

## **CARIBBEAN DROUGHT BULLETIN**



## What is it?

- Tracks how dry spells or droughts, and to a lesser extent excessive rainfall, have developed in the past few months and up to a year.
- Maps drought situations at regional and national levels and for one-, three-, six- and 12-month time periods.
- Short- and long-term drought outlooks and drought alert maps.
- Headline news on drought impacts affecting the region's climate-sensitive sectors.

## Where to find it

The Caribbean Drought Bulletin is published by the 15th of each month. View and download the latest issue at:

http://rcc.cimh.edu.bb/bulletins/drought/latest







## How it can help you

The Caribbean Drought Bulletin offers evidence-based support for drought early warning. It can help:



THE AGRICULTURE SECTOR assess water availability for cropping, livestock, pest and disease management options on monthly to annual time periods. It helps in planning and selecting appropriate resources and production methods.



THE DISASTER MANAGEMENT SECTOR guide coordination for a drought response.



THE ENERGY SECTOR gauge how hydropower supply may be affected in meeting seasonal energy demands and predict energy production costs, as well as demands for cooling and desalination.



THE HEALTH SECTOR examine drought conditions to prepare communities for risk, including limited access to food and potable water for drinking and sanitation.



THE TOURISM SECTOR monitor and predict water availability for hotel and public infrastructure, as well as mitigate operational shortages.



THE WATER SECTOR monitor and predict water levels, production and delivery needs, as well as raise public awareness of and inform government action on pending water crises.



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

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