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# **Climate information**

Climate information is the collection and interpretation of weather and climate data that is credible, relevant and usable.



### WMO Global Observing System



# Climate Data, Products and Information

- Raw data, summaries, tables, graphs, maps, reports and analyses. Spatial distributions
- Historical climate data sets for characterizing past climate behavior on all time and space scales (time series)
- Standard, occasional and specialized products (locally produced for user groups)
- Climate monitoring products-<u>analyzing the state of both past and current climate and global to regional</u>
  teleconnections
- Indices- historical climate patterns to the user in a simple and readily understandable form
- <u>Climate outlooks- forecasts</u> of the values of climate elements averaged over timescales of about <u>one</u> <u>month to one year</u>
- Climate prediction- a <u>probabilistic statement</u> about the future climate on timescales ranging <u>from years</u> to decades
- Climate projection- a statement about the likelihood that something will happen several decades to centuries in the future
- a <u>plausible future climate</u> constructed for investigating the potential consequences of <u>human-induced</u> <u>climate change</u>
- Global Climate models- <u>climate processes on a global scale</u>
- Downscaled products- Regional and local climate models

## CLIMATE SERVICES INFORMATION SYSTEM

#### Data and Products for Climate Services



#### TAILORED PRODUCTS FOR DECISION SUPPORT – products can either be tailored in space and time or according to the decision relevance

DECISION SUPPORT APPLICATIONS – climate services apply past climatological records, contemporary monitoring and expected future conditions to socio-economic sectors

In agriculture, to inform crop choice, planting to optimize yield and minimizing crop failure risk

Disaster risk identification based on extreme event return periods and trends

Emergency Contingency plans, response, humanitarian response, Disaster Risk government and private Reduction infrastructure investment Informs mitigation policy and adaptation choices Impacts on water resources, heat stress, crops, infrastructure

#### SERVICE DELIVERY AT COUNTRY LEVEL

Climate Information and Services are crucial resources for decision-makers at all levels working on medium and long-term planning.



ADAPTATION PLANNING SECTORAL DEVELOPMENT

MANAGE DISASTER RISK PLAN FOR FUTURE RISK

# Types of climate information

Depending on the level of complexity, climate information can be characterized as:



**NB!** This classification is based on the complexity of the information, *not* the level of complexity of the decision it could inform.



# What it used to be...



# New trial user products: onset prediction and monitoring

'onset'

Number of forecast members: 40

Early onset predicted most likely

Early onset occurred

CSRP monitoring product: Observed time of 'onset' (in days difference from long-term average



**Probability of early** 



Prediction is based on local time of arrival of 20% of long-term seasonal average

Greater Horn of Africa, short-rains season 2011 – 1 month lead time prediction

- Assessment over retrospective cases indicates forecast can discriminate early/late onset in ~70% of cases
   Onset forecasts being trialled at
  - regional centres in East, West and southern Africa

# Examples of climate services







- Expected future temperature
- Precipitation scenarios
- Sea level changes
- Snow, glacier and sea ice coverage
- Seasonal tropical cyclone activity
- Growing seasons
- Potential impacts of climate change on the natural environment and major business and public sectors

# A Regional Downscaling Project coordinated by KMA

#### Domains for climate projections at KMA



- 5 regional climate models for CORDEX-EA domain (50 km) and smaller sub-region (12.5 km).
- I statistical downscaling model for Korean peninsula up to 1 km's resolution.
- I group from Japan (U.Tokyo) has participated recently.

# Applications

- Based on the results from 4 RCPs  $\times\,2$  RCMs
- Spatial distribution and time series for 230 administrative districts
- Essential factors for agriculture, health, and disaster prevention sectors.



growth duration, effective accumulated temperature, winkler scale, vegetable period, crop period, frostless period, chill units, climatic productivity index, thermo-hydro index, evapotranspiration, heating period, cooling period, etc...

#### <Health>

Heat Index (HI), Disconfort Index (DI), Apparent Temperature (AT), Net Effective Temperature (NET), Hurridex, Windchill

### <Disaster Prevention>

Standard Precipitation Index (SPI)









## Communities

## Private sector

## **Policy-makers**



Anybody who needs to make a decision on a matter that is affected by the weather and climate can benefit from climate information and services. Handbook of Drought Indicators and Indices









Climate Services for Supporting Climate Change Adaptation

Supplement to the Technical Guidelines for The National Adaptation Plan Process







Guidelines on Analysis of extremes in a changing climate in support of informed decisions for adaptation

National Drought Management Policy Guidelines: A Template for Action







World Microsofter Organization WHO-ID No. 150



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### Integrated Urban Flood Management













### Climate Change Knowledge Portal

For Development Practitioners and Policy Makers

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#### CLIMATE IMPACTS VULNERABILITIES

HISTORICAL | PROJECTIONS | SECTORS | COMPARISONS | FUTURE DOWNSCALED | HISTORICAL VARIABILITY TOOL | DROUGHT FORECAST TOOL



Choose your variableChoose your time periodTemperature and Rainfall 1901-2015

#### Average Monthly Temperature and Rainfall for Korea, Republic of from 1901-2015



It is important to evaluate how climate has varied and changed in the past. The monthly mean historical rainfall and temperature data can be mapped to show the baseline climate and seasonality by month, for specific years, and for rainfall and temperature. The chart above shows mean historical monthly temperature and rainfall for Korea, Republic of during the time period 1901-2015. The dataset was produced by the Climatic Research Unit (CRU) of University of East Anglia (UEA).

Click to download historical data.

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#### ClimatView - a tool for viewing monthly climate data

The ClimatView tool enables viewing and downloading of monthly world climate data, including monthly temperature/precipitation statistics and 30-year climate normals. Data are available for the period since June 1982, when JMA started receiving CLIMAT messages. Click on a station to see the relevant monthly data chart.



#### 2017-07: [ Mean Temp.(degC) ]



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