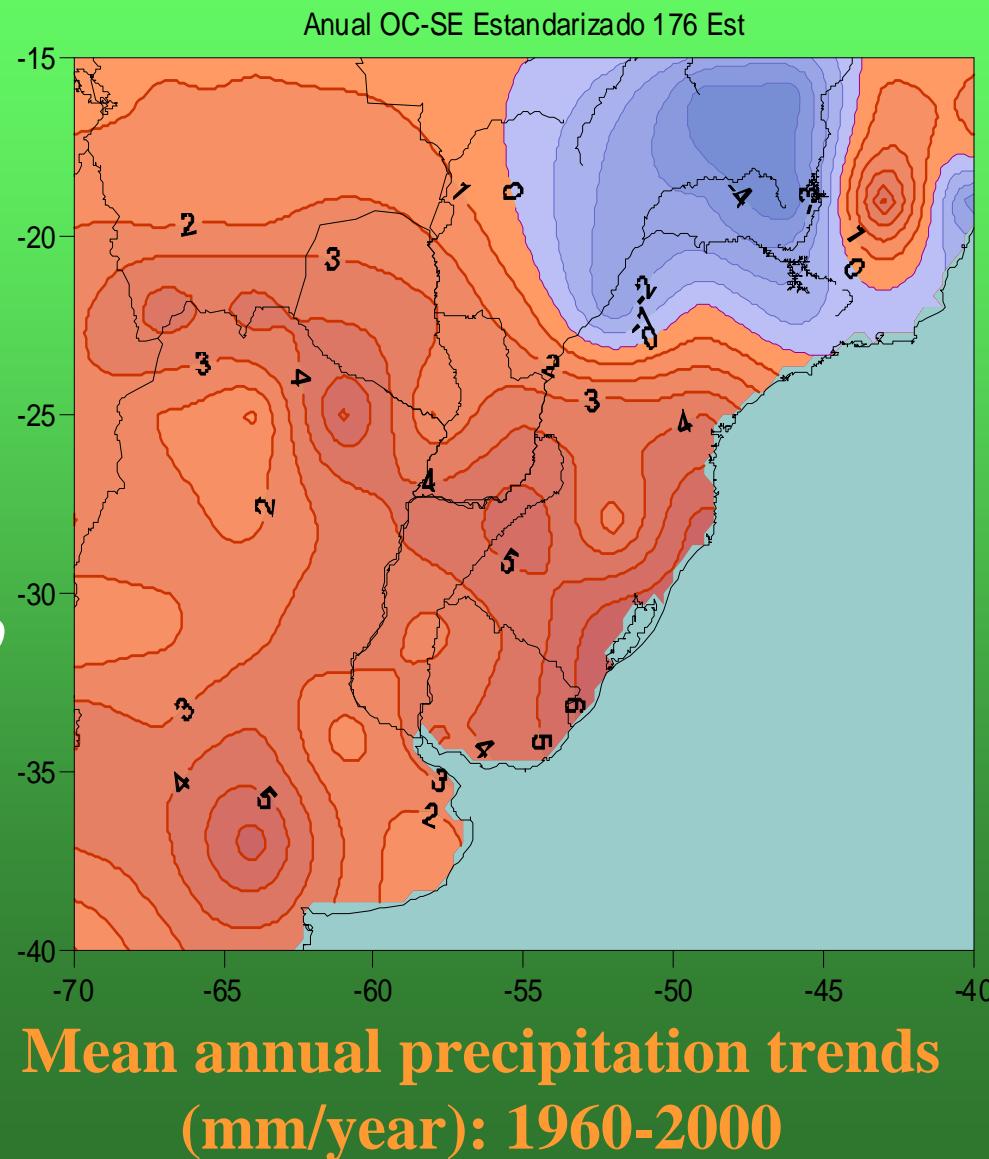


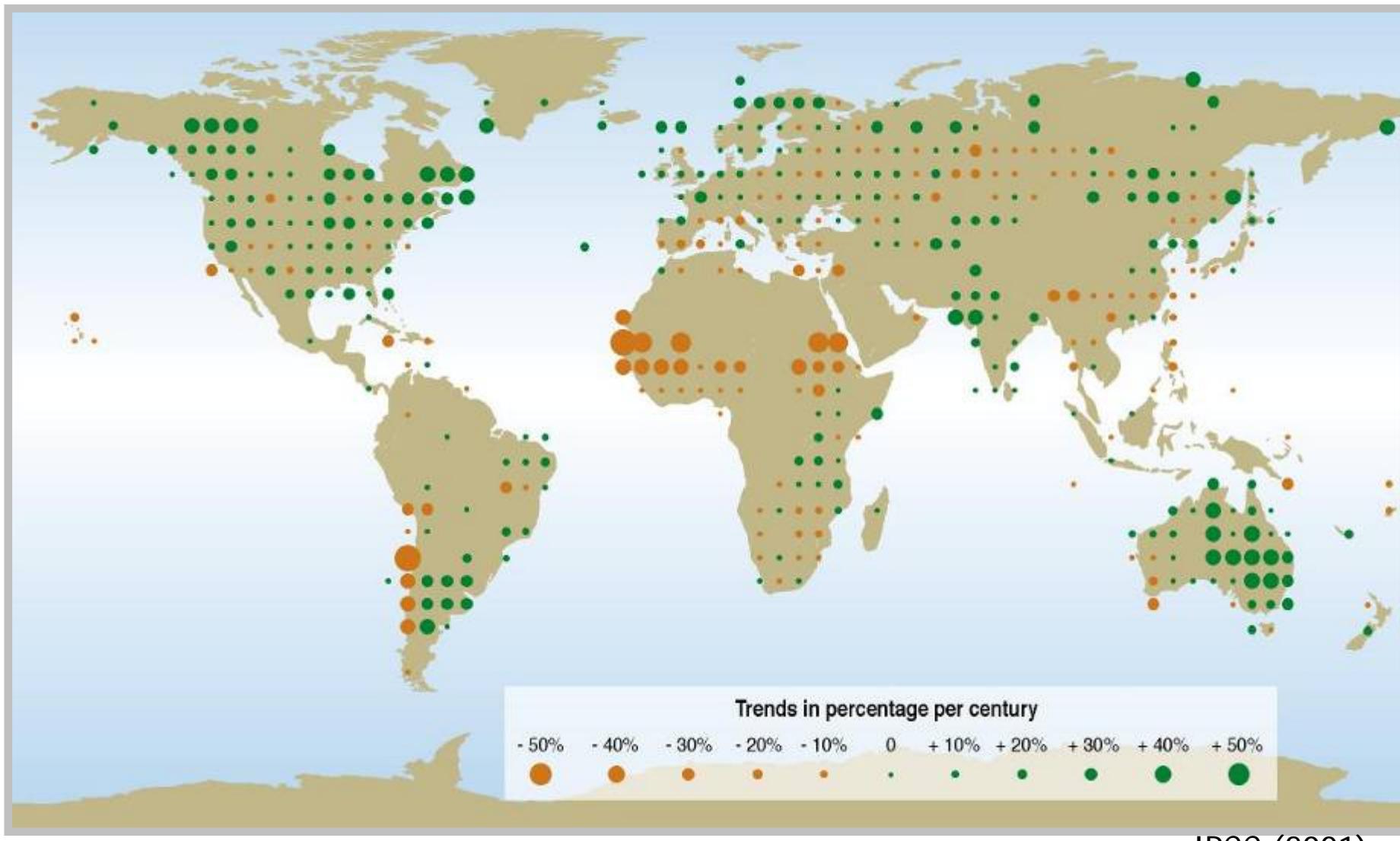
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