

Summary: September to November 2022 (SON)

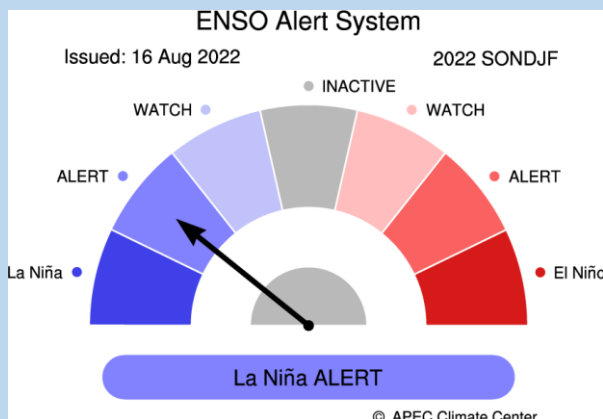


Climate Outlook for September 2022 ~ February 2023

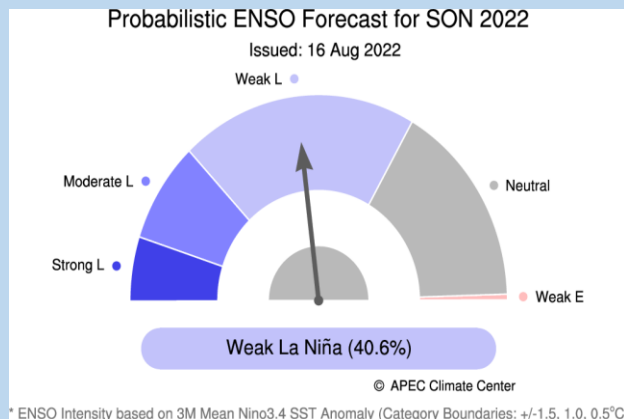
- The APCC ENSO Alert suggests “La Niña ALERT”. During July 2022, negative sea surface temperature anomalies were observed over the tropical Pacific. The Niño3.4 index is expected to be below  $-0.5^{\circ}\text{C}$  during September – December 2022 and then gradually increase to  $0^{\circ}\text{C}$ . The probability for La Niña conditions is expected to be 66.5% during September – November 2022 and gradually decrease to 42.7%. Its intensity is likely to be weak.
- Strongly enhanced probability for above normal temperatures is predicted for Micronesia and Melanesia (excluding the equator), and Polynesia south of  $10^{\circ}\text{S}$  for September 2022 – February 2023.
- Strongly enhanced probability for above normal precipitation is predicted for southern Melanesia during September – November 2022, which is likely to gradually decrease during December 2022 – February 2023. Strongly enhanced probability for below normal precipitation is expected for southern Polynesia and the boundary between Micronesia and Melanesia during the first half of the forecast period, which is also likely to gradually decrease during the remaining period.
- Please see <https://apcc21.org/ser/outlook.do?lang=en> for more information.

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CURRENT STATUS

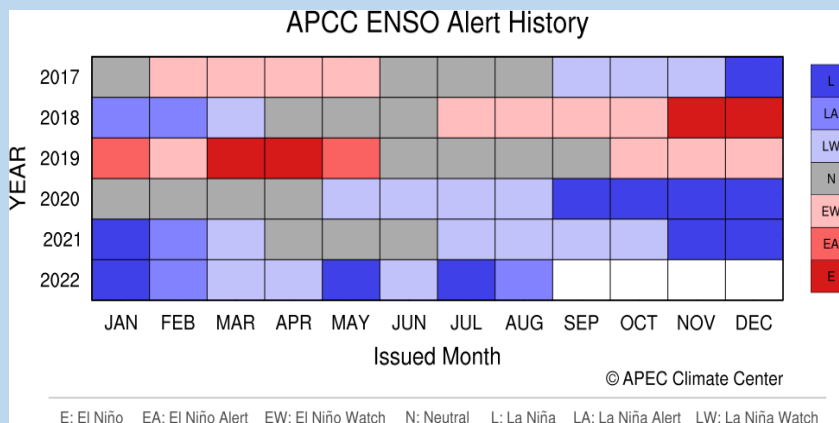


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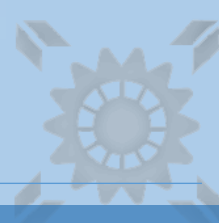


\* ENSO Intensity based on 3M Mean Niño3.4 SST Anomaly (Category Boundaries: +/-1.5, 1.0, 0.5°C)

