

Republic of Korea-Pacific Islands Climate Prediction Services Project Summary: February to April 2022 (FMA)

2022-01 Edition

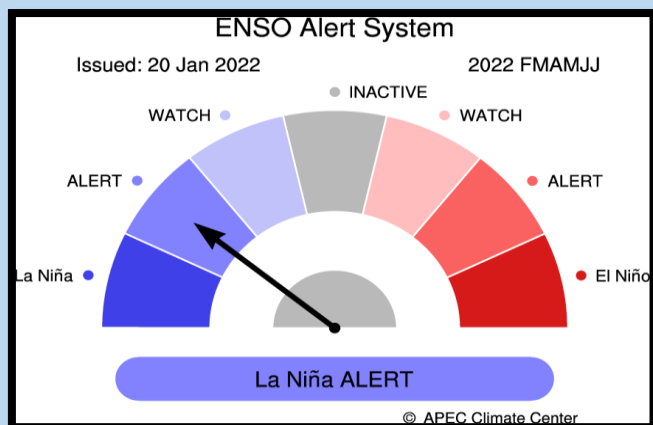


Climate Outlook for February ~ July 2022

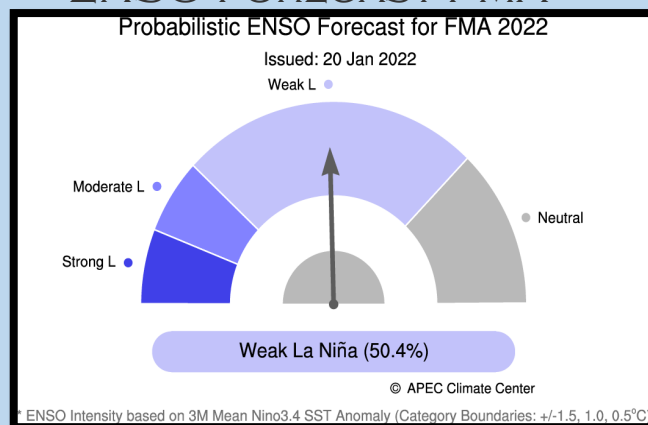
- The APCC ENSO Alert suggests “La Niña ALERT” for February – July 2022. During December 2021, negative sea surface temperature anomalies were observed over the central and eastern equatorial Pacific. The Niño3.4 index is expected to be -1.1°C and gradually increase to 0.1°C through the forecast period. Based on the running 3-month mean Niño3.4 index, the latest APCC ENSO outlook suggests an around 74% chance of La Niña conditions with weak intensity for February – April 2022, which gradually decreases. Meanwhile, ENSO-neutral conditions are likely to be gradually increasing and then dominant (~58%) during May – July 2022.
- Strongly enhanced probability for above normal temperatures is predicted for Micronesia and Melanesia (excluding equatorial region), and southern Polynesia for February – July 2022.
- Strongly enhanced probability for above normal precipitation is predicted for the Pacific Islands (excluding equatorial regions) for the same period.
- Please see <https://apcc21.org/ser/outlook.do?lang=en> for more information.

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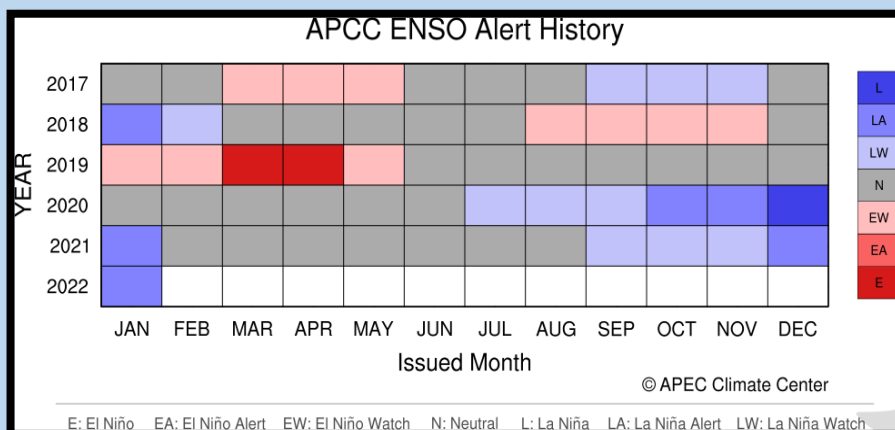
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Republic of Korea-Pacific Islands Climate Prediction Services Project PICASO & CLIK® Summary



