

# **CLIMATE SUMMARY**



#### TUVALU METEOROLOGICAL SERVICES

MINISTRY OF PUBLIC WORKS, INFRASTRUCTURE, ENVIRONMENT, LABOUR, METEOROLOGICAL AND DISASTER . June 2023

#### WEATHER PATTERNS

The South Pacific Convergence Zone and trade winds continued to affect the group during the month of June. In the first two weeks of the month, moderate to fresh south-easterly winds were observed throughout with less precipitation collected by all stations. The SPCZ stretched

from the Coral Sea to Samoa weakened in the remaining weeks of the month. As a result, weak clouds and rain bands developed over the group. SPCZ is expected to retreat to the northern end of the Coral Sea.

### TABLE 1: MONTHLY RAINFALL FROM APRIL TO JUNE 2023

| Station (include data period) | Apr-<br>2023 | May-<br>2023  | Jun-2023      |         |         |        |       |
|-------------------------------|--------------|---------------|---------------|---------|---------|--------|-------|
|                               |              |               | Total<br>(mm) | 33%tile | 67%tile | Median | Rank  |
|                               | Total (mm)   | Total<br>(mm) |               | Kalik   |         |        |       |
| Nanumea (1941-2023)           | 139.4        | 95.4          | 104.2         | 125.9   | 206.9   | 167.9  | 20/80 |
| Nui (1946-2023)               | 285.4        | 213.5         | 109.5         | 147.0   | 218.4   | 170.6  | 12/77 |
| Funafuti (1933-2023)          | 270.5        | 166.7         | 74.1          | 162.3   | 244.2   | 193.8  | 2/90  |
| Niulakita (1953-2023)         | 128.3        | 121.9         | 60.5          | 144.4   | 218.4   | 197.0  | 5/69  |







### TABLE 2: TOTAL RAINFALL FROM APRIL TO JUNE 2023

| Station               | Three-n | nonth Total     | 33%tile | 67%tile | Median | Rank  |
|-----------------------|---------|-----------------|---------|---------|--------|-------|
|                       |         |                 |         |         |        |       |
| Nanumea (1941-2023)   | 339.0   | Below<br>normal | 520.9   | 767.0   | 615.0  | 11/83 |
| Nui (1946-2023)       | 608.4   | Normal          | 497.9   | 727.0   | 576.6  | 44/78 |
| Funafuti (1933-2023)  | 511.3   | Below<br>normal | 628.2   | 803.9   | 705.7  | 14/91 |
| Niulakita (1953-2023) | 310.7   | Below<br>normal | 573.6   | 574.5   | 656.8  | 3/71  |

## MONTHLY RAINFALL- JUNE/ LAST THREE MONTH- APRIL TO JUNE 2023 STATEMENT

Nanumea, Nui, Funafuti and Niulakita recorded below normal rainfall for the month of June. Funafuti observed as a second driest June in 90 years of record. Also, Niulakita recorded its fifth driest June in 71 years of record.

During the last three months, Nanumea, Funafuti and Niulakita recorded below normal rainfall, while Nui recorded Normal rainfall.. Niulakita recorded its third driest April to June in 71 years of record.

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