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Country: Marshall Islands

Part 1: Recent climate

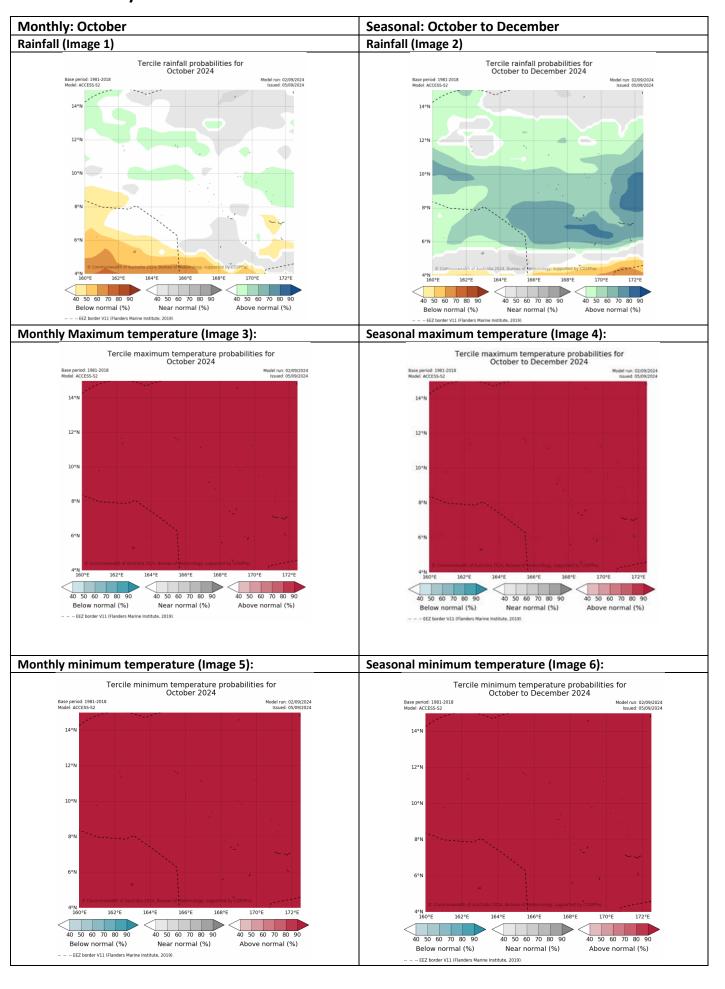
TABLE 1: Monthly Rainfall

Station (include data period)	Jun-2024	Jul-2024	Aug-2024				
			Total (mm)	33%tile	67%tile	Median	Rank
	Total (mm)	Total (mm)		Nank			
Majuro (1954-2024)	277.4	224.8	169.4	260.0	320.9	286.6	5/71
Kwajalein (1945-2024)	258.3	278.9	214.4	194.1	295.6	237.8	34/80

TABLE 2: Three-month Total Rainfall for June to August 2024

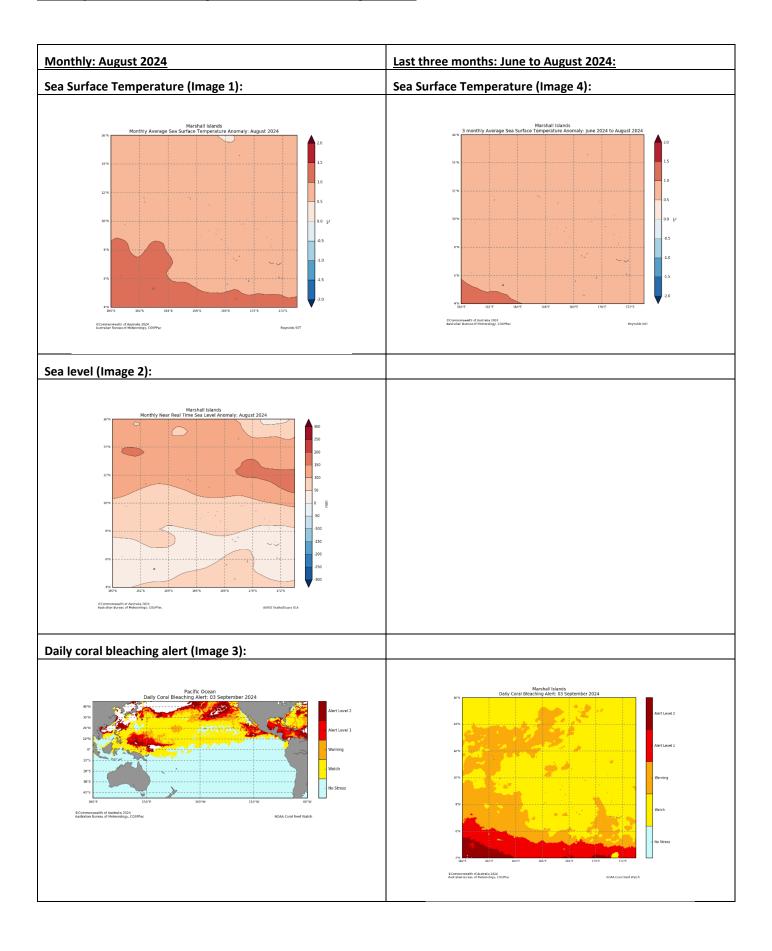
Station	Three-month Total		33%tile	67%tile	Median	Rank	
	Rainfall (mm)						
Majuro (1954-2024)	671.6	Below normal	792.6	961.3	872.2	7/71	
Kwajalein (1945-2024)	751.6	Normal	659.4	814.1	723.4	45/80	