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## RAINFALL OUTLOOK

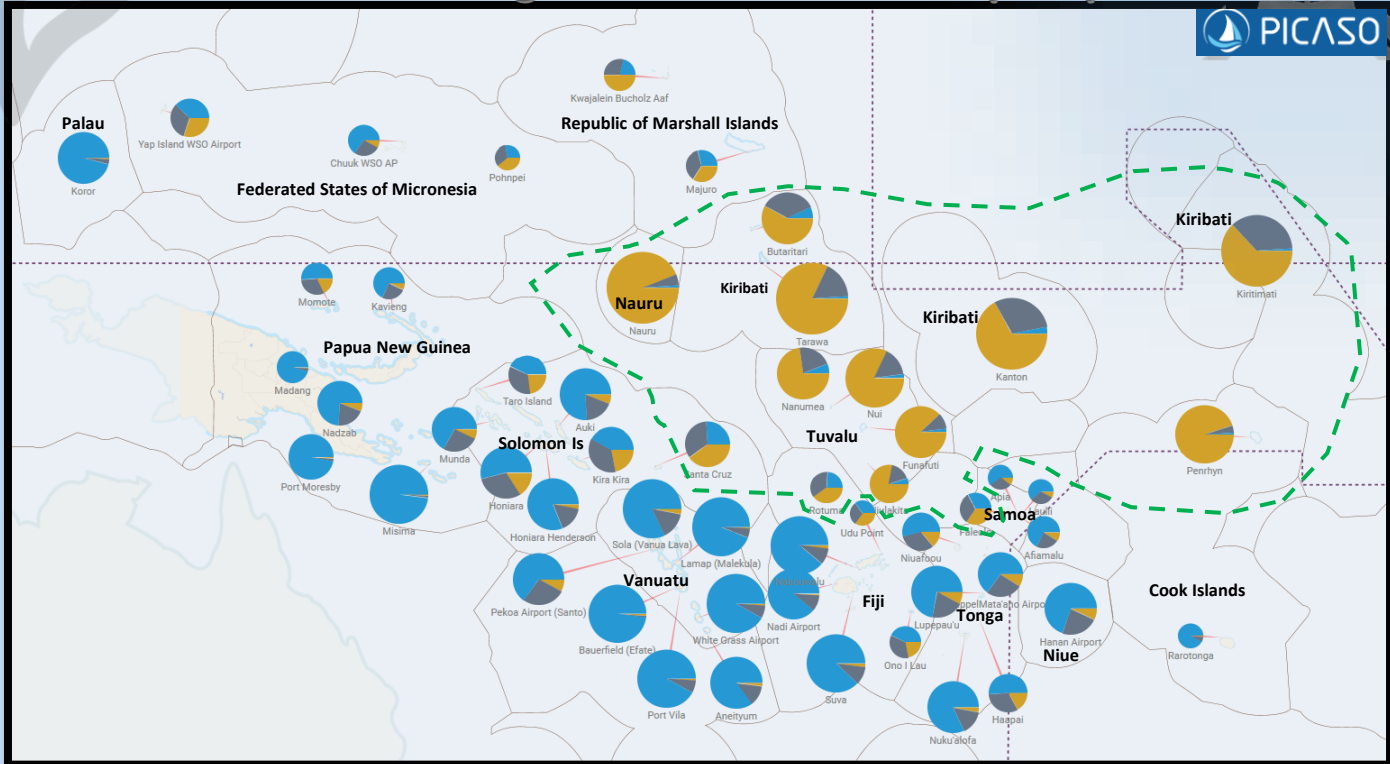
Model	PICASO	CLIK <sup>®</sup>
Status	COUNTRY (Area)	
<b>Above Normal</b>	<b>Cook Islands</b> - (Rarotonga) <b>Fiji</b> - (Suva, Ono-i-lau Nabouwalu, Nadi) <b>FSM</b> (Chuuk, *Pohnpei, *Yap) <b>Niue</b> – (Hanan) <b>Palau</b> - (Koror) <b>PNG</b> – (Port Moresby, Madang, Misima, Nadzab, Momote, Kavieng)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

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

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**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			
Cook Islands										
Penrhyn		95%		4%	29.9	Very High	43.8	10	5	1
Rarotonga	7%	92%		-13.4	Very Low	-21.9	3	5	8	
Fiji										
Rotuma	40%	36%	24%	3.9	Low	15.6	7	7	2	
Udu Point	35%	30%	35%	-0.6	Very Low	25	4	1	7	
Nabouwalu	9%	89%		26.7	Very High	33.3	5	4	0	
Nadi Airport	10%	89%		23.8	High	43.8	10	3	3	
Suva	10%	88%		30.1	Very High	34.4	9	6	1	
Ono I Lau	22%	35%	43%	2.8	Low	0	5	7	3	
Kiribati										
Kiritimat	63%	36%		51.1	Excellent	62.5	12	4	0	
Butaritari	58%	35%	7%	16.6	High	15.6	7	8	1	
Tarawa	82%	17%		48.4	Excellent	43.8	10	5	1	
Kanton	67%	30%	3%	52.8	Excellent	62.5	9	3	0	
Marshall Islands										
Kwajalein Bucholz Aaf	50%	29%	21%	1.7	Low	25	8	4	4	
Majuro	34%	37%	29%	2.3	Low	6.3	6	5	5	

