

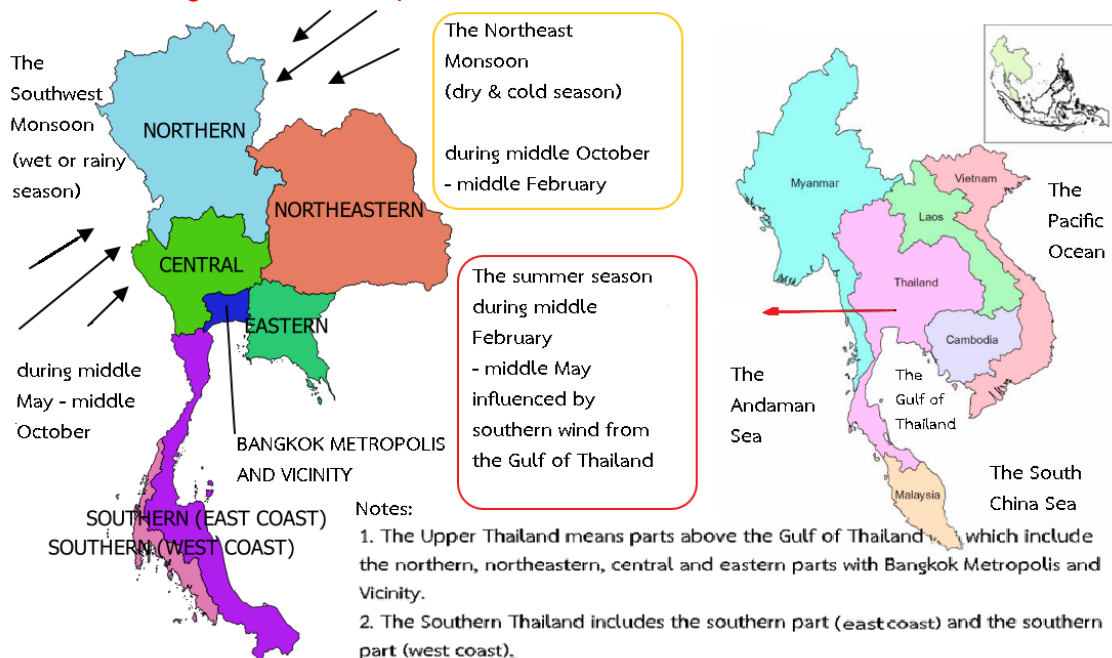


The 2021 rainy season overview

The rainy season of Thailand this year is expected to, the total rainfall of the whole country during this rainy season will be around 5% above normal and more than last year. (The total rainfall last year during the rainy season is 3 percent less than normal value, while in whole year is less than the normal 4 percent). For the rainy season will end around mid-October 2020.

During August and September as being the most densely abundant rainfall months, they favor a high chance to meet tropical cyclones passing through the Upper Thailand. As a result, heavy to very heavy rain amount will occur at many areas. Furthermore, flash and forest flood with overflow may inundate at some areas.

The below Image illustrates 7 parts of Thailand with seasons and Monsoons or wind:



Tropical cyclones (depressions, tropical storms and typhoons): For the rainy season of this year, 2-3 tropical cyclones are expected to move toward Thailand. It favors a high chance to move pass the northeastern and northern parts in August or September.

Seasonal Outlook

During August to September, densely abundant rainfall will come back. The rainfall will be mostly 60 - 80% of the area along with heavy rain amount at many areas and very heavy rain amount at some areas, especially in August and September. Consequently, flash and forest flood together with overflow would feasibly appear at many areas. The reason is that the Southwest Monsoon prevailing over the Andaman Sea and Thailand comes back actively and continuously. The Monsoon will become active periodically while the monsoon trough prevails over the Upper Thailand occasionally.

