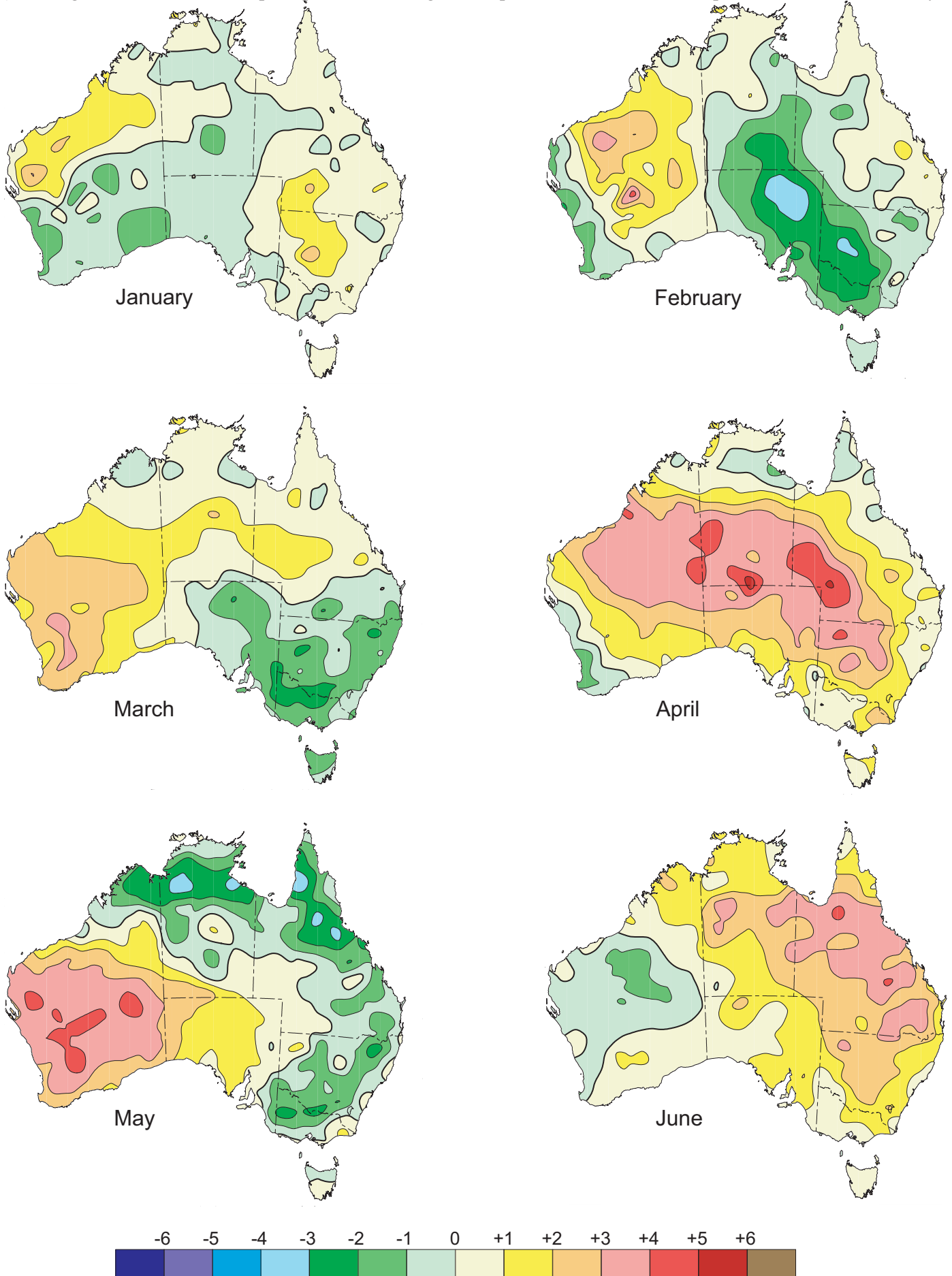


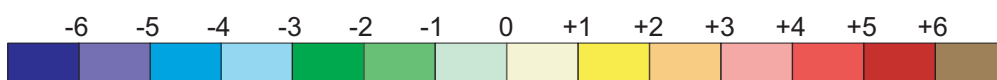
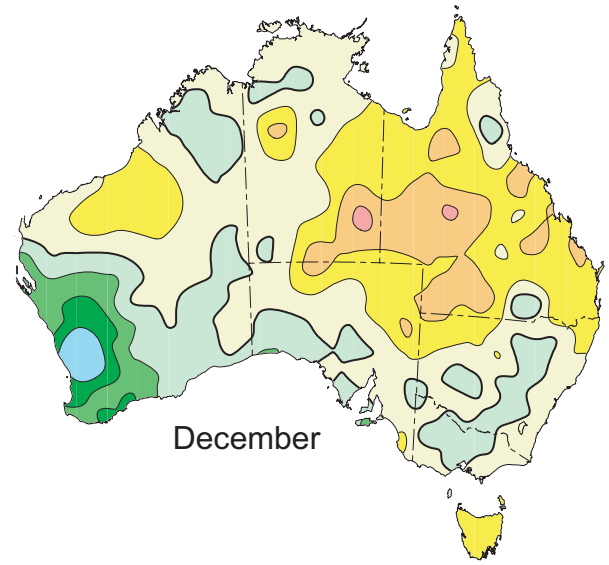
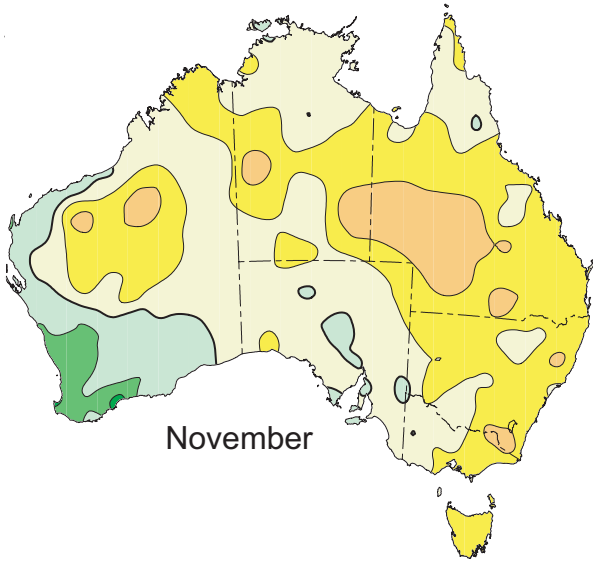
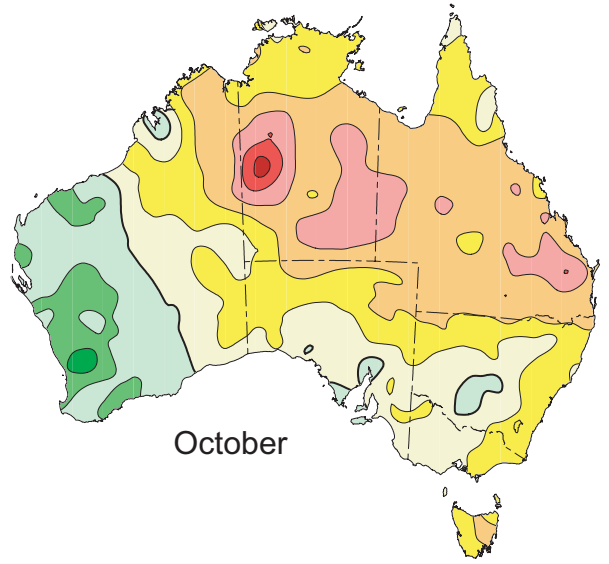
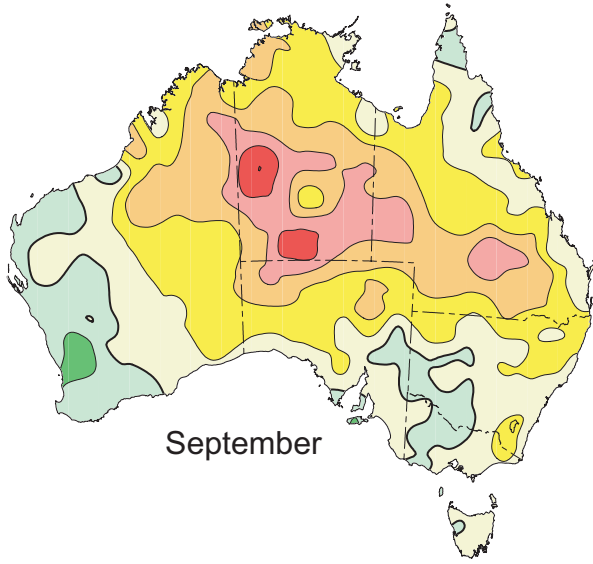
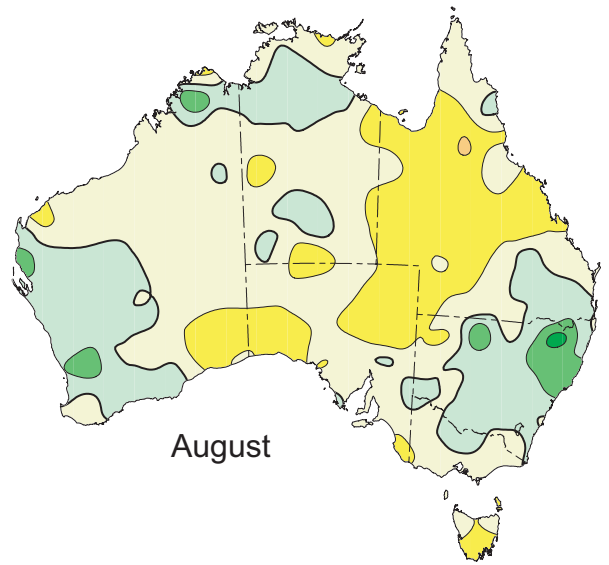
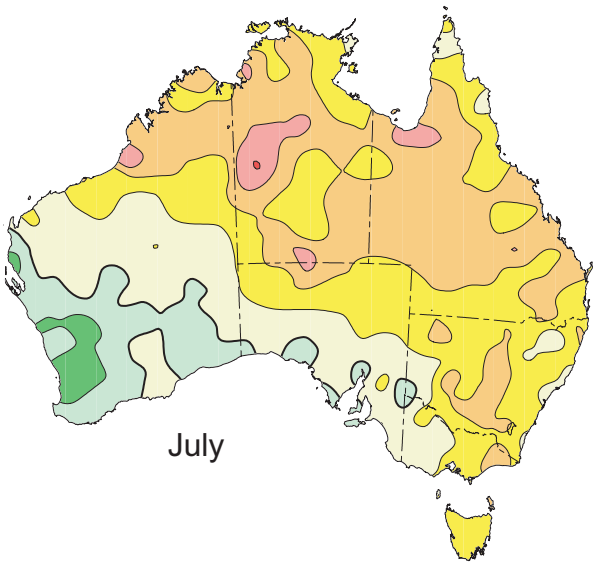
3. Monthly minimum temperatures - January to December 2005

With the exception of February, every month of 2005 had warmer than normal nights when averaged across Australia. Positive anomalies were particularly common in the northern half from June onwards, while negative anomalies occurred along the west coast in every month during this period. The strongest positive departures (near +5°C) were in April (NT, Qld) and October (NT). The peak negative anomalies (-3 to -4°C) were in February (SA, NSW), May (NT, Qld) and December (WA). Averaged over Australia, the peak positive and negative departures were +2.1°C in April and -0.3°C in February.



Minimum Temperature : Departures from average (°C)

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