

Indian Ocean Dipole

in the US

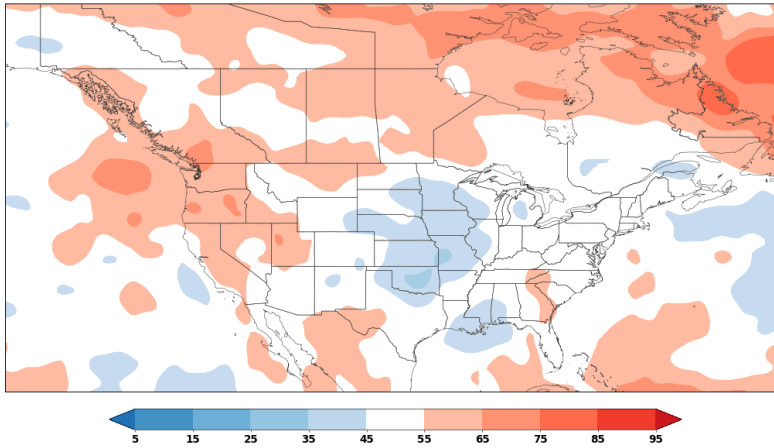


Positive Phase - Winter

Warmer SSTs in the western Indian Ocean and cooler SSTs in the eastern Indian Ocean

Percent of Years Having Above-Trend DEC-FEB 2m Temperature

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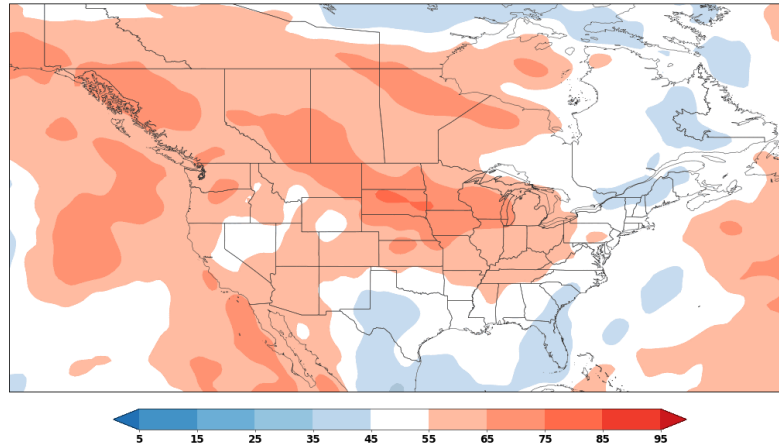


Negative Phase - Winter

Cooler SSTs in the Indian Ocean

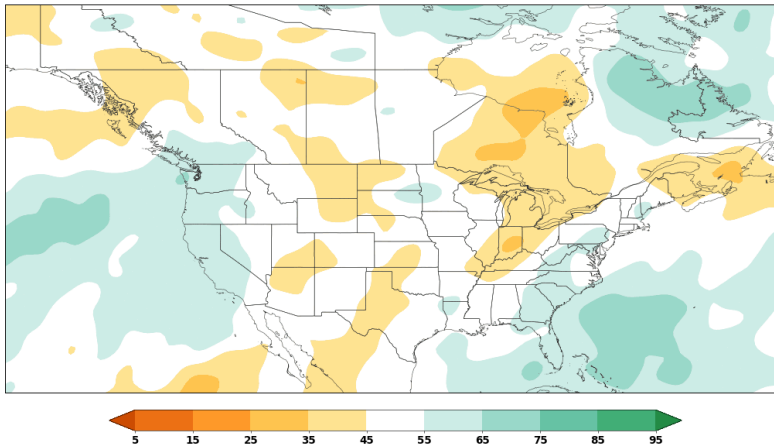
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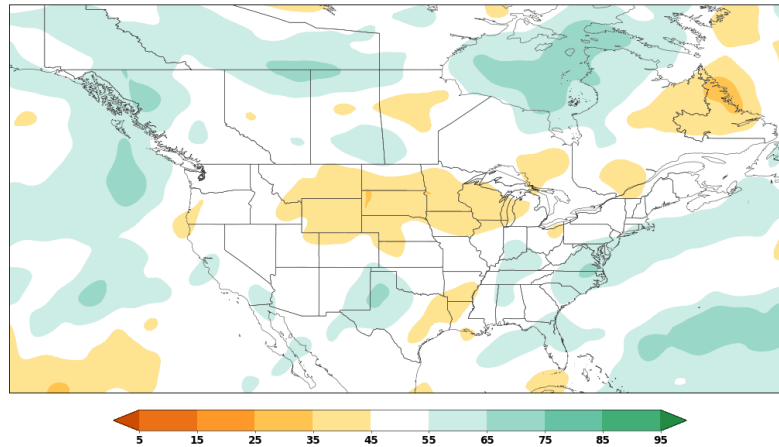
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The IOD is only one factor in a complex system that influences the US climate. Long-range forecasts provided in the WCS Monthly Reports are the best guide to the season ahead.