

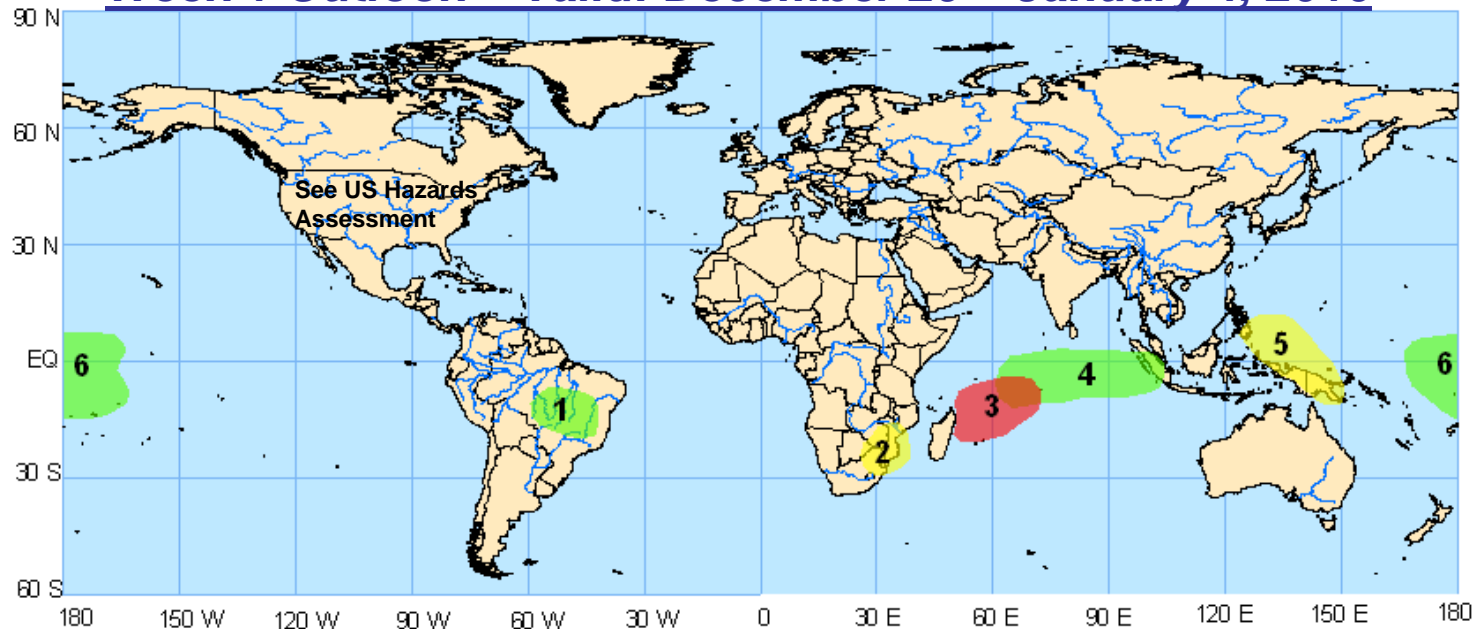
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Week 1 Outlook – Valid: December 29 – January 4, 2010



- 1. An increased chance for above-average rainfall for parts of Central Brazil.** Numerical forecast guidance indicates that repeated frontal boundaries should move into this region. **Confidence: Moderate**
- 2. An increased chance for below-average rainfall for portions of southern Africa.** El-Niño conditions favor below-average rainfall in this region, and specifically broad-scale divergent winds in the Mozambique channel are forecast to reinforce the background El-Niño conditions. **Confidence: Moderate**
- 3. An increased chance for tropical cyclogenesis in the southwest Indian Ocean.** Subseasonal tropical variability and areas of above-average SSTs favor an increased chance for tropical cyclogenesis in this region. **Confidence: Moderate**
- 4. An increased chance for above-average rainfall for parts of the Indian Ocean.** Numerical forecast guidance and subseasonal tropical variability favors enhanced rainfall in this region. **Confidence: Moderate**
- 5. An increased chance for below-average rainfall for parts of the eastern Maritime Continent.** The current El Nino conditions and subseasonal tropical variability favors suppressed rainfall in this region. **Confidence: Moderate**
- 6. An increased chance for above-average rainfall for the west-central Pacific.** The current El Nino conditions favors enhanced rainfall in this region. **Confidence: Moderate**