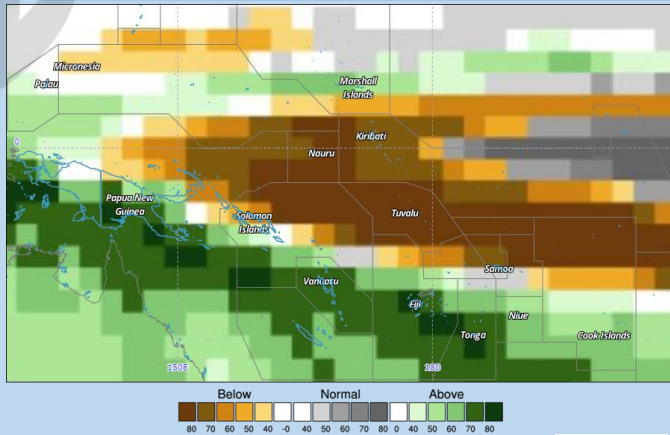
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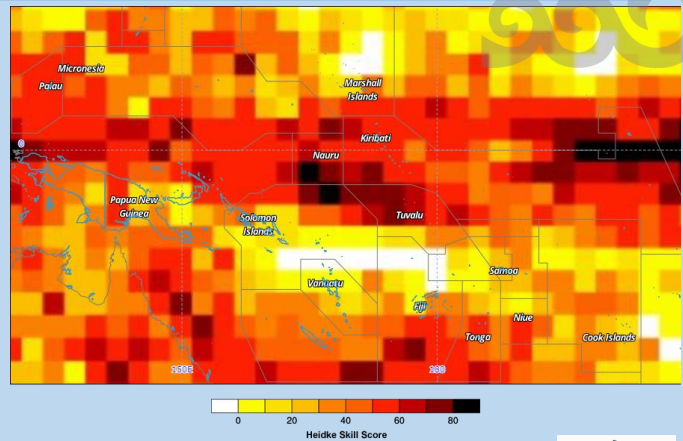
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Station	Tercile Probability				Verification Score (LEPS)	Verification Score (HSS)	Hit/NearMiss/Miss
	KEY	BN	N	AN			
<b>Micronesia</b>							
✓ Chuuk WSO AP	8%	27%	65%		1.4	Low 6.3	6 6 4
✓ Pohnpei	39%	33%	28%		-1.9	Very Low -7.8	4 8 4
✓ Yap Island WSO Airport	30%	32%	38%		9.9	Moderate 85.9	14 0 2
<b>Nauru</b>							
✓ Nauru		94%	5%		38.5	Excellent 57.1	5 2 0
<b>Niue</b>							
✓ Hanan Airport	7%	23%	70%		23.2	High 34.4	9 6 1
<b>Palau</b>							
✓ Koror	3'		96%		23.6	High 29.7	7 6 3
<b>Papua New Guinea</b>							
✓ Madang	3'		96%		2.7	Low -1.0	4 9 2
✓ Port Moresby	;		97%		11.2	Good 6.3	6 7 3
✓ Momote	18%	31%	51%		1.7	Low -3.1	5 5 6
✓ Nadzab	6%	20%	74%		14.6	Good 39.1	9 5 2
✓ Kavieng	7%	25%	68%		4.7	Low 6.3	6 5 5
✓ Misima			98%		32.7	Very High 15.6	7 8 1
<b>Samoa</b>							
✓ Afiamalu	9%	23%	68%		3.5	Low 6.3	6 5 5
✓ Laulili	8%	31%	61%		-5.8	Very Low 10.9	6 8 2
✓ Faleolo	35%	32%	33%		0.3	Low 39.1	7 4 5
✓ Apia	11%	29%	60%		-1.2	Very Low 6.3	6 3 7
<b>Solomon Islands</b>							
✓ Taro Island	23%	34%	43%		6.3	Moderate 12.5	4 9 3
✓ Munda	7%	26%	67%		12.7	Good -3.1	5 7 4
✓ Auki	6%	18%	76%		20.5	High 34.4	9 5 2
✓ Honiara	16%	30%	54%		23	High 20.3	6 9 1
✓ Honiara Henderson	3'	16%	81%		21.1	High 34.4	9 6 1
✓ Kira Kira	22%	36%	42%		12.3	Good -3.1	5 6 5
✓ Santa Cruz	40%	34%	26%		12.4	Good 15.6	7 6 3
<b>Tonga</b>							
✓ Niuafoou	14%	32%	54%		9.5	Moderate 25	8 3 5
✓ KeppelMata'aho Airport	9%	26%	65%		14.5	Good 65	11 2 2
✓ Lupepa'u	8%	20%	72%		17.5	High 6.3	6 9 1
✓ Haapai	17%	32%	51%		9	Moderate 39.1	8 6 2
✓ Nuku'alofa	3'	15%	82%		17.9	High 15.6	7 8 1
<b>Tuvalu</b>							
✓ Nanumea		73%	21%	6%	24.6	High 57.8	11 3 2
✓ Nui		82%	16%	;	33	Very High 43.8	10 4 2
✓ Funafuti		88%	10%	;	22.2	High 34.4	9 5 2
✓ Niulakita		78%	17%	5%	9	Moderate 15.6	7 3 6
<b>Vanuatu</b>							
✓ Sola (Vanua Lava)	3'	15%	82%		26	Very High 36.5	6 6 1
✓ Pekoa Airport (Santo)	8%	27%	65%		24.9	High 57.8	11 4 1
✓ Lamap (Malekula)	5%		94%		30.6	Very High 43.8	10 5 1
✓ Bauerfield (Efate)			98%		30.2	Very High 53.1	11 2 3
✓ Port Vila	7%		92%		29.2	Very High 34.4	9 5 2
✓ White Grass Airport	7%		92%		34.5	Very High 53.1	11 4 1
✓ Anelitym	;	13%	85%		15.1	High 43.8	10 3 3

