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**Gridded Monthly and Annual Rainfall Anomaly Metadata**

<b>Dataset</b>	
Title	Monthly and annual rainfall anomaly gridded datasets from 1900 onwards.
<b>Custodian</b>	
Custodian	Bureau of Meteorology
Jurisdiction	Australia
<b>Description</b>	
Abstract	The grids show the rainfall values across Australia in the form of two-dimensional array data. The data extend from 1900 onwards. See LINEAGE below for more information.
Search Word(s)	Gridded, analyses, rainfall, meteorology
Geographic Extent Names(s)	Australia
General Category	Gridded monthly and annual data
General Custodian Jurisdiction	Australian Government Australia
Geographic Extent Polygon	Not applicable
Geographic Bounding Box	See Below
North Bounding Latitude	-9.875
South Bounding Latitude	-44.625
East Bounding Longitude	156.375
West Bounding Longitude	111.875
<b>Data Currency</b>	
Beginning Date	1900
Ending Date	Current
<b>Dataset Status</b>	
Progress	Completed
Maintenance and Update frequency	Ongoing
<b>Access</b>	
Stored Data Format	Arc/Info grids—all Australia
Available Format Type	ASCII row major, Arc/Info grid Interchange (.e00), Shapefiles

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<b>Data Quality</b>	
Lineage	Gridded datasets were generated using the Barnes two-dimensional analysis. The grid point resolution of the data is 0.25 degrees (approx 25km). The rainfall anomalies are based on average data from 1961 – 1990. All available rainfall stations were used in the analyses, and the input station data underwent standard quality control.
Positional Accuracy	The observational (station) data on which the analyses were based have an associated accuracy of the order of 0.01 degrees (approximately 1km) or better.
Attribute Accuracy	Not applicable
Logical Consistency	Not applicable
Completeness	No missing data
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<b>Metadata date</b>	
Metadata date	2003
Additional Metadata	These grids are based on monthly rainfall data - additional information available on request (see contact above).