Queensland's extended wet and dry periods

Australian Rainfall Periods (April to March) Relative to Historical Records 1889–2020

1889–1896
(7 Year)

1896–1903
(7 Year)

1903–1911
(8 Year)

1911–1916
(5 Year)

1916–1922
(6 Year)

1922–1933
(11 Year)

1933–1941
(8 Year)

1941–1948
(7 Year)

1948–1957
(9 Year)

1957–1970
(13 Year)

1970–1977
(7 Year)

1977–1983
(6 Year)

1983–1991
(8 Year)

1991–1996
(5 Year)

1996–2001
(5 Year)

2001–2007
(6 Year)

2007–2012
(5 Year)

2012–2020
(8 Year – to date)

A period of recovery with rainfall above average recorded. SOI was at its lowest level in the SOI record by 1993. A period of low rainfall was recorded from 1993 to 1996.

Rainfall was 30% above the previous dry period.

Rainfall was 35% above the previous dry period.

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