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



Year: 2022, Season: SON, Lead Month: 3, Method: GAUS  
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Figure 1: MME Rainfall Forecast for the Pacific Islands – SON 2022 period

Figure 2: Rainfall Forecast Skill for the Pacific Islands – SON 2022 period

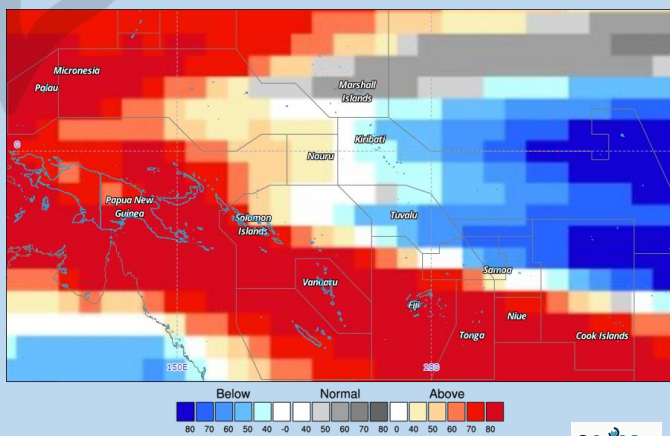
Country	Rainfall Outlook	Skill
Cook Islands	Below Normal - Penrhyn Above Normal - Rarotonga	High Low
FSM	Above Normal – Pohnpei / Chuuk Below Normal – Yap	Moderate - High
Fiji	Above Normal except Rotuma (BN)	Very Low - Moderate
Kiribati	Below Normal except for Kiritimati (N)	High
Marshall Islands	Above Normal	Low - Moderate
Nauru	Below Normal	High
Niue	Above Normal	High
Palau	Above Normal	High
PNG	Below Normal – Momote, Kavieng Above Normal – Port Moresby, Nadzab, Misima, Madang	Low – High
Samoa	Normal	Low
Solomon Islands	Below Normal – Taro Is., Munda, Auki, Santa Cruz Above Normal – Honiara, Henderson Little guidance (Climatology) – Kirakira	Very Low - Moderate
Tonga	Above Normal – Nukualofa, Ha’apai, Lupepau’u Normal – Niuafuou, Keppel Mata’aho	Very Low - High
Tokelau	Below Normal	Moderate
Tuvalu	Below Normal	Moderate - High
Vanuatu	Above Normal	Very Low – 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.

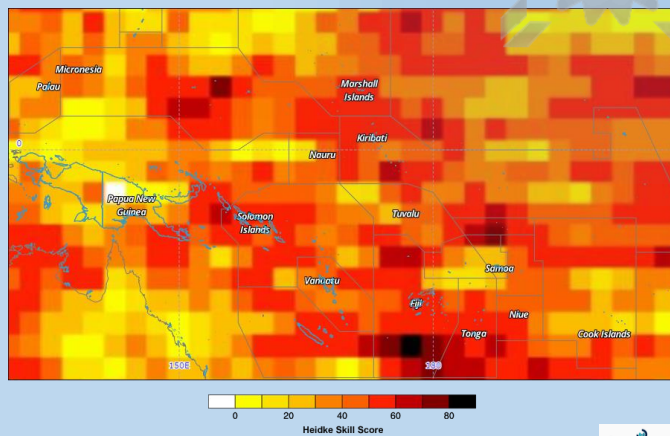


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Figure 3: MME Temperature Forecast for the Pacific Islands – SON 2022 period

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

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

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

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