



## Climate Outlook for May ~ October 2023

- The APCC ENSO Alert suggests “El Niño WATCH”. In March 2023, slightly negative sea surface temperature anomalies were observed over the central equatorial Pacific, whereas above normal ones spanned the eastern equatorial Pacific. The Niño3.4 index is expected to increase from 0.5°C to 1.6°C for May – October 2023. The probability for El Niño conditions is expected to be above 90% for the same period.
- Strongly enhanced probability for above normal temperatures is predicted for the whole Pacific Islands for May – July 2023, which is expected to decrease for Micronesia, southern Melanesia, and southern Polynesia for August – October 2023.
- For the same period, a strongly enhanced probability for above normal precipitation is predicted along the equator. Enhanced probability for above normal precipitation is expected for Micronesia. Strongly enhanced probability for below normal precipitation is expected for off-equatorial Polynesia for May – July 2023, which decreases for August – October 2023.
- Please see <https://apcc21.org/ser/outlook.do?lang=en> for more information.

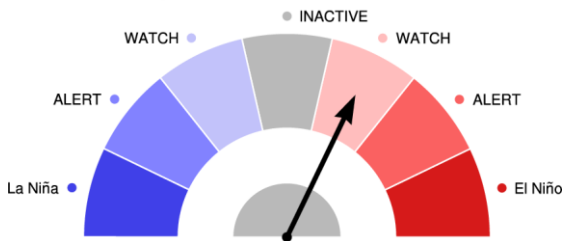
## ENSO

### CURRENT STATUS

#### ENSO Alert System

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2023 MJJASO



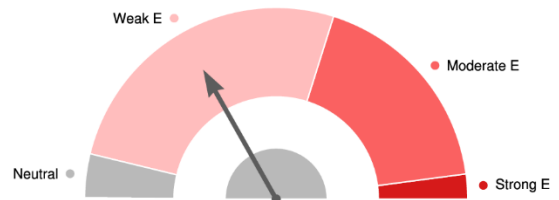
El Niño WATCH

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### ENSO FORECAST

#### Probabilistic ENSO Forecast for MJJ 2023

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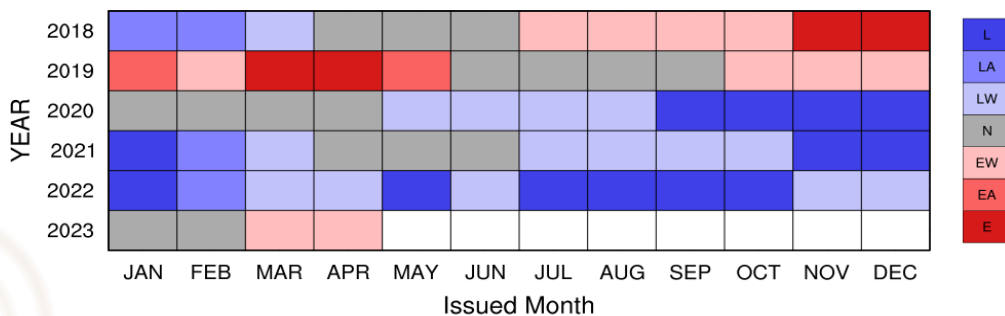
Weak El Niño (52.1%)

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\* ENSO Intensity based on 3M Mean Niño3.4 SST Anomaly (Category Boundaries: +/-1.5, 1.0, 0.5°C)

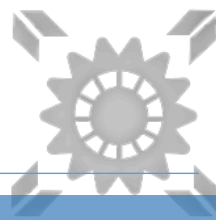
### ENSO ALERT HISTORY

#### APCC ENSO Alert History



E: El Niño EA: El Niño Alert EW: El Niño Watch N: Neutral L: La Niña LA: La Niña Alert LW: La Niña Watch

