Forecast Update:
The forecast signals this month are not very strong, as we are no longer in a La Niña or El Niño phase.

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 accompanying document called: ‘Important Forecast Guidance and Resources’.

Are we confident that this season will be unusually wet?
- Wet: Highly increased confidence (55% chance or greater)
- Wet: Moderately increased confidence (45-50% chance)
- Wet: Slightly increased confidence (35-40% chance)
- No increase or decrease in confidence (30-35% chance)

Are we confident that this season will be unusually dry?
- Dry: Slightly increased confidence (35-40% chance)
- Dry: Moderately increased confidence (45-50% chance)
- Dry: Highly increased confidence (55% chance or greater)

IRI’s next forecast: 21 June 2012
http://iri.columbia.edu/ifrc/forecast/3munusualprecip
Forecast Interpretation/Highlighting Areas of Concern for June-August 2012

**Americas**
There is moderately increased confidence that parts of the **northwestern United States** and **southwestern Canada** will experience **unusually dry** conditions this June-August.

**Asia**
- There is moderately increased confidence that parts of **Myanmar** will be **unusually dry** this June-August.
- There is a slightly increased confidence that parts of **Indonesia** and **Russia** will be **unusually wet** this June-August.

**Africa**
In Africa, we have no areas with highly increased confidence for the upcoming three months. There is a slightly increased confidence that parts of **Guinea-Bissau**, **Guinea**, **Sierra Leone**, and **Liberia** will be **unusually dry** this June-August.

**Pacific**
There is moderately increased confidence that parts of **New Zealand** will be **unusually dry** this June-August.

For additional guidance on forecast interpretation, connecting forecasts with appropriate actions, and resources for forecast monitoring and decision-making support, please see the accompanying attachment labelled: ‘Important Forecast Guidance and Resources’.

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