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OVERVIEW

La Niña is now weakening across the tropical Pacific Ocean. Majority of the climate models predict a transition from La Niña to El Niño Southern Oscillation (ENSO)-neutral condition during AprilMay-June 2021 season.



La Niña may still affect some parts of the country, which may significantly result in above normal rainfall conditions for the month of April 2021.

Assessment in March 2021

WEATHER SYSTEMS THAT AFFECTED THE COUNTRY

LOW PRESSURE AREA (LPA)

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



EASTERLIES

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



INTERTROPICAL CONVERGENCE ZONE (ITCZ)

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

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LOCALIZED THUNDERSTORM

Isolated heavy and dense dark clouds with one or more sudden electric discharges manifested by lightning and thunder often accompanied by showers of rain.



Extended zone of converging winds
From east to northeast that often brings
thunderstorms and rainshowers

TAIL-END OF FRONTAL SYSTEM



NORTHEAST MONSOON (AMIHAN)

Cold winds from the northeast that bring rains over the eastern side of the country.

RAINFALL CONDITION



NEAR Normal

+20% or -20% from the normal



ABOVE NORMAL

120% greater than the normal

Most parts of the country



BELOW Normal

20%-60% reduction from the normal

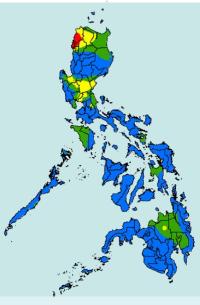
Abra, Apayao, Batanes, Nueva Ecija



WAY BELOW Normal

Greater than 60% reduction from the normal*

Ilocos Norte



TEMPERATURE

Generally, slightly warmer to warmer than average surface temperatures were observed in most parts of the country. Moreover, surges of cold temperatures were experienced Northern and Central Luzon during the month due to enhanced NE monsoon.

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Mountainous Luzon 13.0°C – 26.6°C

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Lowlands Luzon 15.4°C – 37.2°C

Metro Manila 22.0°C to 35.4°C

Visayas 20.4°C – 34.9°C =

Mountainous Mindanao 14.8°C – 33.6°C

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Lowlands Mindanao 20.0°C – 37.0°C





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Outlook in April 2021

EXPECTED WEATHER SYSTEMS



EASTERLIES

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



LOCALIZED THUNDERSTORM

Isolated heavy and dense dark clouds with one or more sudden electric discharges manifested by lightning and thunder often accompanied by showers



0 or 1 TROPICAL CYCLONES

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



LOW PRESSURE AREA (LPA)

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



(((H RIDGE OF HIGH PRESSURE AREA (HPA)

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

RAINFALL CONDITION



NEAR **NORMAL**

+20% or -20% from the normal



ABOVE NORMAL

120% greater than the normal

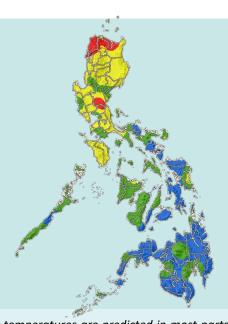
The rest of Luzon, Visayas and Mindanao



BFI NW NORMAL

20%-60% reduction from the normal

Most parts of Luzon



TEMPERATURE

Generally, near average to warmer than average air temperatures are predicted in most parts of the country, except in Ilocos Region, extreme Northern Luzon, San Jose, Cuyo, Masbate and Surigao del Sur, where slightly cooler to cooler than average air temperatures will be likely.

Mountainous Luzon

12.0°C - 28.0°C

Lowlands Luzon 20.0°C - 39.5°C

Metro Manila 21.5°C to 38.0°C

Visayas 20.0°C - 37.0°C

Mountainous Mindanao 15.0°C - 35.0°C

Lowlands Mindanao 18.0°C - 38.5°C