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



## RAINFALL OUTLOOK

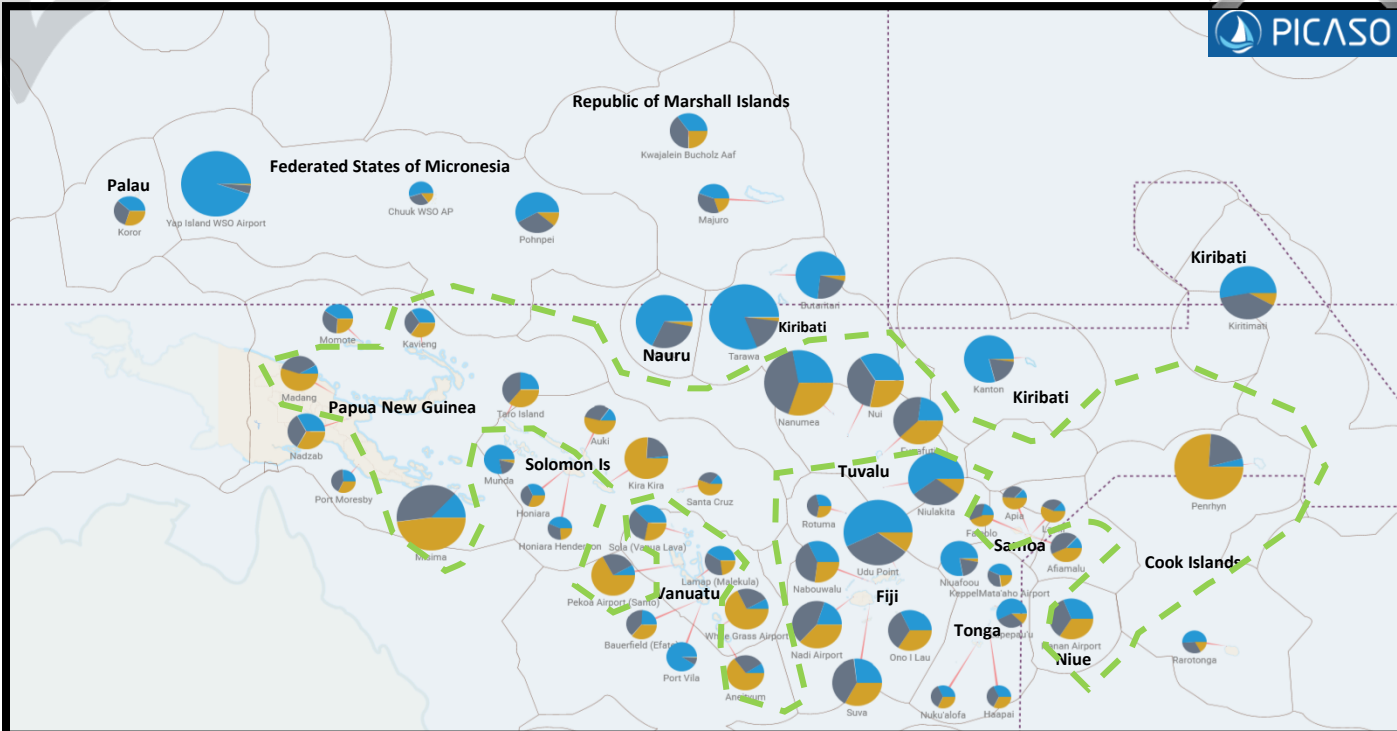
Model	PICASO	CLIK® (APCC MME)
Status	COUNTRY (Area)	
<b>Above Normal</b>	<b>Cook Islands</b> (Rarotonga) <b>Fiji</b> (Udu Point) <b>FSM</b> (Chuuk, Pohnpei, Yap) <b>Kiribati</b> (Butaritari, Tarawa, Kiritimati, Kanton) <b>Republic of Marshall Islands</b> (Majuro) <b>Nauru</b> <b>Palau</b> (*Koror) <b>PNG</b> (Momote) <b>Solomon Islands</b> (Munda, Henderson) <b>Tonga</b> (Lupepau'u, Niuafou'u, Keppel Mata'aho) <b>Tuvalu</b> (Niulakita) <b>Vanuatu</b> (Port Vila, Lamap, *Sola)	<b>FSM</b> (*Chuuk, Pohnpei, Yap) <b>Kiribati</b> (Butaritari, Kanton, Tarawa, Kiritimati) <b>Nauru</b> <b>Palau</b> (*Koror) <b>Republic of Marshall Islands</b> (Majuro, Kwajalein) <b>PNG</b> (Port Moresby, Madang, Nadzab, Misima) <b>Solomon Islands</b> (Honiara, Henderson) <b>Vanuatu</b> (*Port Vila, *Aneityum, *Bauerfield, *Lamap, *Pekoa, *Sola, *Whitegrass)
