioro du Sahel (15.14° N latitude, 9.36° W longitude, altitude 235 m), located in 400-500 mm rainfall zone; Ségou (13.24° N latitude, 6.09° W longitude, altitude 288 m), located in

isohyet 500-600 mm; Sotuba (12.32 °N latitude, 7.57 °W longitude, altitude 320 m), located near the capital Bamako in isohyet 800-900 mm; Koutiala (12.24 °N latitude, 5.28 °W longitude, altitude 334 m), the former cotton basin in Mali located in isohyet 800-900 mm; Sikasso (11.21 °N latitude, 5.14 °W longitude, altitude 271 m) located in isohyet 900-1000 mm; Bougouni (12.25 °N latitude, 7.3 °C O longitude, altitude 350 m) located in isohyet 1000-1200 mm Table 1.

2.2 Agronomic Data

Food crops production data are from the "Cellule de Planification et de la Statistique (CPS)" from the malian ministry of agriculture. Linear regression of cereal production against time was established on the average annual production of the 6 sites studied from 1984 to 2013.

Climate data were performed for each 30 years period on averages monthly ten days using XLS, Statgraphics and SigmaPlot software.

3. Results Discussion

3.1 Potential Evolution Analysis of the Wet Season

Table 1 gives sites and the two periods (1951-1980 and 1981-2010) trends for the beginning, the end of the season and total average rainfalls.

-For Nioro du Sahel synoptic station, the average total rainfall went from 573 to 459 mm, corresponding to a 114 mm reduction in 30 years; which is statistically significant at the 5% level (Table 1). The average rainy season duration went from 63 to 53 days during the same period, resulting in 10 days of rain reduction per season in the rainy season potential; which is statistically significant at the 5% level.

- For Ségou synoptic station (Table 1), the average rainfall went from 710.2 to 614.7 mm while the length of the season decreased from 94 to 89 days; which is not statistically significant with 5 days reduction.

- For Sotuba (Bamako) synoptic station, the average rainfall decreased from 1010 mm to 883 mm, a loss of 127 mm of rainfall. The decrease in total rainfall was statistically significant, whereas the rainy season duration was not and decreased from 127 to 124 days (Table 1) or 3 days reduction.

- For Koutiala synoptic station, the average rainfall was reduced from 994 to 853 mm which is statistically significant. The duration of the season also decreased from 137 to 121 days and is statistically significant (Table 1) with 16 days reduction.

- For Sikasso synoptic station, the average rainfall was reduced from 1239 to 1090 mm, which is statistically significant. The duration of the season also decreased from 160 to 147 days and is statistically significant (Table 1) with 13 days reduction.

- For Bougouni synoptic station, the average rainfall was reduced from 1206 to 1111 mm which is statistically significant. The duration of the season also decreased from 161 to 150 days and is statistically significant (Table 1) with 11 days reduction.

Table 1. Declining rainfall and seasonal structure periods (1951-1980) and (1981-2010) in the 6 sites in Mali

Buffer (mm)	Sites	Latitude	Longitude	Altitude(m)	Periods	Onset season	SD	End of season	SD	Duration (days)	Means rainfall (mm)	SD	H.G	S. Level
400-500	Nioro du Sahel	15.14; N	9.36; O	235	1951-1980	15/7	13.8	15/9	10.5	63	572.7	157.0	A	S
					1981-2010	21/7	18.1	12/9	11.1	53	459.1	107.0	B	
					Difference in					10	113.6			
600-700	Segou	13.24; N	6.09; O	288	1951-1980	23/6	17.1	25/9	12.6	94	710.2	116.0	A	NS
					1981-2010	24/6	20.2	21/9	9.4	89	614.7	140.0	A	
Difference in														
800-900	Sotuba	12.32; N	7.57;O	320	1951-1980	5/6	13.8	10/10	10.4	127	1010.0	188.0	A	S
					1981-2010	6/6	18.8	8/10	11.2	124	883.0	155.0	B	
					Difference in					3	127.0			
800-900	Koutiala	12.24; N	5.28;O	334	1951-1980	26/5	16.0	10/10	11.5	137	994.0	190.0	A	S
					1981-2010	5/6	14.8	4/10	11.7	121	853.0	178.0	B	
Difference in														
1000-1200	Sikasso	11.21; N	5.41; O	271	1951-1980	9/5	20.2	16/10	14.4	160	1239.0	183.0	A	S
					1981-2010	20/5	16.0	14/10	9.2	147	1090.0	170.0	B	
Difference in														
1000-1200	Bougouni	11.25; N	7.3; O	350	1951-1980	10/5	19.8	18/10	13.1	161	1206.0	203.0	A	NS
					1981-2010	15/5	17.6	12/10	8.9	150	1111.0	196.0	A	
Difference in														

Observations: develop abbreviations: SD = standard deviation, HG=homogenous group S. level = significance level ($P = 0.05$.) Rain season onset. End of rainy season.

3.2 Sites Maximum and Minimum Temperatures Evolution Analysis

Over the two periods, TX, TN have evolved as follows:

- In Nioro du Sahel, the maximum temperature evolved from 1951 to 1980 to 40.03 °C and from 1981 to 2010 to 40.42 °C with a difference of 0.53 °C between the two normal on average over all decades. Differences are statistically significant (Figure 1-a, Table 2; 3). The minimum temperature for the same periods evolved from 20.71 to 21.53 °C with a statistical difference of 0.82 °C between the two normal.
- In Ségou, for the same period, the maximum temperature evolved from 34.59 to 36.16 °C, a difference of 1.57 °C which is statistically significant. The minimum temperature ranged from 21.21 to 22.7 °C with a difference of 1.49 °C. This is highly significant (Figure 1-b, Table 4; 5).
- For Sotuba (Bamako), the maximum temperature varied from 34.41 to 34.85 °C, an increase of 0.44 °C which is statistically significant. The minimum ranged from 19.82 to 20.87 °C, an increase of 1.05 °C which is highly significant (Figure 1-c, Table 6; 7).
- In Koutiala, the maximum varied from 34.11 to 34.3 °C, a difference of 0.19 °C which is not statistically significant. The minimum ranged from 19.75 to 21.68 °C, a difference of 1.93 °C, which is highly significant (Figure 2-d, Table 8; 9) and the highest of all sites.
- Sikasso shows a variation of its maximum temperature from 33.62 to 33.9 °C, a difference of 0.28 °C which is significant. Minimum temperature varied from 20.12 to 21.37 °C, an increase of 1.25 °C which is highly significant (Figure 2- e, Table 10; 11).
- At Bougouni, the maximum temperature ranged from 33.51 to 34.36 °C, an increase of 0.85 °C, which is statistically significant. The minimum temperature varied from 20.53 to 21.21 °C, an increase of 0.68 °C, which is statistically significant (Figure 2-f, Table 12; 13).

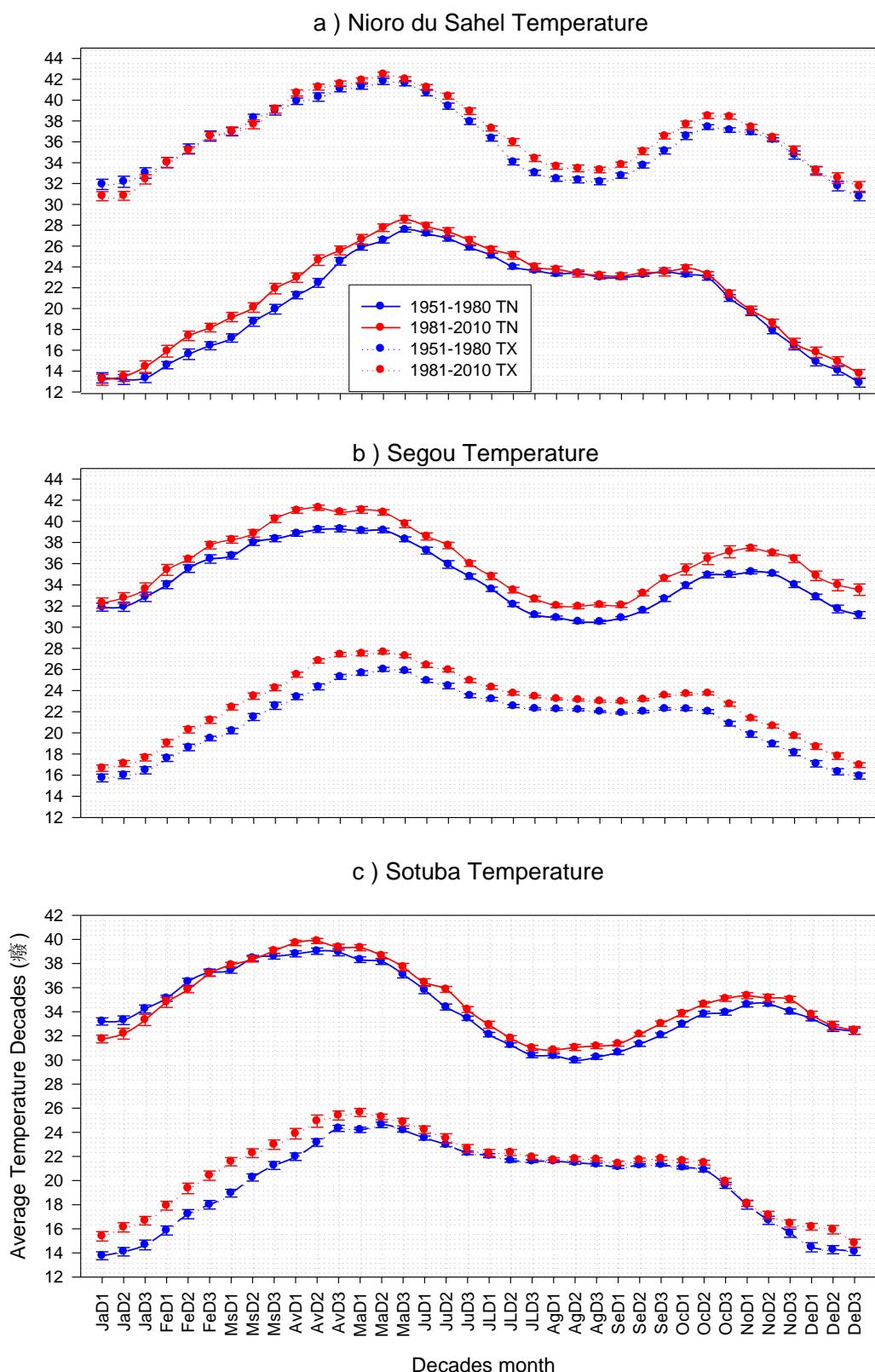
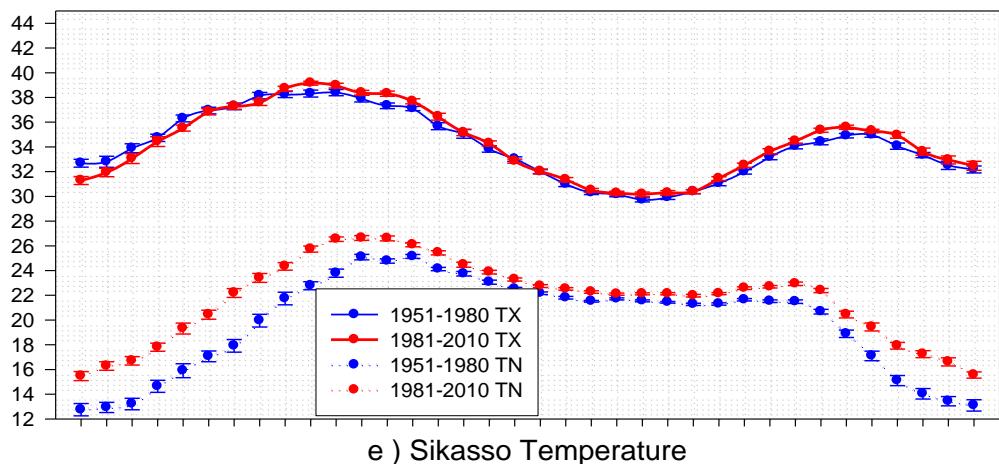
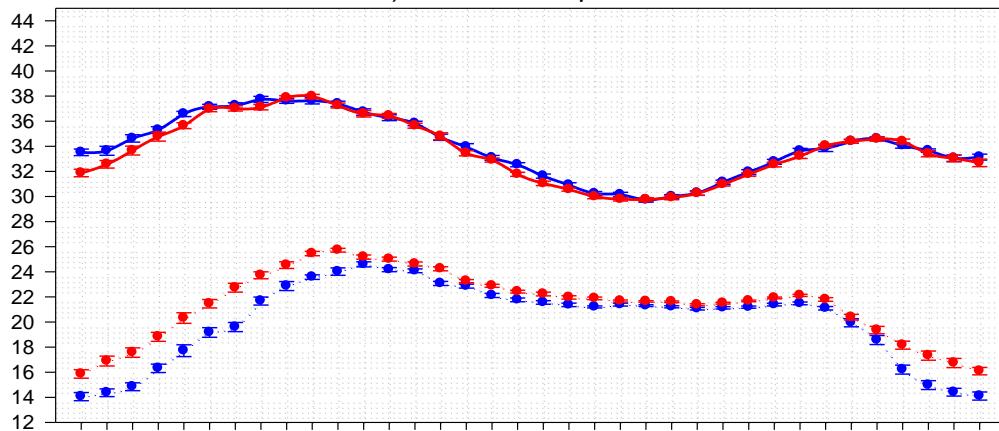