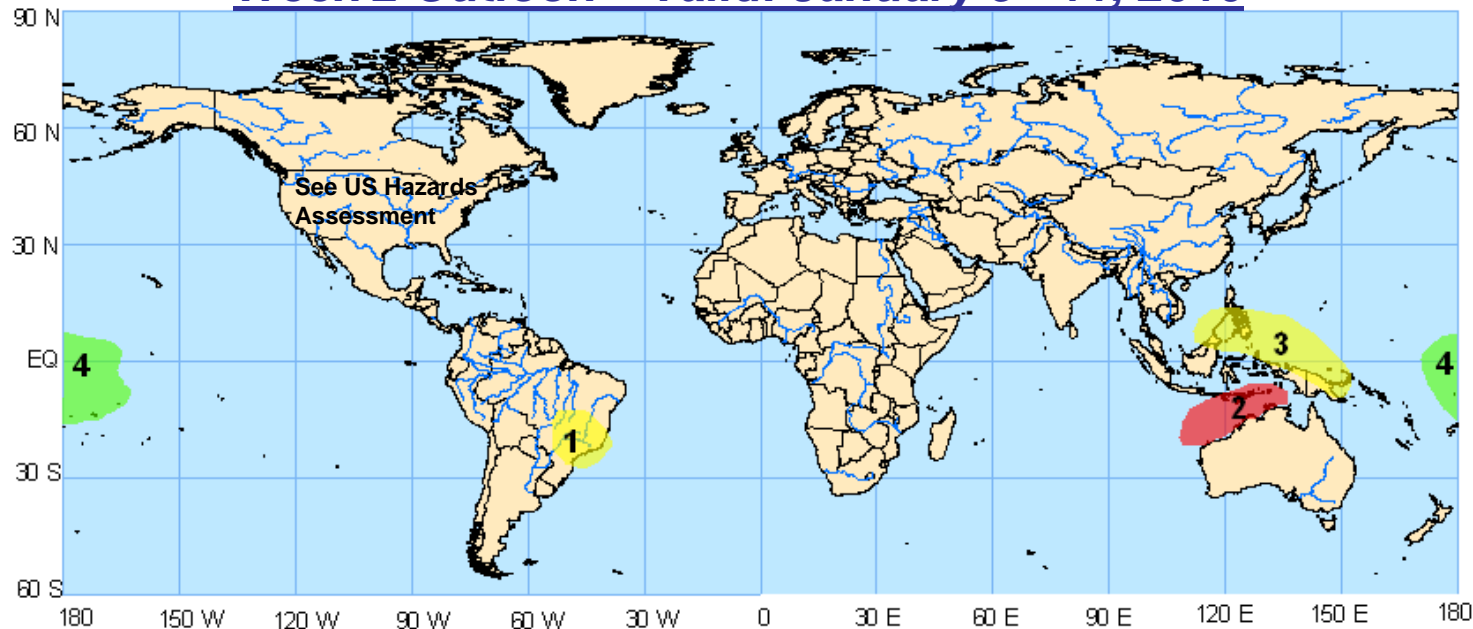
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Week 2 Outlook – Valid: January 5 - 11, 2010



1. **An increased chance for below-average rainfall for portions of eastern Brazil.** Numerical forecast guidance favors below-average rainfall in this region.
Confidence: Moderate
2. **An increased chance for tropical cyclogenesis for parts of the Southeast Indian Ocean.** Subseasonal tropical variability, both statistical and dynamical guidance and areas of above-average SSTs all favor an increased chance for tropical cyclogenesis in this region. **Confidence: Moderate**
3. **An increased chance for below-average rainfall for parts of the Maritime Continent and the Philippines.** The current El Nino conditions and subseasonal tropical variability favor suppressed rainfall in this region. **Confidence: Moderate**
4. **An increased chance for above-average rainfall for the west-central Pacific.** The current El Nino conditions favors enhanced rainfall in this region.
Confidence: Moderate