

Pacific Islands - Ocean and Climate Outlook Forum (OCOF) No. 227

Country: Fiji

Part 1: Recent climate

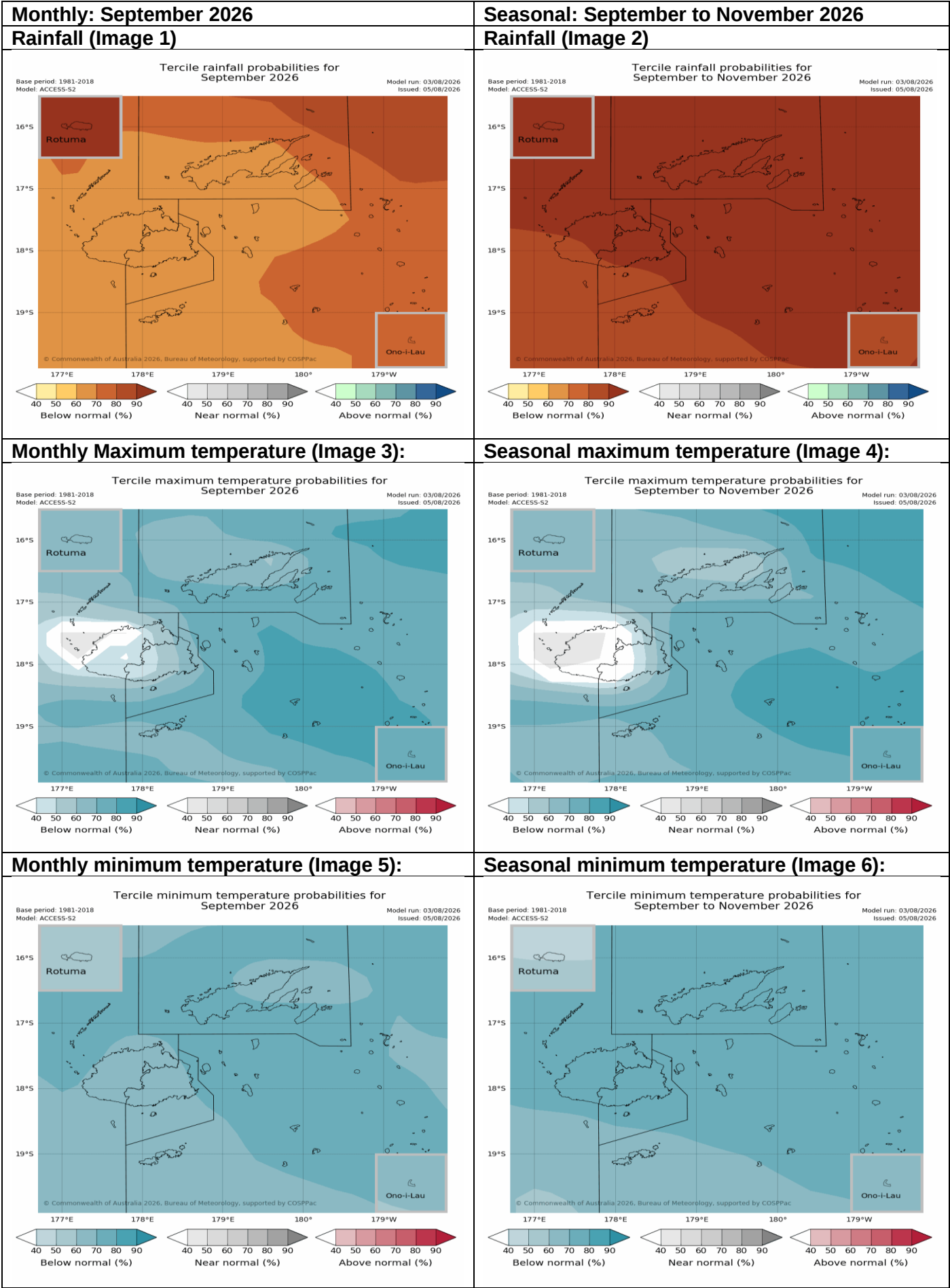
TABLE 1: Monthly Rainfall

Station (include data period)	May-2026	Jun-2026	Jul-2026				
			Total (mm)	33%tile	67%tile	Median	Rank
	Total (mm)	Total (mm)	Rainfall (mm)				
Western Division							
Penang Mill (1910-2026)	115.3	180.7	15.3	23.8	55.8	36.2	22/117
Lautoka Mill (1900-2026)	135.5	56.2	2.0	17.1	56.6	33.6	17/126
Nadi Airport (1942-2026)	110.9	40.0	2.7	15.6	61.0	34.1	10/85
Central Division							
Laucala Bay (Suva) (1942-2026)	506.0	170.9	33.0	89.0	158.8	123.3	3/85
Nausori Airport (1957-2026)	448.7	69.2	18.0	94.0	134.6	118.5	2/70
Tokotoko (Navua) (1945-2026)	357.0	256.5	115.0	142.5	213.0	171.4	17/81
Eastern Division							
Lakeba (1950-2026)	110.0	114.0	13.0	47.7	80.1	58.6	1/75
Vunisea (Kadavu) (1931-2026)	103.7	51.5	29.3	84.7	126.8	97.0	9/88
Ono-i-Lau (1943-2026)	66.0	35.7	13.4	59.4	100.4	73.0	5/79
Northern Division							
Labasa Airport (1946-2026)	158.5	69.2	16.2	23.1	46.1	32.8	21/71
Savusavu Airfield (1956-2026)	308.8	104.4	26.3	54.5	106.9	83.5	12/70
Udu Point (1946-2026)	170.5	80.1	27.1	64.3	101.0	81.2	11/77
Rotuma (1912-2026)	134.0	217.7	124.7	182.4	279.3	221.5	25/111