Figure 1. a-b-c: averages maximum (TX) and minimum (TN) temperatures of 1951-1980 normal compared to those of 1981-2010 normal at Nioro, Ségou and Sotuba (Bamako) meteorological synoptic stations in Mali

d) Koutiala Temperature



e) Sikasso Temperature



f) Bougouni Temperature

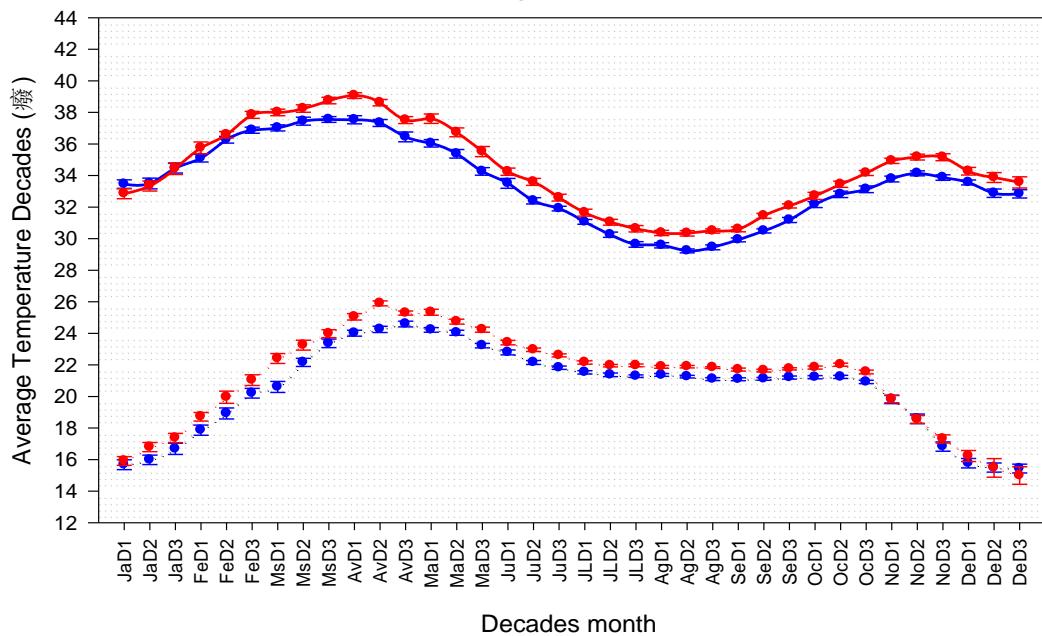


Figure 2. d-e-f: averages maximum (TX) and minimum (TN) temperatures of 1951-1980 normal compared to those of 1981-2010 normal at Koutiala, Sikasso and Bougouni

4. Discussion and Interpretation

Seasonal structure data from studied sites in Mali (Table 1) indicate an average delay in rainy season onset date with varying extent from one site to another: an average delay of 7 days in Nioro du Sahel, 9 days in Koutiala and Sikasso and 5 days in Bougouni. The end of the season is less variable. These results are consistent with those of (Kouressy, Dingkuhn, Vaksmann & Heinemann, 2008) and correspond to an average retreat of isohyets of 100 mm per site. It is noted that the seasonal structure of Séguéla region was statistically less disturbed compared to those of the other sites during the last 30 years. In general, there is a widespread drying tendency over time and space along the north-south latitudinal gradient in Mali. Rainfalls decreased from the 1970s (Bates, Z. W. K., S. Wu & Palutikof, 2008) but this decrease did not affect rainy season length (De Rouw, 2004). Total rainfalls collapse and early and late rainy season variability (Table 1) confirm findings these authors works (Coulé, 1984; S. Salack, B. Muller & Gaye, 2011; Traoré, Kouressy, Vaksmann, Tabo, Maikano et al., 2007; Traoré S. B. et al., 2000)

Regarding average temperature evolutions, there is a significant increase in maximum temperatures between the two normal periods and specially a strong increase in minimum temperatures. This trend is consistent with the climate results obtained in Senegal (Maurizio, D. & Massimiliano, 2013). These results support popular beliefs in Mali that differences in temperatures between seasons are less marked now and say they are currently in a continuous heat throughout the year contrary to the past where temperature changes in the Sahel were well marked between cold and warm seasons. Current analyses are consistent with scientific information on warming in the Sahel (Arona, Adeline, Richard, SoniaI, David et al., 2018; Wallace, 1975) and in some areas of Mali (Traoré, Marc, Mark, Mariana & Ken, 2013). It is noted that the temperature curve is bimodal opposed to the uni-modal rainfall curve, in Mali. This can be easily explained by the rainfall effect, which decreases temperature during the cropping season (Gigou, Giraudy, Doucouré, Healy, Traoré et al., 2004).

Our agronomic results (Fig. 8) invalidate production predictions decrease in the Sahel due to decreased rainfall (Bates et al., 2008).

Agronomic data (Figure 7-a-b-c-d, and 8) from 1984 to 2013 indicate an increase in the average production of major cereals in the 6 sites at Mali from 985 to 4492 thousand tons, an increase of 22 %. This trend is confirmed by other researchers on other cereals (Jacques, Jean, Alain & Gilles, 2013) and supports the conclusions (Martin K., Van L., Lenny G. J., van B. & Joost Wolfa, 2016) on the ability of some African countries, including Mali, to ensure food self-sufficiency at horizon 2050.

Cereal production growth has therefore not been affected either by rising temperatures or decreasing rainfall. Several explanations for cereal production increase can be put forward:

-For Sahelian farmers, the variability of the beginning and end of the rainy season is greater than the actual amount of rainfall (Klaus & S., 1992). Sahelian farmers have developed for adapting techniques to mitigate rainfall variability and drought effects (early planting date, diversity of cropping and cropping systems) to survive more than 200,000 years ago (Klaus & S., 1992; Sissoko, Doumbia, Vaksmann, Hocdé, Bazile et al., 2008).

-The second aspect is species genetic diversity exploitation millet (*Pennisetum glaucum* (L.) R. Br.), sorghum (*Sorghum bicolor* L. Moench), rice (*Oriza sativa*) and maize (*Zea mays* L.) in small farm holders which seems to adapt to agro ecological conditions of the environment. Diversity of varieties species cropping in the same farming systems specific to each ecology, come from a "creative vision" of farmers responding to their socio-economic needs whatever the diversity of ecological production areas. Within each species, to improve production and minimize seasonal environmental variability effects. Sahelian farmers play on the morpho-botanical and physiological species diversities such as earliness and photoperiodism (Sultan, Guan, Kouressy, Biasutti, Piani et al., 2014; Sultan, Roudier, Quirion, Alhassane, Muller et al., 2013). In the Sahel, a farmers' experience is a case study for research to improve it and exploit in favor of smart and sustainable agriculture. These crops different agronomic traits, such as photoperiodism, enable crops to regulate their growth phase and synchronize their flowering at the end of the growing season to avoid biotic and abiotic pressures (mold, downpour pollen washing, bird damages) and promotes their maturity before end of season soil water depletion (Kouressy, 2002; Kouressy, Bazile, Vaksmann, Soumaré, Doucouré et al., 2003; Kouressy et al., 2008; Kouressy, Vaksmann, Niangado & Sanogo, 2004; Kouressy, Vaksmann & Sidibé, 2006; Vaksmann, Chantereau, Bahmani, Ag Hamada, Chartier et al., 1998; Vaksmann, Traoré & Niangado, 1996). Other crops such as maize and rice are free from these biotic problems because of their floral biology (grains under husks and hull) so that their earliness is not an obstacle to their production, hence their acceptance by the Sahelian farmers. Specifically rice production has increased rapidly after the 2007-2008 food crises (Harold M. & R., 2015). Obvious

temperature rise results in Mali and the increase in production in the last 30 years let us conclude a delicate climate change compared to what would have been these adverse consequences on the agricultural production of small farmers in Mali (Figure 4).