RAINFALL OUTLOOK

Model	PICASO	CLIK®
Status	COUNTRY (Area)	
Above Normal	Cook Islands - (Rarotonga) Fiji - (Suva, Rotuma, Udu Point, Nabouwalu, Nadi, *Ono-i-lau) FSM Republic of Marshall Islands Niue Palau PNG – (Port Moresby, Momote, Misima) Samoa – (Afiamalua, Apia, Laulii) Solomon Islands (Honiara, Henderson, Kirakira, Santa Cruz) Tonga (Nukualofa, Ha'apai, Lupepau'u, Niuafo'ou) Tuvalu – (Niulakita) Vanuatu – (Sola, Pekoa, Bauerfield, Port Vila, Whitegrass, Aneityum, Lamap)	Cook Islands – (Rarotonga) Fiji FSM Republic of Marshall Islands Niue Palau PNG – (Port Moresby, Misima) Samoa (*Apia, *Faleolo, *Afiamalua, *Laulii) Solomon Islands (*Honiara, *Henderson, *Santa Cruz, *Kirakira) Tonga (Nukualofa, Ha'apai, Lupepauu) Vanuatu
Normal	Kiribati - (Butaritari)	Tonga (Kapel Mataaho, Niuafo'ou)
Below Normal	Cook Islands - (Penrhyn) Kiribati - (Tarawa, Kanton, Kiritimati) Nauru PNG – (Madang, Nadzab, Kavieng) Samoa - (Faleolo) Solomon Islands – (Taro Is., Munda, Auki) Tonga (Keppel Mata'aho) Tuvalu - (Nanumea, Nui, Funafuti)	Cook Islands - (Penrhyn) Kiribati Nauru PNG – (Nadzab, Momote, Kavieng, Madang) Solomon Islands – (Taro, Munda, Auki) Tuvalu Tokelau

Note: * indicate stations that have equal or similar probability of getting Above normal, Normal and Below normal (Climatology)

TEMPERATURE OUTLOOK : CLIK® toolkit

Status	COUNTRY (Area)
Above Normal	Cook Is (Rarotonga, southern group), FSM , Fiji , Republic of Marshall Is , Kiribati (Tarawa, Butaritari), Nauru , Niue , Palau , PNG , Samoa , Solomon Islands , Tonga , Tuvalu (Nanumea), Vanuatu .
Normal	Kiribati (Kiritimati, Kanton), Tuvalu - (Nui, Niulakita, Funafuti), Tokelau
Below Normal	Cook Is (Penrhyn, northern group)

Republic of Korea-Pacific Islands Climate Prediction Services Project PICASO Regional Rainfall Forecast (FMA)

