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## Major high impact climate events over China in 2020

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#### **Outline**



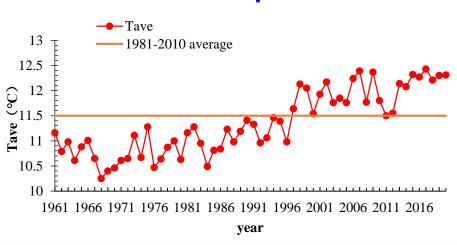
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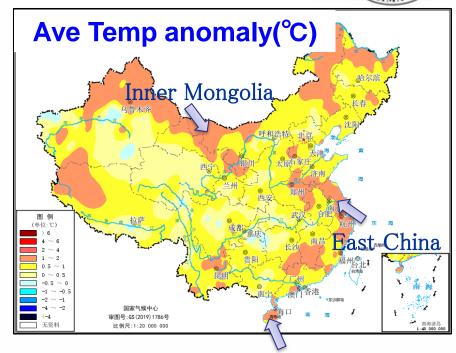


#### Temperature: Warm



#### **Annul Ave Temp in 1961-2020**





Hainan

Period: from 1<sup>st</sup> Jan to 31<sup>st</sup> Oct

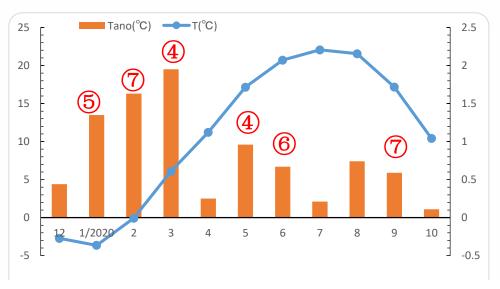
Normal: average over 1981-2010

- The mean temperature was 12.3°C, 0.8°C more than the normal, fifth warmest since 1961.
- The regional mean temperatures of Eastern China, Inner Mongolia and Hainan were  $1\sim2^{\circ}$ C above the normal.



#### **Temperature: Warm**





Monthly Ave Temp and anomalies (°C) over China in 2020

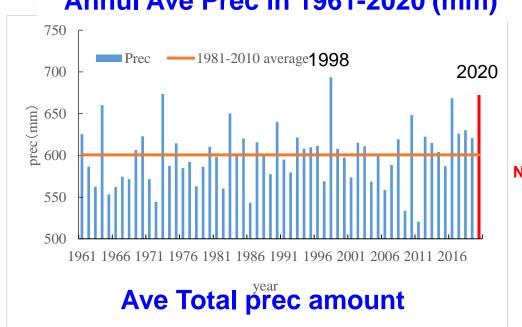
- The mean temperatures of all months were above normal.
- Particularly, the temperatures in Jan, Mar and May were 1.4、2.0、1.0°C warmer than the normal, ranking fifth, fourth and fourth since 1961 respectively.