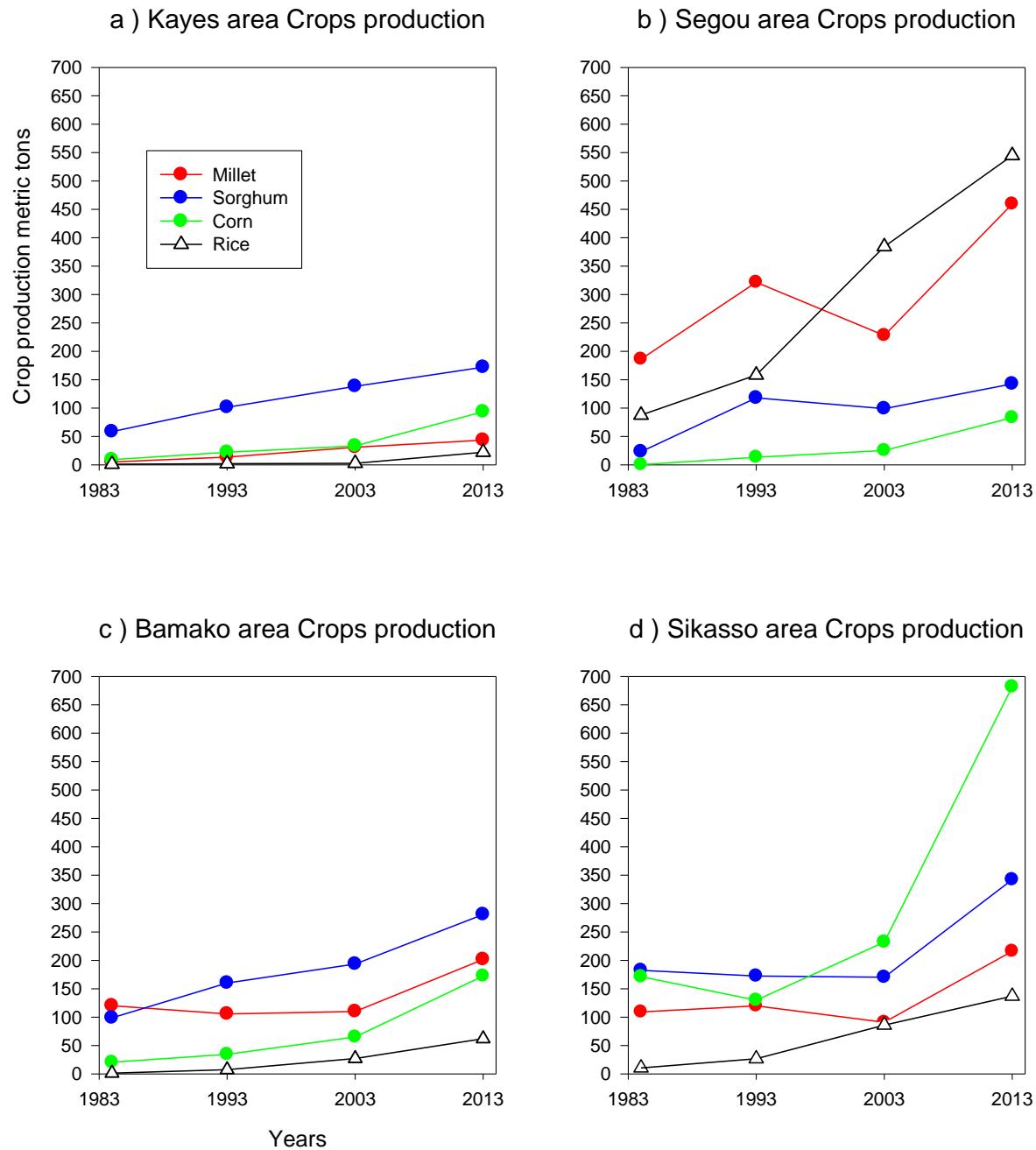


Figure 3. Evolution of millet, sorghum and maize production in thousand of tons of Kayes (a), Segou (b) Bamako (c) and Sikasso (d) regions from 1984 to 2013

Bamako is a district and is in Koulikoro region.

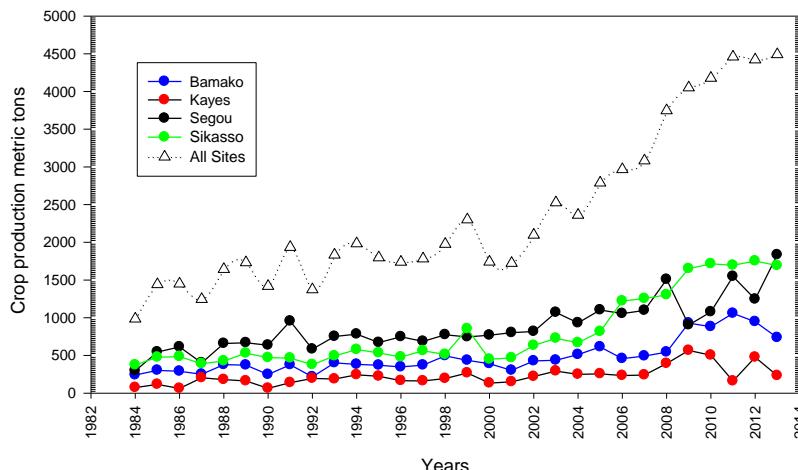


Figure 4. Evolution in rain fed total crops production in thousands of tons from 1984 to 2013 of sorghum, millet maize, rice of 4r regions (Kayes, Ségou, Bamako, and Sikasso) in Mali

5. Conclusion

Rainfall results analyses and temperature surveys indicate between the two periods (1951-1980 and 1981-2010), an average drawback of isohyets of between 95 and 150 mm for the studied sites (113 mm at Kayes, 95.5 mm in Ségou, 127 mm in Bamako, 137 mm in Koutiala, 149 mm in Sikasso, and 95 mm in Bougouni).

Maximum and minimum temperatures increased by (+0.44 °C, + 1.05 °C); (+1.53 °C, + 1.4 °C); (+0.44 °C, + 1.05 °C); (+ 0.19 °C, + 1.93 °C); (+ 0.28 °C, + 1.25 °C); (+0.85 °C, + 0.68 °C) respectively in Kayes, Ségou, Bamako, Koutiala, Sikasso and Bougouni.

There is a general trend towards drying out and increasing temperature in Mali. However, despite this situation, the agronomic results of cereal production are satisfactory. This leads us to hypothesize that our knowledge of understanding climate consequences are insufficient.

There is a positive saw tooth trend in production from 1984 to 2013 in Mali. This positive development is the result of a combination of the application of agricultural extension and agronomic research works and management at small farm holders in the Sahel. The average growth is 22%. This evolution deserves better study for a better agricultural policy planning in Mali.

National production safety is essentially ensured by crop species choices according to their adaptation to the agro-climatic potentialities of the regions. This explains why in each production region, one species is dominant over the others that become complementary (Figure 3) and the sum of the production (Figure 8) of the whole constitutes a counter-random strategy of the climatic risk in Sahel guaranteeing food security.

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Appendix A

Table 2. Maximum temperature every ten days statistical analysis of the period 1951-1980 (30 years) and compared to the period 1981-2010 (30 years) at the meteorological station of Nioro du Sahel in Mali (15.14 °N latitude, 9.36 °O longitude; altitude 236 m)

Periods	Month	Decades	Means	Diff. (°C)	F-ratio	P-value	H. G.	S.Level	Periods	Month	Decades	Means	Diff. (°C)	F-ratio	P-value	H. G.	S.Level		
1951-1980	January	1	31.82				A		1951-1980	July	19	36.34				A			
1981-2010	January	1	30.78	-1.04	2.85	0.0972	A	NS	1981-2010	July	19	37.28	0.94	6.49	0.0137	B	S		
1951-1980	January	2	32.17				A		1951-1980	July	20	34.1				A			
1981-2010	January	2	30.82	-1.35	3.81	0.0560	A	NS	1981-2010	July	20	35.99	1.89	19.95	0.0000	B	S		
1951-1980	January	3	33				A		1951-1980	July	21	33.03				A			
1981-2010	January	3	32.4	-0.6	0.77	0.3854	A	NS	1981-2010	July	21	34.4	1.37	12.89	0.0007	B	S		
1951-1980	February	4	34				A		1951-1980	August	22	32.46				A			
1981-2010	February	4	34	0	0.00	0.9813	A	NS	1981-2010	August	22	33.65	1.19	10.58	0.0020	B	S		
1951-1980	February	5	35.32				A		1951-1980	August	23	32.34				A			
1981-2010	February	5	35.2	-0.12	0.04	0.8495	A	NS	1981-2010	August	23	33.44	1.1	6.66	0.0125	B	S		
1951-1980	February	6	36.56				A		1951-1980	August	24	32.17				A			
1981-2010	February	6	36.58	0.02	0.00	0.9735	A	NS	1981-2010	August	24	33.3	1.13	8.43	0.0054	B	S		
1951-1980	March	7	36.97				A		1951-1980	September	25	32.76				A			
1981-2010	March	7	37.03	0.06	0.02	0.9000	A	NS	1981-2010	September	25	33.81	1.05	9.24	0.0036	B	S		
1951-1980	March	8	38.3				A		1951-1980	September	26	33.74				A			
1981-2010	March	8	37.7	-0.6	1.25	0.2675	A	NS	1981-2010	September	26	35.08	1.34	11.62	0.0012	B	S		
1951-1980	March	9	39				A		1951-1980	September	27	35.12				A			
1981-2010	March	9	39.1	0.1	0.05	0.8190	A	NS	1981-2010	September	27	36.55	1.43	13.45	0.0006	B	S		
1951-1980	April	10	39.9				A		1951-1980	October	28	36.55				A			
1981-2010	April	10	40.69	0.79	3.29	0.0750	A	NS	1981-2010	October	28	37.68	1.13	5.90	0.0184	B	S		
1951-1980	April	11	40.3				A		1951-1980	October	29	37.41				A			
1981-2010	April	11	41.3	1	3.61	0.0629	A	NS	1981-2010	October	29	38.49	1.08	9.86	0.0027	B	S		
1951-1980	April	12	41.1				A		1951-1980	October	30	37.13				A			
1981-2010	April	12	41.6	0.5	1.66	0.2028	A	NS	1981-2010	October	30	38.42	1.29	16.07	0.0002	B	S		
1951-1980	May	13	41.3				A		1951-1980	November	31	36.92				A			
1981-2010	May	13	41.9	0.6	3.20	0.0792	A	NS	1981-2010	November	31	37.42	0.5	2.11	0.1525	A	NS		
1951-1980	May	14	41.8				A		1951-1980	November	32	36.2				A			
1981-2010	May	14	42.5	0.7	3.36	0.0721	A	NS	1981-2010	November	32	36.42	0.22	0.46	0.5015	A	NS		
1951-1980	May	15	41.61				A		1951-1980	November	33	34.74				A			
1981-2010	May	15	42	0.39	1.31	0.2568	A	NS	1981-2010	November	33	35.19	0.45	0.66	0.4217	A	NS		
1951-1980	June	16	40.72				A		1951-1980	December	34	33.21				A			
1981-2010	June	16	41.21	0.49	1.47	0.2311	A	NS	1981-2010	December	34	33.27	0.06	0.01	0.9162	A	NS		
1951-1980	June	17	39.43				A		1951-1980	December	35	31.76				A			
1981-2010	June	17	40.4	0.97	5.32	0.0248	B	S	1981-2010	December	35	32.53	0.77	1.27	0.2644	A	NS		
1951-1980	June	18	37.93				A		1951-1980	December	36	30.74				A			
1981-2010	June	18	38.94	1.01	6.19	0.0159	B	S	1981-2010	December	36	31.73	0.99	2.62	0.1112	A	NS		
Average Periods 1951-1980										36.1									
Average Periods 1981-2010										36.63									
										0.53									
										10.65									
										0.0019									
										A									
										S									

NB: Diff= difference in average temperature between the two periods (1951-1980) and (1981-2010)

S= significance; NS= not significance.

