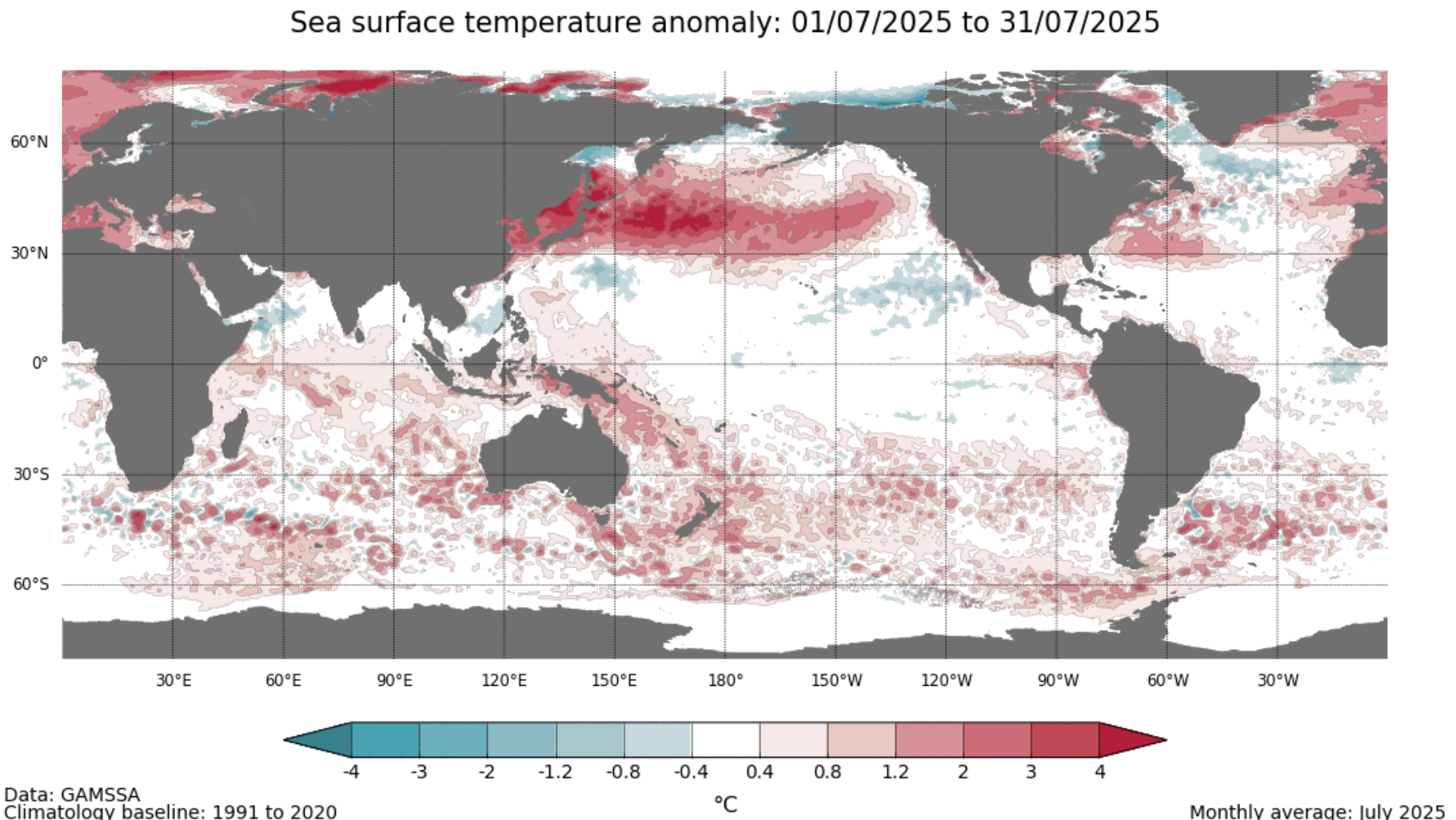
ENSO Update – OCOF 215

14 August 2025

ENSO Update

- The El Niño–Southern Oscillation (ENSO) is neutral.
- Global SSTs remain substantially above average. Monthly averaged SSTs have been third average on record since May, behind only 2024 and 2023.
- The Bureau's model predicts a neutral ENSO (neither El Niño nor La Niña) until at least January. This is consistent with forecasts from 7 out of 9 international models assessed.
- A negative Indian Ocean Dipole event likely in the coming months

July 2025 SSTs



Data: GAMSSA
Climatology baseline: 1991 to 2020

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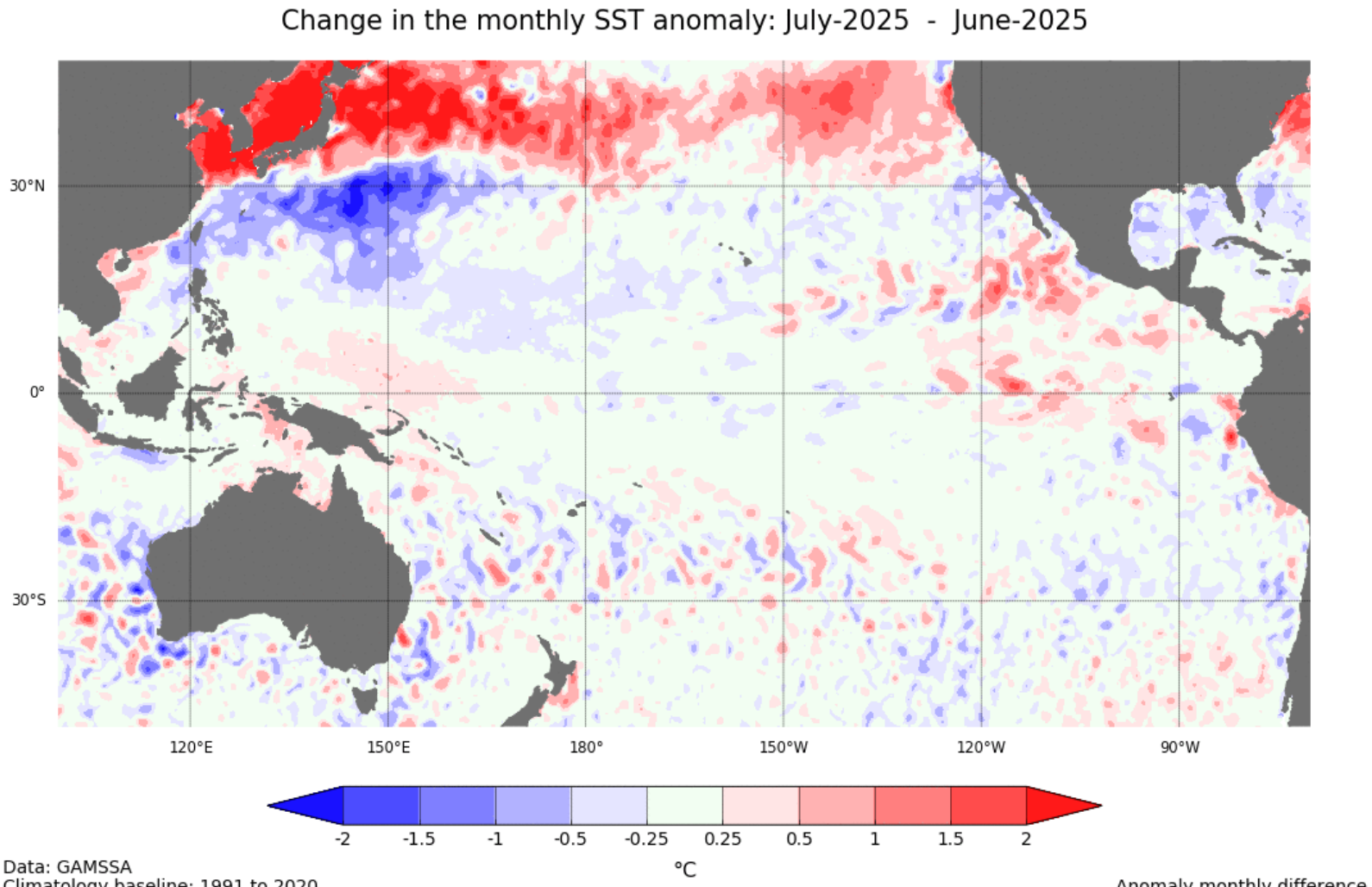
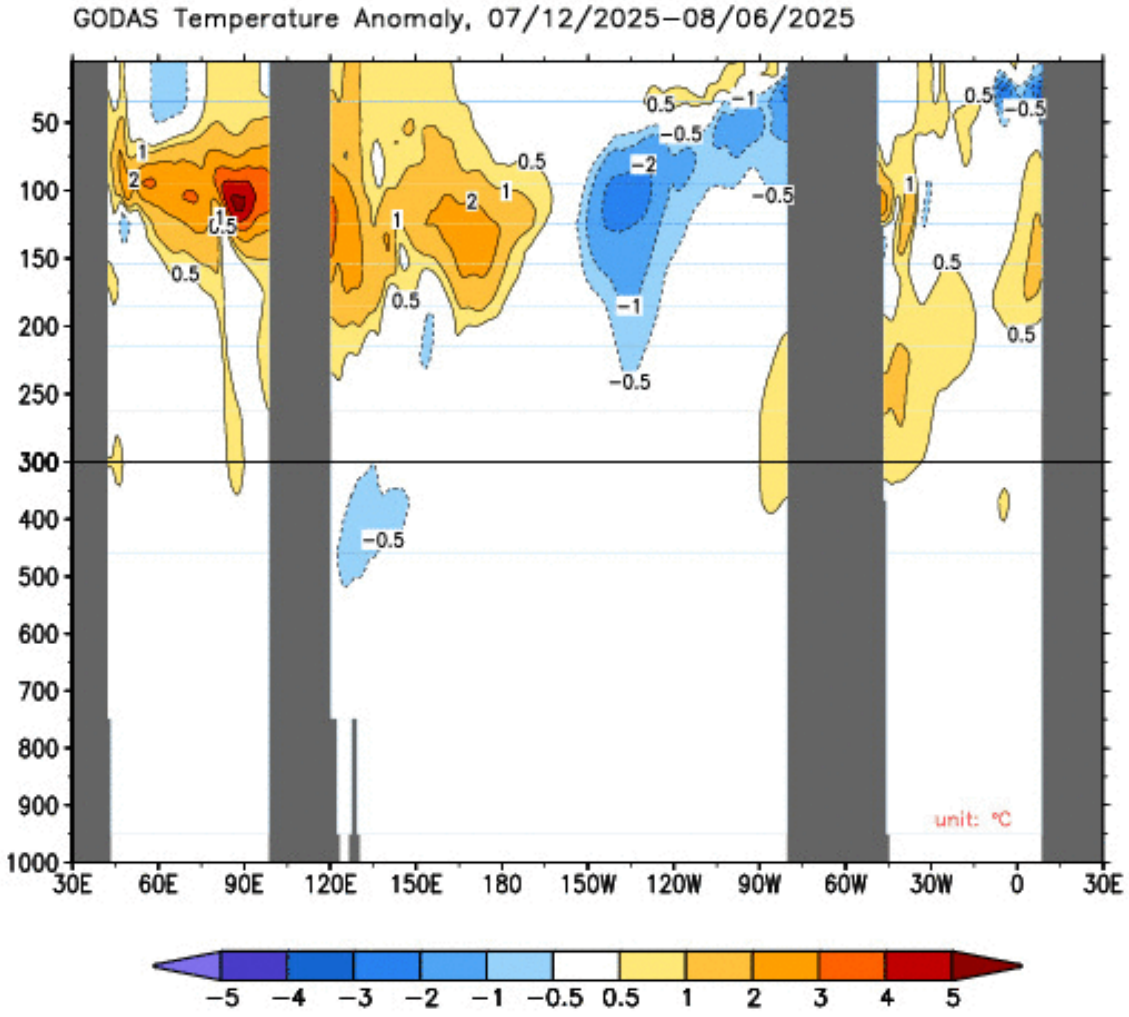
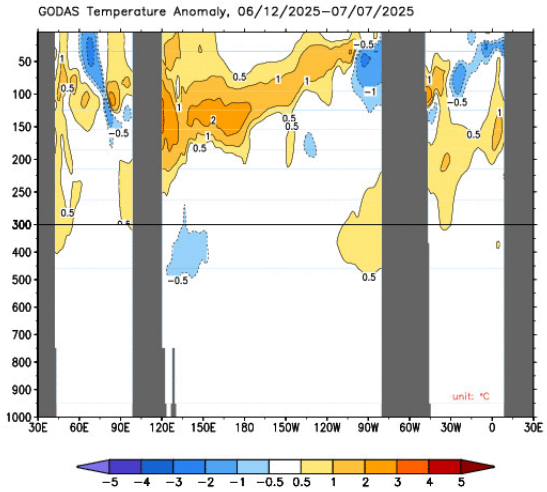
Monthly average: July 2025
Created: 03/08/2025

