

# **TCC Recent Development and Activity**

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# Tokyo Climate Center (TCC)

- TCC serves as a WMO Regional Climate Center in the RA II.
- TCC supports NMHSs through data/information provision and capacity development activities.

## Tokyo Climate Center (TCC)

### ● Provision of climate data and information via the Internet

- Seasonal forecasts
- Report on extreme events
- Climate system analysis
- Global warming
- Climate monitoring
- Reanalysis data

### ● Capacity Development

- Training seminar
- Expert visit

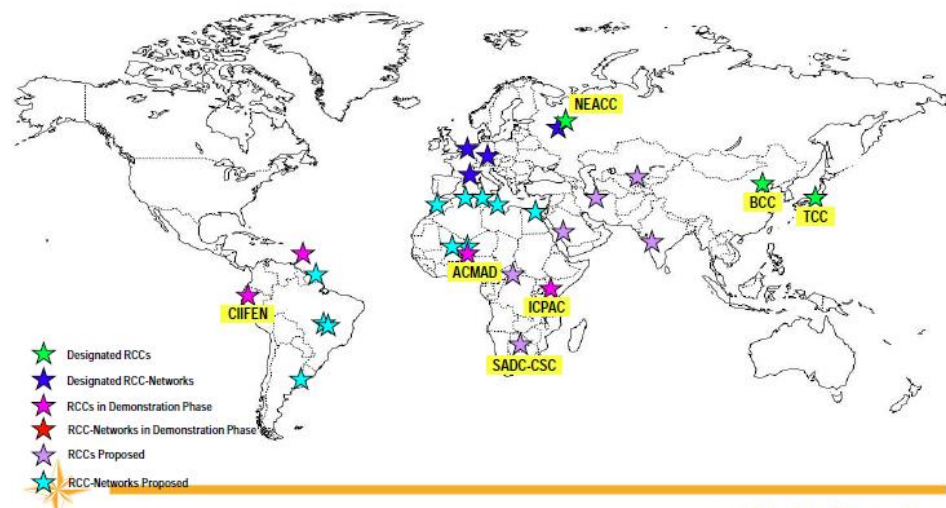


### NMHSs in Asia

- Provision of climate information using TCC data based on national requirements



- Natural disaster reduction
- Food security
- Water management



### Current status of establishment of RCC

TCC and BCC were designated as RCCs in RA II in 2009.

# TCC Website

The image shows a screenshot of the Tokyo Climate Center website. At the top, there are logos for the Japan Meteorological Agency (JMA) and the World Meteorological Organization (WMO). The main header identifies the Tokyo Climate Center as the WMO Regional Climate Center in RA II (Asia). A navigation menu is highlighted with a red box, and callouts point to several items: World Climate, Climate System Monitoring, El Niño Monitoring, NWP Model Prediction, Global Warming, Climate in Japan, and Training Materials. The main content area features a 'What's New' section with several updates, including 'Updated Information: Climate System Monitoring' and 'Updated Information: Global Average Surface Temperature Anomalies'. A 'Links' section on the right provides access to various resources like 'General Information on Climate of Japan' and 'Tokyo Global Information System Centre (GISC Tokyo)'. At the bottom, there are sections for 'Operational Activities' and 'Main Products', including 'ClimatView' and 'Introduction to ITACS'.

# Outline of this presentation...

## ● Products launched in 2014

Forecast Products in Support of Early Warnings for Extreme Weather Events

Contribution to the Global Framework for Climate Services  
– Climate Risk Management – launch of the dedicated website

## ● Plans for 2015

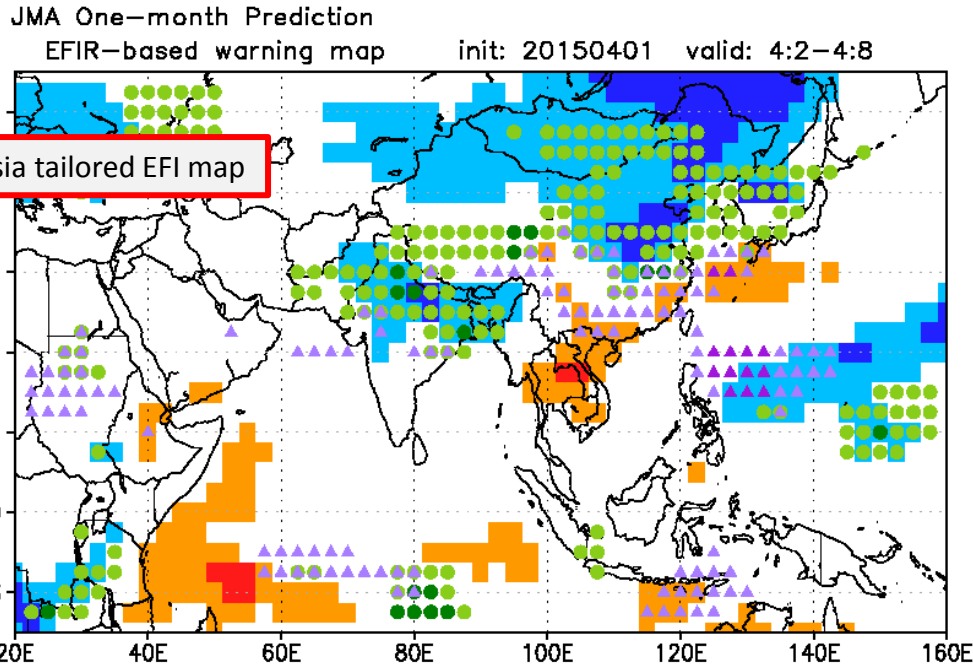
Upgrade of seasonal ensemble prediction system

