

Three-month Climate Prediction of Thailand

During September – November 2020

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<u>Thailand climate for September – October - November from 30-year normal (A.D. 1981 - 2010 or B.E. 2524 - 2553 baseline average)</u>

<u>September:</u> Thailand will meet densely abundant rainfall. In fact, most areas will be affected by the most abundant monthly rainfall from the whole year. The reason is that the influential low-pressure trough places on the central portion of Thailand along with the Southwest Monsoon prevails over Thailand. Besides, some tropical cyclones may move to dissipate near or toward Thailand directly, specifically at the northeastern and eastern parts.

October: As being a time of transition from the rainy to the winter seasons, the Upper Thailand will meet less rainfall and reducing temperature; cool weather is to start since the middle of this month onward. The reason is that the prevailing Southwest Monsoon over Thailand begins to transform into the Northeast Monsoon and cold high-pressure air mass areas from China prevails over Thailand from time to time.

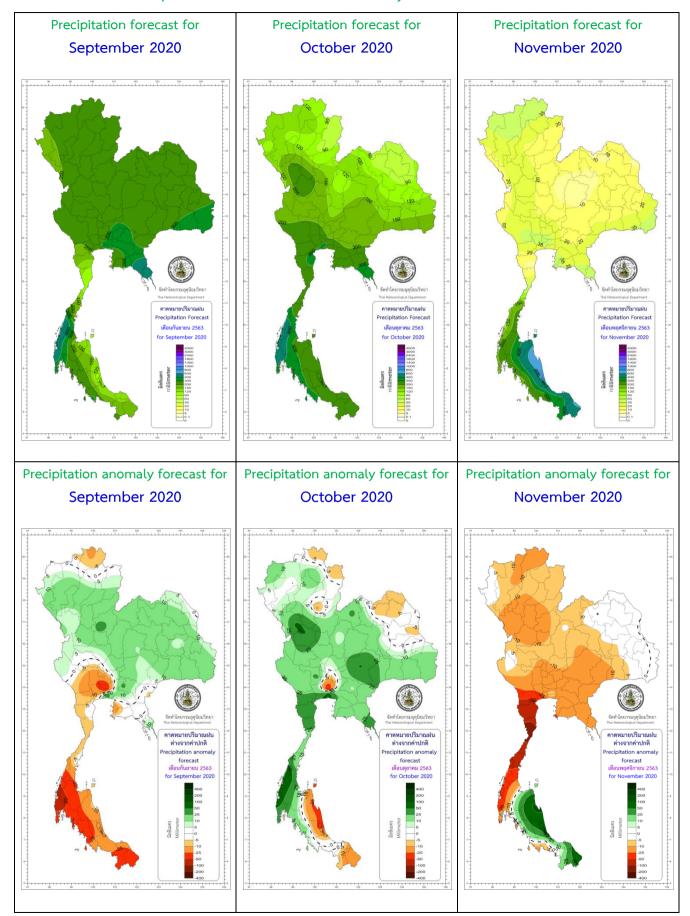
Moreover, the low-pressure trough placing over the central and eastern parts will move downward to place around the Southern Thailand and the Gulf of Thailand during the 2nd half of this month. As a result, the Southern Thailand will meet densely abundant rainfall.

Additionally, some tropical cyclones may move near or toward Thailand around the eastern part, and they would move successively downward to the upper portion of the Gulf of Thailand and the Southern Thailand further.

