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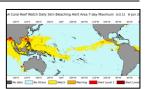
HEAT STRESS
CONDITIONS ARE
PREDICTED TO BE AT
BLEACHING LEVELS IN
THE CARIBBEAN FROM
APPROXIMATELY
SEPTEMBER TO
DECEMBER.



REPORT CORAL BLEACHING OBSERVATIONS



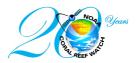
INCREASING CORAL
CALCIFICATION IN TWO
CORAL SPECIES AT
FLOWER GARDEN BANKS,
GULF OF MEXICO



NOAA CORAL REEF WATCH (CRW) IS NOW FEATURING A NEW, ENHANCED IMAGE STYLE FOR ITS DAILY GLOBAL 5KM SATELLITE

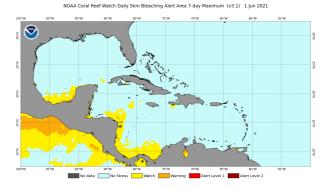


CARIBBEAN CORAL REEF WATCH



Notable Observations

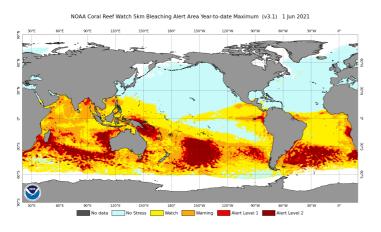
- ▶ The waters around Belize are currently in bleaching watch.
- ▶ Most of the eastern and northern Caribbean forecasted to not experience notable heat stress until August.
- ▶ The waters around the Bahamas, Leeward Islands, and Windward Islands forecasted to be in Alert Level 1 in October.



Click here to track current conditions

Current Global Conditions

- Bleaching watch and warning alerts persist in the eastern Pacific, Polynesia, Micronesia, intensively throughout the Coral Triangle, East and Southeast Asia, the Middle East and southern Asia.
- Dongsha (Taiwan), Hong Kong, southern Vietnam and southern Myanmar under Alert Level 1. Northern Myanmar and western India, under Alert Level 2.



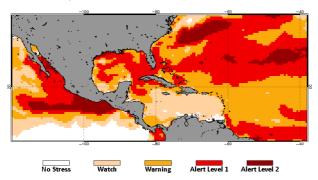
Alert Level Guide

Alert Level	Interpretation
No Stress	No Thermal Stress
Watch	Low-level thermal stress
Warning	Thermal stress is accumulating
Alert level 1	Bleaching expected
Alert level 2	Widespread bleaching and some mortality expected

Current Outlook (June-September 2021)

▶ 4-Month Outlook predicts waters around Florida and the northern Bahamas will be in Bleaching Warning and Alert Level 1 conditions in September.

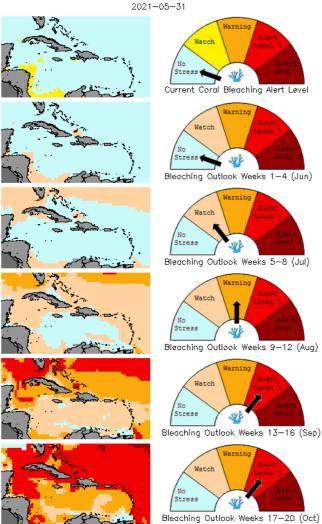
2021 Jun 1 NOAA 60% Probability Coral Bleaching Heat Stress for Jun-Sep 2021 Experimental, v5.0, CFSv2-based, 28 to 112 Ensemble Members



Click here to track the 4-month bleaching outlook

Bleaching Alert Area and Outlook

Caribbean Satellite Bleaching Alert Area and Outlook



Caribbean Bleaching Outlook

The bleaching alert
outlook for the Caribbean
forecasts the Northern
Bahamas to be under
Alert level 1 from
September continuing
into October. Entire
Bahamas, Windward Is.
and Leeward Is. under
Alert Level 1 in October.

View all 5-km Regional Virtual Stations here



N. Bahamas expected to be under watch conditions in 5-8 weeks

Click here for more information about the NOAA Coral Reef Watch methodology

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