Investigation of ENSO's impact on the global climate using the JRA-55

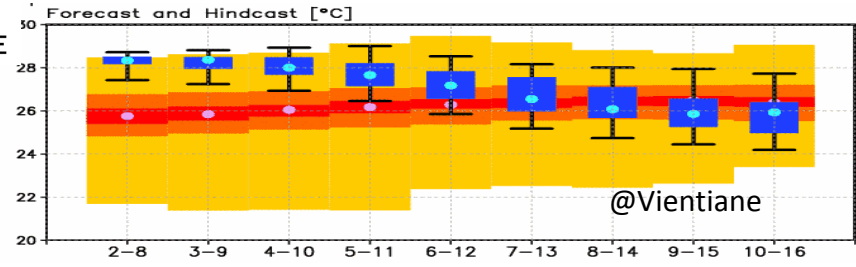
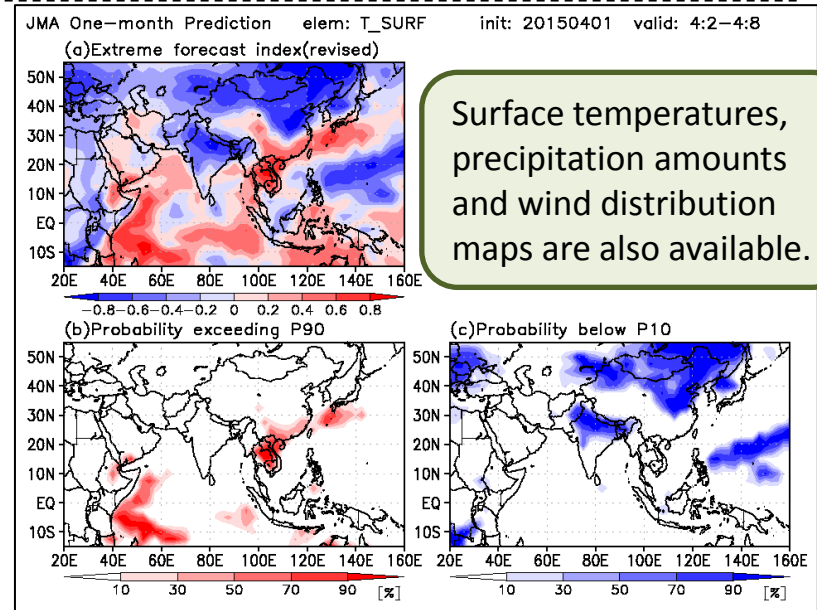
Upgrade of the Interactive Tool for Analysis of the Climate System (ITACS)

# Forecast Products in Support of Early Warnings for Extreme Weather Events

To support the Asia-Pacific NMHSs in the provision of early warnings for extreme events, TCC developed a set of extreme weather warning products based on JMA's operational one-month ensemble prediction system.



Time-series representations of EFI and EPSgrams are also provided for selected major cities.



Updated Every Thursday

<http://ds.data.jma.go.jp/tcc/tcc/gpv/EFI/index.php> (password-protected)

# Launch of the dedicated website on CRM

This new website includes information on the following to support CRM activities

- Clarification of the basic CRM concept and related processes
- Good practices in CRM conducted by JMA together with partner organizations in the agriculture and apparel/fashion industries

Best practices following areas are available from this page

<http://www.data.jma.go.jp/gmd/risk/en/index.html>

## Agricultural sector

To take countermeasures against climate variability by controlling water depth in their rice fields