Table 3. Minimum temperature every ten days statistical analysis of the period 1951-1980 (30 years) and compared to the period 1981-2010 (30 years) at the meteorological station of Nioro du Sahel (15.14 °N latitude; 9.36 °O; altitude 236 m) in Mali

Periods	Month	Decades	Means	Diff. (°C)	F-ratio	P-value	H. G.	S.Level	Periods	Month	Decades	Means	Diff. (°C)	F-ratio	P-value	H. G.	S.Level
1951-1980	January	1	13.17				A		1951-1980	July	19	25.09				A	
1981-2010	January	1	13.35	0.18	0.06	0.8043	A	NS	1981-2010	July	19	25.64	0.55	2.13	0.1497	A	NS
1951-1980	January	2	13.2				A		1951-1980	July	20	24				A	
1981-2010	January	2	13.5	0.30	0.19	0.6633	A	NS	1981-2010	July	20	25	1	7.69	0.0076	A	NS
1951-1980	January	3	13.33				A		1951-1980	July	21	23.64				A	
1981-2010	January	3	14.43	1.10	2.48	0.1213	A	NS	1981-2010	July	21	23.98	0.34	0.98	0.3300	A	NS
1951-1980	February	4	14.57				A		1951-1980	August	22	23.31				A	
1981-2010	February	4	15.91	1.34	4.26	0.0438	B	S	1981-2010	August	22	23.76	0.45	1.78	0.1872	A	NS
1951-1980	February	5	15.62				A		1951-1980	August	23	23.36				A	
1981-2010	February	5	17.38	1.76	6.66	0.0126	B	S	1981-2010	August	23	23.4	0.04	0.01	0.9174	A	NS
1951-1980	February	6	16.44				A		1951-1980	August	24	23				A	
1981-2010	February	6	18.17	1.73	9.58	0.0031	B	S	1981-2010	August	24	23.18	0.18	0.29	0.5914	A	NS
1951-1980	March	7	17.17				A		1951-1980	September	25	22.99				A	
1981-2010	March	7	19.19	2.02	11.29	0.0014	B	S	1981-2010	September	25	23.11	0.12	0.14	0.7100	A	NS
1951-1980	March	8	18.73				A		1951-1980	September	26	23.23				A	
1981-2010	March	8	20.11	1.38	4.84	0.0320	B	S	1981-2010	September	26	23.43	0.2	0.47	0.4967	A	NS
1951-1980	March	9	19.94				A		1951-1980	September	27	23.51				A	
1981-2010	March	9	21.92	1.98	8.43	0.0053	B	S	1981-2010	September	27	23.55	0.04	0.01	0.9243	A	NS
1951-1980	April	10	21.29				A		1951-1980	October	28	23.26				A	
1981-2010	April	10	22.97	1.68	9.02	0.0040	B	S	1981-2010	October	28	23.86	0.6	2.57	0.1147	A	NS
1951-1980	April	11	22.47				A		1951-1980	October	29	22.97				A	
1981-2010	April	11	24.65	2.18	11.23	0.0015	B	S	1981-2010	October	29	23.25	0.28	0.65	0.4241	A	NS
1951-1980	April	12	24.53				A		1951-1980	October	30	21				A	
1981-2010	April	12	25.58	1.05	3.53	0.0657	A	NS	1981-2010	October	30	21.44	0.44	0.80	0.3585	A	NS
1951-1980	May	13	25.89				A		1951-1980	November	31	19.63				A	
1981-2010	May	13	26.64	0.75	1.95	0.0700	A	NS	1981-2010	November	31	19.83	0.2	0.17	0.6826	A	NS
1951-1980	May	14	26.56				A		1951-1980	November	32	17.9				A	
1981-2010	May	14	27.76	1.20	7.03	0.0145	B	S	1981-2010	November	32	18.71	0.81	2.05	0.1577	A	NS
1951-1980	May	15	27.57				A		1951-1980	November	33	16.41				A	
1981-2010	May	15	28.56	0.99	5.52	0.0224	B	S	1981-2010	November	33	16.67	0.26	0.19	0.6612	A	NS
1951-1980	June	16	27.2				A		1951-1980	December	34	14.9				A	
1981-2010	June	16	27.9	0.70	3.30	0.0749	A	NS	1981-2010	December	34	15.8	0.9	2.07	0.1559	A	NS
1951-1980	June	17	26.72				A		1951-1980	December	35	14.1				A	
1981-2010	June	17	27.37	0.65	2.06	0.1569	A	NS	1981-2010	December	35	14.91	0.81	1.64	0.2056	A	NS
1951-1980	June	18	25.84				A		1951-1980	December	36	12.87				A	
1981-2010	June	18	26.52	0.68	2.71	0.1051	A	NS	1981-2010	December	36	13.75	0.88	2.28	0.1364	A	NS
Average Periods 1951-1980												20.71				A	
Average Periods 1981-2010												21.53	0.82	10.02	0.0025	B	S

Table 4. Maximum temperature every ten days statistical analysis of the period 1951-1980 (30 years) and compared to the period 1981-2010 (30 years) at the meteorological station of Segou in Mali. (13.24 °N latitude; 6.09 °O longitude, altitude 288 m)

Periods	Month	Decades	Means (°C)	Diff. (°C)	F-ratio	P-value	H. G.	S.Level	Periods	Month	Decades	Means (°C)	Diff. (°C)	F-ratio	P-value	H. G.	S.Level
1951-1980	January	1	31.88				A		1951-1980	July	19	33.58				A	
1981-2010	January	1	32.28	0.4	0.41	0.5228	A	NS	1981-2010	July	19	34.79	1.21	10.69	0.0000	B	S
1951-1980	January	2	31.92				A		1951-1980	July	20	32.14				A	
1981-2010	January	2	32.75	0.83	1.52	0.2219	A	NS	1981-2010	July	20	33.5	1.36	17.34	0.0000	B	S
1951-1980	January	3	32.87				A		1951-1980	July	21	31.14				A	
1981-2010	January	3	33.61	0.74	1.05	0.3110	A	NS	1981-2010	July	21	32.66	1.52	23.23	0.0000	B	S
1951-1980	February	4	34.01				A		1951-1980	August	22	30.88				A	
1981-2010	February	4	35.4	1.39	4.91	0.0307	B	S	1981-2010	August	22	32.02	1.14	21.63	0.0109	B	S
1951-1980	February	5	35.53				A		1951-1980	August	23	30.51				A	
1981-2010	February	5	36.41	0.88	3.74	0.0581	A	NS	1981-2010	August	23	31.95	1.44	30.09	0.0132	B	S
1951-1980	February	6	36.44				A		1951-1980	August	24	30.49				A	
1981-2010	February	6	37.73	1.29	6.07	0.0167	B	S	1981-2010	August	24	32.1	1.61	40.77	0.0009	B	S
1951-1980	March	7	36.75				A		1951-1980	September	25	30.86				A	
1981-2010	March	7	38.26	1.53	11.12	0.0015	B	S	1981-2010	September	25	32.07	1.21	22.41	0.0000	B	S
1951-1980	March	8	37.99				A		1951-1980	September	26	31.55				A	
1981-2010	March	8	38.88	0.89	3.94	0.0520	A	NS	1981-2010	September	26	33.19	1.64	31.87	0.0000	B	S
1951-1980	March	9	38.35				A		1951-1980	September	27	32.66				A	
1981-2010	March	9	40.22	1.87	18.00	0.0001	B	S	1981-2010	September	27	34.6	1.94	29.80	0.0000	B	S
1951-1980	April	10	38.85				A		1951-1980	October	28	33.92				A	
1981-2010	April	10	41.03	2.18	34.51	0.0000	B	S	1981-2010	October	28	35.45	1.53	6.93	0.0109	B	S
1951-1980	April	11	39.22				A		1951-1980	October	29	34.91				A	
1981-2010	April	11	41.29	2.07	31.73	0.0000	B	S	1981-2010	October	29	36.46	1.55	6.54	0.0132	B	S
1951-1980	April	12	39.27				A		1951-1980	October	30	34.96				A	
1981-2010	April	12	40.88	1.61	19.91	0.0000	B	S	1981-2010	October	30	37.13	2.17	12.36	0.0009	B	S
1951-1980	May	13	39.11				A		1951-1980	November	31	35.22				A	
1981-2010	May	13	41.08	1.97	25.18	0.0000	B	S	1981-2010	November	31	37.45	2.23	50.67	0.0000	B	S
1951-1980	May	14	39.15				A		1951-1980	November	32	35.04				A	
1981-2010	May	14	40.85	1.7	25.72	0.0000	B	S	1981-2010	November	32	37.01	1.97	39.50	0.0000	B	S
1951-1980	May	15	38.3				A		1951-1980	November	33	34.01				A	
1981-2010	May	15	39.75	1.45	12.09	0.0010	B	S	1981-2010	November	33	36.45	2.44	30.43	0.0000	B	S
1951-1980	June	16	37.23				A		1951-1980	December	34	32.86				A	
1981-2010	June	16	38.57	1.34	8.37	0.0054	B	S	1981-2010	December	34	34.85	1.99	14.68	0.0003	B	S
1951-1980	June	17	35.92				A		1951-1980	December	35	31.71				A	
1981-2010	June	17	37.71	1.79	14.48	0.0003	B	S	1981-2010	December	35	33.97	2.26	12.55	0.0008	B	S
1951-1980	June	18	34.77				A		1951-1980	December	36	31.15				A	
1981-2010	June	18	36.01	1.24	11.35	0.0013	B	S	1981-2010	December	36	33.54	2.39	14.80	0.0003	B	S
Average Periods 1951-1980												34.59				A	
Average Periods 1981-2010												36.16	1.57	64.15	0.0000	B	S

Table 5. Minimum temperature every ten days statistical analysis of the period 1951-1980 (30 years) and compared to the period 1981-2010 (30 years) at the meteorological station of Segou in Mali. (13.24 °N latitude, 6.09 °O longitude; altitude 288 m)

