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Global Forecast

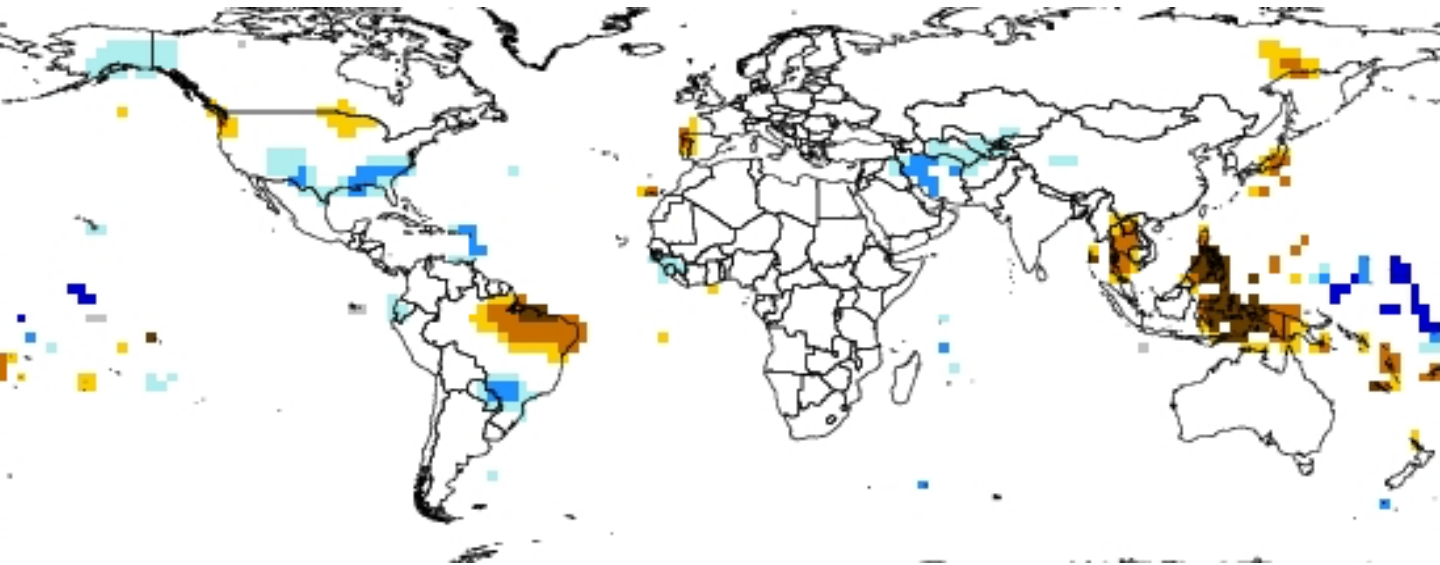
Total Rain and Snow April 2015 – June 2015

Produced by the Red Cross Red Crescent Climate Centre and the International Research Institute for Climate and Society (IRI)

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IRI's next forecast:

16 April 2015



Will this season will be unusually wet?

Will this season will be unusually dry?

Wet: **Highly increased chance** (55% or greater)

Wet: **Moderately increased chance** (45-50%)

Wet: **Slightly increased chance** (35-40%)

No new information

Slightly decreased chance of unusually wet or unusually dry

Dry: **Slightly increased chance** (35-40%)

Dry: **Moderately increased chance** (45-50%)

Dry: **Highly increased chance** (55% or greater)

IRI global forecast map

Colours on this map indicate areas where we have **increased confidence** that the next three months will be unusually wet or dry. The darker the colour, the more confident we are.

For more information to help interpret the forecast, see the accompanying document called Important Forecast Guidance and Resources and contact your local meteorological service to monitor forecasts.

Currently, borderline El Niño conditions are present, but it is not expected to impact rainfall in many places of the world. The forecast indicates some impact patterns that are typical of El Niño and it is possible that these will strengthen over the coming months. Typical impacts of El Niño are here: iridl.ideo.columbia.edu/maproom/IFRC/FIC/elninorain.html

Every El Niño is different and we suggest continual monitoring of forecasts to see what rainfall effects are forecasted in your region in the coming months.

