

CLIMATE SUMMARY

Tuvalu Meteorological Services, Minister of Public Work, Infrastructures, Development and Water September 2024



WEATHER PATTERNS

During September, the South Pacific Convergence Zone (SPCZ) exhibited a slight decrease in width and intensity but persisted over the Solomon Islands to Tuvalu, with transient troughs traversing the area. The region encompassed by this atmospheric phenomenon experienced precipitation bands. A strong wind warning was issued from September 1 to September 6, 2024, due to a trough of low pressure with intensified southeast trade winds over the southern part of Tuvalu, resulting in elevated south-easterly wind speeds. Consequently, Niulakita recorded the highest monthly rainfall at 309.5 mm.

| Station (include data period) | Jul-2024 | Aug- 2024 | Sep-2024 | | | | |
|----------------------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------|---------|--------|--------|
| | | | Total | 33%tile | 67%tile | Median | Develo |
| | Total (mm) | Total (mm) | Rainfall (mm) | | | | Rank |
| Nanumea (1941-2024) | 307.5 | 191.5 | 329.4 | 99.0 | 175.1 | 137.8 | 74/83 |
| Nui (1946-2024) | 206.0 | 291.9 | 309.8 | 129.7 | 198.5 | 175.8 | 71/79 |
| Funafuti (1933-2024) | 285.8 | 502.6 | 356.0 | 164.1 | 248.2 | 203.7 | 84/92 |
| Niulakita (1953-2024) | 279.6 | 307.2 | 390.5 | 178.0 | 232.4 | 193.8 | 68/71 |

TABLE 1: MONTHLY RAINFALL FROM JULY TO SEPTEMBER 2024

TABLE 2: TOTAL RAINFALL FROM JULY TO SEPTEMBER,

| Station | Three- | month Total | 33%tile | 67%tile | Median | Rank | |
|-----------------------|---------------|--------------|---------|---------|--------|-------|--|
| | Rainfall (mm) | | | | | | |
| Nanumea (1941-2024) | 828.4 | Above normal | 405.0 | 623.0 | 513.9 | 69/83 | |
| Nui (1946-2024) | 807.7 | Above normal | 516.2 | 688.5 | 606.0 | 62/79 | |
| Funafuti (1933-2024) | 1144.4 | Above normal | 594.8 | 813.1 | 710.3 | 88/92 | |
| Niulakita (1953-2024) | 977.3 | Above normal | 532.2 | 729.0 | 612.3 | 66/72 | |







MONTHLY RAINFALL / LAST THREE MONTHS SEPTEMBER & JULY TO SEPTEMBER 2024 STATEMENT

The rainfall for September 2024 was above normal for all stations (Shows on Table 1).

For the past three months, rainfall was above normal at all stations of Tuvalu (Indicated Table 2).

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