Periods	Month	Decades	Means (°C)	Diff. (°C)	F-ratio	P-value	H. G.	S.Level	Periods	Month	Decades	Means (°C)	Diff. (°C)	F-ratio	P-value	H. G.	S.Level
1951-1980	January	1	15.74				A		1951-1980	July	19	23.19				A	
1981-2010	January	1	16.66	0.92	3.79	0.0563	A	NS	1981-2010	July	19	24.3	1.11	22.60	0.0000	B	S
1951-1980	January	2	16				A		1951-1980	July	20	22.54				A	
1981-2010	January	2	17.1	1.1	6.13	0.0162	B	S	1981-2010	July	20	23.74	1.2	31.21	0.0000	B	S
1951-1980	January	3	16.46				A		1951-1980	July	21	22.28				A	
1981-2010	January	3	17.65	1.19	6.75	0.0119	B	S	1981-2010	July	21	23.43	1.15	54.87	0.0000	B	S
1951-1980	February	4	17.6				A		1951-1980	August	22	22.24				A	
1981-2010	February	4	19.03	1.43	10.04	0.0024	B	S	1981-2010	August	22	23.21	0.97	48.19	0.0000	B	S
1951-1980	February	5	18.62				A		1951-1980	August	23	22.19				A	
1981-2010	February	5	20.29	1.67	15.01	0.0003	B	S	1981-2010	August	23	23.12	0.93	46.00	0.0000	B	S
1951-1980	February	6	19.47				A		1951-1980	August	24	22.01				A	
1981-2010	February	6	21.2	1.73	22.16	0.0000	B	S	1981-2010	August	24	23	0.99	62.67	0.0000	B	S
1951-1980	March	7	20.18				A		1951-1980	September	25	21.88				A	
1981-2010	March	7	22.42	2.24	36.76	0.0000	B	S	1981-2010	September	25	22.96	1.08	62.10	0.0000	B	S
1951-1980	March	8	21.5				A		1951-1980	September	26	22				A	
1981-2010	March	8	23.48	1.98	20.41	0.0000	B	S	1981-2010	September	26	23.15	1.15	52.49	0.0000	B	S
1951-1980	March	9	22.56				A		1951-1980	September	27	22.27				A	
1981-2010	March	9	24.25	1.69	15.55	0.0002	B	S	1981-2010	September	27	23.54	1.27	63.22	0.0000	B	S
1951-1980	April	10	23.39				A		1951-1980	October	28	22.25				A	
1981-2010	April	10	25.5	2.11	38.48	0.0000	B	S	1981-2010	October	28	23.69	1.44	65.01	0.0000	B	S
1951-1980	April	11	24.35				A		1951-1980	October	29	22.01				A	
1981-2010	April	11	26.81	2.46	48.02	0.0000	B	S	1981-2010	October	29	23.74	1.73	56.31	0.0000	B	S
1951-1980	April	12	25.29				A		1951-1980	October	30	20.87				A	
1981-2010	April	12	27.4	2.11	48.74	0.0000	B	S	1981-2010	October	30	22.71	1.84	39.09	0.0000	B	S
1951-1980	May	13	25.66				A		1951-1980	November	31	19.84				A	
1981-2010	May	13	27.5	1.84	35.94	0.0000	B	S	1981-2010	November	31	21.37	1.53	25.62	0.0000	B	S
1951-1980	May	14	26				A		1951-1980	November	32	18.93				A	
1981-2010	May	14	27.62	1.62	41.27	0.0000	B	S	1981-2010	November	32	20.64	1.71	32.47	0.0000	B	S
1951-1980	May	15	25.86				A		1951-1980	November	33	18.13				A	
1981-2010	May	15	27.27	1.41	43.22	0.0000	B	S	1981-2010	November	33	19.7	1.57	21.82	0.0000	B	S
1951-1980	June	16	24.92				A		1951-1980	December	34	17.08				A	
1981-2010	June	16	26.39	1.47	32.97	0.0000	B	S	1981-2010	December	34	18.69	1.61	16.59	0.0001	B	S
1951-1980	June	17	24.44				A		1951-1980	December	35	16.32				A	
1981-2010	June	17	25.94	1.5	23.54	0.0000	B	S	1981-2010	December	35	17.8	1.48	11.91	0.0011	B	S
1951-1980	June	18	23.51				A		1951-1980	December	36	15.92				A	
1981-2010	June	18	24.94	1.43	29.76	0.0000	B	S	1981-2010	December	36	16.95	1.03	8.27	0.0056	B	S
Average Periods 1951-1980												21.21				A	
Average Periods 1981-2010												22.7	1.49	115.32	0.0000	B	S

Table 6. Maximum temperature every ten days statistical analysis of the period 1951-1980 (30 years) and compared to the period 1981-2010 (30 years) at the meteorological station of Sotuba in Mali (12.39 °N latitude; 7.56 °O longitude, altitude 320 m)

Periods	Month	Decades	Means (°C)	Diff. (°C)	F-ratio	P-value	H. G.	S.Level	Periods	Month	Decades	Means (°C)	Diff. (°C)	F-ratio	P-value	H. G.	S.Level
1951-1980	January	1	33.2				A		1951-1980	July	19	32.1				A	
1981-2010	January	1	31.74	-1.46	10.83	0.0017	B	S	1981-2010	July	19	32.91	0.81	5.51	0.0224	B	S
1951-1980	January	2	33.3				A		1951-1980	July	20	31.24				A	
1981-2010	January	2	32.2	-1.1	3.71	0.0589	B	S	1981-2010	July	20	31.8	0.56	4.21	0.0448	B	S
1951-1980	January	3	34.23				A		1951-1980	July	21	30.39				A	
1981-2010	January	3	33.32	-0.93	2.55	0.1158	A	S	1981-2010	July	21	31	0.61	4.26	0.0434	B	S
1951-1980	February	4	35.12				A		1951-1980	August	22	30.34				A	
1981-2010	February	4	34.78	-0.34	0.45	0.5039	A	NS	1981-2010	August	22	30.81	0.47	4.09	4.0477	B	S
1951-1980	February	5	36.48				A		1951-1980	August	23	29.97				A	
1981-2010	February	5	35.85	-0.63	2.53	0.1173	A	NS	1981-2010	August	23	31.03	1.06	11.11	0.0015	B	S
1951-1980	February	6	37.25				A		1951-1980	August	24	30.22				A	
1981-2010	February	6	37.2	-0.05	0.06	0.8143	A	NS	1981-2010	August	24	31.14	0.92	13.08	0.0006	B	S
1951-1980	March	7	37.44				A		1951-1980	September	25	30.63				A	
1981-2010	March	7	37.88	0.44	1.71	0.1962	A	NS	1981-2010	September	25	31.33	0.7	7.35	0.0088	B	S
1951-1980	March	8	38.44				A		1951-1980	September	26	31.31				A	
1981-2010	March	8	38.35	-0.09	0.07	0.7875	A	NS	1981-2010	September	26	32.13	0.82	12.08	0.0010	B	S
1951-1980	March	9	38.61				A		1951-1980	September	27	32.1				A	
1981-2010	March	9	39.06	0.45	1.83	0.1819	A	NS	1981-2010	September	27	33	0.9	10.92	0.0016	B	S
1951-1980	April	10	38.8				A		1951-1980	October	28	32.95				A	
1981-2010	April	10	39.71	0.93	7.37	0.0087	B	S	1981-2010	October	28	33.84	0.89	6.37	0.0143	B	S
1951-1980	April	11	39.03				A		1951-1980	October	29	33.8				A	
1981-2010	April	11	39.87	0.84	6.05	0.0169	B	S	1981-2010	October	29	34.62	0.82	6.14	0.0162	B	S
1951-1980	April	12	38.55				A		1951-1980	October	30	33.93				A	
1981-2010	April	12	39.35	0.8	1.04	0.3072	A	NS	1981-2010	October	30	35.1	1.17	13.32	0.0006	B	S
1951-1980	May	13	38.32				A		1951-1980	November	31	34.59				A	
1981-2010	May	13	39.31	0.99	8.23	0.0057	B	S	1981-2010	November	31	35.33	0.74	5.41	0.0235	B	S
1951-1980	May	14	38.17				A		1951-1980	November	32	34.65				A	
1981-2010	May	14	38.65	0.48	1.94	0.1700	A	NS	1981-2010	November	32	35.14	0.49	1.91	0.1725	A	NS
1951-1980	May	15	37.09				A		1951-1980	November	33	34.02				A	
1981-2010	May	15	37.71	0.62	2.19	0.1400	A	NS	1981-2010	November	33	35.02	1	9.05	0.0039	B	S
1951-1980	June	16	35.82				A		1951-1980	December	34	33.43				A	
1981-2010	June	16	36.42	0.6	1.73	0.1930	A	NS	1981-2010	December	34	33.73	0.3	1.06	0.3083	A	NS
1951-1980	June	17	34.39				A		1951-1980	December	35	32.64				A	
1981-2010	June	17	35.85	1.46	17.35	0.0001	B	S	1981-2010	December	35	32.85	0.21	0.21	0.6453	A	NS
1951-1980	June	18	33.45				A		1951-1980	December	36	32.39				A	
1981-2010	June	18	34.18	0.73	5.74	0.0198	B	S	1981-2010	December	36	32.47	0.08	0.02	0.8797	A	NS
Average Periods 1951-1980												34.41				A	
Average Periods 1981-2010												34.85	0.44	9.35	0.0034	B	S

Table 7. Minimum temperature every ten days statistical analysis of the period 1951-1980 (30 years) and compared to the period 1981-2010 (30 years) at the meteorological station of Sotuba in Mali. (12.39 °N latitude, 7.56 °O longitude, altitude 320 m)