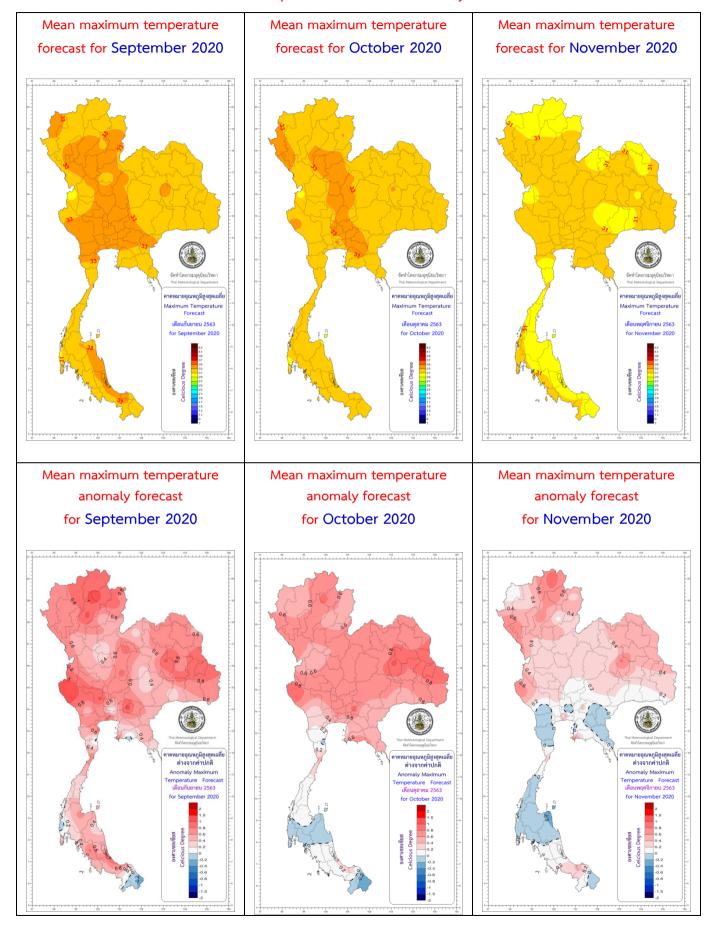
<u>November:</u> The Upper Thailand will meet much reducing rain with cool weather for this whole month. The reason is that the influential high-pressure air mass areas from China will actively prevail over the Upper Thailand periodically. Thus, temperature will reduce, so cold weather happens at some areas, specifically at the northern & northeastern parts.

However, the Southern Thailand will still meet abundant rainfall, especially around the east coast. The reason is that the influential Northeastern Monsoon and the low-pressure trough place over the Southern Thailand and the Gulf of Thailand.

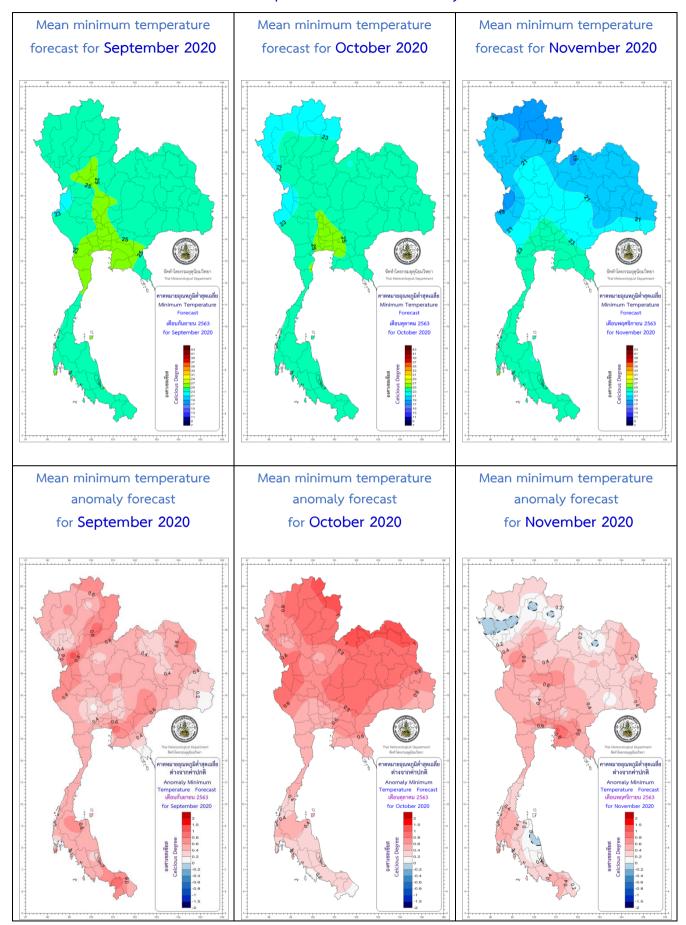
Precipitation (mm/month) and Anomaly (mm/month) Forecast:



Mean Maximum Temperature (°C) and Anomaly (°C) Forecast:



Mean Minimum Temperature (°C) and Anomaly (°C) Forecast:



*** Caution: ***

<u>September 2020:</u> Some tropical cyclones often develop at the western side of the northern Pacific Ocean and move northwesterly pass the South China Sea. Consequently, Thailand will meet abundant rainfall with heavy to very heavy rain amount at some areas.

