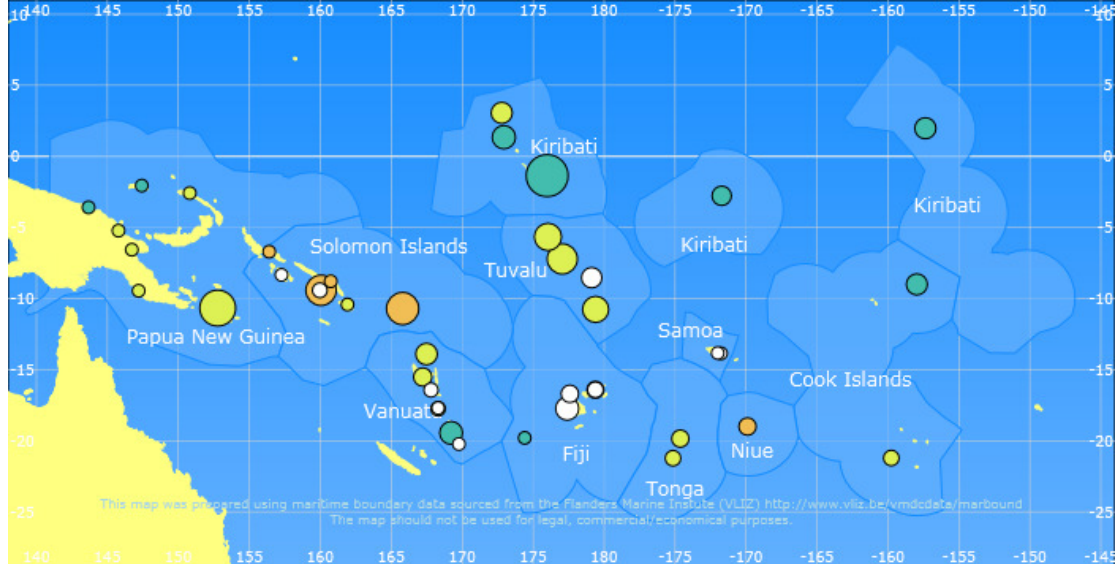


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Seasonal Climate Outlook for the period March to May 2013



Legend

- Bias towards below-normal rainfall
- Bias towards normal rainfall
- Bias towards above-normal rainfall
- No bias in forecast (Climatology)

Larger "bubbles" represent higher forecast skill (based on LEPS scores)

System	Outlook	Skill
Cook Islands (rainfall mm) 3mth SSTA's 1 and 9 (Nov 2012 - Jan 2013)	Below Normal to Normal: Rarotonga Normal to Above Normal: Penrhyn	Range: low - moderate Average: moderate
Fiji (rainfall mm) 3mth SOI Values (Nov 2012 - Jan 2013)	Climatology: Labasa, Labasa Airfield, Lakeba, Lautoka, Nabouwalu, Nadi Airport, Nausori, Navua, Penang, Rotuma, Suva, Vunisea & Yasawa	Range: very low - good Average: low
Kiribati (rainfall mm) 2mth SST Indices 1 and 9 (Dec 2012 - Jan 2013)	Above Normal: Beru rainfall	Range: very high Average: very high
Kiribati (rainfall mm) 3mth SSTA's 1 and 9 (Nov 2012 - Jan 2013)	Normal to Above Normal: Butaritari rainfall & Kanton rainfall Above Normal: Kiritimati rainfall & Tarawa rainfall	Range: moderate - good Average: moderate
Niue (rainfall mm) 3mth SSTA's 1 and 9 (Nov 2012 - Jan 2013)	Below Normal: Alofi	Range: low Average: low
Papua New Guinea (rainfall mm) 3mth SSTA's 1 and 9 (Nov 2012 - Jan 2013)	Below Normal to Normal: Madang, Misima & Nadzab Normal: Kavieng & Port Moresby Above Normal: Momote & Wewak	Range: very low - high Average: low
Samoa (rainfall mm) 3mth SOI Values (Nov 2012 - Jan 2013)	Climatology: Afiamalu, Apia, Faleolo & Nafanua	Range: very low - low Average: very low

System	Outlook	Skill
Solomon Islands (rainfall mm) 1mth SSTa's 1 and 9 [1 month] (Jan 2013)	Below Normal: Auki rainfall & Taro Rainfall Below Normal to Normal: Henderson Rainfall & Lata Rainfall Normal: Kirakira rainfall Climatology: Honiara Rainfall & Munda Rainfall	Range: very low - high Average: low
Tonga (rainfall mm) 3mth SSTa's 1 and 9 (Nov 2012 - Jan 2013)	Below Normal: Nuku'alofa & Vava'u Normal: Ha'apai Normal to Above Normal: Fua'amotu Above Normal: Niuafou'ou & Niuatoputapu	Range: very low - low Average: low
Tuvalu (rainfall mm) 3mth SOI Values (Nov 2012 - Jan 2013)	Normal to Above Normal: Nanumea Rainfall, Niulakita Rainfall & Nui Rainfall Climatology: Funafuti Rainfall	Range: moderate - high Average: good
Vanuatu (rainfall mm) 2mth SST Indices 1 and 9 (Dec 2012 - Jan 2013)	Below Normal to Normal: Portvila Normal: Sola Normal to Above Normal: Pekoa Above Normal: Whitegrass Climatology: Aneityum, Bauerfield & Lamap	Range: very low - good Average: low

LEPS very low low moderate good high very high exceptional
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