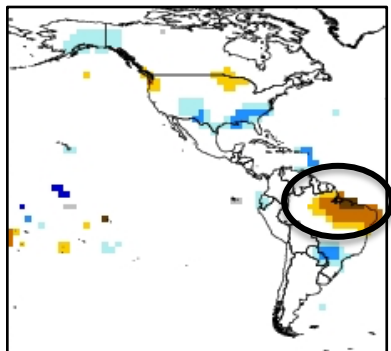
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Forecast Areas of Concern

April 2015 - June 2015

Americas

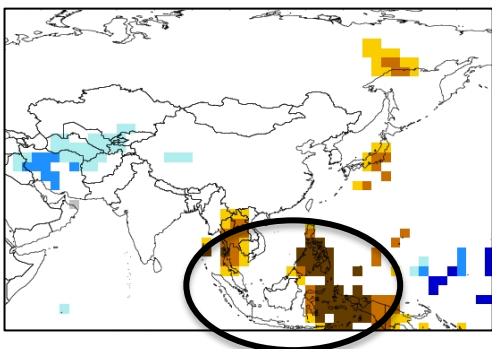


Northeast Brazil: Increased chance of **dry conditions during the height of the rainy season**

There is highly increased confidence that parts of northeastern **Brazil** will be **unusually dry** during the height and towards the end of the rainy season in April-June.

There is moderately increased confidence that parts of the southern **United States**, southwestern **Brazil** and the eastern **Caribbean Islands** will be **unusually wet** this April-June.

Asia

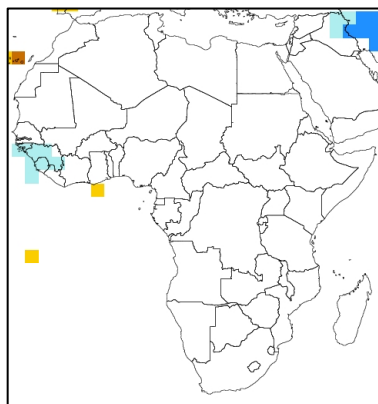


Indonesia, The Philippines, Cambodia: Increased chance of **dry conditions during the start of the rainy season**

There is highly increased confidence that parts of **the Philippines, Cambodia and Indonesia** will be **unusually dry** during the beginning of the rainy season this April-June. There is moderately increased confidence that parts of **Myanmar, Laos and Thailand** will be **unusually dry** during the beginning of the rainy season this April-June.

There is moderately increased confidence that parts of **Iraq** and western **Iran** will be **unusually wet** this April-June during the end of the rainy season.

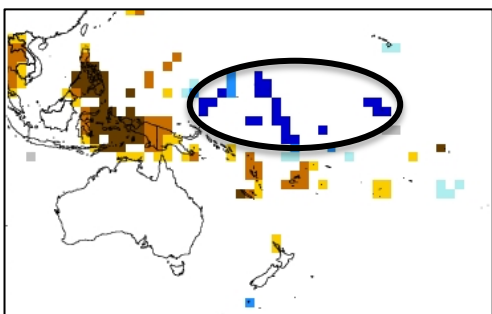
Africa



Africa: Few strong signals of unusual conditions

There are few strong signals for Africa this April-June; we suggest using contingency plans activated by normal seasonal calendars, and continued attention to local sources of short-term information.

Pacific



Kiribati, Tuvalu, Nauru: Increased chance of **wet conditions during the start of the dry season**

There is highly increased confidence that parts of **Kiribati, Tuvalu, Nauru,** and the **Marshall Islands** will be **unusually wet** during the beginning of the rainy season this April-June.

There is moderately increased confidence that parts of **Tokelau** and **Micronesia** will be **unusually wet** this during this April-June.

There is highly increased confidence that parts of **New Caledonia** and **Palau** will be **unusually dry** during the start of the rainy season this April-June.

There is moderately increased confidence that parts of **Papua New Guinea, French Polynesia** and **Fiji** will be **unusually dry** during the start of the dry season this April-June.