TABLE 2: Three-month Total Rainfall for May to July 2026

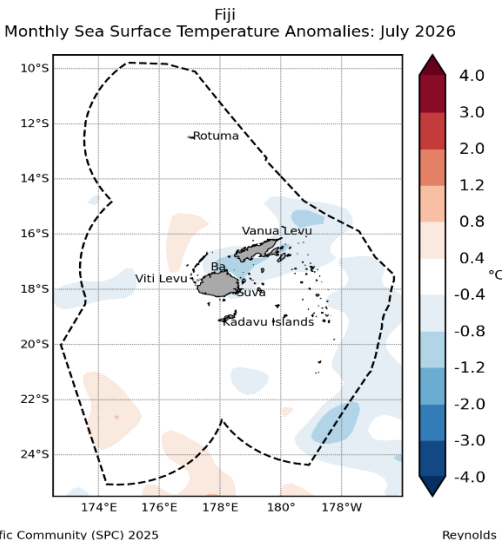
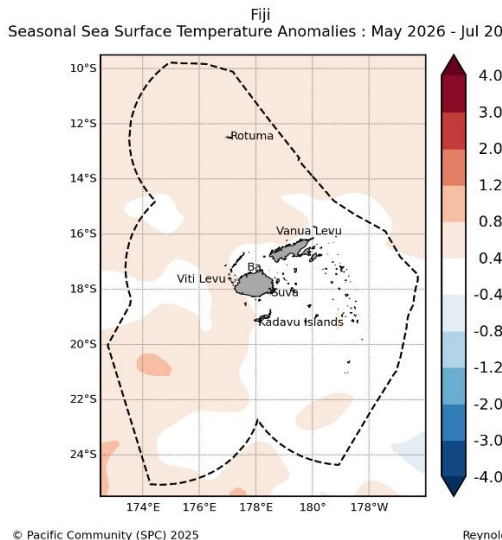
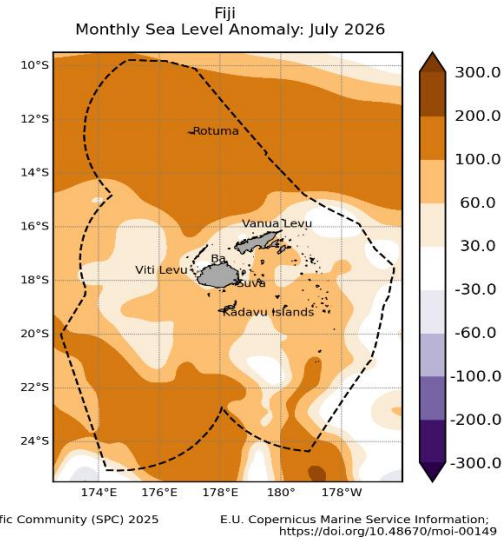
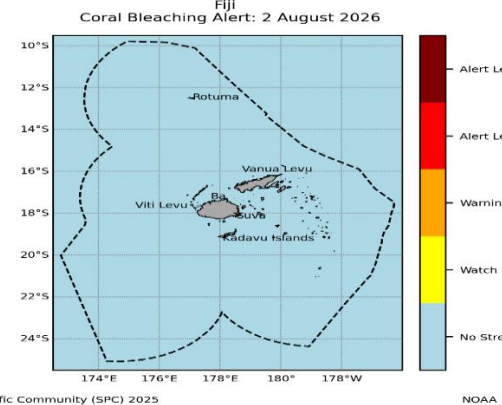
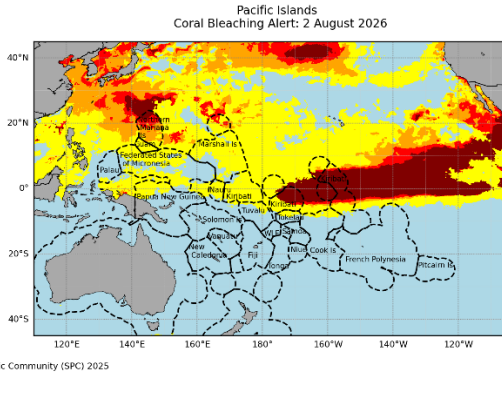
Station	Three-month Total		33%tile	67%tile	Median	Rank
	Rainfall (mm)					
Western Division						
Penang Mill (1910-2026)	311.3	Above normal	171.0	303.6	258.0	82/117
Lautoka Mill (1900-2026)	193.7	Normal	141.4	218.1	179.2	65/126
Nadi Airport (1942-2026)	153.6	Normal	140.5	238.7	173.6	33/84
Central Division						
Laucala Bay (Suva) (1942-2026)	709.9	Above normal	449.2	616.6	516.2	67/85
Nausori Airport (1957-2026)	535.9	Normal	431.0	582.7	516.5	42/70
Tokotoko (Navua) (1945-2026)	728.5	Normal	556.7	742.9	641.1	53/82
Eastern Division						
Lakeba (1950-2026)	237.0	Below normal	250.3	363.5	312.4	22/75
Vunisea (Kadavu) (1931-2026)	184.5	Below normal	338.5	450.2	389.3	5/87
Ono-i-Lau (1943-2026)	115.1	Below normal	236.4	367.2	312.0	3/75
Northern Division						
Labasa Airport (1947-2026)	243.9	Normal	174.6	272.5	207.9	44/70
Savusavu Airfield (1957-2026)	439.5	Normal	307.6	453.1	373.9	43/66
Udu Point (1946-2026)	277.7	Below normal	313.7	484.3	400.3	20/73
Rotuma (1912-2026)	476.4	Below normal	693.2	887.8	808.1	12/112