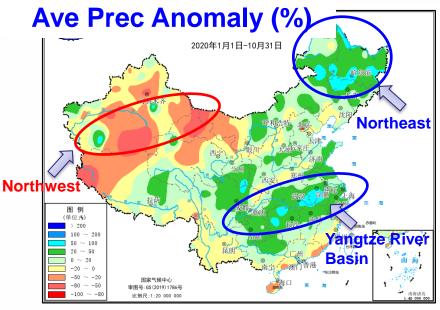


#### **Precipitation: More in rainy season**



#### **Annul Ave Prec in 1961-2020 (mm)**





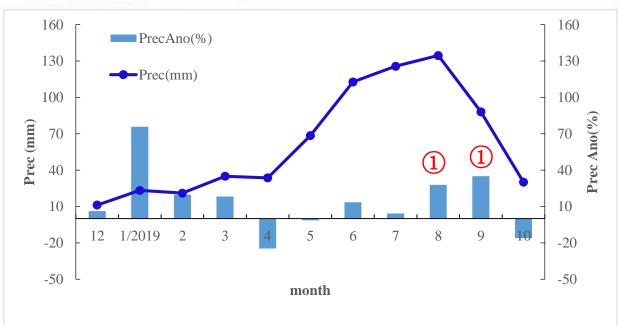
Period: from 1st Jan to 31st Oct

- The Jan-Oct mean total prec amount over China was 672.0 mm, ranked third since 1961 (lower than 1998, 1973). Particularly, the Jun-Sep mean total prec amount (461.1 mm) ranked first since 1961.
- The regional mean precipitation was significantly more (20-100%) in Yangtze River Basin and Northeast China, and less (20%-80%) in Northwest China.



#### **Precipitation: More in rainy season**





Monthly total prec (mm) and anomalies (%) over China in 2020

■ The rainfall amounts in most months were more, particularly in August and September, 27.8%, 34.9% above the normal respectively, ranking the most since 1961.



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- 1 Climate features
- 2 Disaster Loss features



#### **Overall situation of loss**

In the first three quarters, the natural disaster caused:

- •Affected people: 130 million (↓ 11.8%); Killed or missing people: 578 (↓ 40.1%)
- •**Houses collapsed**: 83,000 (↓ 61.2%)
- •Crop affected area: 19.0 million hectares; Crop failure area: 2.5 million hectares
- •Direct economic losses: 313.6 billion yuan (↑ 0.1 %)

(compared with the same period of past 5 years)

Source: China Department of Emergency and Disaster Reduction









#### Serious flood disaster



China experienced serious flooding in the first three quarters, with 45 heavy rainfall events across the country, ranking the second most serious since 1961. Flooding above warning levels hit 836 rivers in 26 provinces and seven major river basins in China, 80 percent more than the average in previous years, and the highest figure since 1998.

In the first three quarters, the serious floods caused:

- Affected people: 73.7 million († 19.1%)
- Direct economic losses: 219.9 billion yuan (↑ 27.6 %)
- Killed or missing people: 278 (↓ 51.5%)
- Houses collapsed: 72,000 (\$\ 57.4%)

(compared with the same period of past 5 years)

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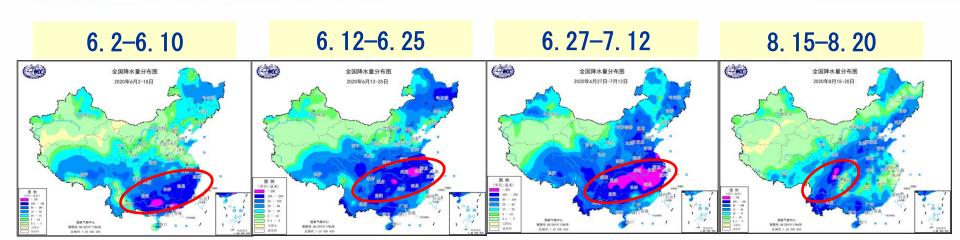




#### Major high impact events and features

- Rainstorms in southern China: frequent, long-lasting and overlapped
- Landfalling TCs: less, genesis time concentrated
- **High temperature events : started earlier**
- Droughts: regional and periodic

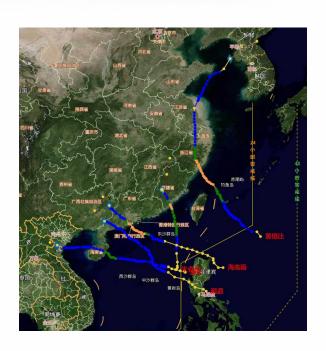
### Rainstorms in southern China: frequent, long-lasting and overlapped



#### Process accumulated prep. (mm)

- From Jun to Jul, 3 extreme rainfall events occurred continuously in southern China, and the rainfall processes were concentrated and overlapped, leading to serious floods and geological disasters around the Yangtze River Basin.
- On 15-20<sup>th</sup> August, continuous heavy rainfall in the northeast of Sichuan caused flash floods, landslides and debris flow in many areas.