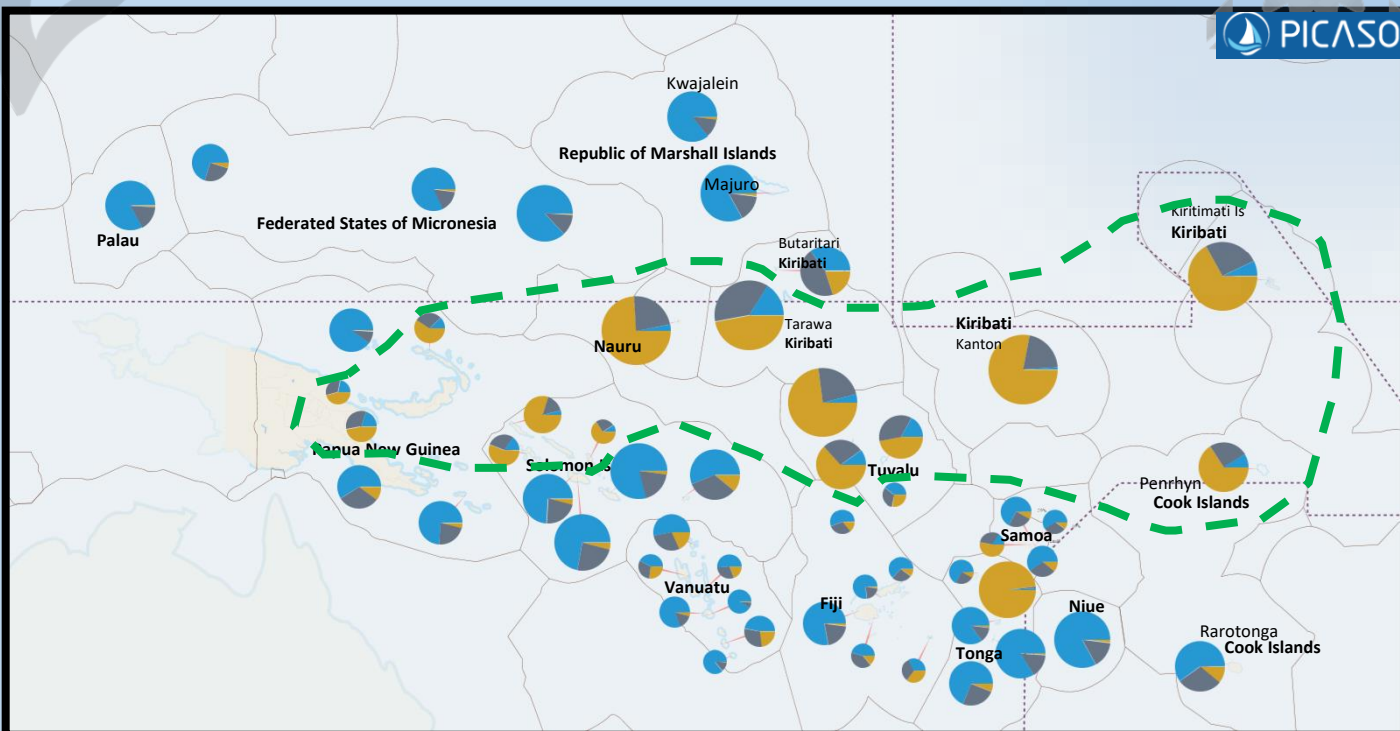


Figure 1: Regional outlook map of the Pacific. In general, all stations enclosed within the green-dash line anticipated to have Below Normal (BN) rainfall. Normal (N) to Above Normal (AN) rainfall is predicted for stations outside the green-dashed line. (Note: the larger the pie chart the higher the forecast skills.)

OUTLOOK TABLE BY COUNTRY

Station	Tercile Probability			Verification Score (LEPS)	Verification Score (HSS)	Hit/NearMiss/Miss		
	KEY	BN	N					
Cook Islands								
Penrhyn		66%	25%	99	22.5	High	71.9	13 2 1
Rarotonga		11%	29%	60%	19.1	High	6.3	6 7 3
Fiji								
Rotuma		14%	30%	56%	-8.7	Very Low	-12.5	4 5 7
Udu Point		10%	27%	63%	-4.1	Very Low	3.6	3 7 4
Nabouwalu		20%		77%	-9.7	Very Low	31.2	6 1 5
Nadi Airport		20%		78%	11.3	Good	25	8 5 3
Suva		14%	40%	46%	-4.5	Very Low	-21.9	3 12 1
Ono I Lau		35%	33%	32%	-0.3	Very Low	6.3	6 6 4
Kiribati								
Kiritimati		67%	26%	7	37.5	Excellent	43.8	10 5 1
Butaritari		20%	45%	35%	15.7	High	39.1	8 5 3
Tarawa		47%	37%	16%	45.2	Excellent	90.6	15 1 0
Kanton		78%		21%	48	Excellent	60	11 4 0
Marshall Islands								
Kwajalein Bucholz Aaf		12%		86%	16.4	High	25	8 6 2
Majuro		15%		83%	31.4	Very High	34.4	9 7 0