<b>Normal</b>	<b>Fiji</b> (Nadi, Suva, Nabouwalu, Rotuma, *Ono-i-lau,) <b>Republic of Marshall Islands</b> (Kwajalein) <b>Niue</b> (*Hanan) <b>PNG</b> (Port Moresby) <b>Samoa</b> (Afiamalua) <b>Solomon Islands</b> (*Taro Island, *Honiara) <b>Tonga</b> (*Ha'apai, *Nukualofa) <b>Tuvalu</b> (Nanumea, *Funafuti, *Nui) <b>Vanuatu</b> (Bauerfield,)	<b>Fiji</b> (Suva, Nabouwalu, Nadi, Udu Point, Onoilau) <b>Niue</b> <b>PNG</b> (*Momote, *Kavieng) <b>Solomon Islands</b> (Munda, Taro Island, Auki) <b>Tonga</b> (Lupepau'u, *Nukualofa, *Ha'apai, *Niuafou'u, *Keppel Mata'aho)
<b>Below Normal</b>	<b>Cook Islands</b> (Penrhyn) <b>PNG</b> (Misima, Madang, *Nadzab, *Kavieng) <b>Samoa</b> (Faleolo, Apia, Lauli'i) <b>Solomon Islands</b> (Santa Cruz, Kirakira, Auki) <b>Vanuatu</b> (Pekoa, Whitegrass, Aneityum)	<b>Cook Islands</b> (Penrhyn, *Rarotonga) <b>Fiji</b> (Rotuma) <b>Samoa</b> (Apia, Afiamalua, Faleolo, Lauli'i) <b>Solomon Islands</b> (Santa Cruz, Kirakira) <b>Tuvalu</b> (Funafuti, Niulakita, Nui, *Nanumea) <b>Tokelau</b>