October & November 2020: Some tropical cyclones favor a high chance to pass the tip of the Indochina Peninsula and move toward or near the Southern Thailand. For this reason, the nearby passing areas of the tropical cyclones will meet densely abundant rainfall with heavy to very heavy rain amounts at some areas.

Therefore, the public should follow weather forecast news and tropical cyclone warnings from the Thai Meteorological Department further.

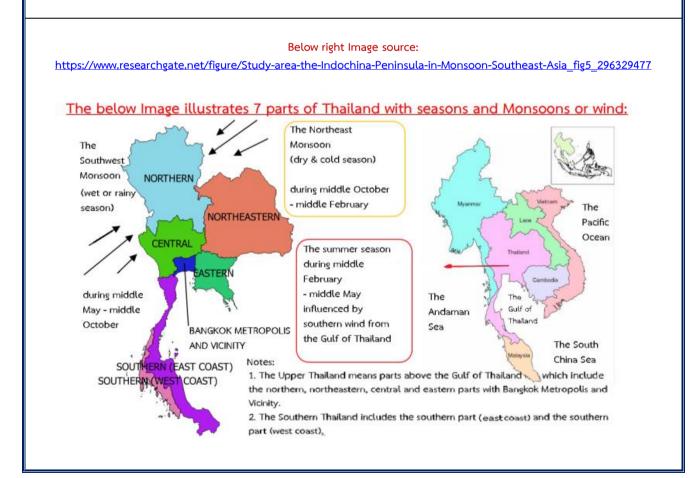


Table 1: Forecast of rain amount (millimeters: mm) comparing with normal, and rainy day (days):

	Forecast										Normal (Baseline period: 1981-2010)					
Part	September 2020			October 2020			November 2020			September		October		November		
	Rain (mm)	Rainy days	Comparing with normal	Rain (mm)	Rainy days	Comparing with normal	Rain (mm)	Rainy days	Comparing with normal	Rain (mm)	Rainy days	Rain (mm)	Rainy days	Rain (mm)	Rainy days	
Northern	210- 260	17-20	5 % Above normal	120- 160	12-14	10 % Above normal	10-30	3-5	30 % Below normal	218.3	18.3	124.1	12.0	32.9	4.1	
Northeastern	230- 280	17-20	5 % Above normal	100- 140	10-12	10 % Above normal	10-30	2-4	30 % Below normal	244.1	17.7	114.0	10.4	18.8	2.9	
Central	210- 260	18-21	Near normal	160- 200	14-16	10 % Above normal	10-30	3-5	30 % Below normal	239.5	19.2	167.1	14.4	34.4	4.1	
Eastern	300- 350	19-22	Near normal	220- 270	15-18	10 % Above normal	30-50	4-6	30 % Below normal	330.1	19.9	225.1	16.5	53.3	5.6	
Southern Thailand (east coast)	110- 150	15-18	10 % Below normal	230- 280	17-20	Near normal	320- 420	15-18	Near normal	149.8	16.7	253.6	18.6	370.4	16.3	
Southern Thailand (west coast)	350- 450	20-23	10 % Below normal	350- 450	21-24	10 % Above normal	150- 190	15-18	10 % Below normal	423.7	22.4	366.5	22.8	193.3	16.2	
Bangkok Metropolis and Vicinity	300- 350	20-23	Near normal	250- 300	16-19	10 % Above normal	30-50	5-7	20 % Below normal	318.4	21.1	246.1	17.5	47.6	5.8	

Table 2: Forecast of mean maximum temperature (Tmax) and mean minimum temperature (Tmin): °C, and comparing (mean temperature: °C) with normal:

Part			Normal (Baseline period: 1981-2010)												
	September 2020			October 2020			November 2020			September		October		November	
	Mean Tmax	Mean Tmin	Comparing with Normal	Mean Tmax	Mean Tmin	Comparing with Normal	Mean Tmax	Mean Tmin	Comparing with Normal	Mean Tmax	Mean Tmin	Mean Tmax	Mean Tmin	Mean Tmax	Mean Tmin
Northern	32-34	23-25	Above normal	32-34	22-24	Above normal	31-33	19-21	Above normal	32.2	23.5	31.9	22.5	31.0	19.5
Northeastern	32-34	24-26	Above normal	31-33	23-25	Above normal	30-32	19-21	Above normal	31.9	24.0	31.4	22.8	30.7	20.1
Central	33-35	24-26	Above normal	32-34	24-26	Above normal	31-33	21-23	Above normal	32.9	24.5	32.4	24.0	31.9	22.2
Eastern	32-34	24-26	Above normal	32-34	24-26	Above normal	31-33	23-25	Above normal	31.9	24.7	32.0	24.1	32.1	23.0
Southern Thailand (east coast)	32-34	24-26	Above normal	31-33	23-25	Above normal	29-31	23-25	Above normal	32.3	24.1	31.4	23.8	30.3	23.4
Southern Thailand (west coast)	31-33	24-26	Above normal	30-32	23-25	Above normal	30-32	23-25	Above normal	31.1	23.9	31.2	23.7	31.4	23.5
Bangkok Metropolis and Vicinity	33-35	25-27	Above normal	32-34	24-26	Above normal	31-33	24-26	Above normal	32.8	25.0	32.6	24.8	32.4	23.9

Remarks: 1) Normal means average during the 30-year period (A.D. 1981 – 2010 or B.E. 2524 – 2553). 2) This long-range climate forecast is created by applying some climate models and statistical methods, the public then should follow the daily weather forecast news from the Thai Meteorological Department for more accuracy further.

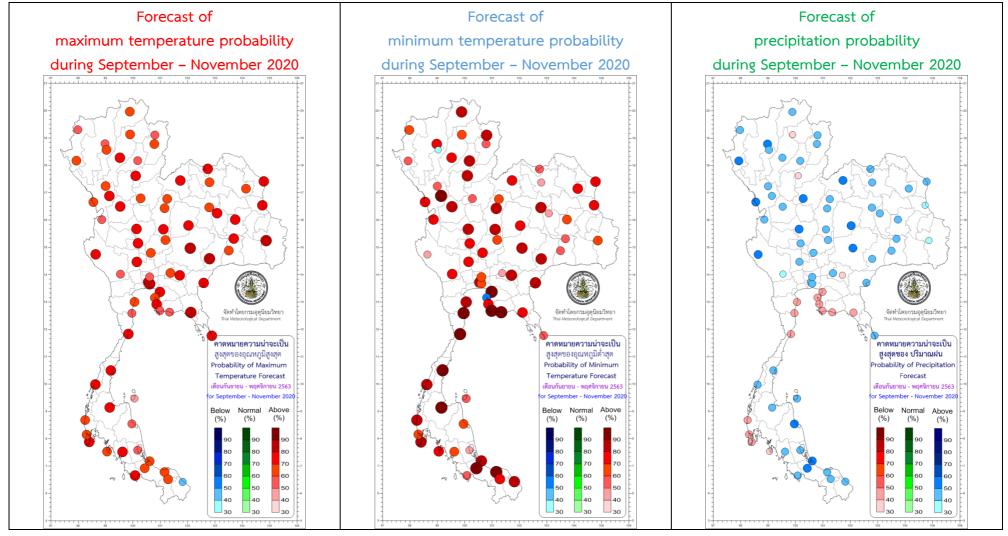
5) Also, please follow monthly climate, 3-month climate and seasonal forecasts at www.tmd.go.th/en at the climate tab.

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³⁾ The next 3-month climate forecast will be published online before the end of next month.

⁴⁾ Further enquiry of monthly climate, 3-month climate and seasonal forecasts can be preceded at Tel: (662)-398-9929 or Fax: (662)-383-8827.

Point probability forecast maps of maximum and minimum temperature, and precipitation (Point maps for probability percentage (%) of : below normal, near normal or above normal)



Note: These maps are mean model forecasts for being included in this three-month climate forecast.