## Apparel industry

- Control of goods in stock
- Arranging a sales plan



## Drugstore company

In preparation

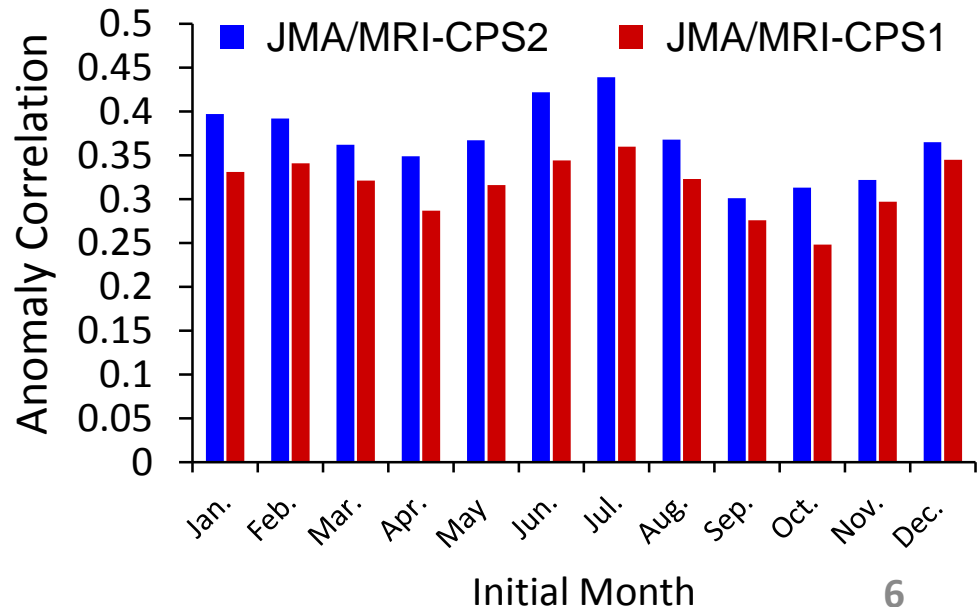
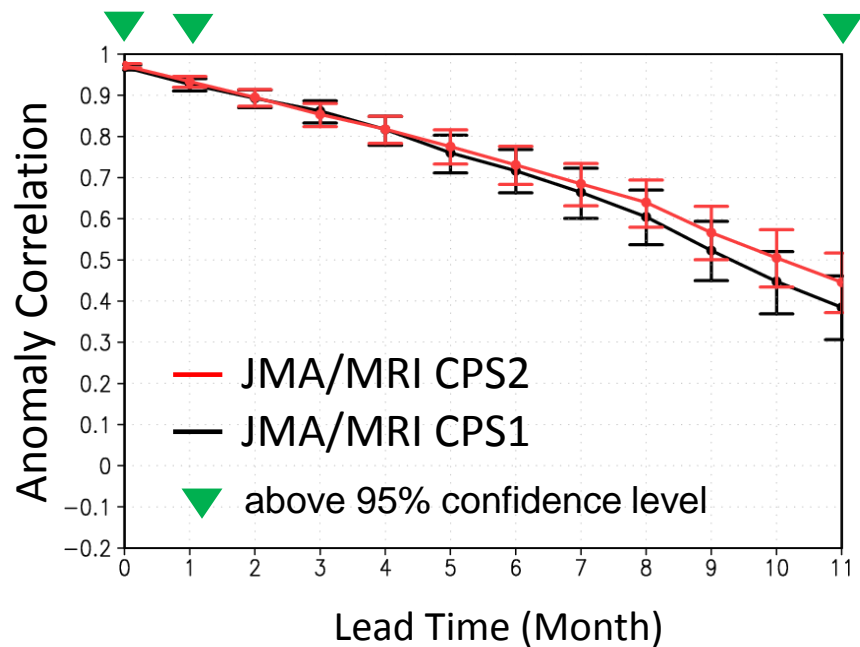
# Upgrade of seasonal ensemble prediction system

- ✓ Improved physics
- ✓ Interactive sea ice model
- ✓ GHGs
- ✓ Increased resolution
- ✓ Land initialization
- ✓ Stochastic physics

- Improved ENSO prediction skills (NINO3, NINO3.4 SST)
- Improved 3-month and warm/cold season prediction skills (in particular for surface temperature over land)

ACCs of NINO3 SST (all months, 10 members)