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

## TEMPERATURE OUTLOOK : CLIK® toolkit

Status	COUNTRY (Area)
<b>Above Normal</b>	<b>Cook Is, FSM, Fiji, Kiribati , Republic of Marshall Is, Nauru, Niue, Palau, PNG, Samoa, Solomon Islands, Tonga, Tuvalu, Tokelau, Vanuatu</b>
Normal	
<b>Below Normal</b>	

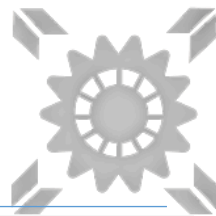
# Republic of Korea-Pacific Islands Climate Prediction Services Project PICASO Regional Rainfall Forecast (MJJ)



**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.)

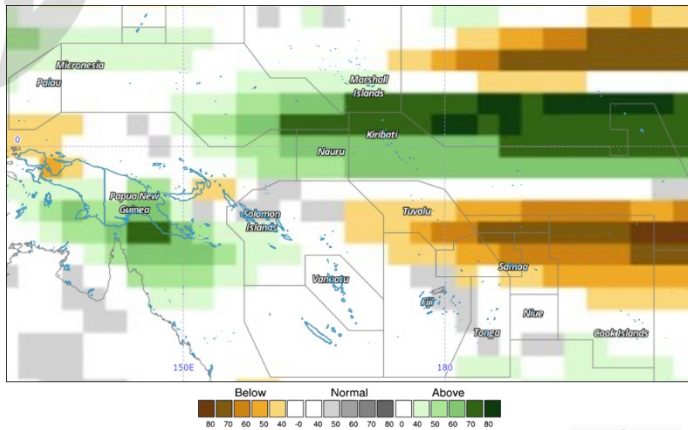
OUTLOOK TABLE BY COUNTRY										
Station	Tercile Probability			Verification Score (LEPS)	Verification Score (HSS)	Hit/NearMiss/Miss				
	KEY	BN	N	AN						
<b>Cook Islands</b>										
Penrhyn		76%		20%	44	Excellent	29.4	9	8	0
Rarotonga		17%	32%	51%	-11	Very Low	-5.9	5	6	6
<b>Fiji</b>										
Rotuma		28%	43%	29%	-3.3	Very Low	2.9	6	5	6
Udu Point		10%	33%	57%	45.8	Excellent	25	7	7	0
Nabouwalu		27%	41%	32%	12.1	Good	-9.1	3	6	2
Nadi Airport		37%	43%	20%	22.5	High	51.5	11	5	1
Suva		33%	40%	27%	22	High	29.4	9	7	1
Ono I Lau		34%	34%	32%	13.1	Good	62.5	12	0	4
<b>Kiribati</b>										
Kiritimati		8%	39%	53%	29	Very High	64.7	13	3	1
Butaritari		23%	73%		17.5	High	25	8	7	1
Tarawa		17%	81%		35.7	Excellent	47.1	11	6	0
Kanton		19%	79%		24.8	High	46.4	9	5	0
<b>Marshall Islands</b>										
Kwajalein Bucholz Aaf		25%	40%	35%	6.5	Moderate	11.8	7	7	3
Majuro		20%	36%	44%	0.8	Low	-14.7	4	9	4

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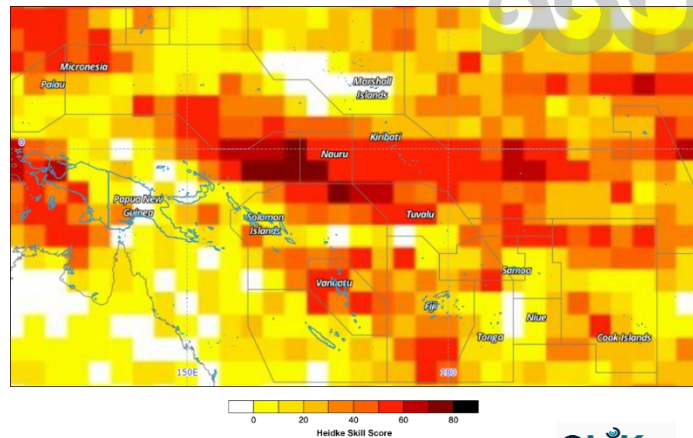