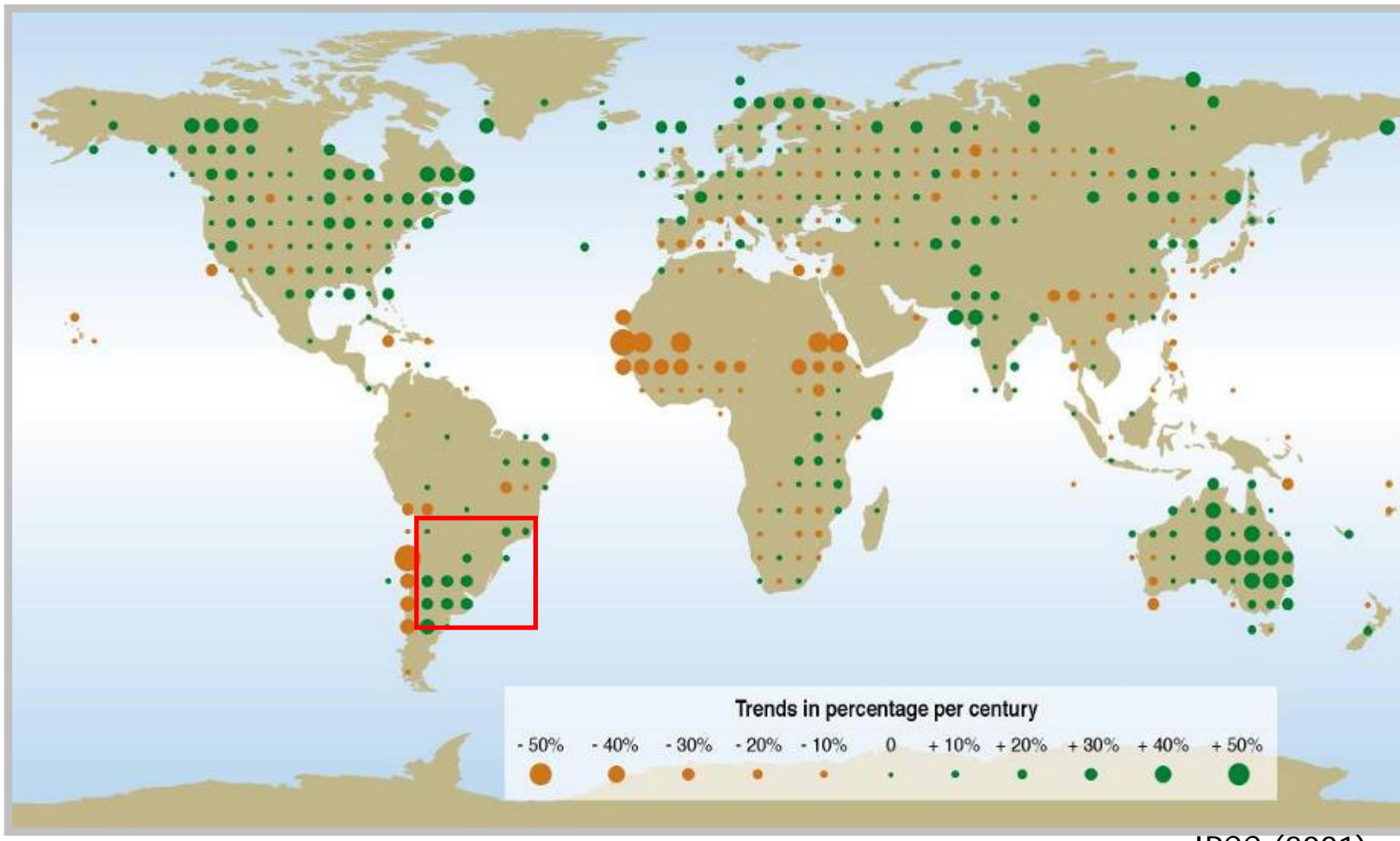


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