

Atlantic Multi-decadal Oscillation

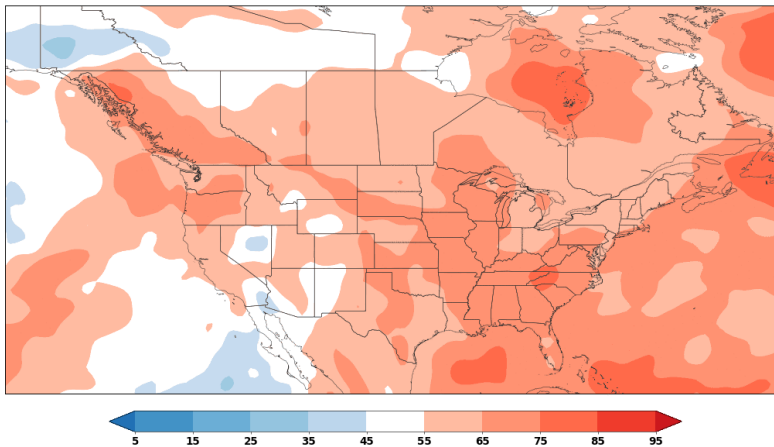
in the US



Positive Phase - Winter

Above-normal sea surface temperature anomalies in the North Atlantic Ocean

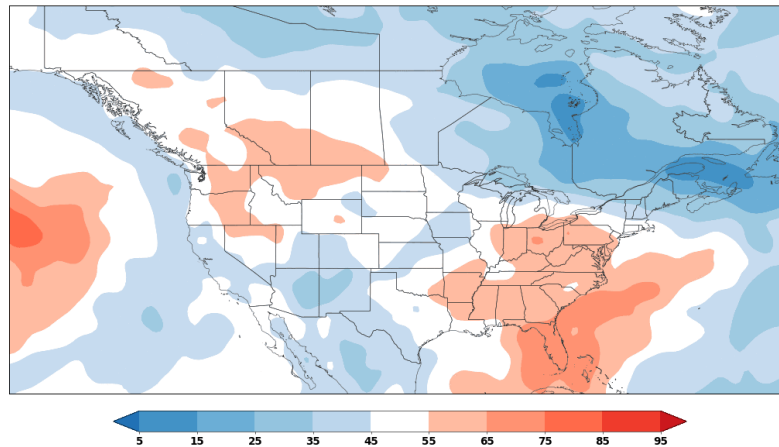
Percent of Years Having Above-Trend DEC-FEB 2m Temperature
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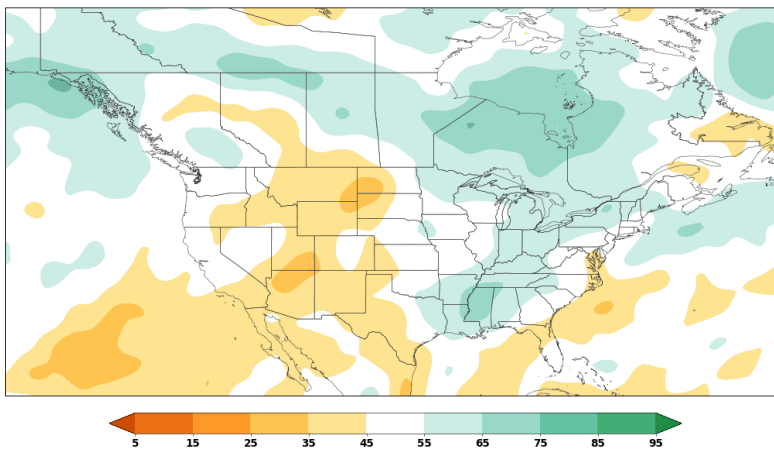
Negative Phase - Winter

Below-normal sea surface temperature anomalies in the North Atlantic Ocean

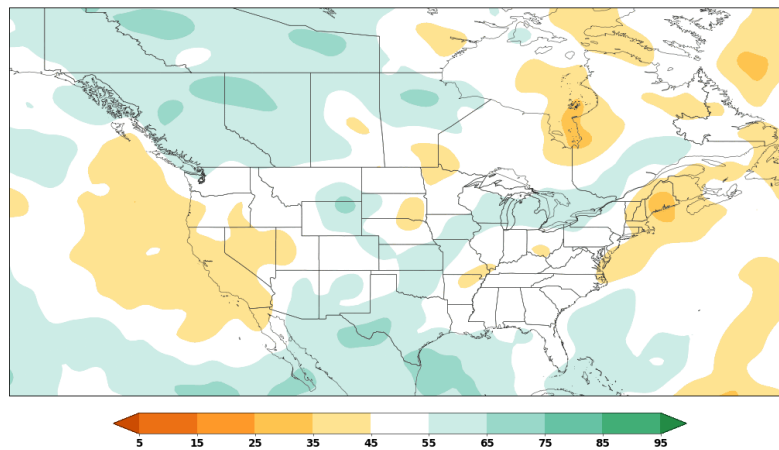
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Percent of Years Having Above-Normal DEC-FEB Precipitation (ERA5 Reanalysis)
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More Heat

Less Rain in the West

More Rain in the East

More Heat in the Southeast

Less Heat in the Southwest

Less Rain in the West & New England

The AMO 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.