Periods	Month	Decades	Means (°C)	Diff. (°C)	F-ratio	P-value	H. G.	S.Level	Periods	Month	Decades	Means (°C)	Diff. (°C)	F-ratio	P-value	H. G.	S.Level
1951-1980	January	1	13.76				A		1951-1980	July	19	22.06				A	
1981-2010	January	1	15.38	1.62	10.00	0.0025	B	S	1981-2010	July	19	22.28	0.22	0.39	0.5372	A	NS
1951-1980	January	2	14.1				A		1951-1980	July	20	21.66				A	
1981-2010	January	2	16.12	2.02	15.08	0.0003	B	S	1981-2010	July	20	22.32	0.66	5.38	0.0239	B	S
1951-1980	January	3	14.66				A		1951-1980	July	21	21.6				A	
1981-2010	January	3	16.67	2.01	13.93	0.0004	B	S	1981-2010	July	21	21.93	0.33	2.55	0.1155	A	NS
1951-1980	February	4	15.86				A		1951-1980	August	22	21.6				A	
1981-2010	February	4	17.92	2.06	15.67	0.0002	B	S	1981-2010	August	22	21.71	0.11	0.23	0.6323	A	NS
1951-1980	February	5	17.21				A		1951-1980	August	23	21.47				A	
1981-2010	February	5	19.36	2.15	13.68	0.0005	B	S	1981-2010	August	23	21.8	0.33	2.39	0.1273	A	NS
1951-1980	February	6	17.99				A		1951-1980	August	24	21.3				A	
1981-2010	February	6	20.41	2.42	21.47	0.0000	B	S	1981-2010	August	24	21.76	0.46	5.47	0.0229	B	S
1951-1980	March	7	18.95				A		1951-1980	September	25	21.12				A	
1981-2010	March	7	21.56	2.61	30.61	0.0000	B	S	1981-2010	September	25	21.42	0.3	0.30	0.1839	A	NS
1951-1980	March	8	20.25				A		1951-1980	September	26	21.27				A	
1981-2010	March	8	22.28	2.03	18.67	0.0001	B	S	1981-2010	September	26	21.71	0.44	5.01	0.0290	B	S
1951-1980	March	9	21.25				A		1951-1980	September	27	21.3				A	
1981-2010	March	9	22.97	1.72	11.46	0.0013	B	S	1981-2010	September	27	21.82	0.52	8.08	0.0062	B	S
1951-1980	April	10	21.97				A		1951-1980	October	28	21.09				A	
1981-2010	April	10	23.88	1.91	12.53	0.0008	B	S	1981-2010	October	28	21.64	0.55	7.52	0.0091	B	S
1951-1980	April	11	23.15				A		1951-1980	October	29	20.87				A	
1981-2010	April	11	24.93	1.78	9.02	0.0039	B	S	1981-2010	October	29	21.48	0.61	6.02	0.0172	B	S
1951-1980	April	12	4.33				A		1951-1980	October	30	19.6				A	
1981-2010	April	12	25.39	21.06	5.47	0.0228	B	S	1981-2010	October	30	19.93	0.33	0.87	0.3537	A	NS
1951-1980	May	13	24.2				A		1951-1980	November	31	17.98				A	
1981-2010	May	13	25.65	1.45	13.02	0.0006	B	S	1981-2010	November	31	18.11	0.13	0.08	0.7796	A	NS
1951-1980	May	14	24.63				A		1951-1980	November	32	16.7				A	
1981-2010	May	14	25.27	0.64	3.79	0.0564	A	NS	1981-2010	November	32	17.14	0.44	0.89	0.3486	A	NS
1951-1980	May	15	24.17				A		1951-1980	November	33	15.63				A	
1981-2010	May	15	24.85	0.68	3.78	0.0567	A	NS	1981-2010	November	33	16.44	0.81	3.22	0.0778	A	NS
1951-1980	June	16	23.53				A		1951-1980	December	34	14.46				A	
1981-2010	June	16	24.21	0.68	3.75	0.0058	A	NS	1981-2010	December	34	16.17	1.71	13.21	0.0006	B	S
1951-1980	June	17	22.96				A		1951-1980	December	35	14.26				A	
1981-2010	June	17	23.49	0.53	1.55	0.2180	A	NS	1981-2010	December	35	15.92	1.66	11.71	0.0011	A	NS
1951-1980	June	18	22.29				A		1951-1980	December	36	14.12				A	
1981-2010	June	18	22.65	0.36	0.95	0.3300	A	NS	1981-2010	December	36	14.81	0.69	2.19	0.1445	B	S
												19.82				A	
												20.87	1.05	24.62	0.0000	B	S

Table 8. Maximum temperature every ten days statistical analysis of the period 1951-1980 (30 years) and compared to the period 1981-2010 (30 years) at the meteorological station of Koutiala in Mali (12.24°N latitude; 5.28°O longitude, altitude 334 m)

Periods	Month	Decades	Means ($^{\circ}\text{C}$)	Diff. ($^{\circ}\text{C}$)	F-ratio	P-value	H. G.	S.Level	Periods	Month	Decades	Means ($^{\circ}\text{C}$)	Diff. ($^{\circ}\text{C}$)	F-ratio	P-value	H. G.	S.Level	
1951-1980	January	1	32.68				A		1951-1980	July	19	32				A		
1981-2010	January	1	31.29	-1.39	9.54	0.0031	B	S	1981-2010	July	19	32.01	0.01	0.00	0.9696	A	NS	
1951-1980	January	2	32.8				A		1951-1980	July	20	31				A		
1981-2010	January	2	31.93	-0.87	2.45	0.1229	A	NS	1981-2010	July	20	31.35	0.35	1.85	0.1796	A	NS	
1951-1980	January	3	33.89				A		1951-1980	July	21	30.3				A		
1981-2010	January	3	33.06	-0.83	2.41	0.1257	A	NS	1981-2010	July	21	30.49	0.19	0.79	0.3788	A	NS	
1951-1980	February	4	34.74				A		1951-1980	August	22	30.15				A		
1981-2010	February	4	34.43	-0.31	0.38	0.5418	A	NS	1981-2010	August	22	30.26	0.11	0.22	0.6417	A	NS	
1951-1980	February	5	36.3				A		1951-1980	August	23	29.72				A		
1981-2010	February	5	35.52	-0.78	4.50	0.0381	B	S	1981-2010	August	23	30.17	0.45	3.49	0.0666	A	NS	
1951-1980	February	6	36.94				A		1951-1980	August	24	29.91				A		
1981-2010	February	6	36.84	-0.1	0.08	0.7815	A	NS	1981-2010	August	24	30.29	0.38	2.20	0.1432	A	NS	
1951-1980	March	7	37.28				A		1951-1980	September	25	30.38				A		
1981-2010	March	7	37.38	0.1	0.00	1.0000	A	NS	1981-2010	September	25	30.37	-0.01	0.01	0.9424	A	NS	
1951-1980	March	8	38.15				A		1951-1980	September	26	31.06				A		
1981-2010	March	8	37.58	-0.57	2.61	0.1117	A	NS	1981-2010	September	26	31.44	0.38	2.57	0.1144	A	NS	
1951-1980	March	9	38.23				A		1951-1980	September	27	31.99				A		
1981-2010	March	9	38.72	0.49	2.46	0.1225	A	NS	1981-2010	September	27	32.51	0.52	4.40	0.0403	B	S	
1951-1980	April	10	38.31				A		1951-1980	October	28	33.17				A		
1981-2010	April	10	39.16	0.85	6.82	0.0114	B	S	1981-2010	October	28	33.64	0.47	2.46	0.1221	A	NS	
1951-1980	April	11	38.39				A		1951-1980	October	29	34.06				A		
1981-2010	April	11	38.96	0.57	3.10	0.0836	A	NS	1981-2010	October	29	34.47	0.41	1.82	0.1823	A	NS	
1951-1980	April	12	37.91				A		1951-1980	October	30	34.41				A		
1981-2010	April	12	38.38	0.47	1.93	0.1704	A	NS	1981-2010	October	30	35.35	0.94	10.45	0.0020	B	S	
1951-1980	May	13	37.33				A		1951-1980	November	31	34.91				A		
1981-2010	May	13	38.3	0.97	9.81	0.0027	B	S	1981-2010	November	31	35.58	0.67	7.31	0.0090	B	S	
1951-1980	May	14	37.11				A		1951-1980	November	32	34.97				A		
1981-2010	May	14	37.69	0.58	4.69	0.0305	B	S	1981-2010	November	32	35.3	0.33	2.06	0.1563	A	NS	
1951-1980	May	15	35.68				A		1951-1980	November	33	34.07				A		
1981-2010	May	15	36.46	0.78	4.00	0.0501	A	NS	1981-2010	November	33	34.94	0.87	6.40	0.0142	B	S	
1951-1980	June	16	35.06				A		1951-1980	December	34	33.34				A		
1981-2010	June	16	35.16	0.1	0.05	0.8241	A	NS	1981-2010	December	34	33.62	0.28	0.59	0.4446	A	NS	
1951-1980	June	17	33.83				A		1951-1980	December	35	32.51				A		
1981-2010	June	17	34.28	0.45	1.90	0.1733	A	NS	1981-2010	December	35	32.95	0.44	0.87	0.3536	A	NS	
1951-1980	June	18	33.02				A		1951-1980	December	36	32.18				A		
1981-2010	June	18	32.85	-0.17	0.47	0.4969	A	NS	1981-2010	December	36	32.47	0.29	0.39	0.5300	A	NS	
Average Periods 1951-1980												34.11				A		
Average Periods 1981-2010												34.3	0.19	3.20	0.0788	A	NS	

Table 9. Minimum temperature every ten days statistical analysis of the period 1951-1980 (30 years) and compared to the period 1981-2010 (30 years) at the meteorological station of Koutiala in Mali. (12.24 °N latitude, 5.28 °O longitude, altitude 334 m)

Periods	Month	Decades	Means (°C)	Diff. (°C)	F-ratio	P-value	H. G.	S.Level	Periods	Month	Decades	Means (°C)	Diff. (°C)	F-ratio	P-value	H. G.	S.Level
1951-1980	January	1	12.75				A		1951-1980	July	19	22.17				A	
1981-2010	January	1	15.47	2.72	19.37	0.0000	B	S	1981-2010	July	19	22.74	0.57	12.88	0.0007	B	S
1951-1980	January	2	12.93				A		1951-1980	July	20	21.81				A	
1981-2010	January	2	16.28	3.35	39.16	0.0000	B	S	1981-2010	July	20	22.51	0.7	24.15	0.0000	B	S
1951-1980	January	3	13.21				A		1951-1980	July	21	21.52				A	
1981-2010	January	3	16.7	3.49	36.50	0.0000	B	S	1981-2010	July	21	22.27	0.75	39.24	0.0000	B	S
1951-1980	February	4	14.64				A		1951-1980	August	22	21.71				A	
1981-2010	February	4	17.8	3.16	28.96	0.0000	B	S	1981-2010	August	22	22.1	0.39	10.38	0.0021	B	S
1951-1980	February	5	15.9				A		1951-1980	August	23	21.55				A	
1981-2010	February	5	19.31	3.41	22.72	0.0000	B	S	1981-2010	August	23	22.12	0.57	24.22	0.0000	B	S
1951-1980	February	6	17.06				A		1951-1980	August	24	21.44				A	
1981-2010	February	6	20.43	3.37	35.23	0.0000	B	S	1981-2010	August	24	22.12	0.68	39.20	0.0000	B	S
1951-1980	March	7	17.91				A		1951-1980	September	25	21.27				A	
1981-2010	March	7	22.19	4.28	47.57	0.0000	B	S	1981-2010	September	25	21.95	0.68	25.76	0.0000	B	S
1951-1980	March	8	19.95				A		1951-1980	September	26	21.3				A	
1981-2010	March	8	23.4	3.45	30.48	0.0000	B	S	1981-2010	September	26	22.13	0.83	42.41	0.0000	B	S
1951-1980	March	9	21.74				A		1951-1980	September	27	21.64				A	
1981-2010	March	9	24.34	2.6	19.14	0.0001	B	S	1981-2010	September	27	22.58	0.94	45.21	0.0000	B	S
1951-1980	April	10	22.77				A		1951-1980	October	28	21.52				A	
1981-2010	April	10	25.74	2.97	53.61	0.0000	B	S	1981-2010	October	28	22.69	1.17	65.45	0.0000	B	S
1951-1980	April	11	23.79				A		1951-1980	October	29	21.49				A	
1981-2010	April	11	26.54	2.75	53.66	0.0000	B	S	1981-2010	October	29	22.93	1.44	52.06	0.0000	B	S
1951-1980	April	12	25.09				A		1951-1980	October	30	20.67				A	
1981-2010	April	12	26.63	1.54	27.91	0.0000	B	S	1981-2010	October	30	22.39	1.72	45.81	0.0000	B	S
1951-1980	May	13	24.78				A		1951-1980	November	31	18.89				A	
1981-2010	May	13	26.6	1.82	47.87	0.0000	B	S	1981-2010	November	31	20.44	1.55	14.63	0.0003	B	S
1951-1980	May	14	25.14				A		1951-1980	November	32	17.1				A	
1981-2010	May	14	26.09	0.95	17.54	0.0001	B	S	1981-2010	November	32	19.44	2.34	21.57	0.0000	B	S
1951-1980	May	15	24.13				A		1951-1980	November	33	15.11				A	
1981-2010	May	15	25.44	1.31	36.98	0.0000	B	S	1981-2010	November	33	17.92	2.81	32.79	0.0000	B	S
1951-1980	June	16	23.74				A		1951-1980	December	34	14.03				A	
1981-2010	June	16	24.47	0.73	7.07	0.0101	B	S	1981-2010	December	34	17.24	3.21	40.34	0.0000	B	S
1951-1980	June	17	23.06				A		1951-1980	December	35	13.44				A	
1981-2010	June	17	23.88	0.82	13.73	0.0005	B	S	1981-2010	December	35	16.62	3.18	40.20	0.0000	B	S
1951-1980	June	18	22.51				A		1951-1980	December	36	13.1				A	
1981-2010	June	18	23.28	0.77	18.50	0.0001	B	S	1981-2010	December	36	15.56	2.46	22.66	0.0000	B	S
Average Periods 1951-1980												19.75				A	
Average Periods 1981-2010												21.68	1.93	110.62	0.0000	B	S