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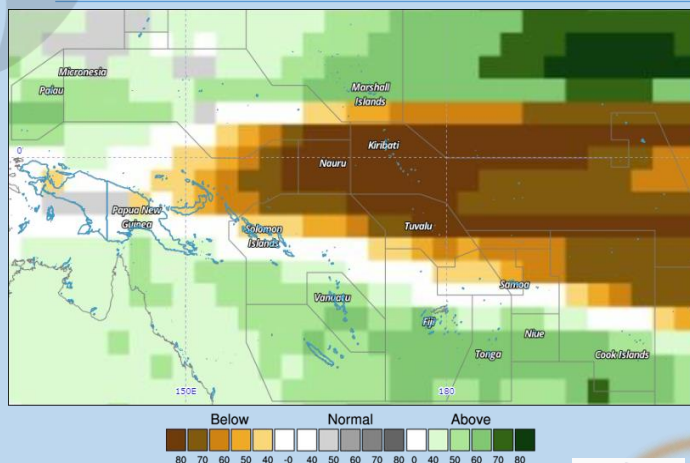
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PICASO Regional Rainfall Forecast (FMA)



Station	Tercile Probability				Verification Score (LEPS)		Verification Score (HSS)		Hit/NearMiss/Miss		
	KEY	BN	N	AN							
Micronesia											
✓ Chuuk WSO AP	16%		82%		14.8	Good	15.6		7	5	4
✓ Pohnpei	12%		87%		25.9	Very High	6.3		6	10	0
✓ Yap Island WSO Airport	25%		70%		7.2	Moderate	15.6		7	3	6
Nauru											
✓ Nauru		74%		23%	53.2	Excellent	43.8		5	3	0
Niue											
✓ Hanan Airport	15%		83%		29.4	Very High	29.7		8	7	1
Palau											
✓ Koror	16%		83%		22.5	High	30		8	6	1
Papua New Guinea											
✓ Madang	46%		32%	22%	-1.7	Very Low	20.3		6	3	7
✓ Port Moresby	10%	31%		59%	14.5	Good	43.8		10	3	3
✓ Momote	9%		90%		11.8	Good	-3.1		5	9	2
✓ Nadzab	47%		33%	20%	2.6	Low	-3.1		5	9	2
✓ Kavieng	59%		29%	12%	2.7	Low	20.3		7	5	4
✓ Misima	22%		74%		12.2	Good	15.6		7	6	3
Samoa											
✓ Afiamalu	11%	29%		60%	3.1	Low	-3.1		5	8	3
✓ Laulili	10%	31%		59%	-7.6	Very Low	-30		2	8	5
✓ Faleolo	53%		31%	16%	-20.8	Very Low	-3.1		5	2	9
✓ Apia	8%	25%		67%	3	Low	34.4		9	4	3
Solomon Islands											
✓ Taro Island	80%		16%		9	Moderate	-3.1		5	9	2
✓ Munda	56%		29%	15%	2.5	Low	15.6		5	7	4
✓ Auki	65%		26%	9%	-2.3	Very Low	10.9		5	6	5
✓ Honiara	22%		74%		17.2	High	25		8	5	3
✓ Honiara Henderson	24%		72%		26.3	Very High	34.4		9	6	1
✓ Kira Kira	19%		79%		29.6	Very High	25		8	7	1
✓ Santa Cruz	11%	33%		56%	18.4	High	43.8		10	5	1
Tonga											
✓ Niuafuou	8%	24%		68%	-11	Very Low	10.9		6	3	7
✓ KeppelMata'aho Airport	98%				34.3	Very High	29.7		7	8	1
✓ Lupepau'u	13%		85%		9	Moderate	6.3		6	8	2
✓ Haapai	15%		84%		15.3	High	15.6		7	7	2
✓ Nuku'alofa	6%	25%		69%	10	Good	29.7		8	4	4
Tuvalu											
✓ Nanumea	73%		23%		41.9	Excellent	53.1		11	4	1
✓ Nui	63%		27%	10%	18.8	High	34.4		9	5	2
✓ Funafuti	47%		36%	17%	10.3	Good	15.6		7	7	2
✓ Niulakita	28%		32%	40%	-3.8	Very Low	-3.1		5	3	8
Vanuatu											
✓ Sola (Vanua Lava)	18%	29%		53%	8.4	Moderate	0		4	7	1
✓ Pekoa Airport (Santo)	27%		31%	42%	-3.9	Very Low	-12.5		4	8	4
✓ Lamap (Malekula)	19%		30%	51%	-5.8	Very Low	1.6		4	7	5
✓ Bauerfield (Efate)	15%		81%		2.5	Low	6.3		6	5	5
✓ Port Vila	7%		92%		-7.4	Very Low	6.3		6	4	6
✓ White Grass Airport	23%		30%	47%	4.3	Low	30		8	4	3
✓ Aneityum	12%		86%		-16.9	Very Low	-21.9		3	8	5

