

# THE AUTUMN FORECAST

## FOR THE MDB REGIONS 2025



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### THE “LA NINA” ANOMALY IS RAPIDLY DECLINING

During Summer, the La Nina anomaly has lost most of its positive rain-driving forces. This has allowed cooler Sea Surface Temperatures (SST) to become dominant in many regions around Australia.

The Long-term ENSO forecasts indicate that El Nino is likely to impact the Spring and Summer seasons.

### BUILDING SOUTHERN LUNAR AIR TIDE FORCES

The Southern Lunar Air Tides will build to peak force, close to the New Moon phases in Autumn and early Winter. Hence, the last weeks of April and May have the highest chances of delivering the strongest Autumn rain events. I forecast that a weak Autumn break will be delivered to most regions south of the Divide by the last week of May.

### WARM SEA SURFACE AREA TO THE EAST OF NEW ZEALAND IS NOW A STRONG DROUGHT DRIVER

During early Summer, a very large and warm SST anomaly formed in the central southern Pacific. Recently this warm cell covered an area twice the size of Australia.

During most of the 2019 drought period, a similar (but smaller) warm cell existed in that region. That warm cell helped to drag hot and dry air from Central Australia, southeast towards the coastal border of NSW and Victoria.. This hot air fanned the fires, which burnt a large area of the Great Divide, running all the way to Mallacoota.

This year's warm anomaly has already helped to killed off most Summer rain events, and contributed to a very warm and dry finish to Summer. This hot dry climate will extend well into Autumn.

### ONE OF THE LAST STRONG “GLOBAL WARMING PLANETARY ALIGNMENTS” WILL OCCUR SOON

Six of the solar system bodies will become closely aligned on 22<sup>nd</sup> March. Already during February, a small lift in global temperature was recorded. I forecast March will also record another small rise. As soon as this alignment disperses, we will see rapid global cooling continuing for the rest of 2025, as has been the trend since May 2024.

The dispersal of the four gas giant planets is now occurring after a 50-year period of increased numbers and strength of such planetary alignments, which were the ultimate driver of the global warming peak of May 2024.

Jupiter is now rapidly moving away from the recent cluster of the gas giants. Hence, Earth will not be subjected to as many above-average planetary forces again, until Neptune and Uranus start forming their next conjunction in about 100 years' time.

My investigation of the planetary alignments during the last 50 years, and their very close correlation with the major global warming spike periods, indicates that the strongest global warming trends are behind us now, and that global cooling trends will now dominate the next 100 years.

### THE AUTUMN FORECAST **IN BRIEF: The MDB climate will soon be El Nino affected**

The recent positive La Nina forces have taken a big dive during Summer. Local warm regions of SST have shown significant cooling in recent weeks. The climate is now trending to El Nino, and drought is spreading.

A very large warm SST anomaly has recently formed to the east of New Zealand. I forecast this anomaly will also help minimise Eastern Australian rainfall for the Autumn period.

Below-average SST stretches from west of South Africa, all the way to Tasmania. This is also a strong dry weather driver for the southern regions of the MDB.

At present, I can only see a drying climate trend until the next La Nina anomaly starts to take form.

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