For October, the northern and northeastern parts will meet less rainfall and start to meet morning chilly weather, especially at the upper parts. Nevertheless, the central and eastern part and the Southern Thailand will still meet densely abundant rainfall further together with heavy rain amount at many areas and very heavy rain amount at some areas. The reason is that high-pressure air mass areas from China will begin to prevail over the upper portion of both of the northern and northeastern parts. In addition, the Southwest Monsoon trough will move downward to prevail over the lower portion of the central part, the upper portion of the Southern Thailand and the eastern part. Moreover, the former prevailing Southwest Monsoon over Thailand will transform to become the prevailing Northeast Monsoon instead.

Details for each part are as the following:

The Northern part: For August to October, the total rain amount is expected to be near normal or slightly above normal (normal: 223, 218 and 124 mm respectively).

The Northeastern part: For August to October, the total rain amount is expected to be near normal or slightly above normal (normal: 266, 242 and 117 mm respectively).

The central part: For August to October, the total rain amount is expected to be near normal or slightly above normal (normal: 181, 257 and 187 mm respectively).

The eastern part: For August to October, the total rain amount is expected to be near normal or slightly above normal (normal: 303, 330 and 225 mm respectively).

The Southern Thailand (east coast: The Gulf of Thailand): For August to September, the total rain amount is expected to be 5% below normal (normal: 124 and 150 mm respectively). While October, the total rain amount is will be 5% above normal (normal: 255 mm).

The Southern Thailand (west coast: The Andaman Sea): For August to September, the total rain amount is expected to be 5% below normal (normal: 399 and 424 mm respectively). While October, the total rain amount is will be 5% above normal (normal: 367 mm).

Bangkok Metropolis and Vicinity: For August to October, the total rain amount is expected to be near normal or slightly above normal (normal: 219, 334 and 292 mm respectively).

Caution:

1. Sometimes, heavy to very heavy rain amounts occur continuously for many days. As a result, flash with overflow may inundate, specifically during August until September. Thus, the public should follow the daily weather forecast news closely further.

2. During the period of tropical cyclones moving near or pass Thailand, gusty wind and raining at extra huge areas with heavy to very heavy rain amount will occur at many areas. Furthermore, gusty wind waves will appear at coastal areas; wave height may reach 3 - 4 meters at some periods. Thus, the public and mariners should be cautious of these natural hazards and follow the news attentively during the tropical cyclone periods further.

The 2021 rain prediction comparing with normal

Part	August	September	October
Northern	5% Above Normal	Near Normal	5% Above Normal
Northeastern	Near Normal	5% Above Normal	5% Above Normal
Central	Near Normal	Near Normal	5% Above Normal
Eastern	Near Normal	Near Normal	5% Above Normal
Southern (The Gulf of Thailand)	5% Below Normal	5% Below Normal	5% Above Normal
Southern (The Andaman Sea)	5% Below Normal	5% Below Normal	5% Above Normal
Bangkok Metropolis and Vicinity	5% Above Normal	Near Normal	5% Above Normal

Rain amount (millimeters) prediction for the 2021 rainy season

Part	August	September	October
Northern	200-250	200-250	120-160
Northeastern	240-300	230-290	100-140
Central	150-190	220-280	150-210
Eastern	270-330	290-360	210-270
Southern (The Gulf of Thailand)	100-140	120-160	240-300
Southern (The Andaman Sea)	340-420	360-440	340-420
Bangkok Metropolis and Vicinity	190-240	290-350	230-290

Remarks:

- Normal means average during the 30-year period (A.D. 1981 – 2010 or B.E. 2524 – 2553).
- This long-range climate forecast is created by applying some climate models and statistical methods, please follow daily weather forecast for more accuracy.
- The next updated seasonal forecast may be published online before the end of June 2021.
- Further enquiry of monthly climate, 3-month climate and seasonal forecasts can be preceded at Tel: (662)-398-9929 or Fax: (662)-383-8827 and www.tmd.go.th/en, climate tab.