

# Seasonal Update - June 2016

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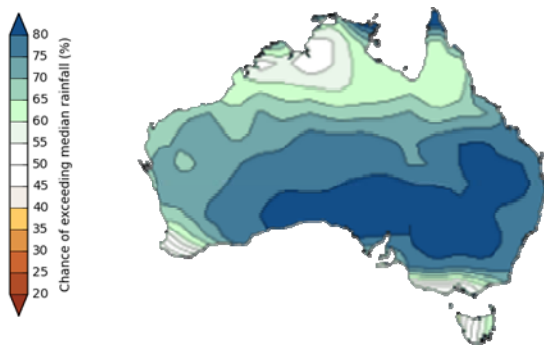


## Good chance for more rain over winter and spring!

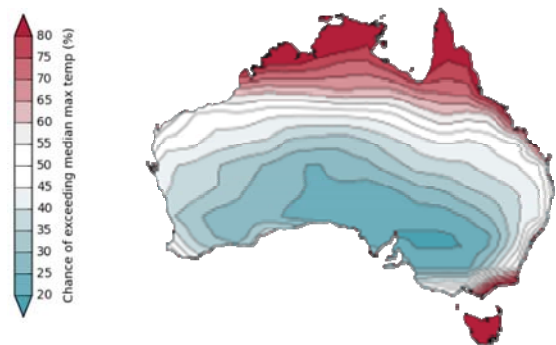
A combination of a potential La Niña event in the Pacific Ocean, an increasing chance of a negative Indian Ocean Dipole, and very warm sea surface temperatures surrounding northern and eastern Australia, increases the likelihood of wetter and cooler conditions for the southern NT over winter and into Spring.

- **WETTER** than normal Autumn across the majority of the NT, especially across the southern NT for the June to August period.
- **COOLER** than normal days more likely across the southern half of the NT for the June to August period.

For further information go to: <http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/outlooks/>