Part 1i. Monthly and Seasonal Outlooks for September and September to November 2026



Part 2: Recent Ocean Observation

Monthly/Three months: July and May to July 2026

Monthly: July 2026	Last three months: May to July 2026
Sea Surface Temperature Anomaly (Image 1): Fiji Monthly Sea Surface Temperature Anomalies: July 2026  © Pacific Community (SPC) 2025 Reynolds	Sea Surface Temperature Anomaly (Image 4): Fiji Seasonal Sea Surface Temperature Anomalies : May 2026 - Jul 2026  © Pacific Community (SPC) 2025 Reynolds
Sea level anomaly (Image 2): Fiji Monthly Sea Level Anomaly: July 2026  © Pacific Community (SPC) 2025 E.U. Copernicus Marine Service Information; https://doi.org/10.48670/moi-00149	
National daily coral bleaching alert (Image 3): Fiji Coral Bleaching Alert: 2 August 2026  © Pacific Community (SPC) 2025 NOAA	Pacific daily coral bleaching alert (Image 5): Pacific Islands Coral Bleaching Alert: 2 August 2026  © Pacific Community (SPC) 2025 NOAA

Part 2i. Monthly and Seasonal Outlooks for September and September to November 2026

Monthly: September 2026	Seasonal: September to November 2026
Monthly sea surface temperature anomaly (Image 5):	Seasonal sea surface temperature anomaly (Image 6):
Difference from average sea surface temperature forecast for September 2026 Base period: 1981-2018 Model: ACCESS-S2 Model run: 03/08/2026 Issued: 05/08/2026 © Commonwealth of Australia 2026, Bureau of Meteorology, supported by COSPPac -- -- EEZ border V11 (Flanders Marine Institute, 2019).	Difference from average sea surface temperature forecast for September to November 2026 Base period: 1981-2018 Model: ACCESS-S2 Model run: 03/08/2026 Issued: 05/08/2026 © Commonwealth of Australia 2026, Bureau of Meteorology, supported by COSPPac -- -- EEZ border V11 (Flanders Marine Institute, 2019).
Monthly sea level anomaly (Image 7):	Seasonal sea level anomaly (Image 8):
Difference from average sea surface height forecast for September 2026 Base period: 1981-2018 Model: ACCESS-S2 Model run: 03/08/2026 Issued: 05/08/2026 © Commonwealth of Australia 2026, Bureau of Meteorology, supported by COSPPac -- -- EEZ border V11 (Flanders Marine Institute, 2019).	Difference from average sea surface height forecast for September to November 2026 Base period: 1981-2018 Model: ACCESS-S2 Model run: 03/08/2026 Issued: 05/08/2026 © Commonwealth of Australia 2026, Bureau of Meteorology, supported by COSPPac -- -- EEZ border V11 (Flanders Marine Institute, 2019).
National 4-week Coral Bleaching Outlook (Image 9):	Pacific 4-week Coral Bleaching Outlook (Image 10):
Fiji 4 Week Coral Bleaching Outlook: 24 August 2026 © Pacific Community (SPC) 2025 NOAA	Pacific Islands 4 Week Coral Bleaching Outlook: 24 August 2026 © Pacific Community (SPC) 2025 NOAA

Summary Statement

Monthly and last three months: July/May to July 2026 statement

The rainfall for July was *below normal* across the country. Laucala Bay, Nausori, Lakeba, Vunisea and Ono-i-Lau recorded their 3rd, 2nd, 1st, 9th and 5th driest July in 85, 70, 75, 88, and 79 years of record, respectively.

