

CARIBBEAN CORAL REEF WATCH





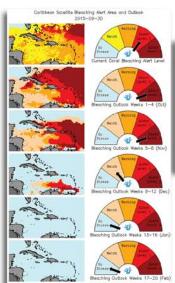
What is it?

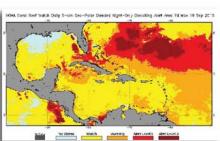
- Tracks the current sea surface temperatures and the related coral reef health, globally and regionally.
- Maps regional thermal stress levels and coral bleaching potential with a lead time of 20 weeks.
- Provides a detailed outlook for countries most at risk of coral bleaching.

Where to find it

The Caribbean Coral Reef Watch is normally published monthly between May and December, to correspond with the season in which bleaching can occur in the region.

View and download the latest issue at: http://rcc.cimh.edu.bb/bulletins/coralreef/latest





How it can help you

The Caribbean Coral Reef Watch is an early warning tool for a key natural resource of the Caribbean. This bulletin can help:



THE AGRICULTURE SECTOR AND FOOD SECTOR (IN PARTICULAR FISHERIES)

identify the actual and potential severity and duration of coral bleaching as impacted by risk factors, such as agricultural run-offs including chemicals, which impact the quality and quantity of fish stock over time.



THE DISASTER MANAGEMENT SECTOR by providing alert levels that can inform the development and execution of coral reef bleaching response plans.



THE TOURISM SECTOR inform hotels, dive shops, marine tour operators and policy makers of potential bleaching threats. With advance warning of an impending coral bleaching event, stakeholders can better manage their business and destination operations.



This sheet was produced to help the six targeted Caribbean climate-sensitive sectors understand how our climate products can support their decision making.