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December 2020 Summary

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As SVG transitioned from the Hurricane/Wet Season to the Dry Season, the propagation of tropical weather systems across our islands became infrequent. As a result, most station reported reductions in rainfall totals during the month of December. The Atlantic high pressure system was mainly the dominant feature and often resulted in fair and breezy conditions. Total rainfall for the month of December at the Argyle International Airport (A.I.A) was 68.4 mm (2.69 inches), Moreover,~31% of rainfall occurred

Fig 1: Rainfall Stations

in the first ten days, \sim 23% in the second ten days and \sim 46% in the last ten days.

Island-wide, the highest monthly rainfall total was **182.7 mm (~7.19 inches)**, which was recorded at the Dallaway station.

Table 1.December 2020 Rainfall across SVG

KeyFig1	Station-Location	Rainfall (mm)
•	Argyle Int'l - Airport	68.4
•	E.T Joshua-Arnos Vale	80.6
•	Belle Isle	50.8
•	Rabacca	66.7
•	Richmond	67.7
•	Rivulet Climo.	88.8
•	Dallaway	182.7

A daytime high temperature of 30.4°C was recorded on the 29th while a night time low temperature of 20.6°C was recorded on the21st. Monthly average daytime high was 28.6°C, and average night time low was 22.9°C. The average daily mean temperature was 25.7°C.

A maximum wind gust of 27knots (~49km/h or 31mph) was recorded on the 22ndNovember.

Forecast Information

 Table 2.January–March 2021 Usual range of temperature (between lower and upper threshold values)

KeyFig1	Station-Location	Temperature (°C)	
•	E.T Joshua-Arnos Vale	29.1-29.5	
•Air Te	I Temperature Outlook:January-M mperature: Day and night time t ely to be comfortably cool during	emperatures are	
	arface Temperatures (SSTs): Sea atures will continue to be slightly		

Table 3 January– March 2021 Usual range of rainfall (between lower and upper threshold values)

KeyFig1	Station-Location	Rainfall (mm)
•	E.T Joshua-Arnos Vale	267.73-328.80

National Rainfall Outlook: January-March2021 for SVG
 Rainfall is likely to be close to the usual or above.

• **Drought** is not expected to be a concern at this time across SVG.



Fig 4. Regional Precipitation Outlook January- March 2021

Implications for Sectors

Water

• Rainfall forecasted to be close to the usual or above is good news for the water sector. However, the Central Water and Sewerage Authority (CWSA) should continue to monitor the water situation and urge the public to conserve water and report all leaks.

Agriculture

• In the event of dry spells, to ensure food security, farmers should make preparation to employ conservation techniques and irrigation practices.

Health

• In light of the COVID-19 pandemic, water availability is critical to support prevention strategies to combat the virus. Additionally, the presence of stagnant water in the aftermath of showers may promote the breeding of mosquitoes. Therefore, public awareness campaigns and other measures to prevent the spread of dengue should continue.

	Moon Phases 2020					
Jan.	FQ 20 th	FM 28 th	LQ 6 th	NM 13 th		
Feb.	FQ 19 th	FM 27 th	LQ 4 th	NM 11 th		

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