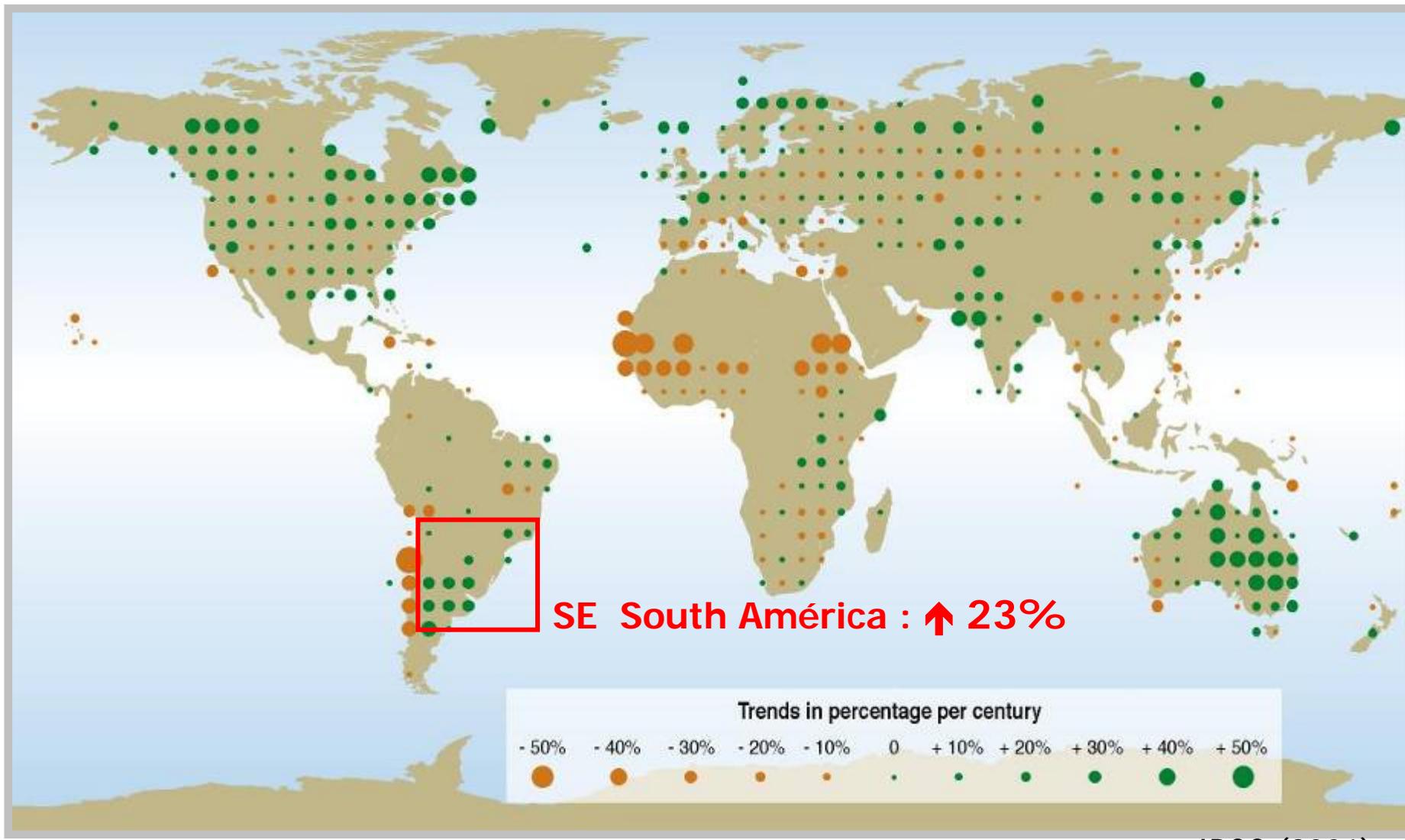
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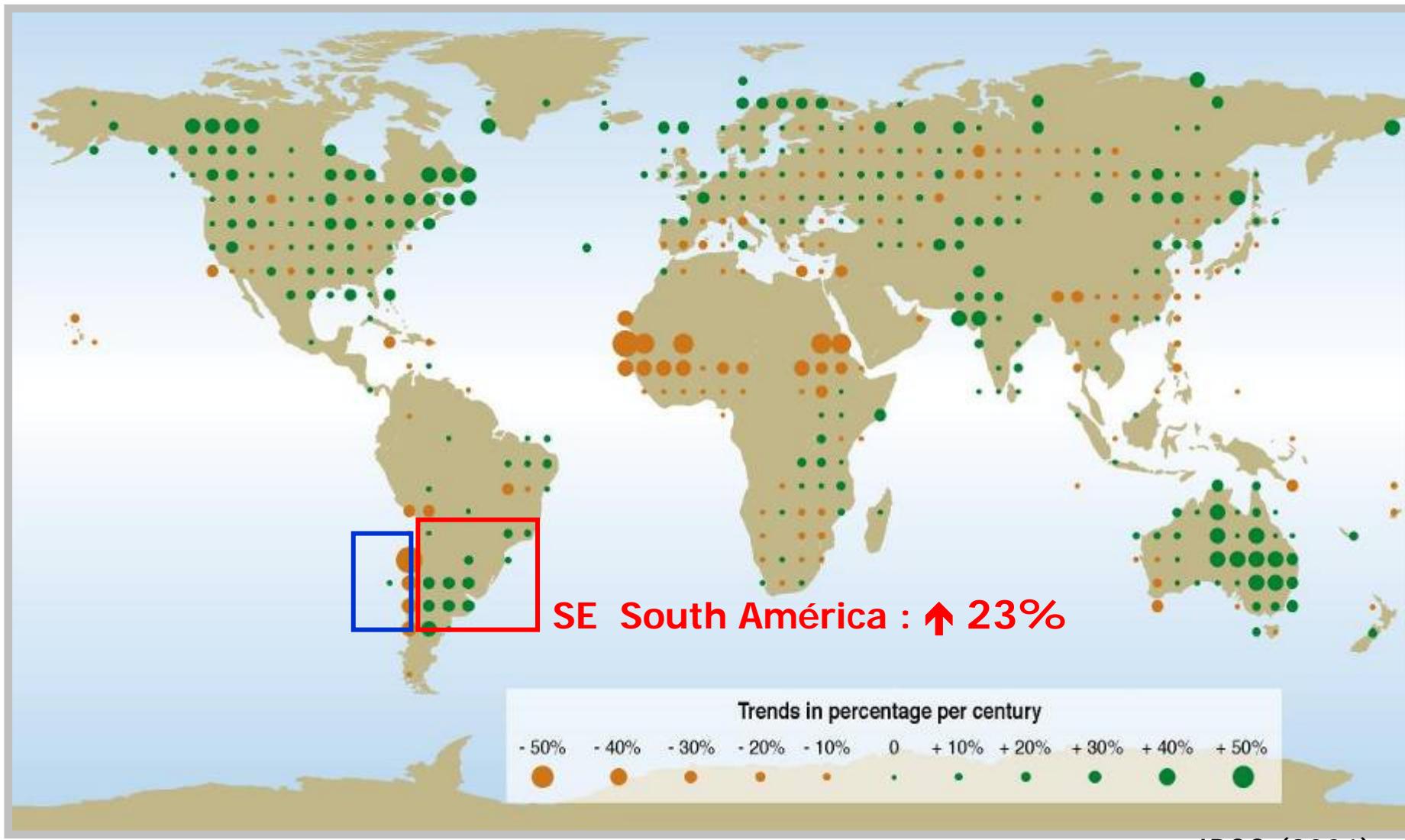
