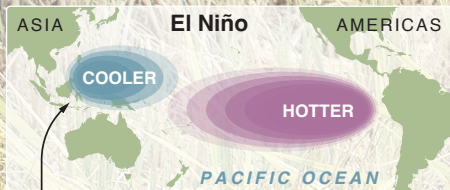


El Niño threat to rice supplies

Global stockpiles of rice, which are at close to record levels, are set to fall 5% as the El Niño weather pattern brings hotter and drier weather to Asia



Cooler sea surface temperature causes drier conditions

GLOBAL RICE STOCKPILE (millions of tonnes)

