

El Niño/Southern Oscillation

in the US

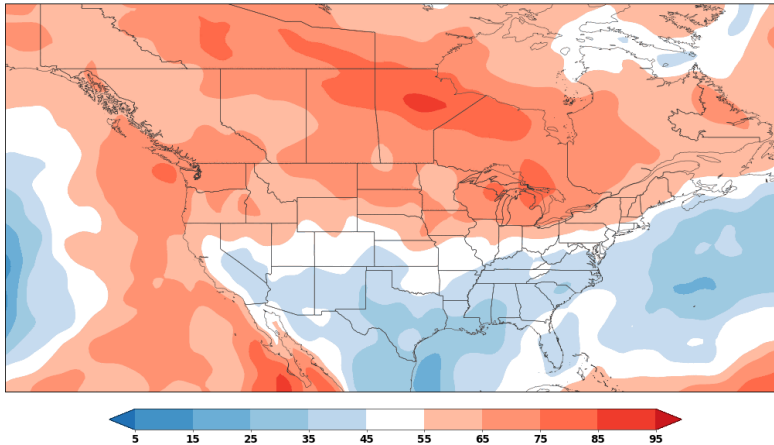


Positive Phase - Winter

Above-normal SSTs across the central and eastern sectors of the equatorial Pacific Ocean

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

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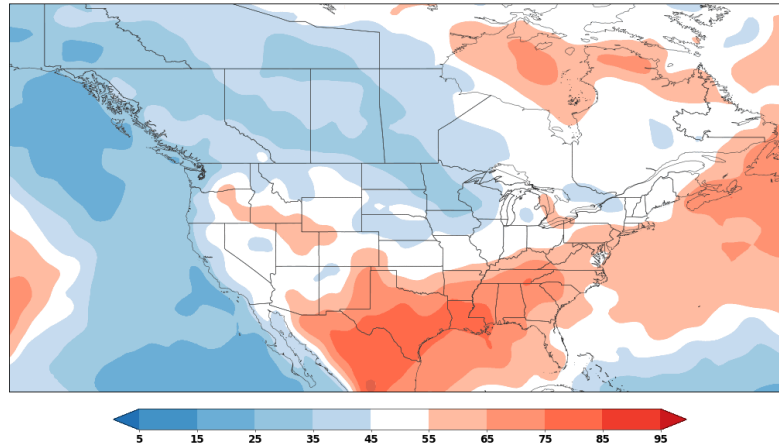


Negative Phase - Winter

Below-normal SSTs across the central and eastern sectors of the equatorial Pacific Ocean

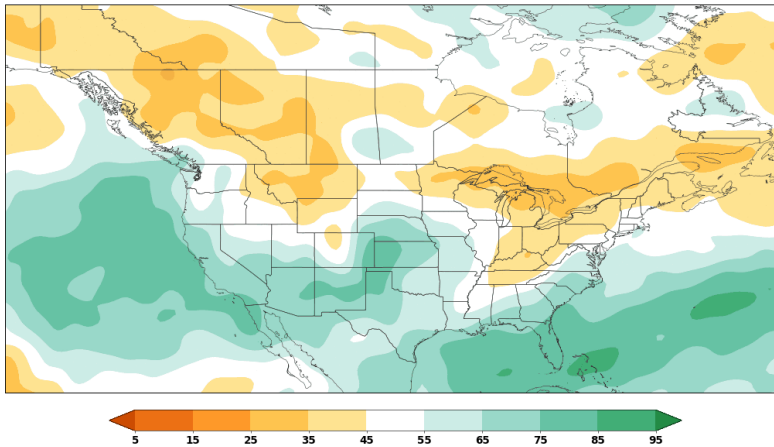
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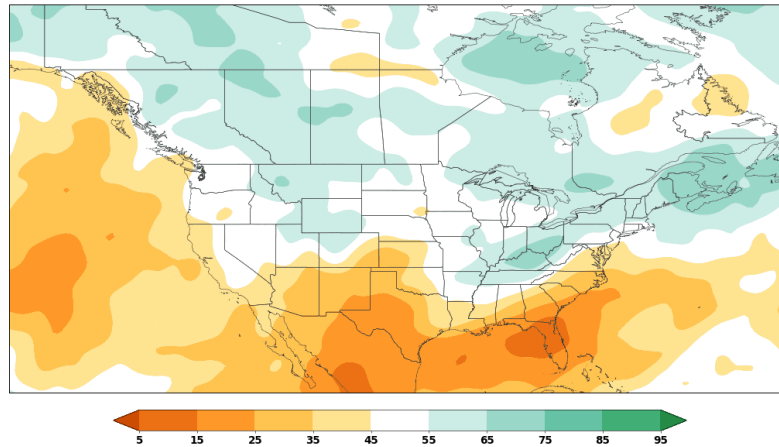
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More Heat in the North

Less Heat in the South

More Rain in the South

More Heat in the South and East

Less Rain in the South

More Rain in the Mid-Atlantic & Northeast

ENSO 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.