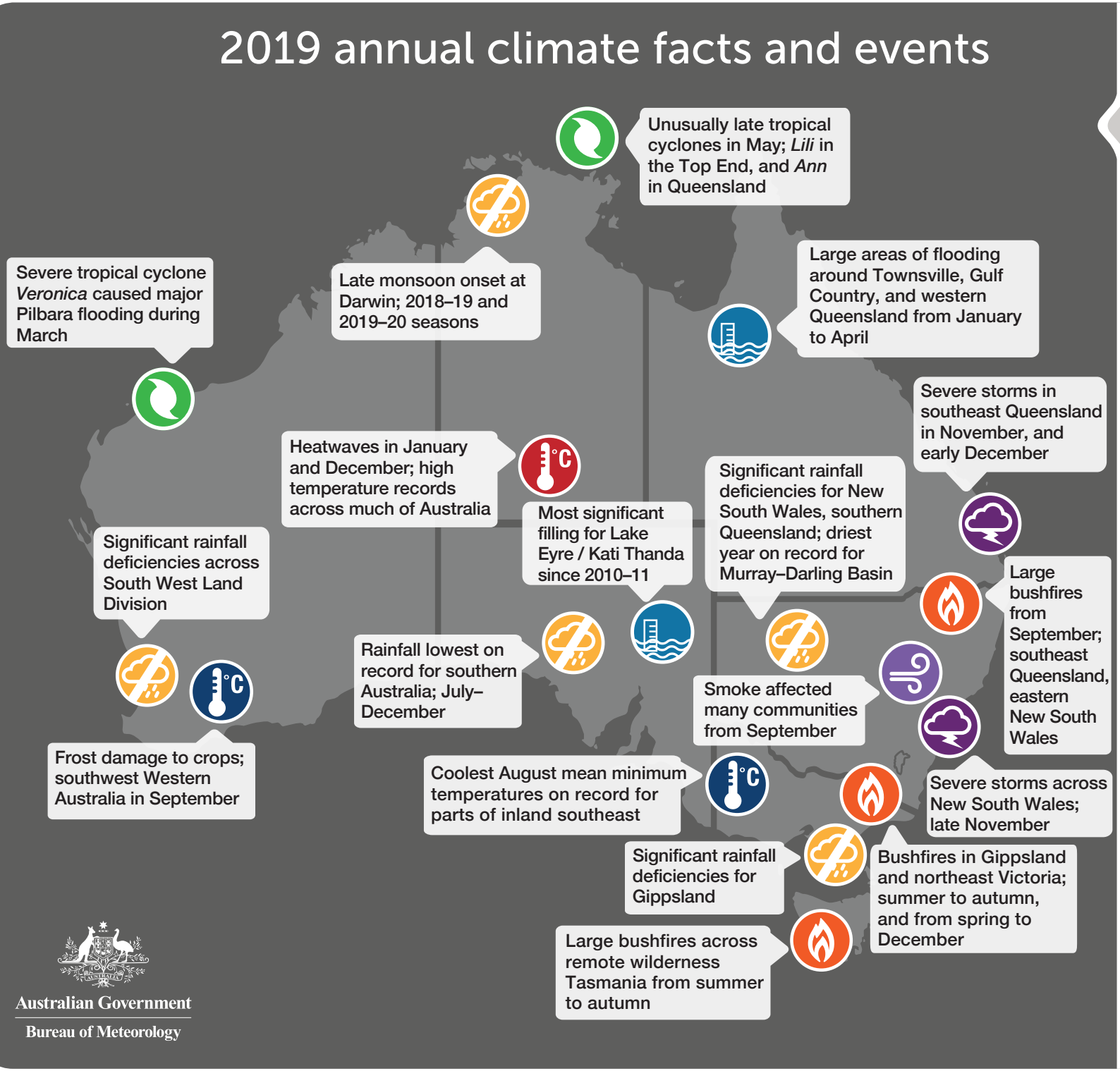
2019 annual climate facts and events



Australia

- Warmest year on record; mean temperature 1.52 °C above average
- Warmest year on record for New South Wales and Western Australia; amongst top ten warmest for Victoria, Queensland, South Australia and the Northern Territory
- Highest mean maximum temperature on record for Sydney, Canberra, Brisbane, and Hobart
- Australia's driest year on record, annual total rainfall 40% below average
- Much of Australia affected by drought
- One of the strongest positive Indian Ocean Dipole events on record

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