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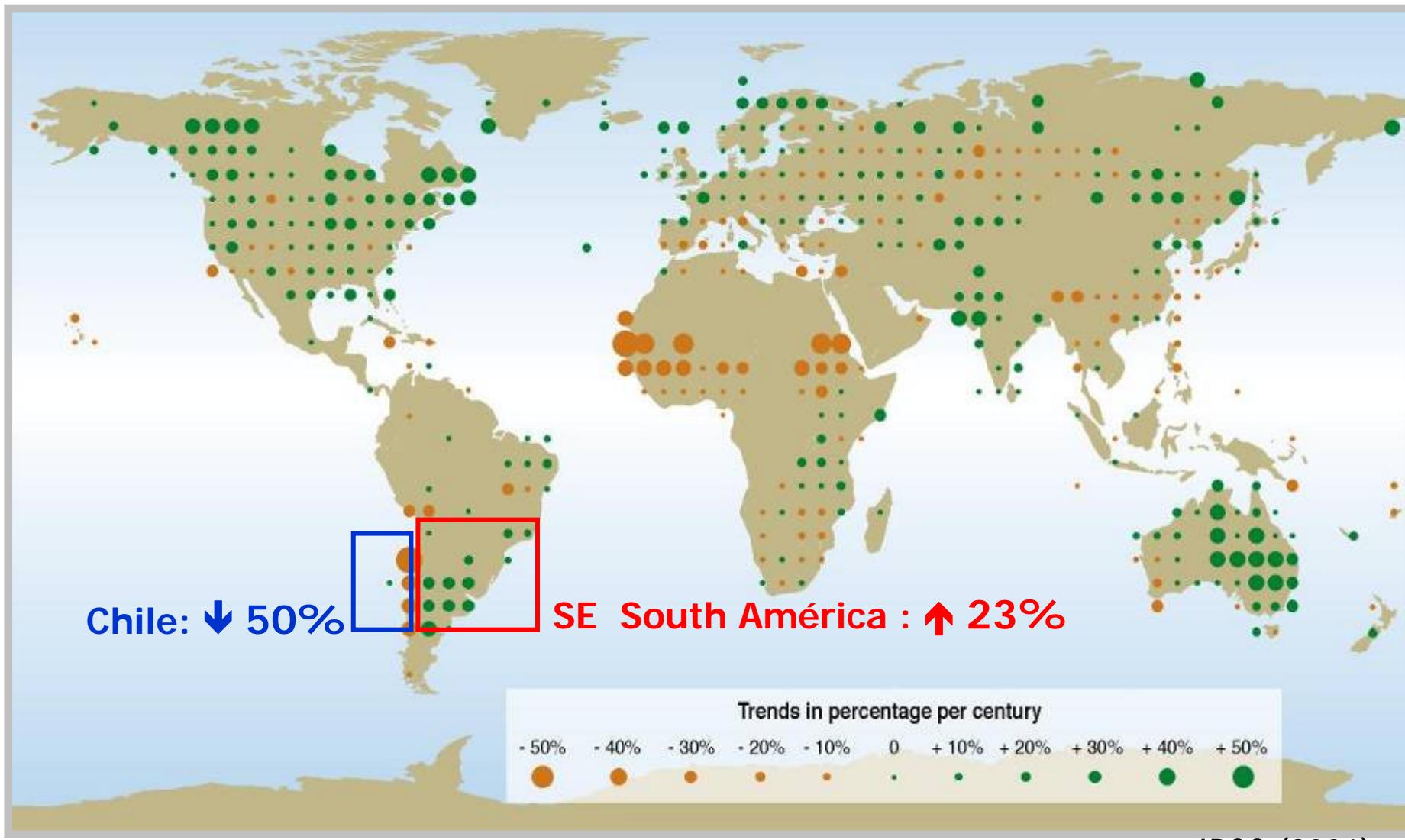