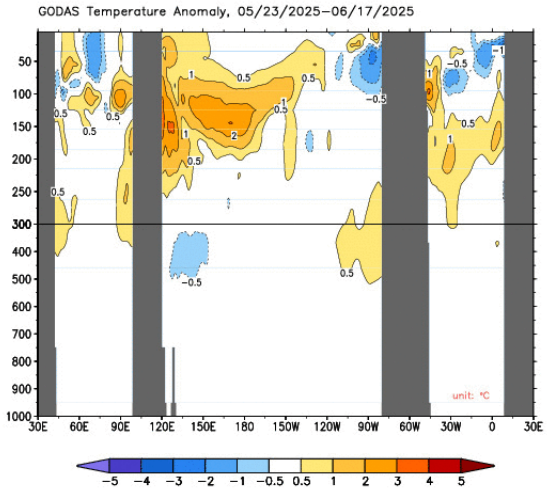
July – June SSTs



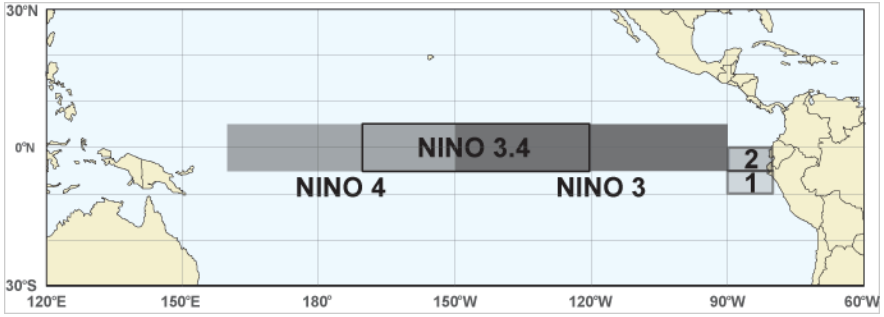
Equatorial Pacific Sub-surface Profile

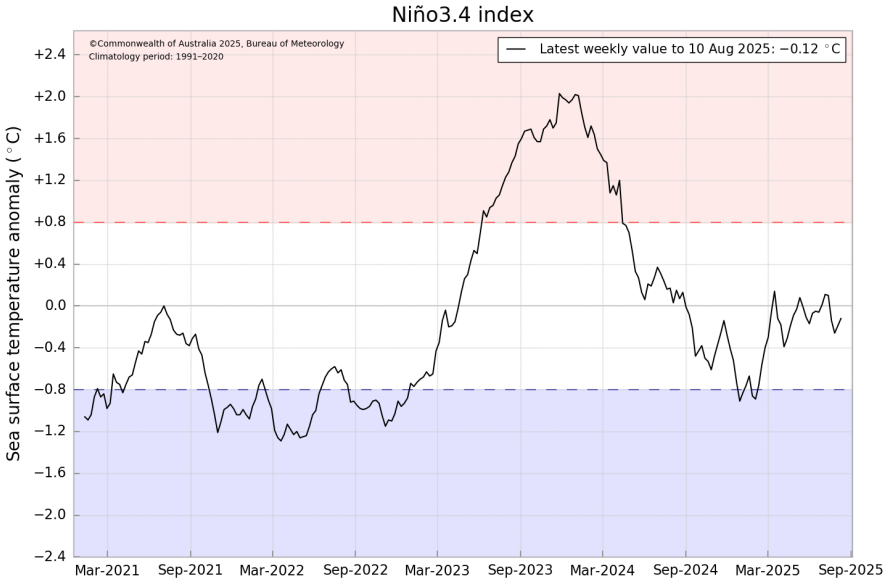


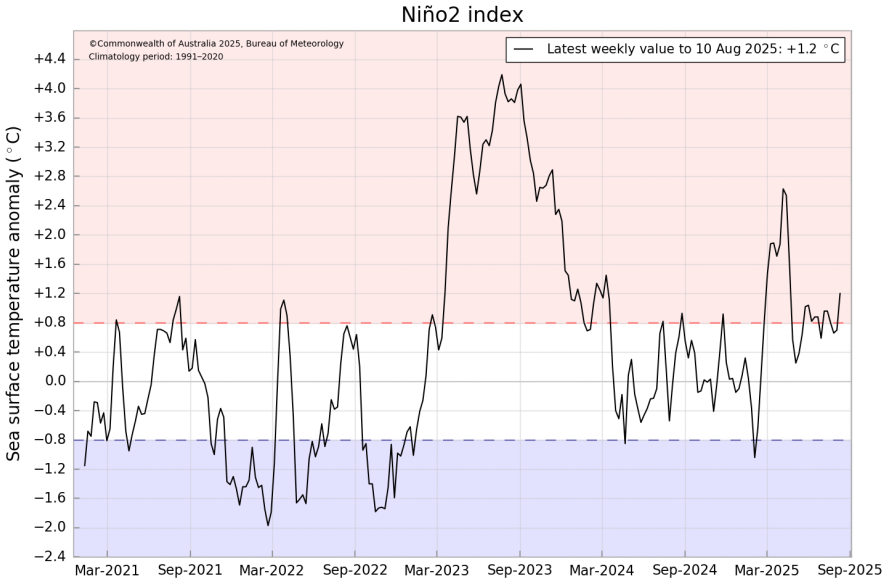




NINO Indices SST Anomalies (°C)







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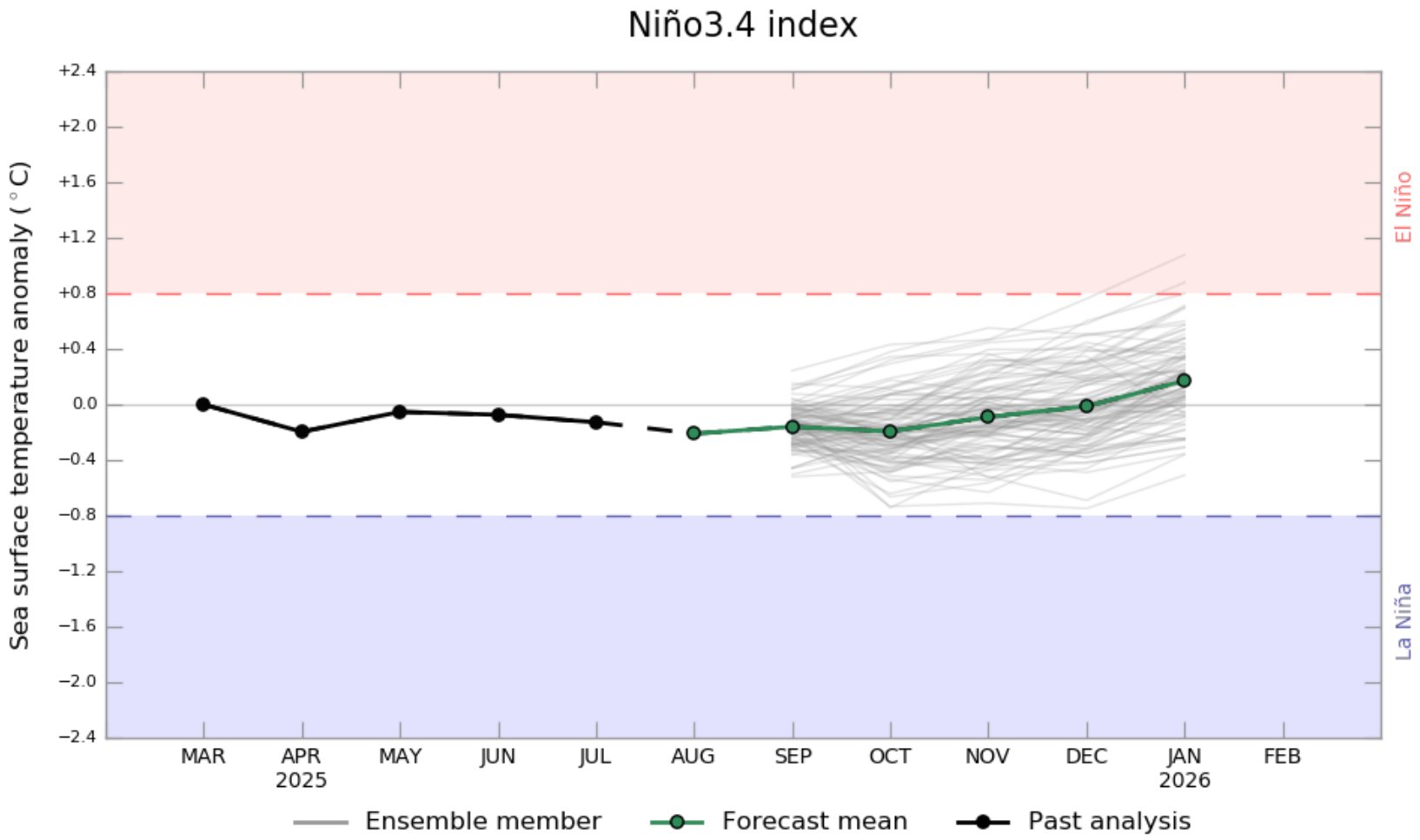