For the past three months, rainfall was *above normal* in Penang and Laucala Bay, *near normal* in Lautoka, Nadi, Nausori, Navua, Labasa and Savusavu, while *below normal* rainfall was observed across the Eastern Division, Udu Point and Rotuma. Vunisea and Ono-i-Lau recorded their 5th and 3rd driest May to July in 87 and 75 years of record, respectively.

Part 1i. Monthly and Seasonal Outlooks for September and September to November 2026

Monthly/Seasonal rainfall and temperature Outlook statements

Rainfall for September 2026 is likely to be *below normal* across Fiji.

Rainfall for September to November 2026 is very likely to be *below normal* across the Fiji Group.

Maximum and minimum temperatures during September 2026 are likely to be *below normal* across the Eastern, Central and Northern Divisions, Yasawa Group, some western parts of Viti Levu and Rotuma.

Maximum and minimum temperatures averaged over September to November 2026 are likely to be *below normal* across the Fiji Group.

Part 2: Recent Ocean summary statement

Monthly and last three months: July/May to July 2026

July sea surface temperatures (SSTs) around Viti Levu, Northern Division and some northern and central parts of Lau Group were 0.4 to 1.2°C *below normal*.

Averaged over May to July 2026, sea surface temperatures west of Viti Levu and north of Vanua Levu, including Rotuma, were 0.4 to 0.8°C *above normal*.

July sea levels around Fiji were 30 to 200 mm *above normal*.

Coral bleaching status for Fiji is at “No Stress” as of 2nd August, 2026

Part 2i. Monthly and Seasonal Outlooks for September and September to November 2026

Ocean Variable statement

September and averaged over September to November 2026 sea surface temperatures around the Western, Central, Eastern and Northern Divisions are predicted to be 0.8 to 1.2°C *below normal*.

September and averaged over September to November 2026 sea levels around the Central, Western, Eastern and Northern Divisions are predicted to be 60 to 100 mm *below normal*.

Fiji's coral bleaching outlook indicates “No Stress” status for the next 4 weeks.

In brief for Teleconference

- Rainfall was *below normal* in July 2026. May to July 2026 rainfall ranged from *below* to *above normal*.
- The outlook for September and September to November 2026 is for *below normal* rainfall.
- SSTs were *below normal* for July, while May to July 2026 was near to *above normal*. The outlook shows *below normal* SSTs for the next one and three months.
- Sea levels were *above normal* for July. *Below normal* sea levels are predicted for September and September to November 2026.

TABLE 3: Stakeholder Engagement- Evaluations of how effective NMS engage with stakeholders (July 2026)

<i>Product</i>	<i>Stakeholder</i>	<i>Total Number of Participants</i>	<i>Number of Male</i>	<i>Number of Female</i>	<i>Disability</i>	<i>Age group</i>	<i>Comments (If there are comments from you Stakeholders)</i>
Fiji Climate Outlook	General Public	126	95	31	3	Broad, Adult majority	
EAR Watch	Humanitarian partners	124	98	26		Broad, Adult majority	
Fiji Ocean Outlook	A number of key ocean related stakeholders	36	29	7		Broad, Adult majority	
Fiji Climate Summary	General Public	140	106	34	3	Broad, Adult majority	
Climate Outlook for Hydro-electricity Generation	Energy Fiji Limited	15	15	-		Broad, Adult majority	
Fiji Sugarcane Rainfall Outlook	Sugar Industry stakeholders	77	60	17		Broad, Adult majority	
Meteorological data Request	A range of Stakeholders	29	19	10		Broad, Adult majority	
Total		547	422	125	6		

Stakeholder category	Do your products reach this group? (Y/N)	Tailored product? (Y/N)
Agriculture sector	Y	Y
Disaster Risk Reduction sector	Y	Y
Energy sector	Y	Y

Health sector	Y	N
Water sector	Y	N
Fisheries and Aquaculture sector	Y	Y
Tourism sector	Y	Y
Maritime sector	Y	Y
Research & education sector	Y	N
Women's organisations	Y	N
National disability organisations	Y	N
Community based organisations (e.g. councils)	Y	N
Products offered in local dialects/ languages	Y	Y