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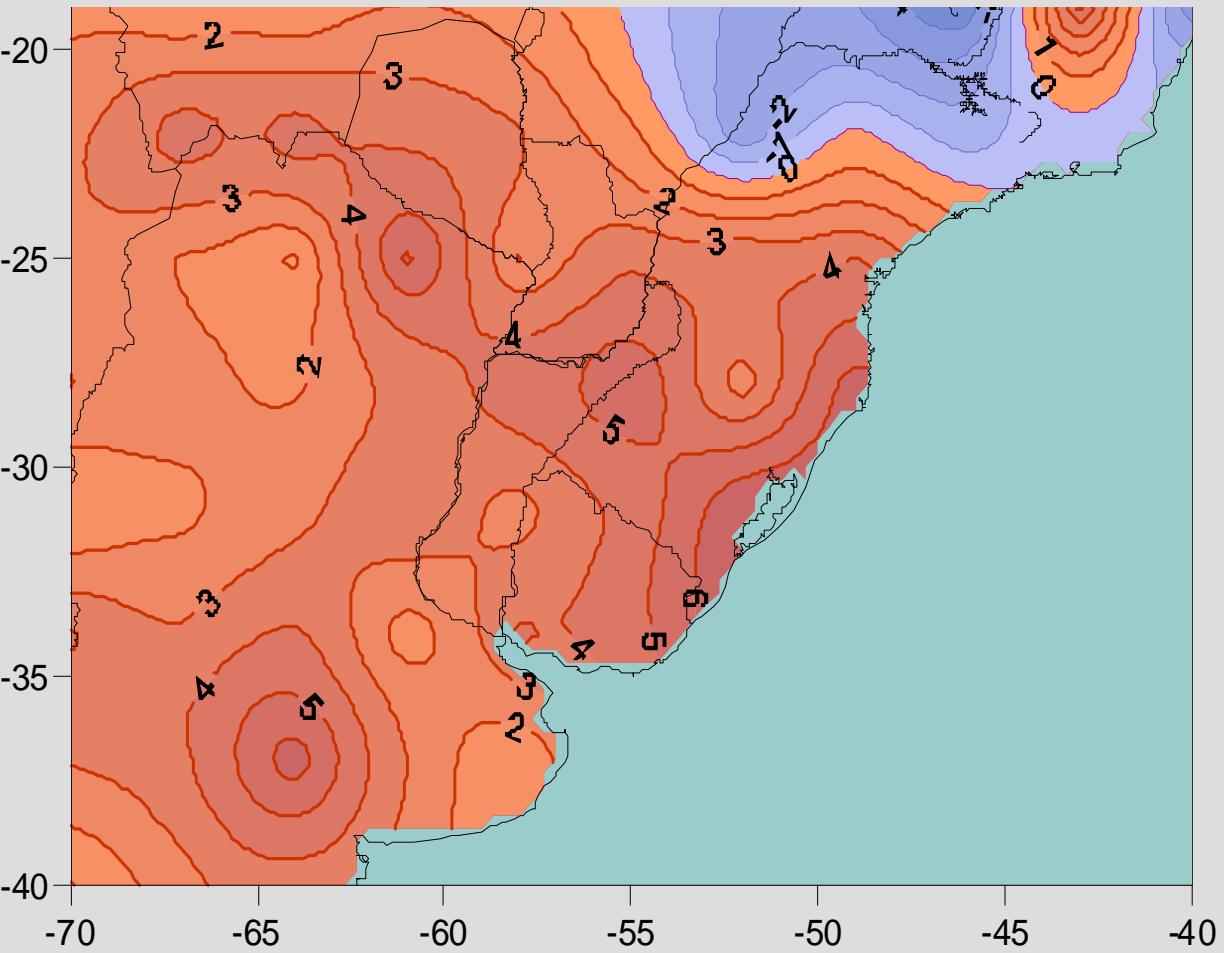
# **PRECIPITATION**

## **between 20° and 