Station	Tercile Probability				Verification Score (LEPS)		Verification Score (HSS)		Hit/NearMiss/Miss		
	KEY	BN	N	AN	Score	Category	Score	Category	Hit	NearMiss	Miss
<b>Micronesia</b>											
Chuuk WSO AP	15%	30%	55%		-0.4	Very Low	42.6		10	2	5
Pohnpei	11%	31%	58%		14.4	Good	51.5		11	3	3
Yap Island WSO Airport			95%		67.6	Excellent	100		17	0	0
<b>Nauru</b>											
Nauru		29%	68%		30.6	Very High	16.7		4	5	0
<b>Niue</b>											
Hanan Airport	34%	35%	31%		11.4	Good	38.2		10	5	2
<b>Palau</b>											
Koror	30%	32%	38%		2.4	Low	-5.9		5	7	5
<b>Papua New Guinea</b>											
Madang	55%	37%	8%		5.3	Moderate	0		5	7	3
Port Moresby	32%	42%	26%		-3.6	Very Low	2.9		6	7	4
Momote	26%	33%	41%		2.5	Low	29.4		7	7	3
Nadzab	33%	34%	33%		6.9	Moderate	29.4		9	4	4
Kavieng	35%	31%	34%		0.5	Low	16.2		5	6	6
Misima	48%	39%	13%		38.2	Excellent	43.8		10	6	0
<b>Samoa</b>											
Afiamalu	43%	44%	13%		4.9	Low	42.6		10	4	3
Laulii	57%	30%	13%		-9	Very Low	2.9		6	6	5
Faleolo	44%	35%	21%		-2.9	Very Low	-5.9		5	7	5
Apia	51%	36%	13%		-3.7	Very Low	2.9		6	9	2
<b>Solomon Islands</b>											
Taro Island	36%	39%	25%		7.2	Moderate	29.4		9	7	1
Munda	18%	78%			1.6	Low	20.6		8	5	4
Auki	54%	31%	15%		0.6	Low	-5.9		5	7	5
Honiara	31%	37%	32%		-7.7	Very Low	2.9		3	10	4
Honiara Henderson	24%	33%	43%		-1.7	Very Low	-5.9		5	6	6
Kira Kira	76%	22%			12.5	Good	33.8		8	8	1
Santa Cruz	56%	30%	14%		-1.9	Very Low	11.8		7	6	4
<b>Tonga</b>											
Niuafoou	19%	78%			9.9	Moderate	33.8		8	6	3
KeppelMata'aho Airport	23%	34%	43%		-0.4	Very Low	11.8		5	5	7
Lupepau'u	12%	31%	57%		4.5	Low	11.8		7	4	6
Haapai	32%	35%	32%		-3.9	Very Low	-5.9		5	7	5
Nuku'alofa	32%	36%	32%		-1.2	Very Low	20.6		7	7	3
<b>Tuvalu</b>											
Nanumea	30%	42%	28%		36	Excellent	69.1		12	5	0
Nui	28%	38%	34%		32.4	Very High	29.4		9	8	0
Funafuti	38%	39%	23%		21.9	High	20.6		8	8	1
Niulakita	10%	30%	60%		26.1	Very High	33.8		8	8	1
<b>Vanuatu</b>											
Sola (Vanua Lava)	28%	35%	37%		9.5	Moderate	7.7		5	6	2
Pekoa Airport (Santo)	67%	25%	8%		13.3	Good	43.8		10	4	2
Lamap (Malekula)	23%	36%	41%		2.6	Low	10		6	6	3
Bauerfield (Efate)	36%	40%	24%		3.4	Low	-14.7		4	10	3
Port Vila	8%	91%			1.9	Low	6.3		6	6	4
White Grass Airport	68%	24%	8%		10.5	Good	57.8		10	4	2
Aneityum	65%	26%	9%		5.1	Moderate	11.8		7	9	1

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



Year: 2023, Season: MJJ, Lead Month: 3, Method: GAUS  
Model: APCC, BOM, CMCC, CWS, MSC, NASA, NCEP, PNU  
Generated using CLIK® (2023-4-27)



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Figure 1: MME Rainfall Forecast for the Pacific Islands – MJJ 2023 period

