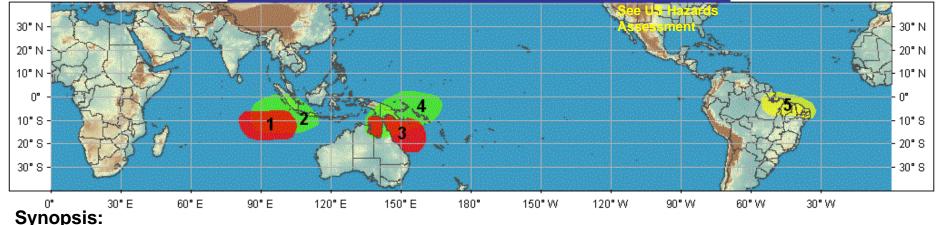
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Week 1 Outlook - Valid: March 23 - 29, 2010



- 1. <u>An increased chance for tropical cyclogenesis for parts of the eastern Indian Ocean.</u> Subseasonal tropical variability, above average SST's and forecasts of weaker wind shear increase the chances for development during the period. Numerical weather forecast guidance also indicates potential development. Confidence: High
- 2. <u>An increased chance for above-average rainfall for parts of the southern Indian Ocean and southwest Maritime continent</u>. Subseasonal tropical variability and above average SST's favor enhanced rainfall in this area. <u>Confidence: Moderate</u>
- 3. <u>An increased chance for tropical cyclogenesis for waters north-northeast of Australia mainly for late in the period.</u> Subseasonal tropical variability and above average SST's in some areas increases the chances for development during the period. Numerical weather forecast guidance also indicates potential development. Confidence: Moderate
- **4.** <u>An increased chance for above-average rainfall for parts of the western Maritime continent and western Pacific</u>. Subseasonal tropical variability favors elevated rainfall in this region. <u>Confidence: Moderate</u>
- 5. An increased chance for below-average rainfall for northeast Brazil. El-Niño and numerical guidance favors suppressed rainfall. Confidence: Moderate

** ACTIVE TROPICAL CYCLONES:

Northwest Pacific Ocean: Tropical Cyclone 2W (8.4N, 141.9E) → Consult updates from the Joint Typhoon Warning Center

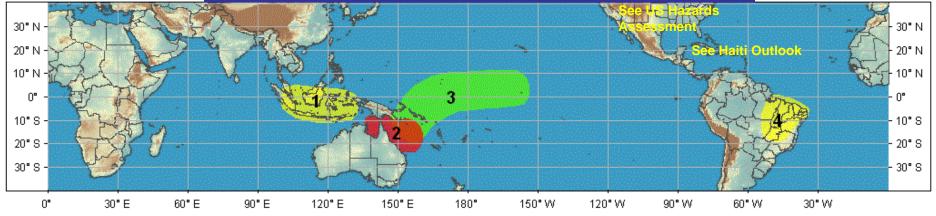
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Week 2 Outlook - Valid: March 30 - April 5, 2010



Synopsis:

- 1. <u>An increased chance for below-average rainfall for parts of the Maritime continent</u>. El-Niño conditions and subseasonal tropical variability favors below-average rainfall in this region. <u>Confidence: Moderate</u>
- 2. <u>An increased chance for tropical cyclogenesis for waters north-northeast of Australia.</u> Subseasonal tropical variability and above average SST's increases the chances for development during the period. Numerical weather forecast guidance also indicates potential development. <u>Confidence: Moderate</u>
- **3.** <u>An increased chance for above-average rainfall for parts of the western Pacific</u>. Subseasonal tropical variability and El Nino conditions favor elevated rainfall in this region. <u>Confidence: Moderate</u>
- 4. <u>An increased chance for below-average rainfall for northeast Brazil.</u> El-Niño, subseasonal variability and numerical guidance favors suppressed rainfall. Confidence: Moderate