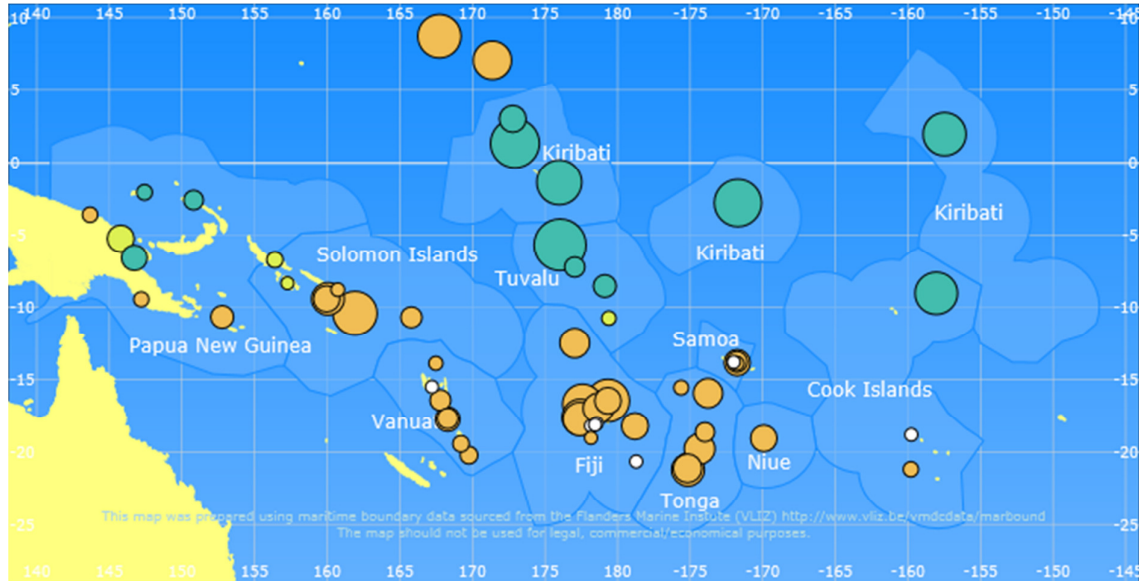




Seasonal Climate Outlook for the period January to March 2015



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) 2mth NINO3.4 SST Anomalies extended (Oct-Nov 2014)	Below Normal: Rarotonga Above Normal: Penrhyn Climatology: Aitutaki	Range: very low - very high Average: moderate
Fiji (Rainfall mm) 2mth NINO3.4 SST Anomalies extended (Oct-Nov 2014)	Below Normal: Labasa Airfield, Lakeba, Lautoka, Nabouwalu, Nadi Airport, Penang, Rotuma, Vunisea & Yasawa-i-rara Climatology: Laucala Bay, Nausori Airport, Navua & Ono-i-Lau	Range: very low - very high Average: good
Kiribati (Rainfall mm) 2mth NINO3.4 SST Anomalies extended (Oct-Nov 2014)	Above Normal: Beru , Butaritari , Kanton , Kiritimati & Tarawa	Range: good - very high Average: very high
Marshall Islands (Rainfall mm) 2mth NINO3.4 SST Anomalies extended (Oct-Nov 2014)	Below Normal: Kwajalein & Majuro	Range: high - very high Average: very high
Niue (Rainfall mm) 2mth NINO3.4 SST Anomalies extended (Oct-Nov 2014)	Below Normal: Hanan Airport	Range: good Average: good
Papua New Guinea (Rainfall mm)	Below Normal: Misima & Wewak	Range: low - good

System	Outlook	Skill
mm) 2mth NINO3.4 SST Anomalies extended (Oct-Nov 2014)	Below Normal to Normal: Port Moresby Normal to Above Normal: Kavieng & Madang Above Normal: Momote & Nadzab	Average: moderate
Samoa (Rainfall mm) 2mth NINO3.4 SST Anomalies extended (Oct-Nov 2014)	Below Normal: Apia & Nafanua Below Normal to Normal: Afiamalu Climatology: Faleolo	Range: very low - good Average: moderate
Solomon Islands (Rainfall mm) 2mth NINO3.4 SST Anomalies extended (Oct-Nov 2014)	Below Normal: Auki rainfall, Henderson Rainfall, Honiara , Kirakira rainfall & Lata Rainfall Normal: Munda Rainfall & Taro Rainfall	Range: very low - very high Average: good
Tonga (Rainfall mm) 2mth NINO3.4 SST Anomalies extended (Oct-Nov 2014)	Below Normal: Ha'apai, Niuafo'ou, Niuatoputapu, Nuku'alofa & Vava'u Below Normal to Normal: Fua'amotu	Range: low - high Average: good
Tuvalu (Rainfall mm) 2mth NINO3.4 SST Anomalies extended (Oct-Nov 2014)	Normal: Niulakita Rainfall Normal to Above Normal: Funafuti Rainfall Above Normal: Nanumea Rainfall & Nui Rainfall	Range: low - exceptional!! Average: good
Vanuatu (Rainfall mm) 2mth NINO3.4 SST Anomalies extended (Oct-Nov 2014)	Below Normal: Bauerfield, Lamap, Port Vila, Sola & Whitegrass Below Normal to Normal: Aneityum Climatology: Pekoa	Range: very low - good Average: low

LEPS	very low	low	moderate	good	high	very high	exceptional
SCALE	LEPS<0%	0%<=LEPS<5%	5%<=LEPS<10%	10%<=LEPS<15%	15%<=LEPS<25%	25%<=LEPS<35%	LEPS>=35%

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