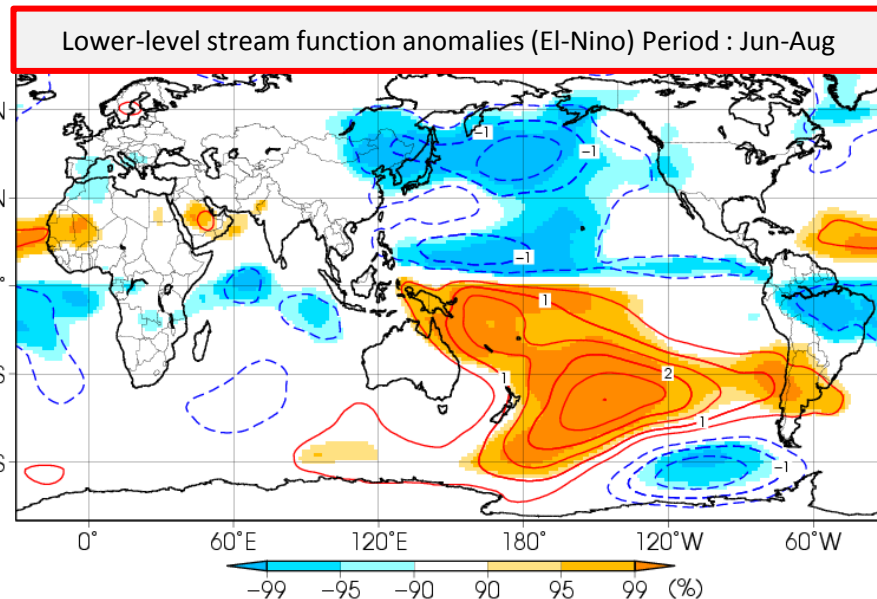
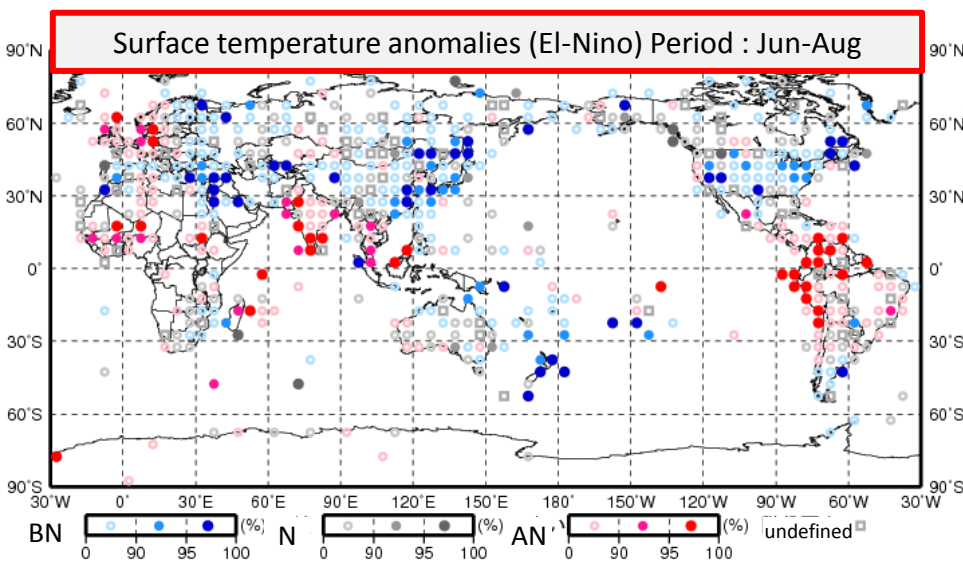
ACCs of surface temperature averaged in NH (3-month prediction, 1-month lead time)





# Investigation of ENSO's impact on the global climate using the JRA-55 (1958-2012)

In order to promote the understanding of the influence of ENSO on global climate system, TCC is currently producing new statistical products using the second Japanese global reanalysis data (JRA-55), which covers the period starting from 1958, and plans to update the web contents of the ENSO statistics.



Some preliminary results will be introduced by Mr Takekawa at this forum (session 3.2)



# Upgrade of the Interactive Tool for Analysis of the Climate System (iTacs)

- Renovated Graphical User Interface to reduce network traffic and user burdens
- Generation of one-month probabilistic forecasts at station points based on the Model Output Statistics (MOS) technique

## iTacs ver. 5

User Information

Logout

Reload

Help

Analysis Dataset

Forecast Dataset

### Analysis Dataset

Select parameters

Graphic Options

### Data 1

Dataset	Element	Data type	Area	Level	Averaging period	Showing period
JRA-55	Pressure Levels ψ (Stream Function)	HIST	ASIA Lat: -10 - 85 Lon: 30 - 190	200hPa 200hPa	Year average <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ave <input type="checkbox"/> Time filter	RANGE 2000 2014 7 7

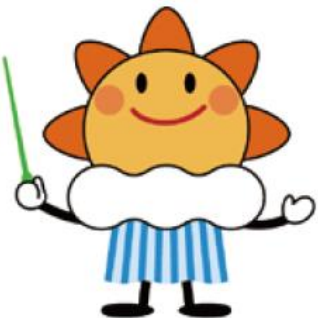
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Analysis method: -Analysis method-

ITACS is a web-based application for analyzing and monitoring climate. It's available on web browsers, no additional software or plug-ins are required.

***Thank you for your attention.***

The JMA mascot



Harerun

JMA's mascot is named Harerun ( from hare – the Japanese word for “fine weather”), and incorporates elements of sun, cloud and rainfall. Harerun holds a green baton representing hopes for a peaceful and disaster-free world. The mascot helps to raise public awareness of meteorological services as well as natural disasters and global environmental issues at various events.