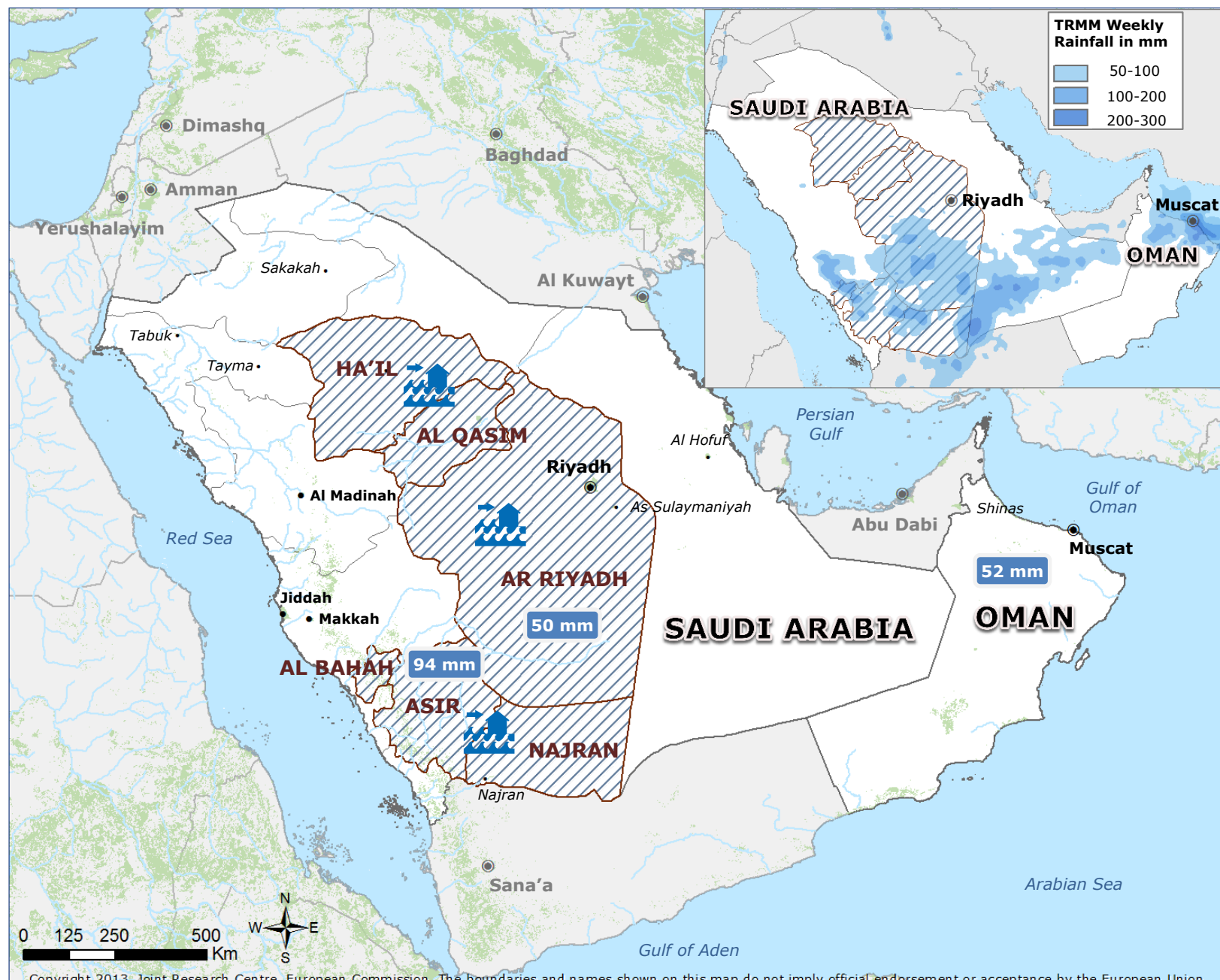


02 May 2013: Saudi Arabia and Oman – Flash Floods



SITUATION

- Flash floods hit several provinces of **Saudi Arabia** (indicated in main map), as well as northern **Oman**, as a result of heavy rainfall that began on 26 April.
- As of 01 May, the Saudi Press Agency reports 16 people killed and 3 missing. 6 of the deaths occurred in the province of **Ar Riyadh**, 4 in **Al Bahah** and 4 in **Ha'il**.
- As of the same date, AFP reports 2 deaths due to flash floods in Oman. According to media in Oman, 50 people were evacuated in Shinas, north Oman.

Sources: [BBC](#), [AFP](#), [WMO](#), [ArabNews](#), [Saudi Press Agency](#), [Oman News Agency](#), [Oman Tribune](#)

Forecast

- In the next 48h, cloudy weather with possible thunderstorms is forecast for central and parts of southern Saudi Arabia. Light to moderate rainfall is expected in the province of Riyadh.
- In northern Oman, for the next 48h, there is also a possibility of thunderstorms occurring.

Sources: [NOAA](#), [PME](#), [WMO \(1\)](#), [WMO \(2\)](#)

Legend (main map)

xx mm	Rain observed in 24h (01 May)
	Flash Flood
	Capital City
	Affected Area
	Vegetation
	Main Rivers