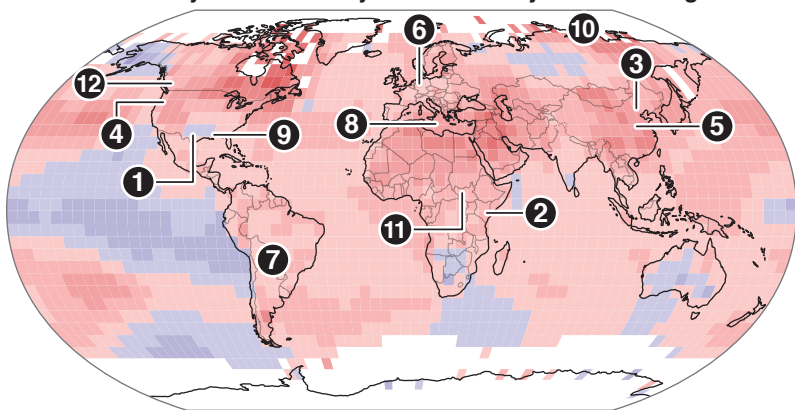


# Weather impacts around the world in 2021

Extreme weather events in 2021 broke records across the globe, with many disasters likely made worse by climate change



Jan-Nov 2021 temperature anomalies (relative to 1981-2010 base period)



**1 Feb:** Cold spell in normally warm Texas kills 125 people and leaves millions without power in freezing temperatures

**2 Feb:** East Africa suffers its worst locust plague in decades, spurred on by unusual weather patterns

**3 Mar:** Desert dust sweeps into Beijing, causing China's worst sandstorm in 10 years

**4 Jun:** Hundreds die during record-breaking heatwave in western U.S. and Canada. All-time high of 46.7°C in Portland, Oregon

**5 Jul:** More than 300 people killed in central China's Henan province when a year's worth of rain falls in three days

**6 Jul:** Record rainfall and floods kill nearly 200 people in Germany, Belgium and the Netherlands

**7 Jul:** Prolonged drought hits large parts of South America, particularly Argentina, Brazil and Chile

**8 Aug:** Mediterranean gripped by extreme heat, with wildfires forcing thousands to flee their homes in Algeria, Greece and Turkey

**9 Aug/Sep:** Nearly 100 people killed in U.S. after Hurricane Ida hits Louisiana as Category 4 storm

**10 Sep:** Melting of long-frozen permafrost layer poses increasing threat to infrastructure and homes in Siberia

**11 Nov:** Worst flooding in 60 years in South Sudan affects about 780,000 people, or one in every 14 residents

**12 Nov:** Severe storm in British Columbia brings a month's worth of rain in two days, destroying roads, houses and bridges