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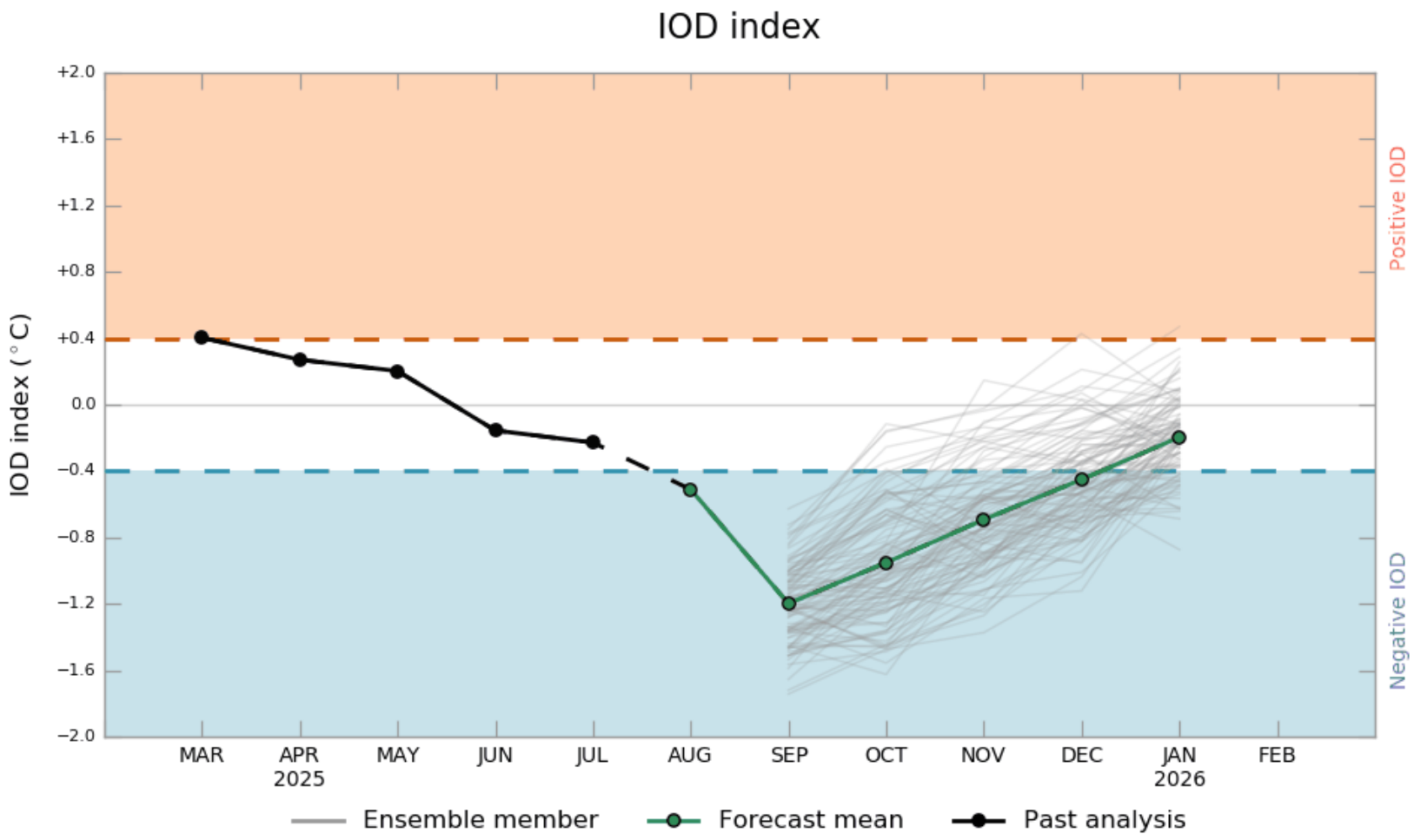

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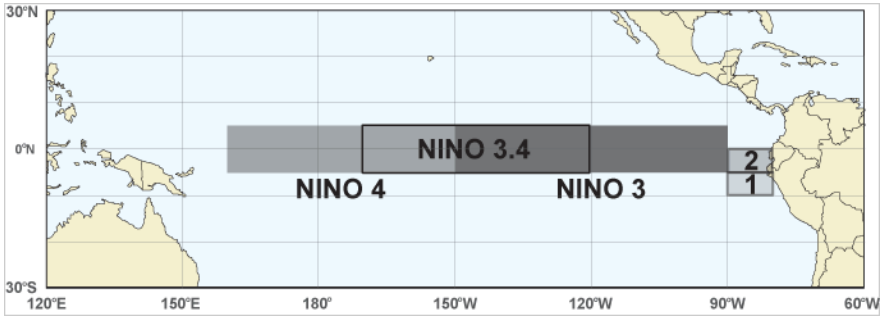
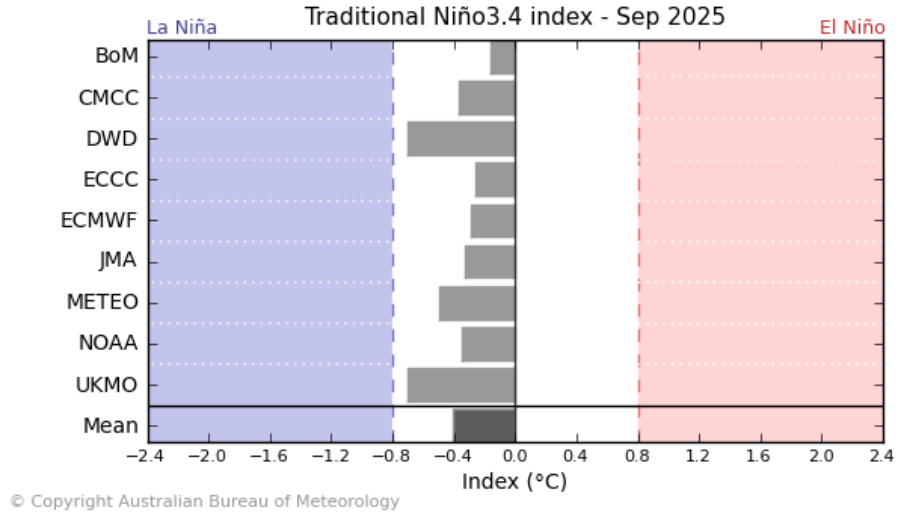
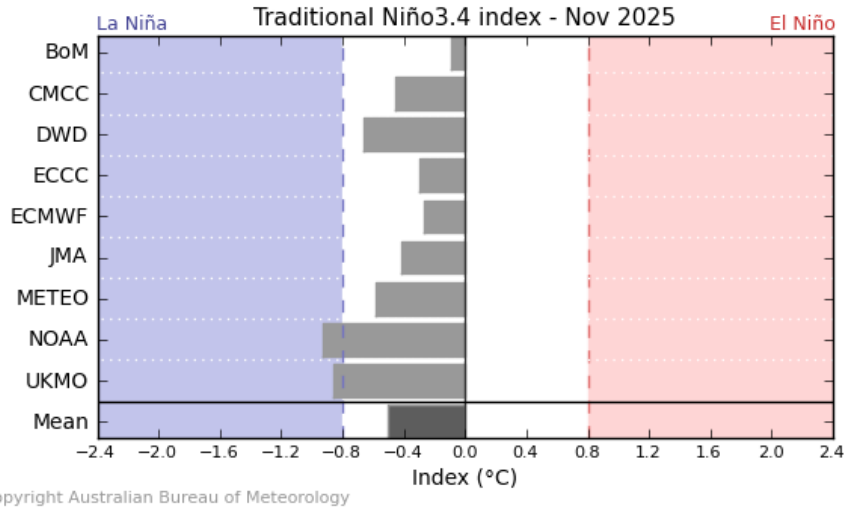
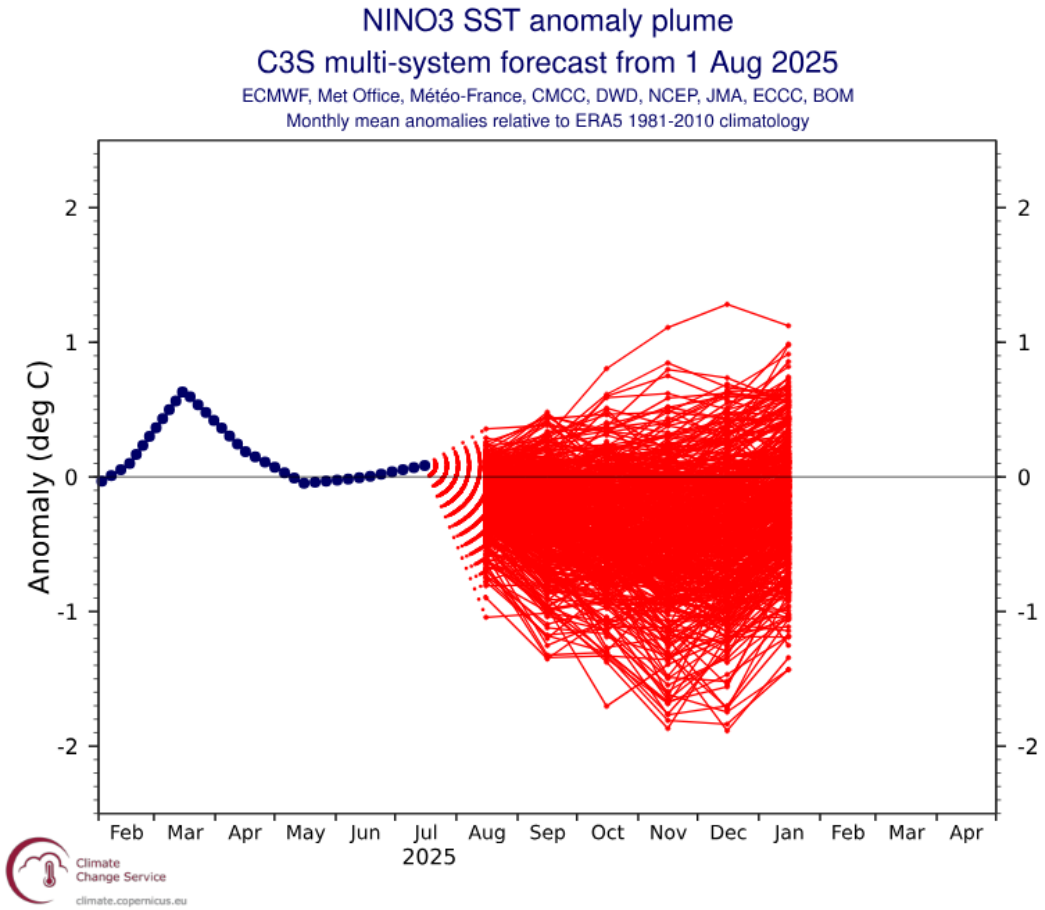
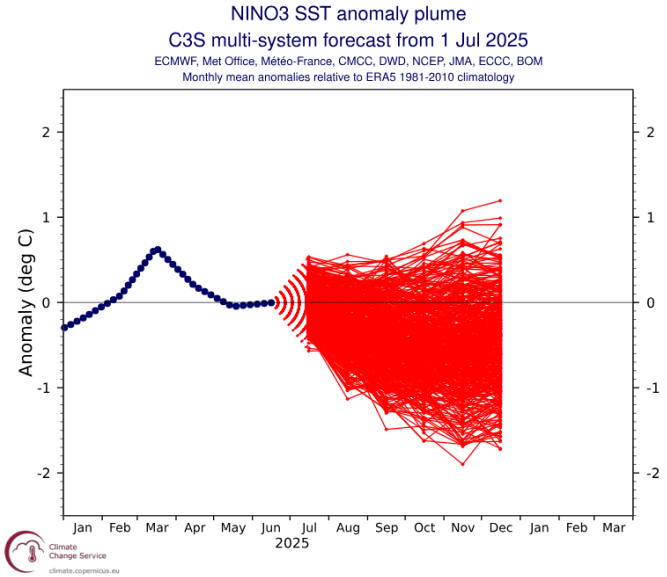