Part 1i. Monthly and Seasonal Outlooks for October and October to December 2024

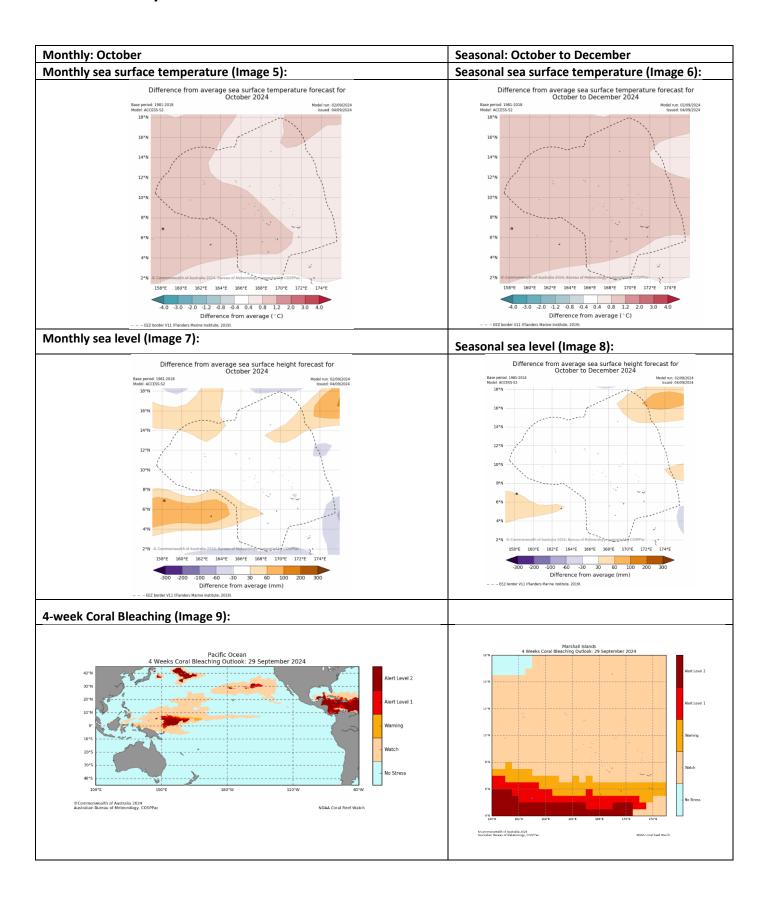


Part 2: Recent Ocean Observation

Monthly/Three months: August 2024 and June to August 2024



Part 2i. Monthly and Seasonal Outlooks for October and October to December 2024



Summary Statement

Monthly and last three months: August 2024/June to August 2024 statement

Rainfall was below normal at Majuro in August and over June to August, while Kwajalein reported near-normal rainfall for both periods. Majuro reported its fifth driest August on record, and its seventh driest June to August period.

Part 1i. Monthly and Seasonal Outlooks for October and October to December 2024

Monthly /Seasonal rainfall and temperature Outlook statements

October rainfall is likely to be near-normal over most of the northern atolls and some of the southern atolls. For most of RMI, including Kwajalein, the outlook offers little guidance, although Majuro is in a small region where below normal rainfall is likely.

The rainfall for October to December is likely or very likely to be above normal over most of the RMI. In the northernmost and southernmost atolls, near-normal rainfall is likely.

Maximum and minimum temperatures during October and averaged over October to December are very likely to be above normal across the RMI.

Part 2: Recent Ocean summary statement

Monthly and last three months: August 2024/June to August 2024

August and averaged over June to August, ocean temperatures across the RMI were 0.5 to 1.5°C above normal.

August sea levels around the central and southern waters were utmost 100mm above normal, excluding Majuro and nearby atolls where near normal sea levels were observed. In the northern atolls, seal levels around 100m to 200mm above normal were observed.

There is a coral bleaching 'Alert Level 1' for the southernmost waters in the RMI.

Part 2i. Monthly and Seasonal Outlooks for October and October to December 2024

Ocean Variable statement

October's and averaged over October to December's ocean temperatures across the RMI are predicted to be 0.4 to 1.2°C above normal.

October's and averaged over October to December's sea levels in most of the RMI are predicted to be near normal.

Coral bleaching outlook is in 'Alert Level 2' for the southernmost waters in the RMI.

IN BRIEF for Teleconference

- Rainfall was below normal at Majuro in August and over June to August, while Kwajalein reported nearnormal rainfall for both periods. Majuro reported its fifth driest August on record, and its seventh driest June to August period.
- The rainfall outlook generally indicates little guidance for October, but above normal is likely or very likely for total rainfall over October to December.

- SSTs were near normal to above normal for August. The outlook shows above normal SSTs for the next one and three months.
- Sea-surface heights (SSHs) were above normal in most of the RMI for August. Near-normal sea surface heights are predicted for October and October to December.
- Coral bleaching is in 'Alert Level 2' for the southernmost waters.

TABLE 3: Stakeholder Engagement- Evaluations of how effective NMS engage with stakeholders

Product	Date: August 2024	Stakeholder	Total Number of Participants	Number of Male	Number of Female	Disability	Age group	Comments (If there are comments from you Stakeholders)
Climate Bulletin								
EAR Watch								
Monthly Climate Briefing	08/19/2024	Chief Secretary Office and National Disaster Management Office	7	4	3			
Ocean Outlook								
Climate data request								
Total			7	4	3			