Figure 2: Rainfall Forecast Skill for the Pacific Islands – MJJ 2023 period

Country	Rainfall Outlook	Skill
Cook Islands	Below Normal - Penrhyn Little guidance - Rarotonga	Low - High
FSM	Above Normal - Yap, Pohnpei Little guidance - Chuuk	Very Low - Moderate
Fiji	Normal Below Normal - Rotuma	Very Low - Low
Kiribati	Above Normal - Tarawa, Butaritari, Kanton, Kiritimati	Low - High
Marshall Islands	Above Normal	Very Low
Nauru	Above Normal	High
Niue	Normal	Very Low
Palau	Little guidance	Low
PNG	Little guidance - Momote, Kavieng Above Normal - Port Moresby, Madang, Nadzab, Misima	Very Low - Low
Samoa	Below Normal	Low
Solomon Islands	Above Normal - Honiara, Henderson Normal - Auki, Munda, Taro Island Little guidance - Santa Cruz, Kirakira	Very Low - Low
Tonga	Normal - Lupepau Little guidance - Nukualofa, Nuafoou, Keppel Mataaho, Haapai	Very Low - Low
Tokelau	Below Normal	High
Tuvalu	Below Normal - Funafuti, Nuilakita, Nui Little guidance - Nanumea	Very Low - High
Vanuatu	Little guidance	Very Low - High

**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 (MJJ)

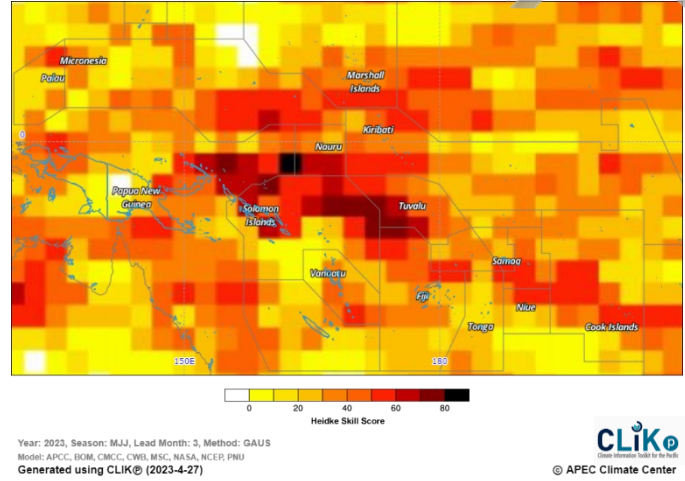
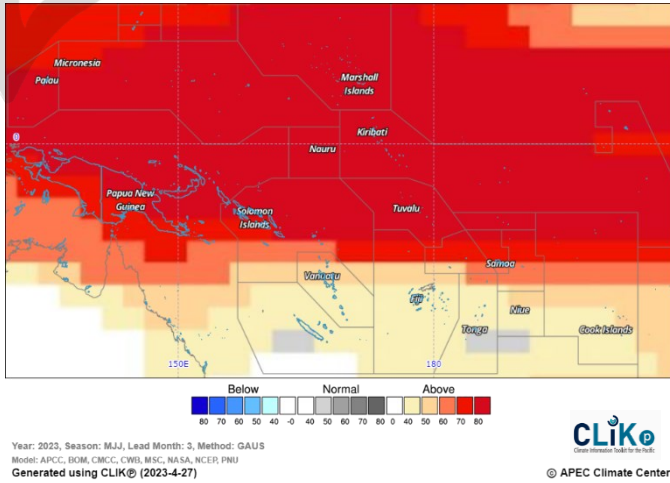


Figure 3: MME Temperature Forecast for the Pacific Islands – MJJ 2023 period

Figure 4: Air Temperature Forecast Skill for the Pacific Islands – MJJ 2023 period

Country	Air Temperature Outlook	Skill
Cook Islands	Above Normal	Low - High
FSM	Above Normal	Low - Moderate
Fiji	Above Normal	Low - Moderate
Kiribati	Above Normal	Low - Moderate
Marshall Islands	Above Normal	Moderate
Nauru	Above Normal	Low
Niue	Above Normal	Low
Palau	Above Normal	Low
PNG	Above Normal	Low – High
Samoa	Above Normal	High
Solomon Islands	Above Normal	Low - High
Tonga	Above Normal	Low
Tokelau	Above Normal	Moderate
Tuvalu	Above Normal	Moderate
Vanuatu	Above Normal	Very Low – High

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

# Republic of Korea-Pacific Islands Climate Prediction Services Project



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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.

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