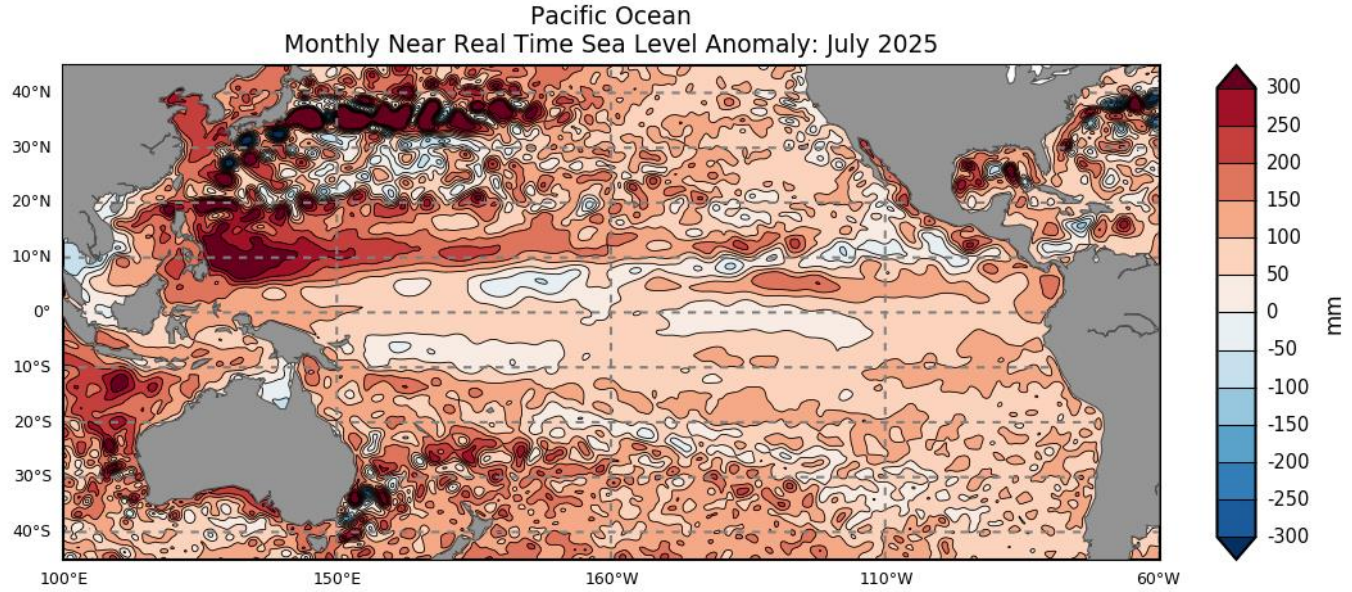


NINO3.4 SST Anomaly Plume





June 2025 Sea Level Anomaly



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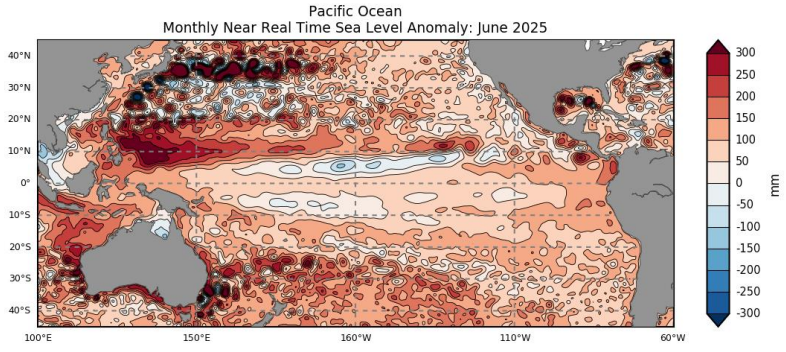

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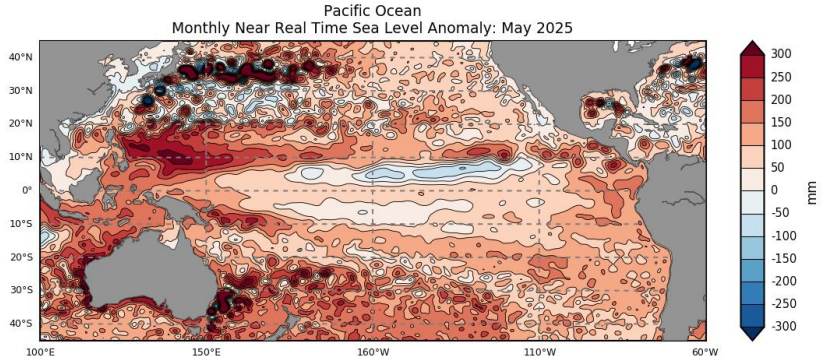

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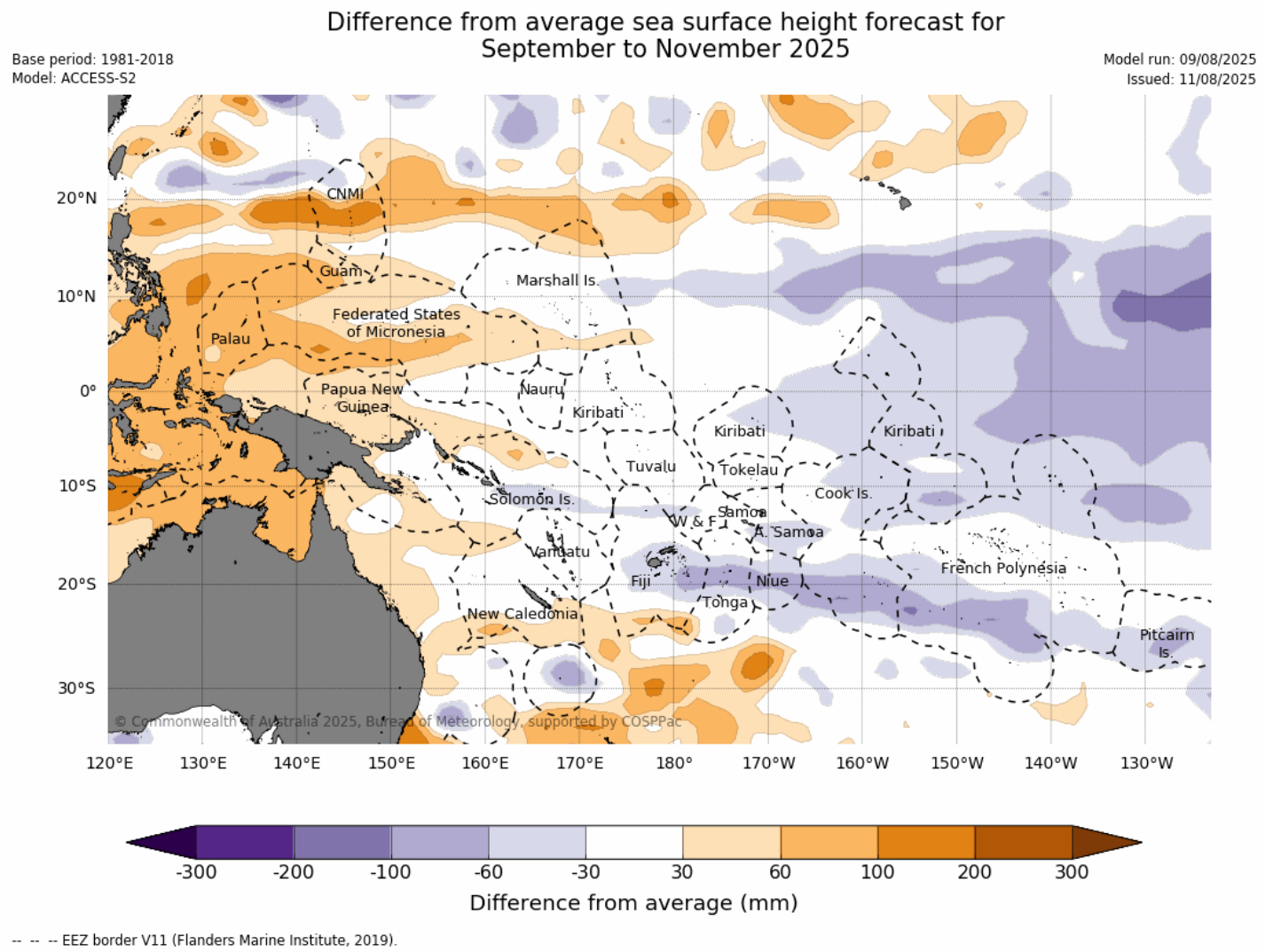
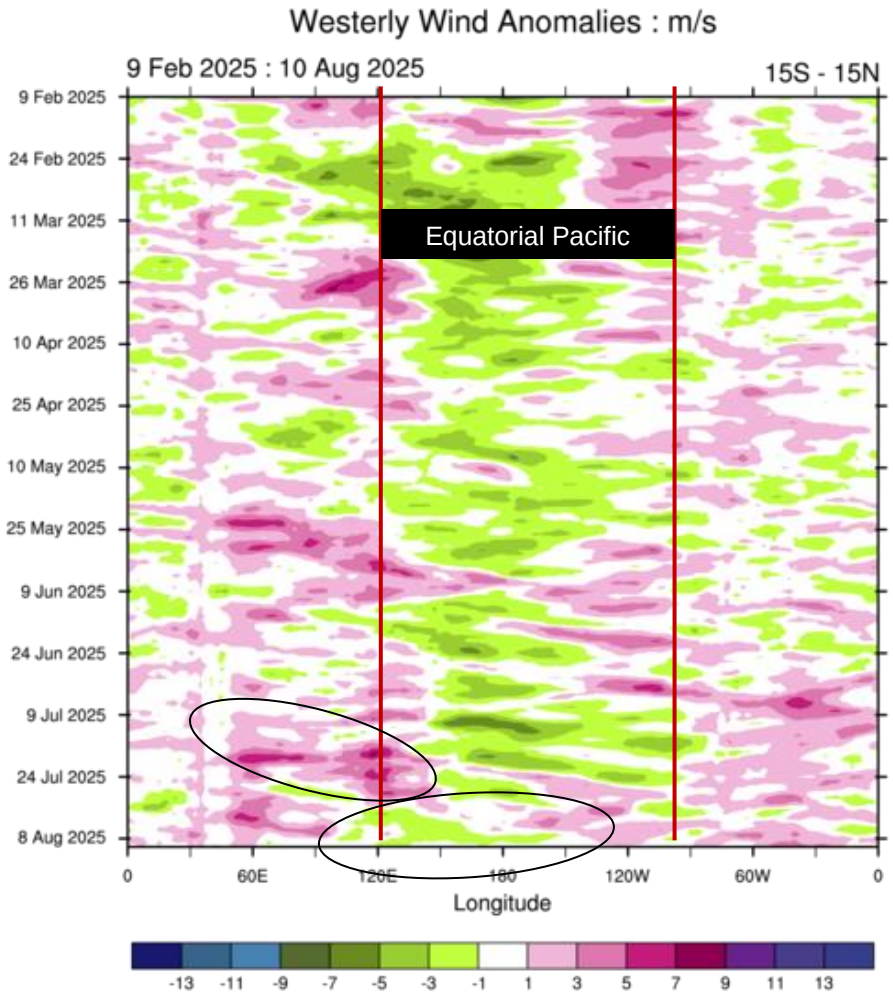
Seasonal Forecast: Sea Surface Height Anomaly