Republic of Korea-Pacific Islands Climate Prediction Services Project CLIK® Rainfall Forecast (FMA)



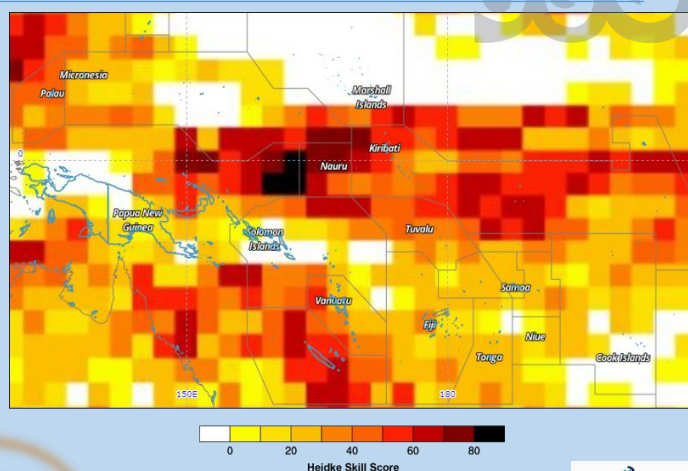
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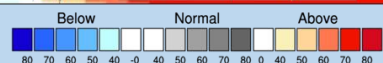
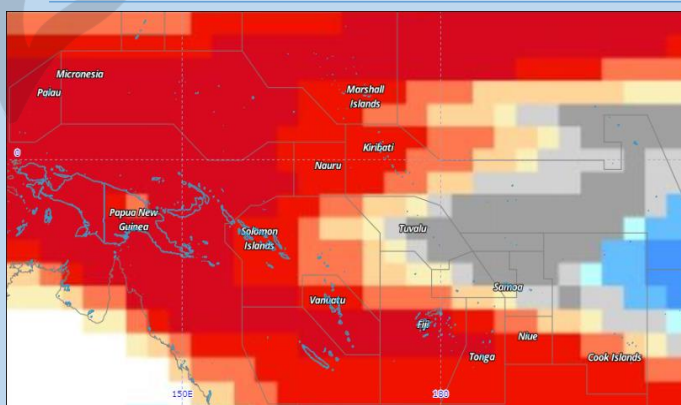
Figure 1: MME Rainfall Forecast for the Pacific Islands – FMA 2022 period **Figure 2: Rainfall Forecast Skill for the Pacific Islands – FMA 2022 period**

