



PAYONG PAGASA

Monthly Climate Assessment and Outlook



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EXPECTED WEATHER SYSTEMS



EASTERLIES

Warm winds blowing from the east that may bring cloudiness over the eastern part of the country



RIDGE OF HIGH PRESSURE AREA (HPA)

An extension of a high pressure area characterized by very light wind and clear skies



LOW PRESSURE AREA (LPA)

Areas of lowest pressure characterized by cloudiness and rainshowers; areas where a tropical cyclone can form



INTERTROPICAL CONVERGENCE ZONE (ITCZ)

Series of low pressure areas brought about by converging northeast (NE) and southeast (SE) winds that cause thunderstorms and rainshowers



0 OR 1 TROPICAL CYCLONE

'Bagyo'; may refer to a tropical depression, tropical storm, severe tropical storm, typhoon, or super typhoon.

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RAINFALL CONDITION

Most parts of Luzon



WAY BELOW NORMAL

Greater than 60% reduction from the normal*



BELOW NORMAL

20%-60% reduction from the normal

Most parts of Visayas and Mindanao, including Metro Manila, Laguna, Rizal, Quezon, Manila, Palawan and Bicol Region



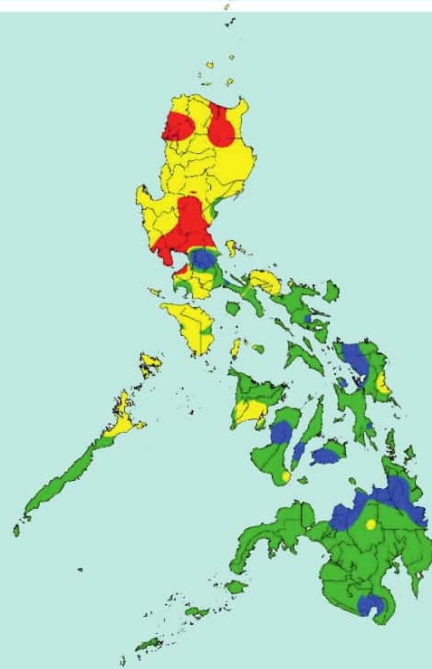
NEAR NORMAL

+20% or -20% from the normal



ABOVE NORMAL

120% greater than the normal



*Normal - Refers to 30-year average rainfall

TEMPERATURE

Slightly cooler than average surface air temperatures are predicted over most parts of northern and southern Luzon and parts of Visayas while the rest of the country may experience slightly warmer than average temperatures.



Mountainous Luzon
13°C to 29°C



Visayan Islands
20°C to 37.5°C



Mountainous Mindanao
15.0°C to 35.0°C



Lowlands Luzon
17.0°C to 39.5°C



Lowland Mindanao
18.0°C to 39.0°C

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