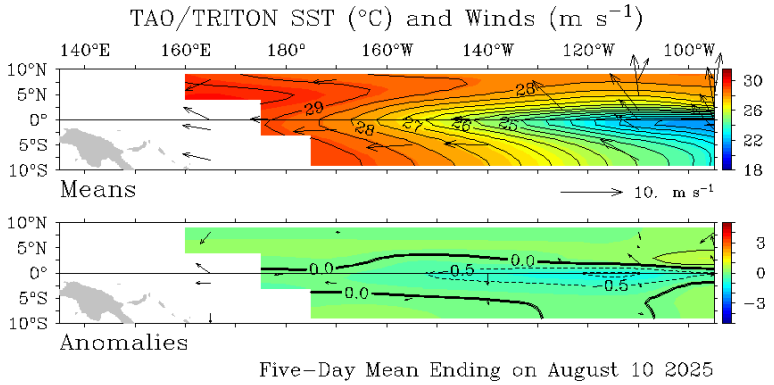


Atmosphere

Wind Anomalies



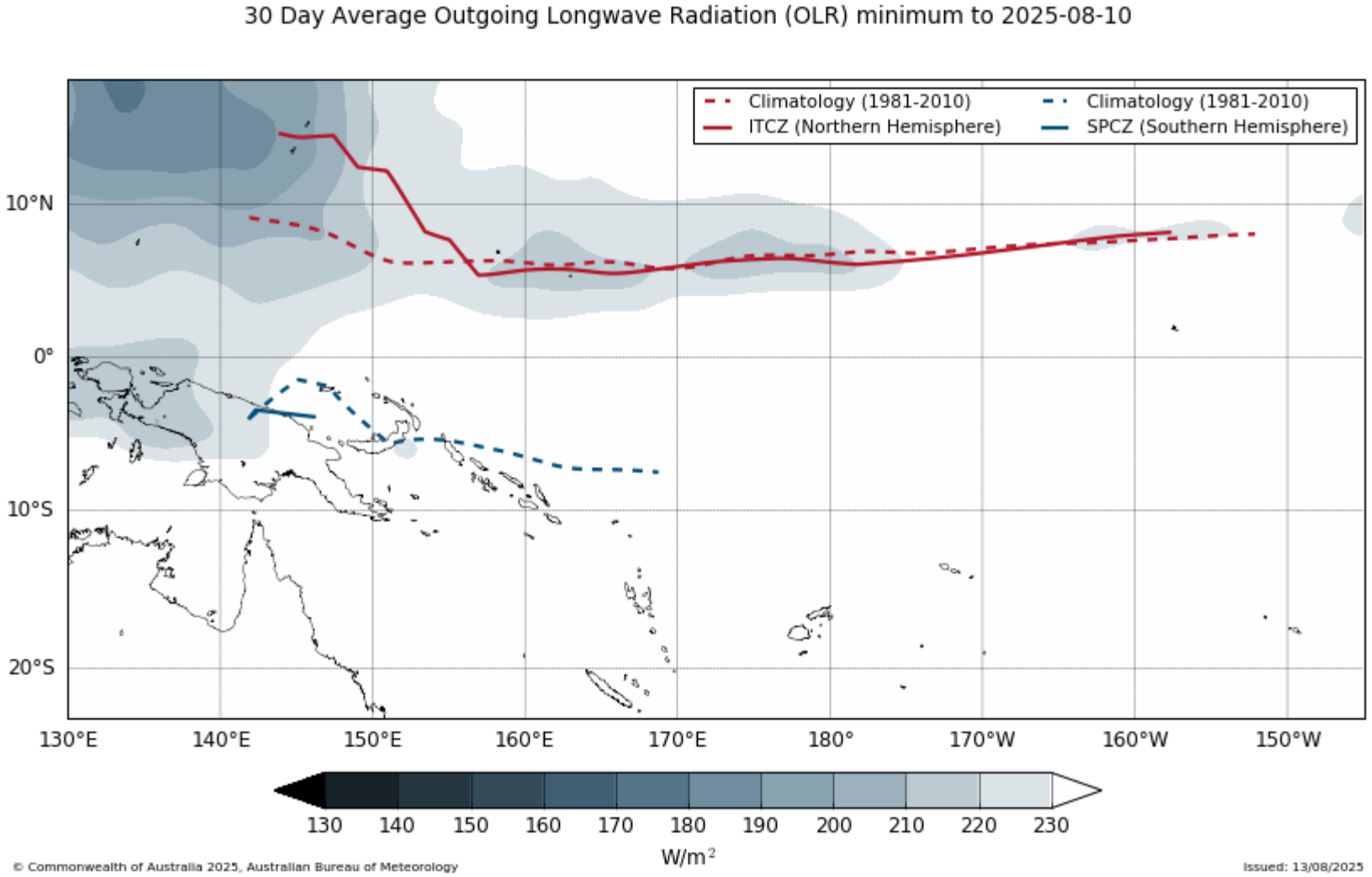
- After stronger westerlies during a recent MJO event, equatorial Pacific trade winds have been stronger than average.



Easterly (stronger trade)

Westerly (weaker trade)

ITCZ and SPCZ

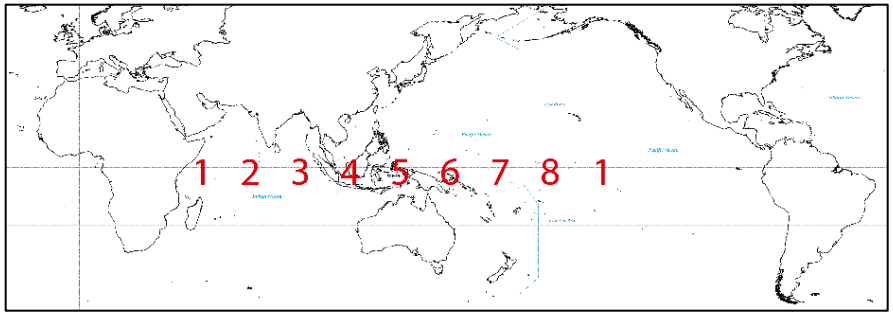


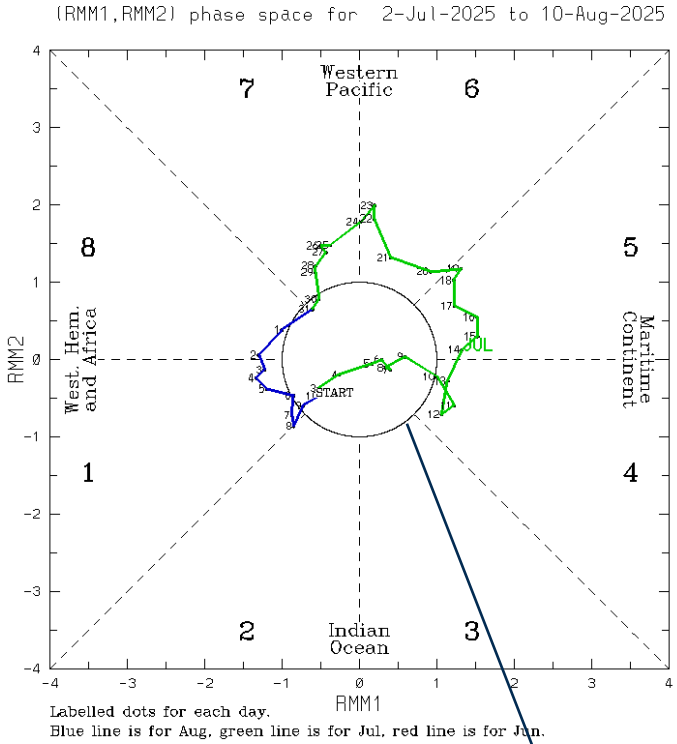
Madden – Julian Oscillation

The **MJO** is currently located over the Maritime Continent **(Phase 4).**

Phases **6, 7 and 8** are typically associated with **increased rainfall** across the Pacific.

Phases **2, 3 and 4** are typically associated with **decreased rainfall** across the Pacific.





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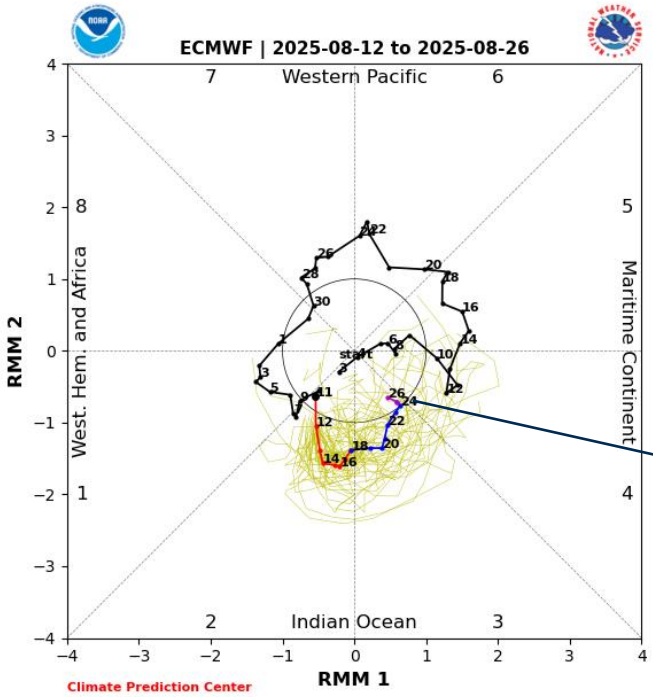

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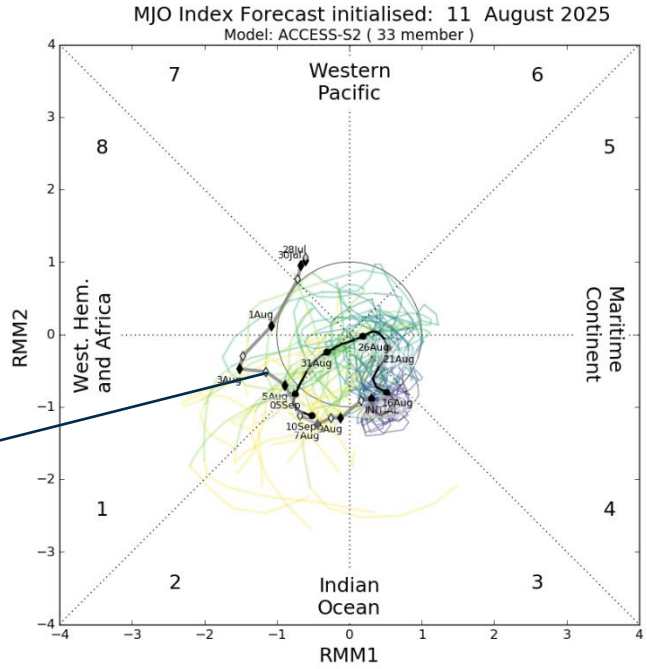