#### Landfalling TCs: less, genesis time concentrated



5 landfalling TC:

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2004 Hagupit

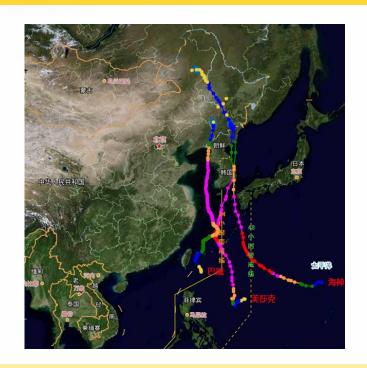
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2016 Nangka

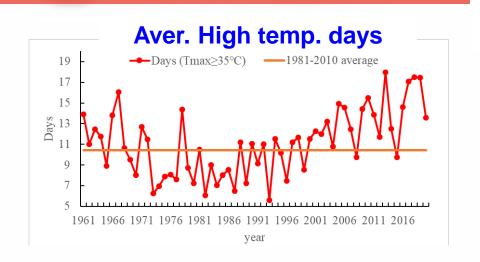
- Heretofore, 20 TCs generated over the WNP and SCS, 2.4 less than the normal (22.4).
- 5 TCs made landfall over China, 2 less than the normal (7), and their overall intensity is relatively weak.
- "Vongfong", the first tropical cyclone in 2020, was numbered on 12<sup>th</sup> May, obviously later than the normal (20<sup>th</sup> Mar.).

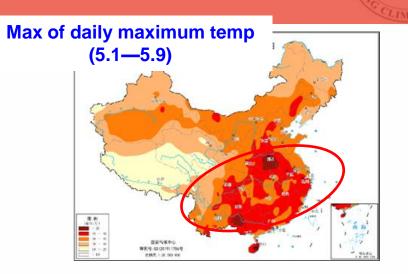
#### Landfalling TCs: less, genesis time concentrated



- 2 numbered TCs generated during Jan-Jul, 5.8 less than the normal (7.8), and with no TC genesis in July, which was the first time since 1949.
- 18 TCs formed since August, 3.5 more than the normal (14.5).
- From late August to early September, the Northeast China has been affected by Bavi, Maysak, Haishen successively, resulting in floods in 48 rivers.

#### High temperature events: started earlier

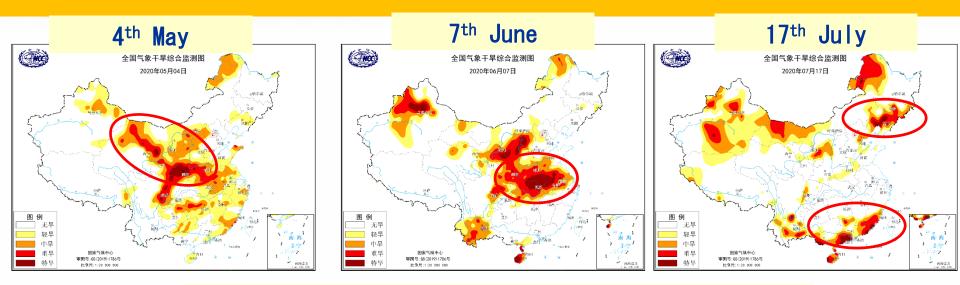




from 1st Jan to 31st Oct

- From Jan to Oct, the mean high temp. days over China were 13.6 days, 3.2 days more than the normal, and the least since 2016.
- On 1-9<sup>th</sup> May, the central and eastern China experienced the earliest high temp. event since 1961, 49 days earlier than the normal (19<sup>th</sup> June), with 578 stations reached or exceeded the historical extreme value.

#### **Droughts: regional and periodic**



China daily meteorological drought monitoring map

- The general influence of drought is light with obvious regional and periodic features
- From April to early May: Northwest China, Northwest of North China
- From late April to mid June: east-mid China
- In July: south of Northeast China, South China





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