**Figure 1:** Chance of above the median rainfall.  
(June to August 2016)

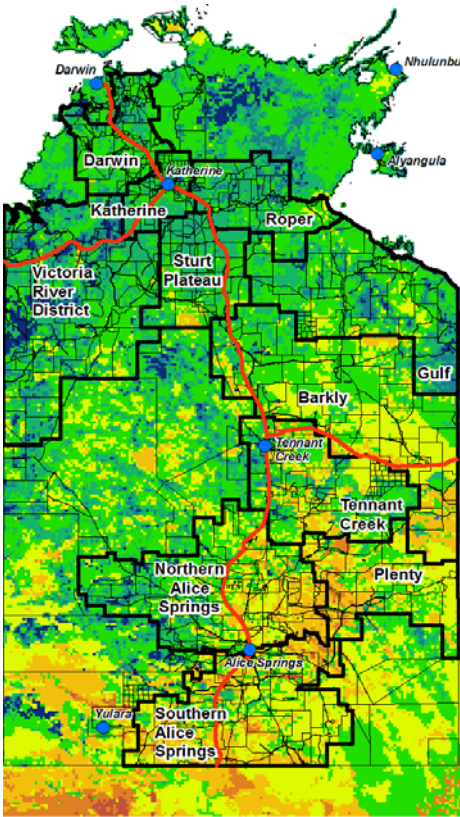


**Figure 2:** Chance of above the median maximum temperature.  
(June to August 2016)

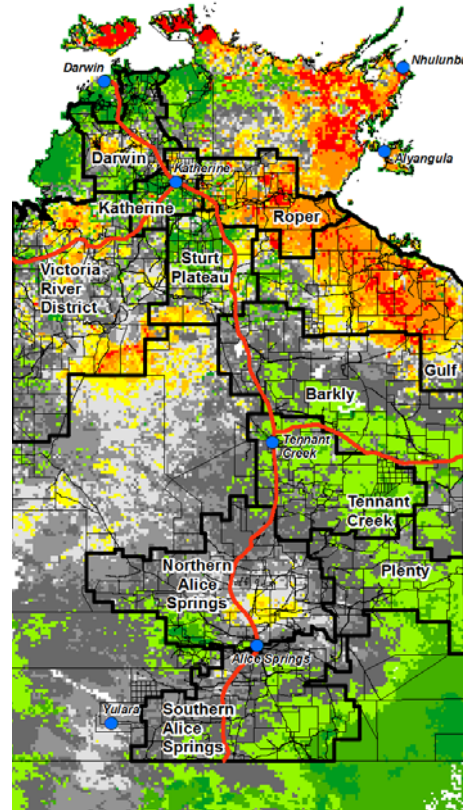
Indicator	Northern Territory Pastoral Districts				Comments
	Tennant Creek	Northern Alice Springs	Plenty	Southern Alice Springs	
2015/16 total pasture growth	↑	↔	↑	↑	Arrows indicate trend compared to the long-term median.
Current estimated standing biomass	↔	↑	↑	↑	Arrows indicate trend since previous quarter.
<u>Current seasonal outlook</u>	↑	↑	↑	↑	Arrows indicate the trend since previous quarter and taking into account the forecasted model predictions.
Current fire risk	↑	↓	↓	↓	Arrows indicate the trend since previous quarter.

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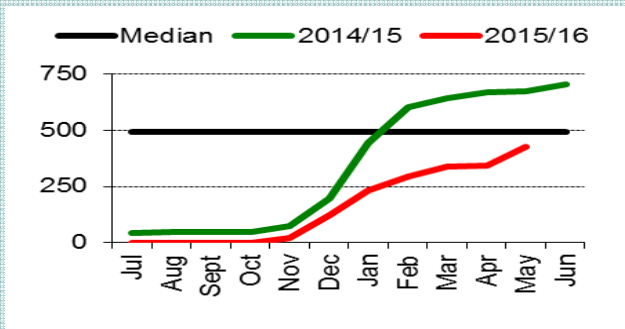
*Current Total Dry Standing Matter (as of the 1st June 2016)*



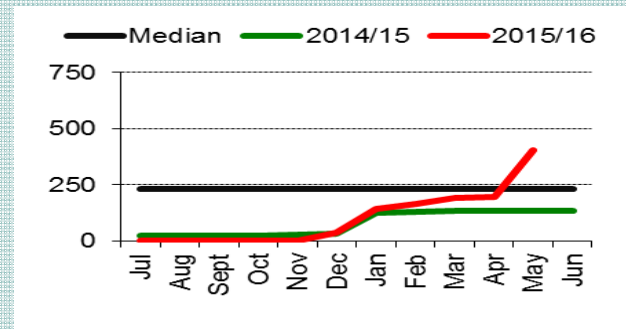
*December 2015 to May 2016 Pasture Growth (relative to historical growth since 1957)*

## Median district pasture growth (kg/ha) — running total

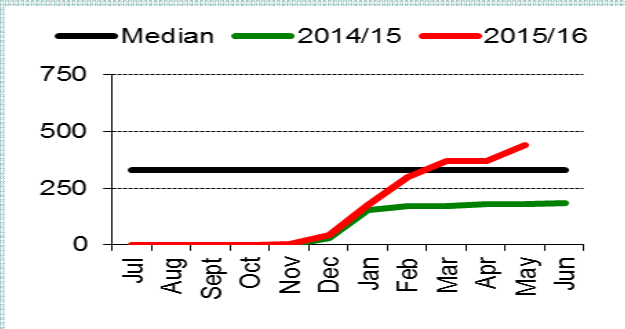
*Northern Alice Springs District*



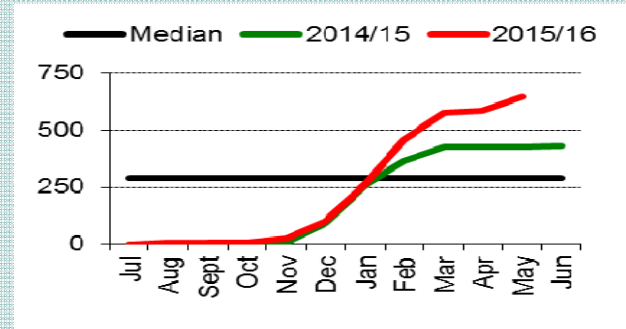
*Southern Alice Springs District*



*Plenty District*



*Tennant Creek*



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