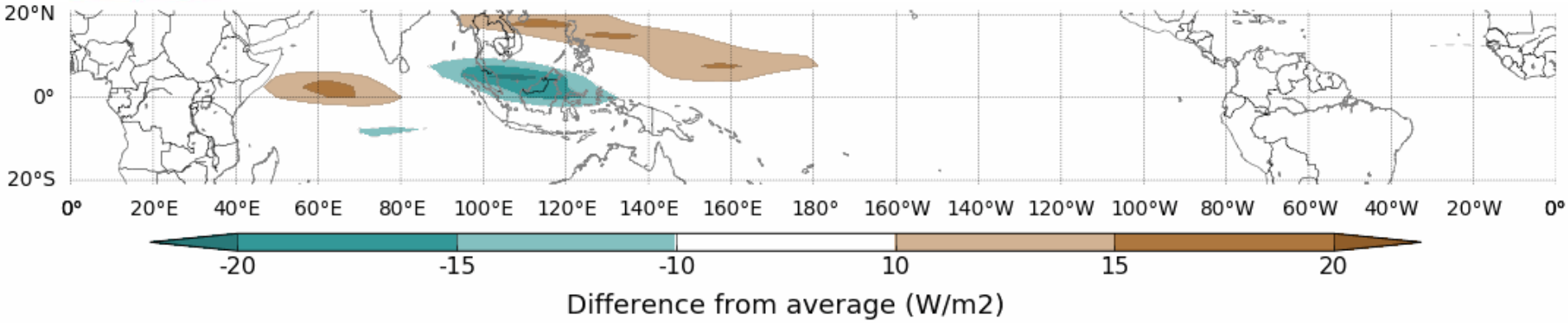

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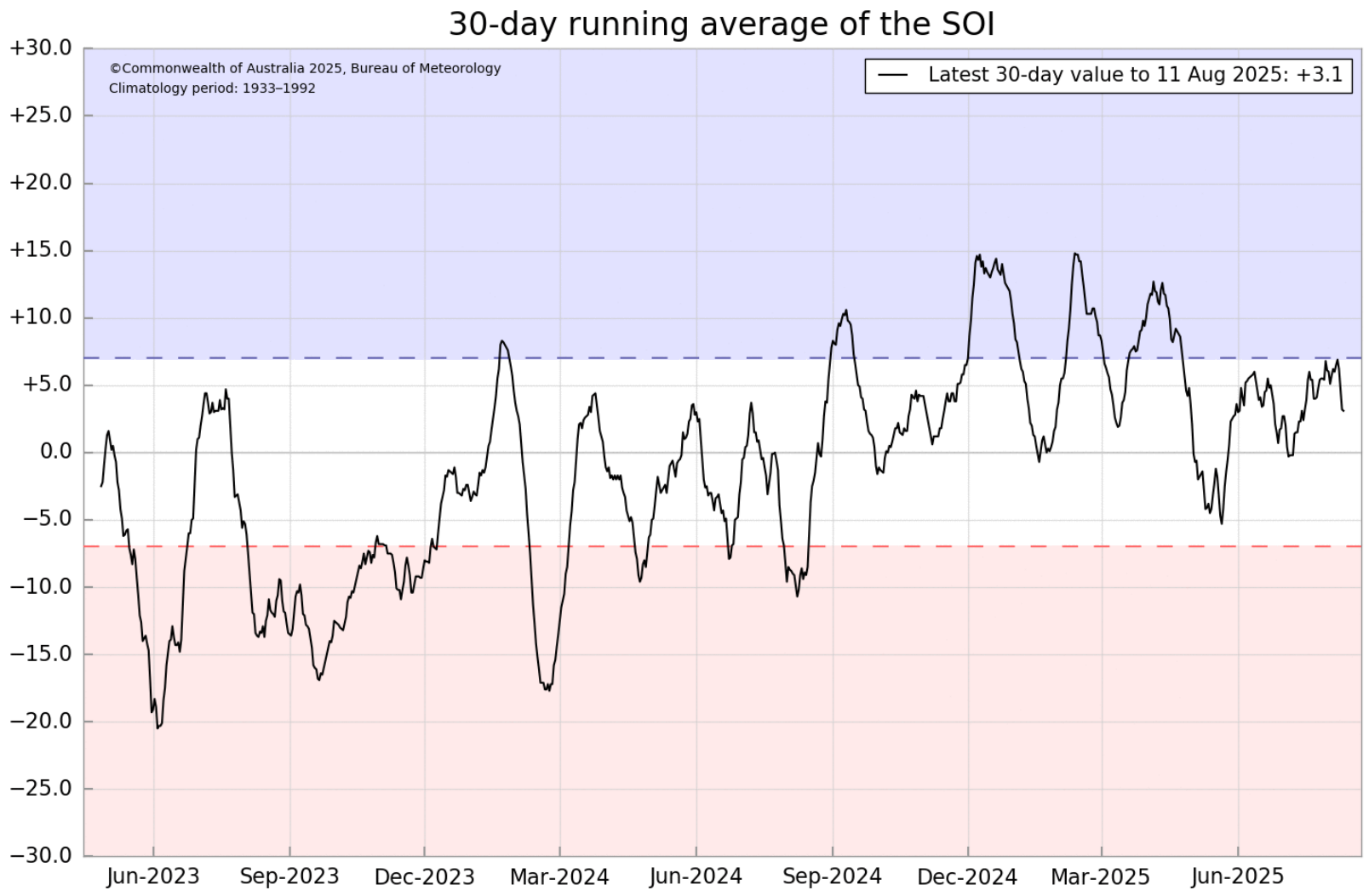
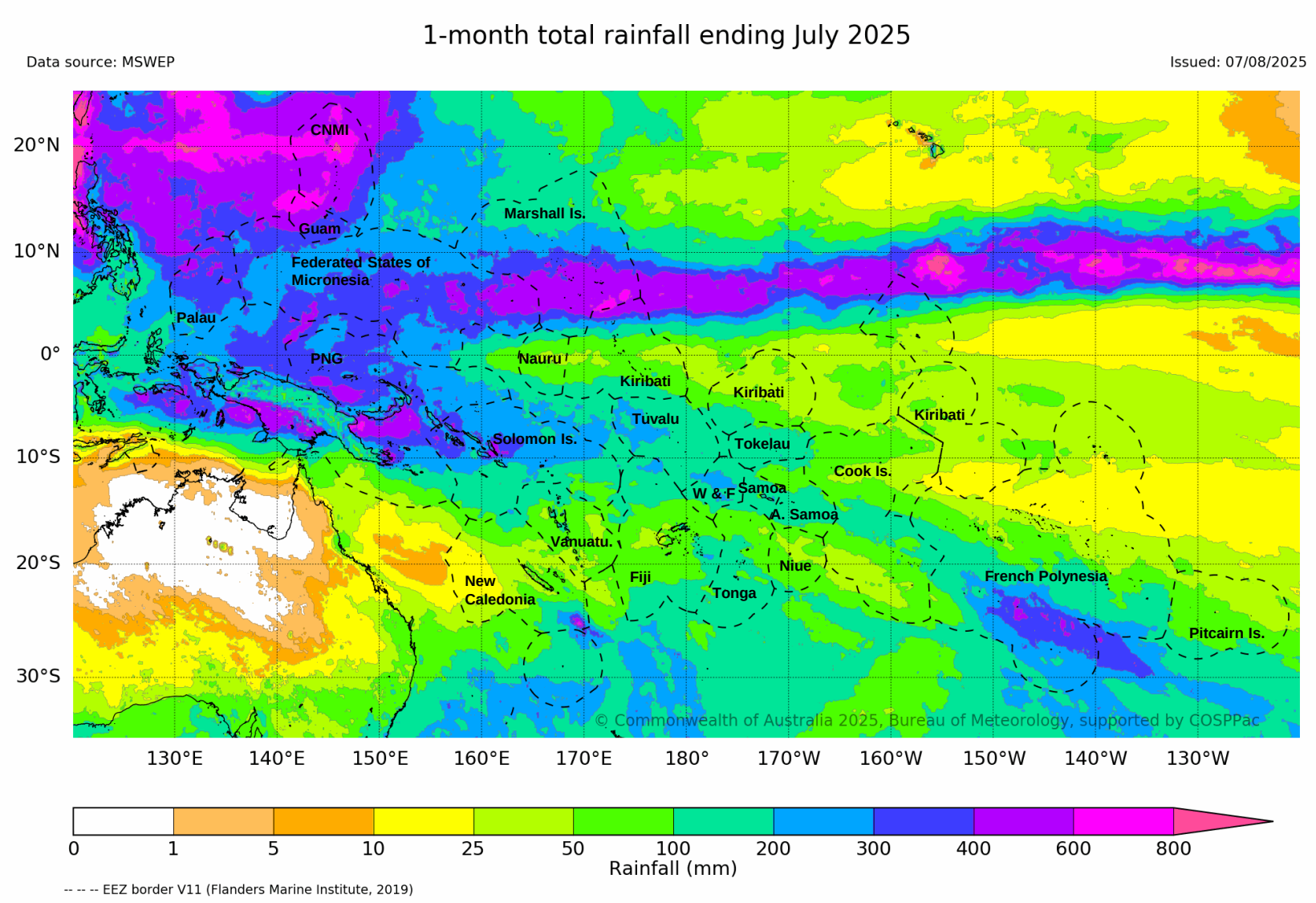
Southern Oscillation Index



Satellite Rainfall – July 2025



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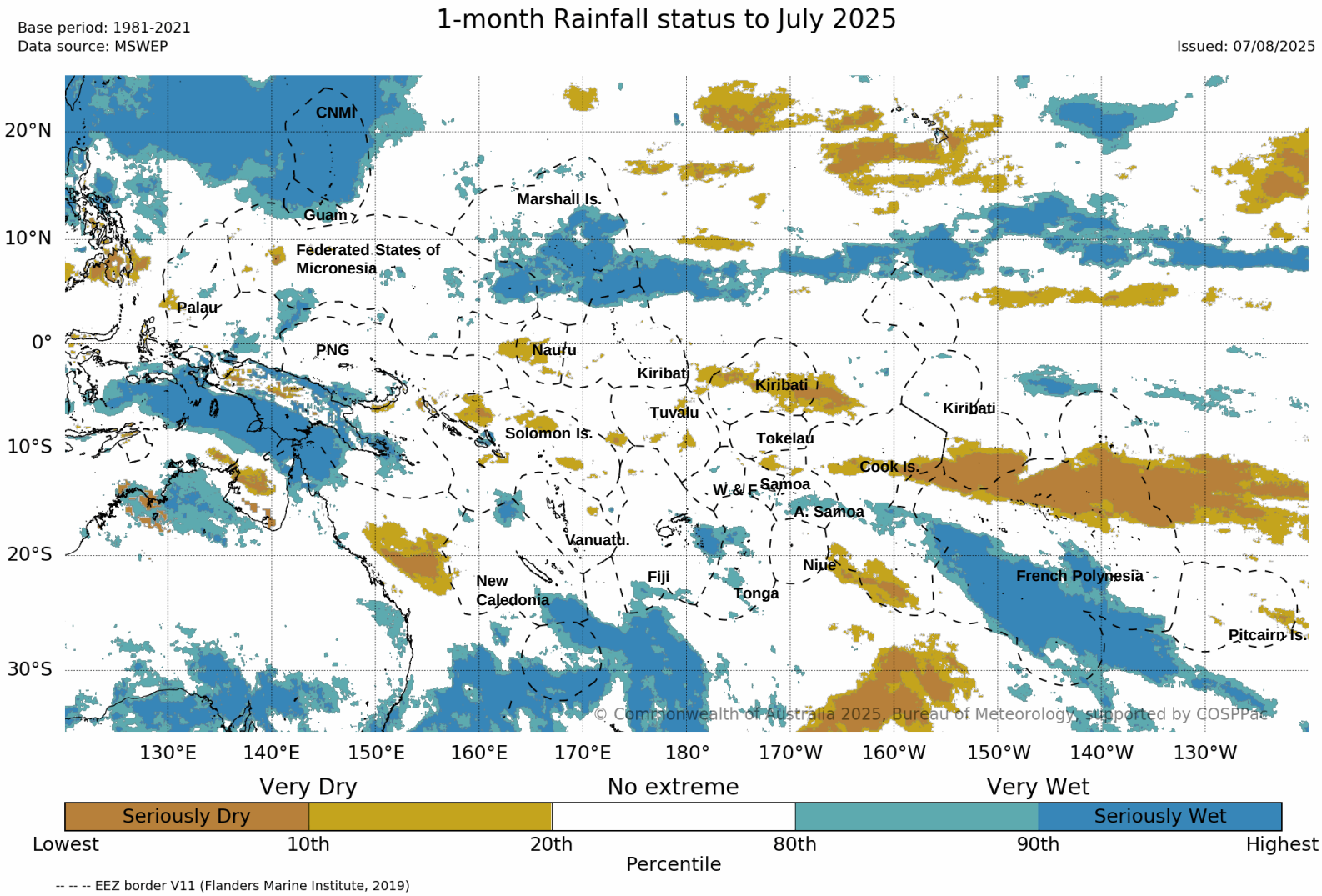