Country	Rainfall Outlook	Skill
Cook Islands	Below Normal - Penrhyn Above Normal - Rarotonga	Very Low - Moderate
FSM	Above Normal	Very Low - Low
Fiji	Above Normal	Low - Moderate
Kiribati	Below Normal	High
Marshall Islands	Above Normal	Very Low
Nauru	Below Normal	Very High
Niue	Above Normal	Low
Palau	Above Normal	Moderate
PNG	Below Normal – Nadzab, Momote, Kavieng, Madang Above Normal – Port Moresby, Misima	Low - High
Samoa	Outlook offers little guidance as the chance of AN/NN/BN are similar.	Low
Solomon Islands	Below Normal – Taro Is., Munda, Auki Note – Outlook offers little guidance elsewhere.	Very Low - Low
Tonga	Above Normal – Nukualofa, Hapai, Lupepauu Normal – Kepel Mataaho, Niuafuou	Low
Tokelau	Below Normal	Low
Tuvalu	Below Normal	Low - Moderate
Vanuatu	Above Normal	Moderate

Table 1: Rainfall Outlook and Skill for the Pacific Islands.

Note: Variation in the skill is due to model agreement and data availability at each location.

Republic of Korea-Pacific Islands Climate Prediction Services Project CLIK® Temperature Forecast (FMA)

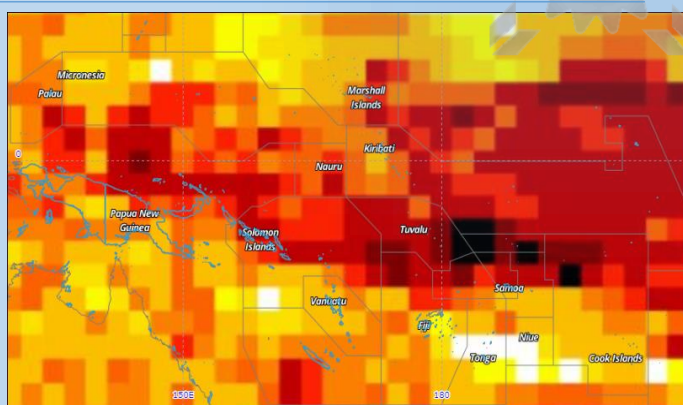


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Figure 3: MME Temperature Forecast for the Pacific Islands – FMA 2022 period

Figure 4: Air Temperature Forecast Skill for the Pacific Islands – FMA 2022 period

Country	Air Temperature Outlook	Skill
Cook Islands	Above Normal (Rarotonga) Below Normal (Penrhyn)	Moderate - High
FSM	Above Normal	Low - High
Fiji	Above Normal	Very Low – High
Kiribati	Above Normal – Tarawa/Butaritari Normal – Kiritimati/Kanton	Moderate - High
Marshall Islands	Above Normal	High
Nauru	Above Normal	High
Niue	Above Normal	Very Low
Palau	Above Normal	Moderate
PNG	Above Normal	Low - High
Samoa	Above Normal	Low
Solomon Islands	Above Normal	High
Tonga	Above Normal	Very Low – Moderate
Tokelau	Normal	Moderate
Tuvalu	Above Normal – Nanumea Normal – Nui, Niulakita, Funafuti	High
Vanuatu	Above Normal	Low – High

Table 2: Temperature Outlook and Skill for the Pacific Islands.

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This resource is compiled to provide dynamical model data to support and complement information generated by Pacific Islands NMHS.

Contact your location Meteorology Service for site specific forecasts.

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PICASO (Pacific Island Countries Advanced Seasonal Outlook) is a PC-based seasonal prediction tool tailored for the Pacific Island countries jointly developed by APCC and SPREP through the ROK-PI CliPS project.

PICASO produces probabilistic forecasts of the seasonal mean rainfall of the given weather stations by customizing the data from the APCC dynamical seasonal prediction multi-model ensemble.

CLIK®

The rainfall and temperature forecasts are derived from a multi-model ensemble (MME) of all available Dynamical Models that are provided by WMO Global Producing Centers (GPCs) available on the Climate Services Toolkit for the Pacific (CLIK Pacific or CLIK®).

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