Table 10. Maximum temperature every ten days statistical analysis of the period 1951-1980 (30 years) and compared to the period 1981-2010 (30 years) at the meteorological station of Sikasso in Mali (11.21 °N latitude, 5.41 °O longitude, altitude 271 m)

Periods	Month	Decades	Means (°C)	Diff. (°C)	F-ratio	P-value	H. G.	S.Level	Periods	Month	Decades	Means (°C)	Diff. (°C)	F-ratio	P-value	H. G.	S.Level
1951-1980	January	1	33.52				A		1951-1980	July	19	31.62				A	
1981-2010	January	1	31.87	-1.65	17.18	0.0001	B	S	1981-2010	July	19	31.04	-0.58	5.67	0.0206	B	S
1951-1980	January	2	33.64				A		1951-1980	July	20	30.91				A	
1981-2010	January	2	32.56	-1.08	5.33	0.0246	B	S	1981-2010	July	20	30.55	-0.36	2.40	0.1270	A	NS
1951-1980	January	3	34.63				A		1951-1980	July	21	30.23				A	
1981-2010	January	3	33.65	-0.98	4.50	0.0381	B	S	1981-2010	July	21	29.99	-0.24	1.08	0.3019	A	NS
1951-1980	February	4	35.3				A		1951-1980	August	22	30.15				A	
1981-2010	February	4	34.78	-0.52	1.42	0.2385	A	NS	1981-2010	August	22	29.78	-0.37	2.49	0.1197	A	NS
1951-1980	February	5	36.58				A		1951-1980	August	23	29.72				A	
1981-2010	February	5	35.64	-0.94	9.09	0.0038	B	S	1981-2010	August	23	29.75	0.03	0.03	0.8714	A	NS
1951-1980	February	6	37.14				A		1951-1980	August	24	29.99				A	
1981-2010	February	6	36.95	-0.19	0.46	0.5010	A	NS	1981-2010	August	24	29.91	-0.08	0.12	0.7315	A	NS
1951-1980	March	7	37.24				A		1951-1980	September	25	30.27				A	
1981-2010	March	7	37.02	-0.22	0.54	0.4657	A	NS	1981-2010	September	25	30.24	-0.03	0.02	0.8810	A	NS
1951-1980	March	8	37.73				A		1951-1980	September	26	31.13				A	
1981-2010	March	8	37.11	-0.62	3.70	0.0594	A	NS	1981-2010	September	26	30.95	-0.18	0.61	0.4395	A	NS
1951-1980	March	9	37.61				A		1951-1980	September	27	31.94				A	
1981-2010	March	9	37.86	0.25	0.92	0.3427	A	NS	1981-2010	September	27	31.76	-0.18	0.57	0.4541	A	NS
1951-1980	April	10	37.62				A		1951-1980	October	28	32.76				A	
1981-2010	April	10	38	0.38	1.30	0.2583	A	NS	1981-2010	October	28	32.54	-0.22	0.67	0.4151	A	NS
1951-1980	April	11	37.38				A		1951-1980	October	29	33.62				A	
1981-2010	April	11	37.25	-0.13	0.22	0.6400	A	NS	1981-2010	October	29	33.2	-0.42	2.64	0.1401	A	NS
1951-1980	April	12	36.73				A		1951-1980	October	30	33.84				A	
1981-2010	April	12	36.59	-0.14	0.16	0.6888	A	NS	1981-2010	October	30	34.04	0.2	0.46	0.5160	A	NS
1951-1980	May	13	36.28				A		1951-1980	November	31	34.39				A	
1981-2010	May	13	36.42	0.14	0.23	0.6345	A	NS	1981-2010	November	31	34.39	0	0.00	0.9880	A	NS
1951-1980	May	14	35.82				A		1951-1980	November	32	34.6				A	
1981-2010	May	14	35.64	-0.18	0.48	0.4904	A	NS	1981-2010	November	32	34.58	-0.02	0.01	0.9166	A	NS
1951-1980	May	15	34.72				A		1951-1980	November	33	34.05				A	
1981-2010	May	15	34.8	0.08	0.04	0.8367	A	NS	1981-2010	November	33	34.38	0.33	1.46	0.2312	A	NS
1951-1980	June	16	33.95				A		1951-1980	December	34	33.66				A	
1981-2010	June	16	33.44	-0.51	2.34	0.1312	A	NS	1981-2010	December	34	33.41	-0.25	0.82	0.3687	A	NS
1951-1980	June	17	33.08				A		1951-1980	December	35	33.05				A	
1981-2010	June	17	32.9	-0.18	0.50	0.4811	A	NS	1981-2010	December	35	33.04	-0.01	0.00	0.9714	A	NS
1951-1980	June	18	32.53				A		1951-1980	December	36	33.14				A	
1981-2010	June	18	31.76	-0.77	11.09	0.0015	B	S	1981-2010	December	36	32.68	-0.46	1.46	0.2324	A	NS
Average Periods 1951-1980												33.62				A	
Average Periods 1981-2010												33.9	0.28	6.66	0.0124	B	S

Table 11. Minimum temperature every ten days statistical analysis of the period 1951-1980 (30 years) and compared to the period 1981-2010 (30 years) at the meteorological station of Sikasso in Mali (11.21 °N latitude, 5.41 °O longitude, altitude 271 m)

Periods	Month	Decades	Means (°C)	Diff. (°C)	F-ratio	P-value	H. G.	S.Level	Periods	Month	Decades	Means (°C)	Diff. (°C)	F-ratio	P-value	H. G.	S.Level
1951-1980	January	1	14.05				A		1951-1980	July	19	21.56				A	
1981-2010	January	1	15.86	1.81	14.87	0.0003	B	S	1981-2010	July	19	22.23	0.67	11.18	0.0015	B	S
1951-1980	January	2	14.36				A		1951-1980	July	20	21.36				A	
1981-2010	January	2	16.89	2.53	25.51	0.0000	B	S	1981-2010	July	20	21.96	0.6	10.02	0.0025	B	S
1951-1980	January	3	14.84				A		1951-1980	July	21	21.2				A	
1981-2010	January	3	17.56	2.72	31.45	0.0000	B	S	1981-2010	July	21	21.88	0.68	25.80	0.0000	B	S
1951-1980	February	4	16.31				A		1951-1980	August	22	21.38				A	
1981-2010	February	4	18.32	2.01	26.03	0.0000	B	S	1981-2010	August	22	21.67	0.29	4.22	0.0445	B	S
1951-1980	February	5	17.72				A		1951-1980	August	23	21.3				A	
1981-2010	February	5	20.31	2.59	17.14	0.0001	B	S	1981-2010	August	23	21.64	0.34	13.10	0.0006	B	S
1951-1980	February	6	19.17				A		1951-1980	August	24	21.21				A	
1981-2010	February	6	21.46	2.29	20.31	0.0000	B	S	1981-2010	August	24	21.61	0.4	16.78	0.0001	B	S
1951-1980	March	7	19.6				A		1951-1980	September	25	21.06				A	
1981-2010	March	7	22.73	3.13	27.24	0.0000	B	S	1981-2010	September	25	21.37	0.31	5.20	0.0263	B	S
1951-1980	March	8	21.67				A		1951-1980	September	26	21.13				A	
1981-2010	March	8	23.72	2.05	23.47	0.0000	B	S	1981-2010	September	26	21.5	0.37	10.07	0.0024	B	S
1951-1980	March	9	22.87				A		1951-1980	September	27	21.18				A	
1981-2010	March	9	24.53	1.66	13.91	0.0004	B	S	1981-2010	September	27	21.68	0.5	22.29	0.0000	B	S
1951-1980	April	10	23.58				A		1951-1980	October	28	21.38				A	
1981-2010	April	10	25.45	1.87	56.05	0.0000	B	S	1981-2010	October	28	21.91	0.53	17.90	0.0001	B	S
1951-1980	April	11	24.01				A		1951-1980	October	29	21.48				A	
1981-2010	April	11	25.72	1.71	26.28	0.0000	B	S	1981-2010	October	29	22.11	0.63	20.73	0.0000	B	S
1951-1980	April	12	24.59				A		1951-1980	October	30	21.09				A	
1981-2010	April	12	25.17	0.58	4.85	0.0317	B	S	1981-2010	October	30	21.79	0.7	12.13	0.0009	B	S
1951-1980	May	13	24.17				A		1951-1980	November	31	19.74				A	
1981-2010	May	13	25.01	0.84	13.72	0.0005	B	S	1981-2010	November	31	20.38	0.64	1.27	0.2637	A	NS
1951-1980	May	14	24.08				A		1951-1980	November	32	18.56				A	
1981-2010	May	14	24.62	0.54	5.92	0.0181	B	S	1981-2010	November	32	19.35	0.79	2.91	0.0935	A	NS
1951-1980	May	15	23.07				A		1951-1980	November	33	16.2				A	
1981-2010	May	15	24.24	1.17	25.85	0.0000	B	S	1981-2010	November	33	18.15	1.95	16.89	0.0001	B	S
1951-1980	June	16	22.88				A		1951-1980	December	34	14.97				A	
1981-2010	June	16	23.25	0.37	3.84	0.0550	A	NS	1981-2010	December	34	17.32	2.35	21.46	0.0000	B	S
1951-1980	June	17	22.11				A		1951-1980	December	35	14.4				A	
1981-2010	June	17	22.88	0.77	14.67	0.0003	B	S	1981-2010	December	35	16.73	2.33	23.81	0.0000	B	S
1951-1980	June	18	21.77				A		1951-1980	December	36	14.1				A	
1981-2010	June	18	22.41	0.64	11.96	0.0010	B	S	1981-2010	December	36	16.08	1.98	20.37	0.0000	B	S
Average Periods 1951-1980												20.12				A	
Average Periods 1981-2010												21.37	1.25	79.26	0.0000	B	S