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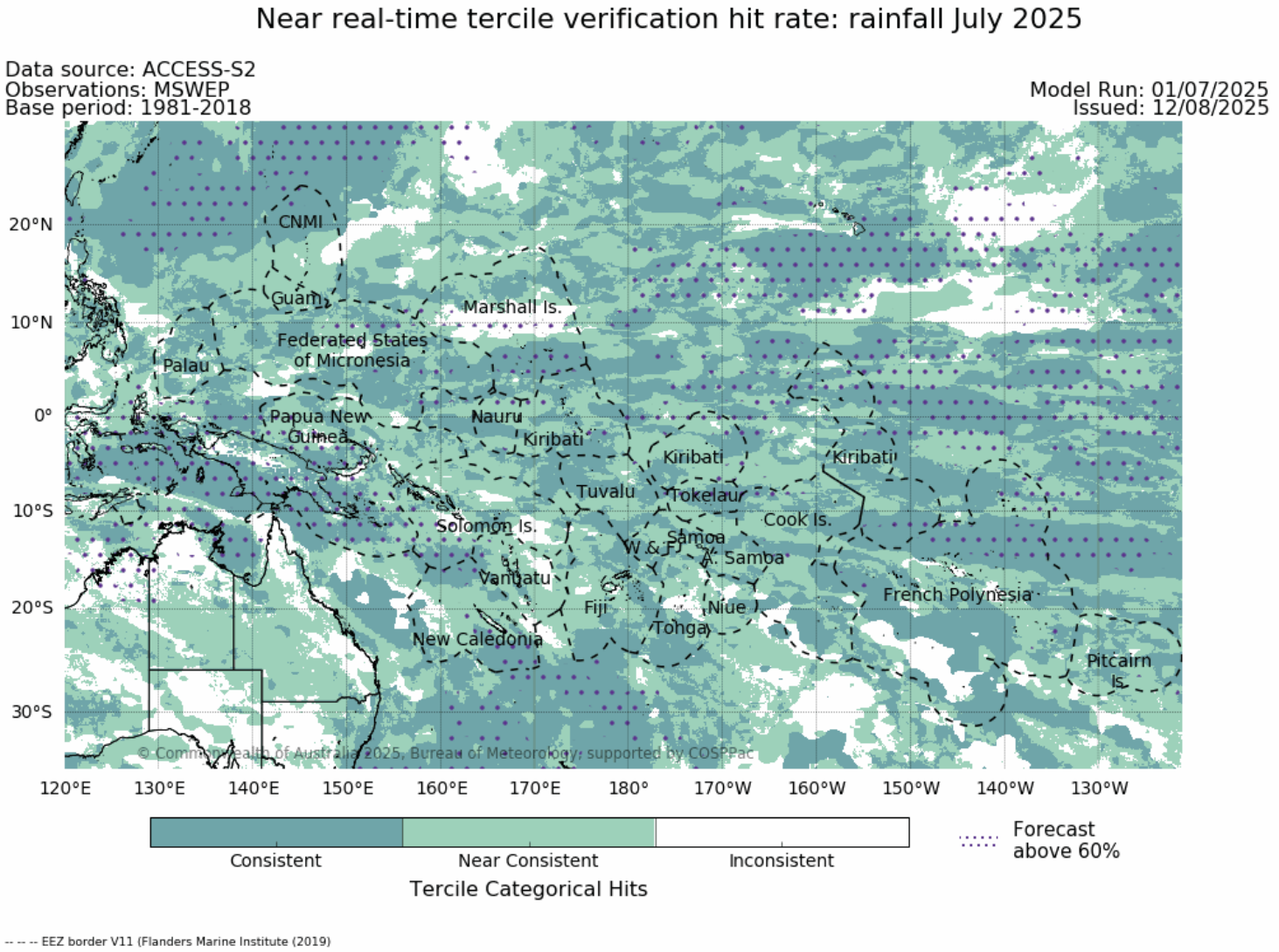

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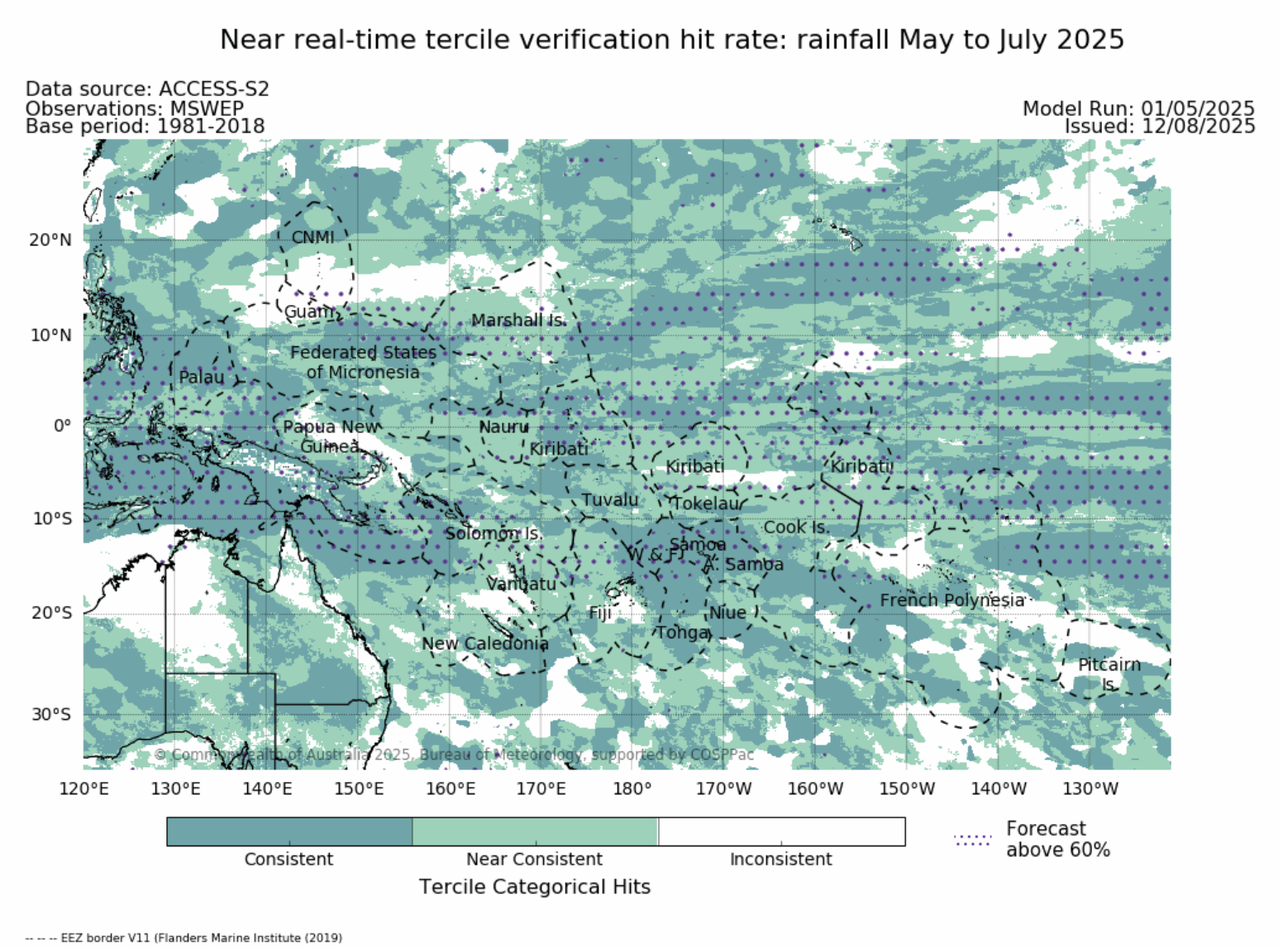

Model Rainfall Predictions (SON)

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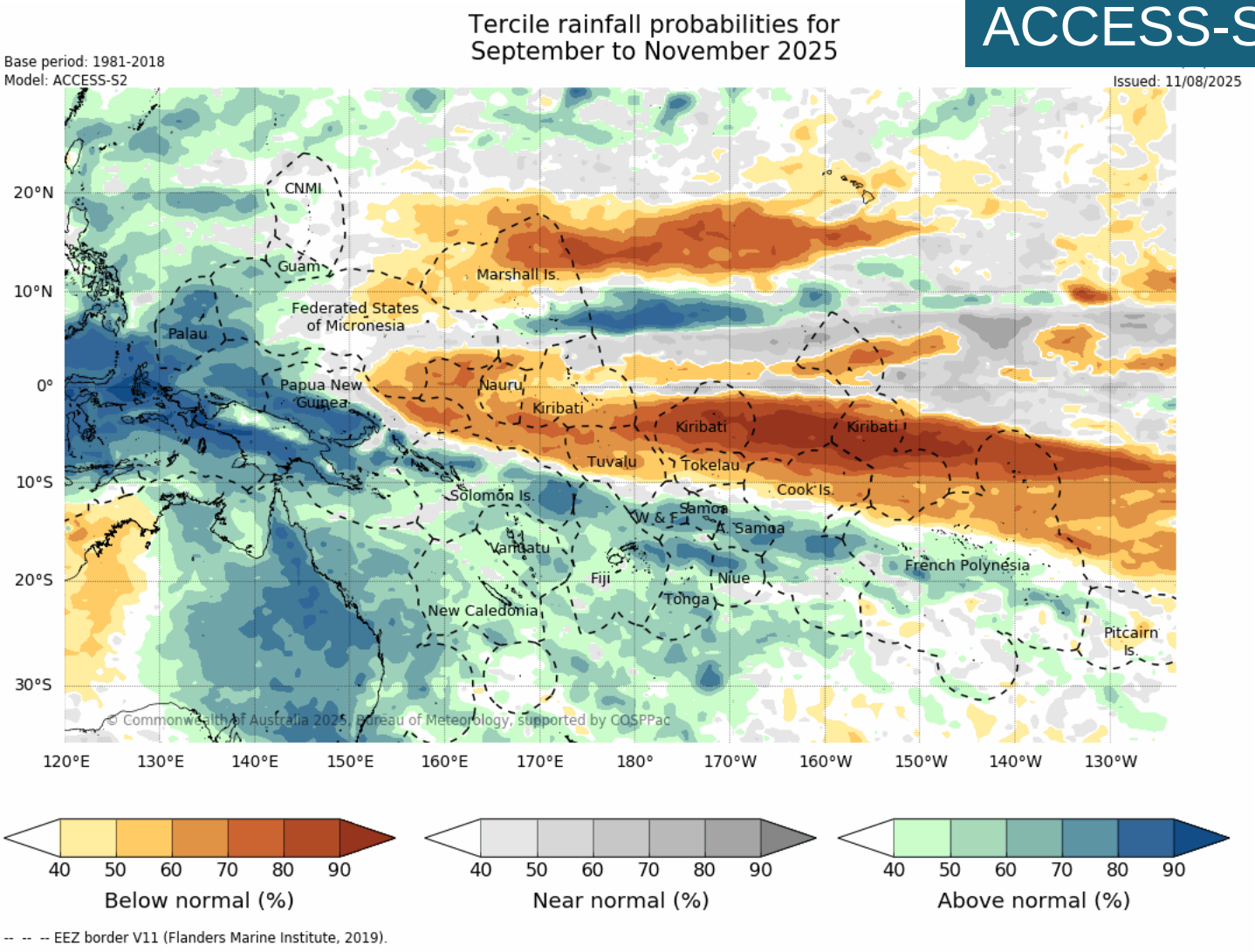