Table 12. Maximum temperature every ten days statistical analysis of the period 1951-1980 (30 years) and compared to the period 1981-2010 (30 years) at the meteorological station of Bougouni in Mali (11.25 °N latitude, 7.30 °O longitude, altitude 350 m)

Periode	Month	Decades	Means (°C)	Diff. (°C)	F-ratio	p-value	H. G.	S.Level	Periode	Month	Decades	Means (°C)	Diff. (°C)	F-ratio	p-value	H. G.	S.Level
1951-1980	January	1	33.45				A		1951-1980	July	19	31.06				A	
1981-2010	January	1	32.85	-0.6	2.09	0.1540	A	NS	1981-2010	July	19	31.65	0.59	4.82	0.0321	B	S
1951-1980	January	2	33.5				A		1951-1980	July	20	30.25				A	
1981-2010	January	2	33.34	-0.16	0.12	0.7321	A	NS	1981-2010	July	20	31.04	0.79	10.20	0.0023	B	S
1951-1980	January	3	34.47				A		1951-1980	July	21	29.63				A	
1981-2010	January	3	34.43	-0.04	0.00	0.9447	A	NS	1981-2010	July	21	30.63	1	13.93	0.0004	B	S
1951-1980	February	4	35.1				A		1951-1980	August	22	29.58				A	
1981-2010	February	4	35.75	0.65	2.15	0.1480	A	NS	1981-2010	August	22	30.36	0.78	10.73	0.0018	B	S
1951-1980	February	5	36.27				A		1951-1980	August	23	29.22				A	
1981-2010	February	5	36.58	0.31	1.16	0.2857	A	NS	1981-2010	August	23	30.34	1.12	26.84	0.0000	B	S
1951-1980	February	6	36.87				A		1951-1980	August	24	29.45				A	
1981-2010	February	6	37.84	0.97	10.83	0.0017	B	S	1981-2010	August	24	30.48	1.03	25.18	0.0000	B	S
1951-1980	March	7	37.02				A		1951-1980	September	25	29.92				A	
1981-2010	March	7	38	0.98	11.88	0.0011	B	S	1981-2010	September	25	30.59	0.67	10.92	0.0016	B	S
1951-1980	March	8	37.44				A		1951-1980	September	26	30.49				A	
1981-2010	March	8	38.24	0.8	5.50	0.0225	B	S	1981-2010	September	26	31.44	0.95	22.25	0.0000	B	S
1951-1980	March	9	37.55				A		1951-1980	September	27	31.18				A	
1981-2010	March	9	38.75	1.2	18.90	0.0001	B	S	1981-2010	September	27	32.07	0.89	17.72	0.0001	B	S
1951-1980	April	10	37.53				A		1951-1980	October	28	32.16				A	
1981-2010	April	10	39.06	1.53	23.88	0.0000	B	S	1981-2010	October	28	32.71	0.55	3.51	0.0662	A	NS
1951-1980	April	11	37.33				A		1951-1980	October	29	32.8				A	
1981-2010	April	11	38.62	1.29	18.26	0.0001	B	S	1981-2010	October	29	33.44	0.64	5.12	0.0274	B	S
1951-1980	April	12	36.45				A		1951-1980	October	30	33.13				A	
1981-2010	April	12	37.51	1.06	7.84	0.0069	B	S	1981-2010	October	30	34.15	1.02	15.23	0.0003	B	S
1951-1980	May	13	36.04				A		1951-1980	November	31	33.78				A	
1981-2010	May	13	37.6	1.56	16.92	0.0001	B	S	1981-2010	November	31	34.93	1.15	21.65	0.0000	B	S
1951-1980	May	14	35.34				A		1951-1980	November	32	34.14				A	
1981-2010	May	14	36.73	1.39	12.25	0.0009	B	S	1981-2010	November	32	35.17	1.03	18.04	0.0001	B	S
1951-1980	May	15	34.26				A		1951-1980	November	33	33.87				A	
1981-2010	May	15	35.52	1.26	9.85	0.0027	B	S	1981-2010	November	33	35.16	1.29	20.79	0.0000	B	S
1951-1980	June	16	33.51				A		1951-1980	December	34	33.56				A	
1981-2010	June	16	34.24	0.73	3.53	0.0654	A	NS	1981-2010	December	34	34.27	0.71	6.13	0.0162	B	S
1951-1980	June	17	32.39				A		1951-1980	December	35	32.88				A	
1981-2010	June	17	33.6	1.21	16.93	0.0001	B	S	1981-2010	December	35	33.87	0.99	5.81	0.0191	B	S
1951-1980	June	18	31.9				A		1951-1980	December	36	32.84				A	
1981-2010	June	18	32.6	0.7	7.20	0.0095	B	S	1981-2010	December	36	33.56	0.72	2.77	0.1015	B	S
Average Periods 1951-1980												33.51				A	
Average Periods 1981-2010												34.36	0.85	36.59	0.0000	B	S

Table 13. Minimum temperature every ten days statistical analysis of the period 1951-1980 (30 years) and compared to the period 1981-2010 (30 years) at the meteorological station of Bougouni in Mali (11.25 °N latitude, 7.30 °O longitude, altitude 350 m)

Periode	Month	Decades	Means (°C)	Diff. (°C)	F-ratio	P-value	H. G.	S.Level	Periode	Month	Decades	Means (°C)	Diff. (°C)	F-ratio	P-value	H. G.	S.Level
1951-1980	January	1	15.67				A		1951-1980	July	19	21.53				A	
1981-2010	January	1	15.91	0.24	0.33	0.5702	A	NS	1981-2010	July	19	22.15	0.62	17.06	0.0001	B	S
1951-1980	January	2	15.98				A		1951-1980	July	20	21.37				A	
1981-2010	January	2	16.79	0.81	3.75	0.0578	A	NS	1981-2010	July	20	21.95	0.58	18.41	0.0001	B	S
1951-1980	January	3	16.68				A		1951-1980	July	21	21.28				A	
1981-2010	January	3	17.37	0.69	2.26	0.1383	A	NS	1981-2010	July	21	21.97	0.69	33.53	0.0000	B	S
1951-1980	February	4	17.86				A		1951-1980	August	22	21.36				A	
1981-2010	February	4	18.71	0.85	4.08	0.0479	B	S	1981-2010	August	22	21.88	0.52	16.44	0.0002	B	S
1951-1980	February	5	18.92				A		1951-1980	August	23	21.26				A	
1981-2010	February	5	19.95	1.03	3.92	0.0525	A	NS	1981-2010	August	23	21.87	0.61	29.05	0.0000	B	S
1951-1980	February	6	20.2				A		1951-1980	August	24	21.09				A	
1981-2010	February	6	21.03	0.83	3.26	0.0761	A	NS	1981-2010	August	24	21.7	0.61	20.93	0.0000	B	S
1951-1980	March	7	20.6				A		1951-1980	September	25	21.09				A	
1981-2010	March	7	22.4	1.8	14.75	0.0003	B	S	1981-2010	September	25	21.7	0.61	20.93	0.0000	B	S
1951-1980	March	8	22.16				A		1951-1980	September	26	21.11				A	
1981-2010	March	8	23.25	1.09	7.16	0.0097	B	S	1981-2010	September	26	21.64	0.53	18.84	0.0001	B	S
1951-1980	March	9	23.36				A		1951-1980	September	27	21.2				A	
1981-2010	March	9	23.98	0.62	2.85	0.0970	A	NS	1981-2010	September	27	21.75	0.55	20.65	0.0000	B	S
1951-1980	April	10	24.01				A		1951-1980	October	28	21.22				A	
1981-2010	April	10	25.04	1.03	13.68	0.0005	B	S	1981-2010	October	28	21.83	0.61	18.64	0.0001	B	S
1951-1980	April	11	24.25				A		1951-1980	October	29	21.24				A	
1981-2010	April	11	25.9	1.65	43.34	0.0000	B	S	1981-2010	October	29	22.01	0.77	311.08	0.0000	B	S
1951-1980	April	12	24.59				A		1951-1980	October	30	20.92				A	
1981-2010	April	12	25.28	0.69	9.51	0.0031	B	S	1981-2010	October	30	21.55	0.63	15.55	0.0002	B	S
1951-1980	May	13	24.22				A		1951-1980	November	31	19.81				A	
1981-2010	May	13	25.33	1.11	21.53	0.0000	B	S	1981-2010	November	31	19.83	0.02	0.00	0.9619	A	NS
1951-1980	May	14	24.04				A		1951-1980	November	32	18.55				A	
1981-2010	May	14	24.74	0.7	9.66	0.0029	B	S	1981-2010	November	32	18.58	0.03	0.01	0.9327	A	NS
1951-1980	May	15	23.22				A		1951-1980	November	33	16.82				A	
1981-2010	May	15	24.23	1.01	21.91	0.0000	B	S	1981-2010	November	33	17.31	0.49	1.51	0.2237	A	NS
1951-1980	June	16	22.79				A		1951-1980	December	34	15.77				A	
1981-2010	June	16	23.41	0.62	8.87	0.0042	B	S	1981-2010	December	34	16.23	0.46	0.99	0.3245	A	NS
1951-1980	June	17	22.15				A		1951-1980	December	35	15.47				A	
1981-2010	June	17	22.96	0.81	23.08	0.0000	B	S	1981-2010	December	35	15.5	0.03	0.00	0.9718	A	NS
1951-1980	June	18	21.82				A		1951-1980	December	36	14.99				A	
1981-2010	June	18	22.6	0.78	28.91	0.0000	B	S	1981-2010	December	36	15.43	0.44	0.50	0.4817	A	NS
Average Periods 1951-1980												20.53				A	
Average Periods 1981-2010												21.21	0.68	30.15	0.0000	B	S

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