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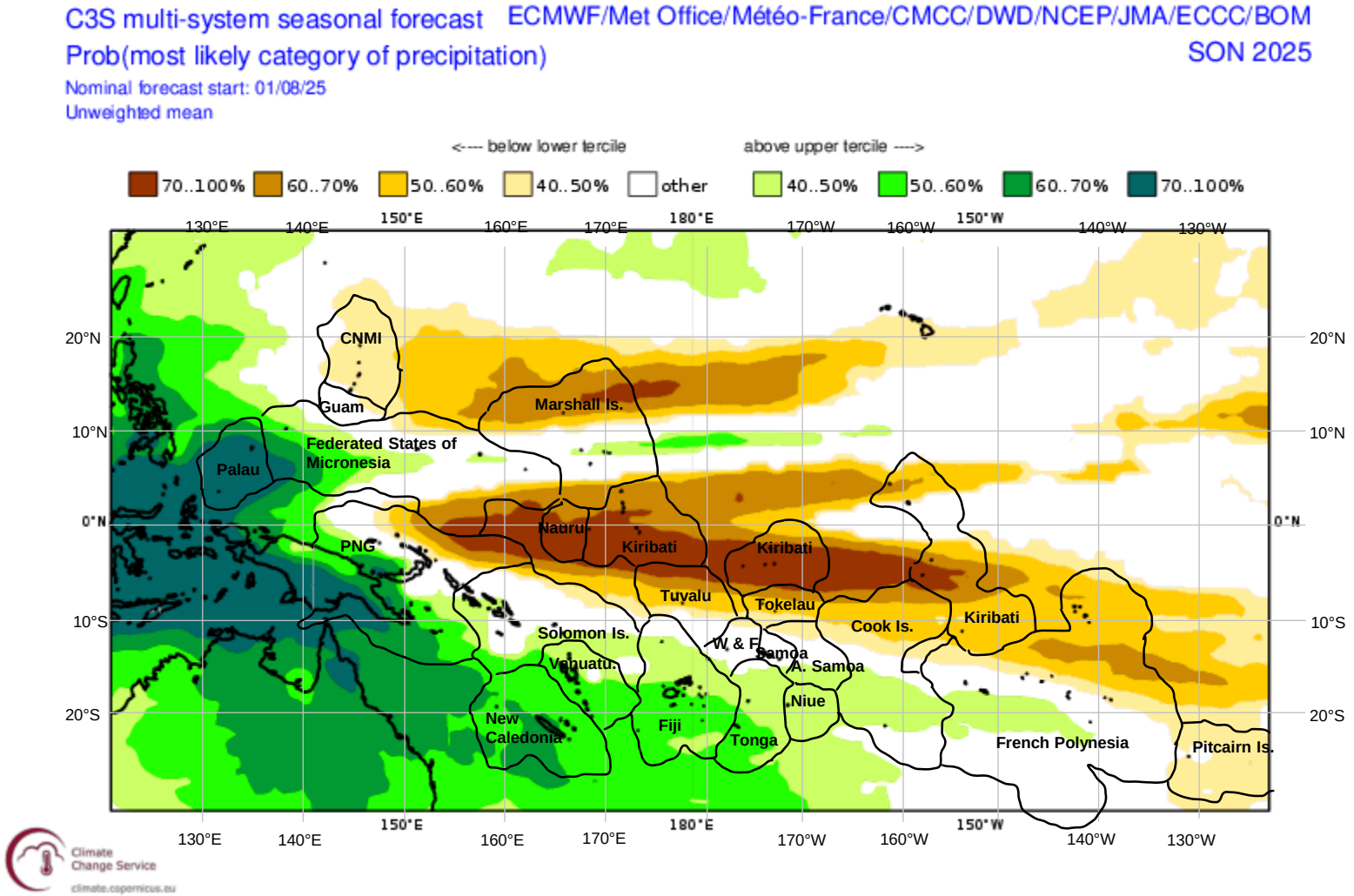

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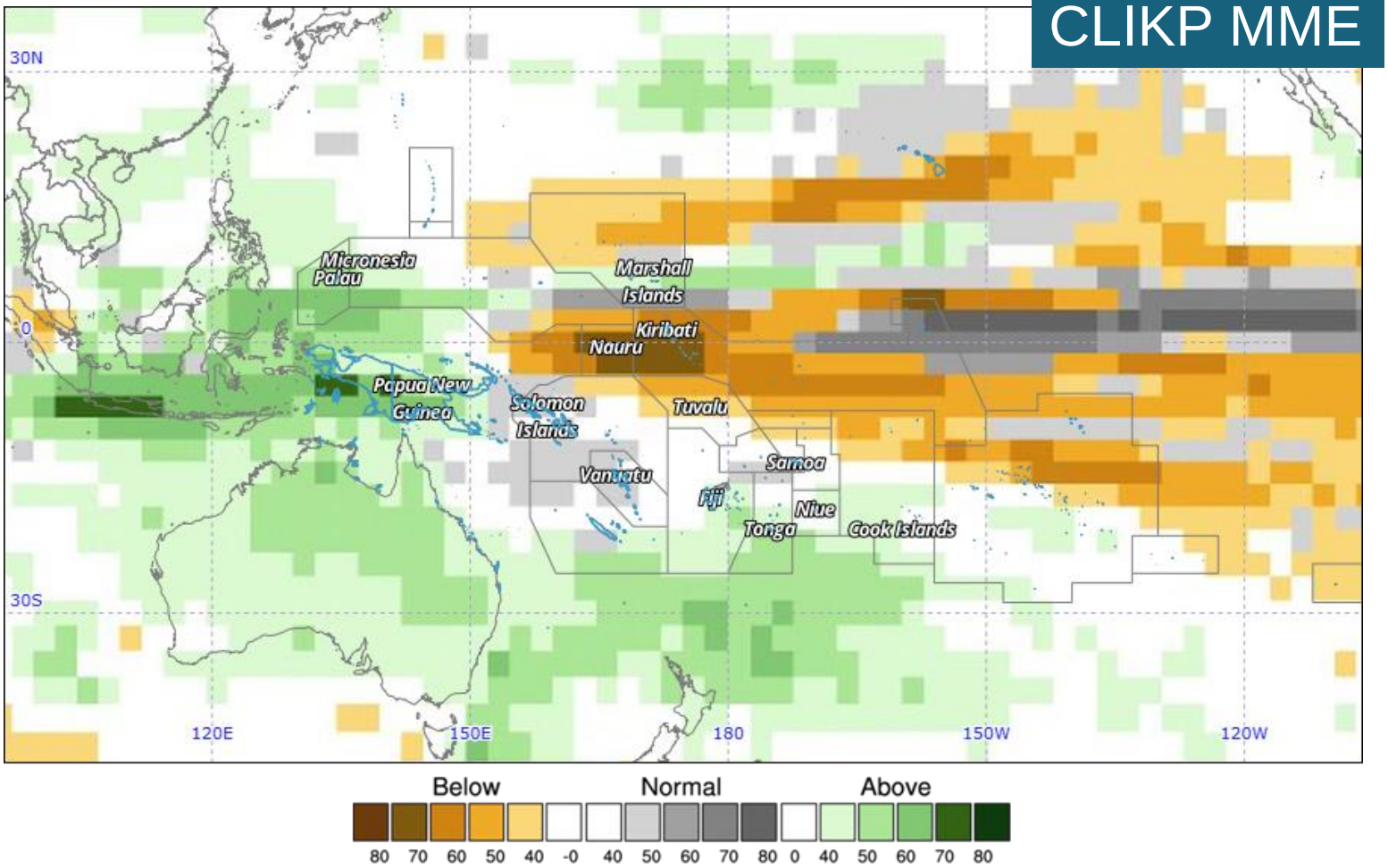

Year: 2025, Season: ASO, Lead Month: 3, Method: GAUS

Model: APCC, BOM, CMCC, CWA, ECCC, NASA, NCEP, PNU

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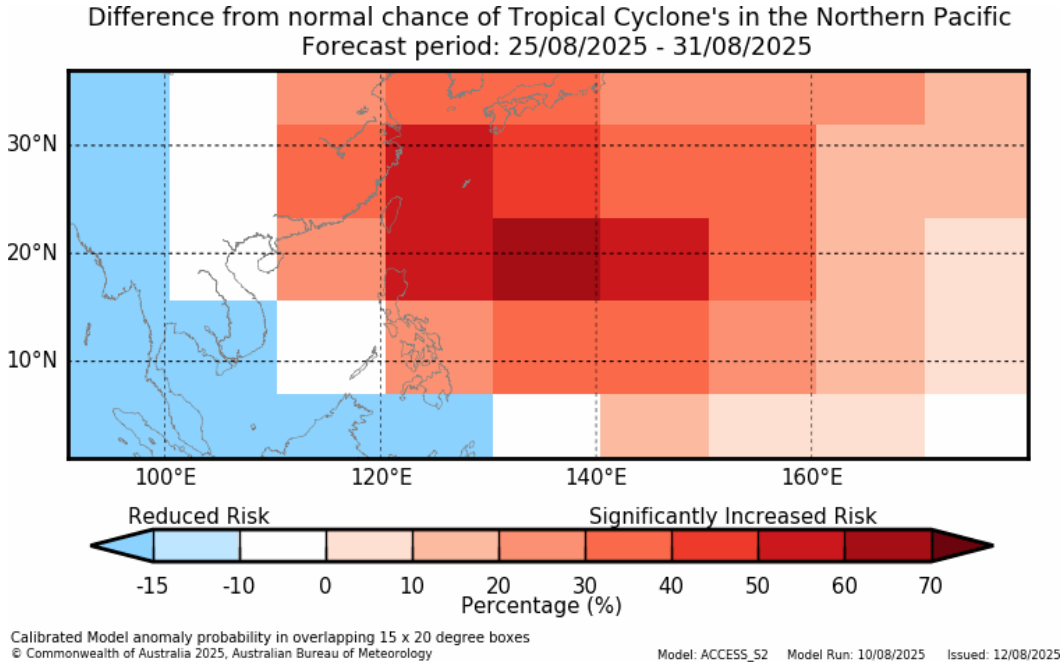
TC Outlooks – Two Weeks

North Pacific



South Pacific

Out of season: November to April.

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