40° latitude**

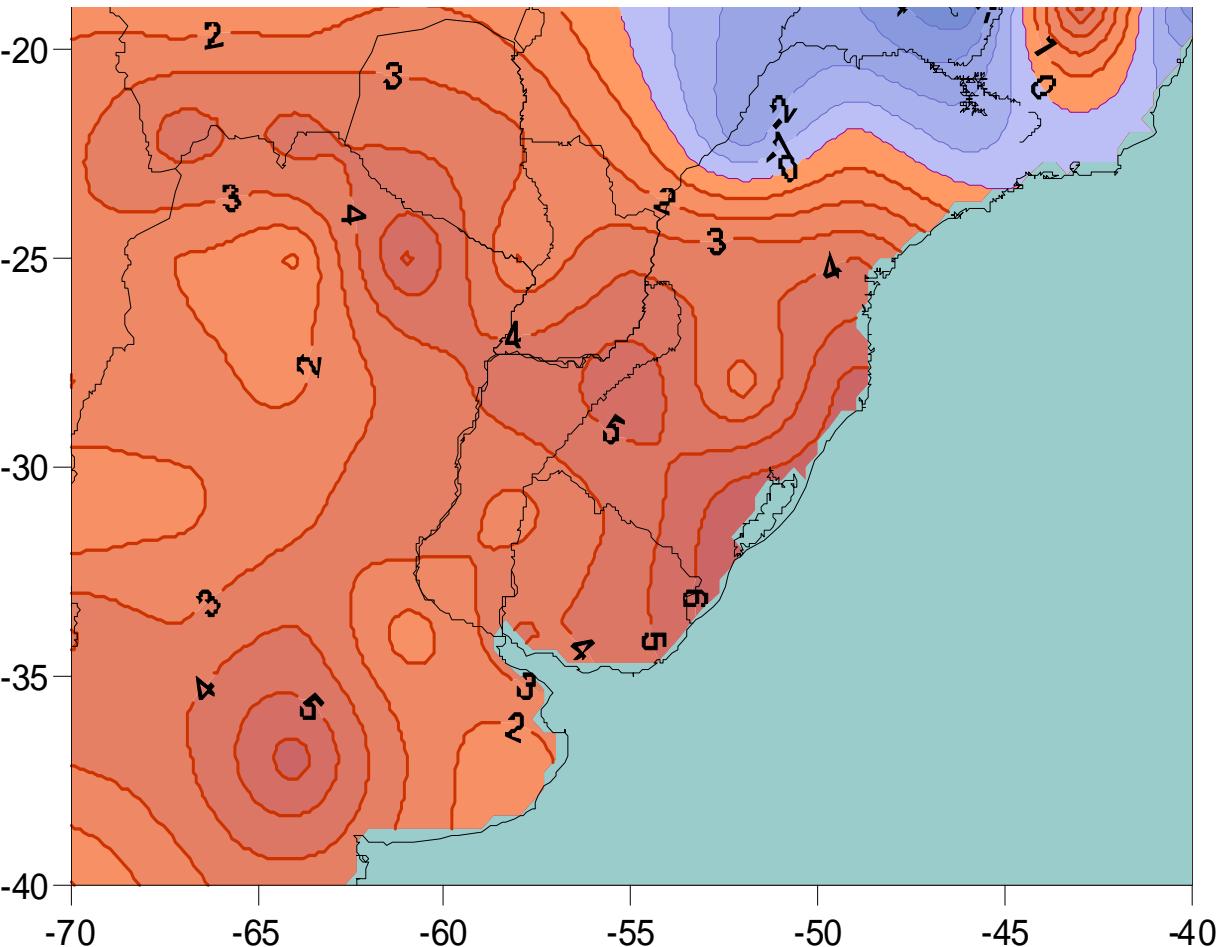
<b>REGION</b>	<b>TRENDS (%)</b>
<b>Chile</b>	<b>- 50</b>
<b>SE Sudamérica</b>	<b>+ 23</b>
<b>W Australia</b>	<b>- 23</b>
<b>E Australia</b>	<b>+ 20</b>
<b>W América Norte</b>	<b>- 10</b>
<b>E América Norte</b>	<b>+ 20</b>
<b>W Europa - África</b>	<b>- 17</b>
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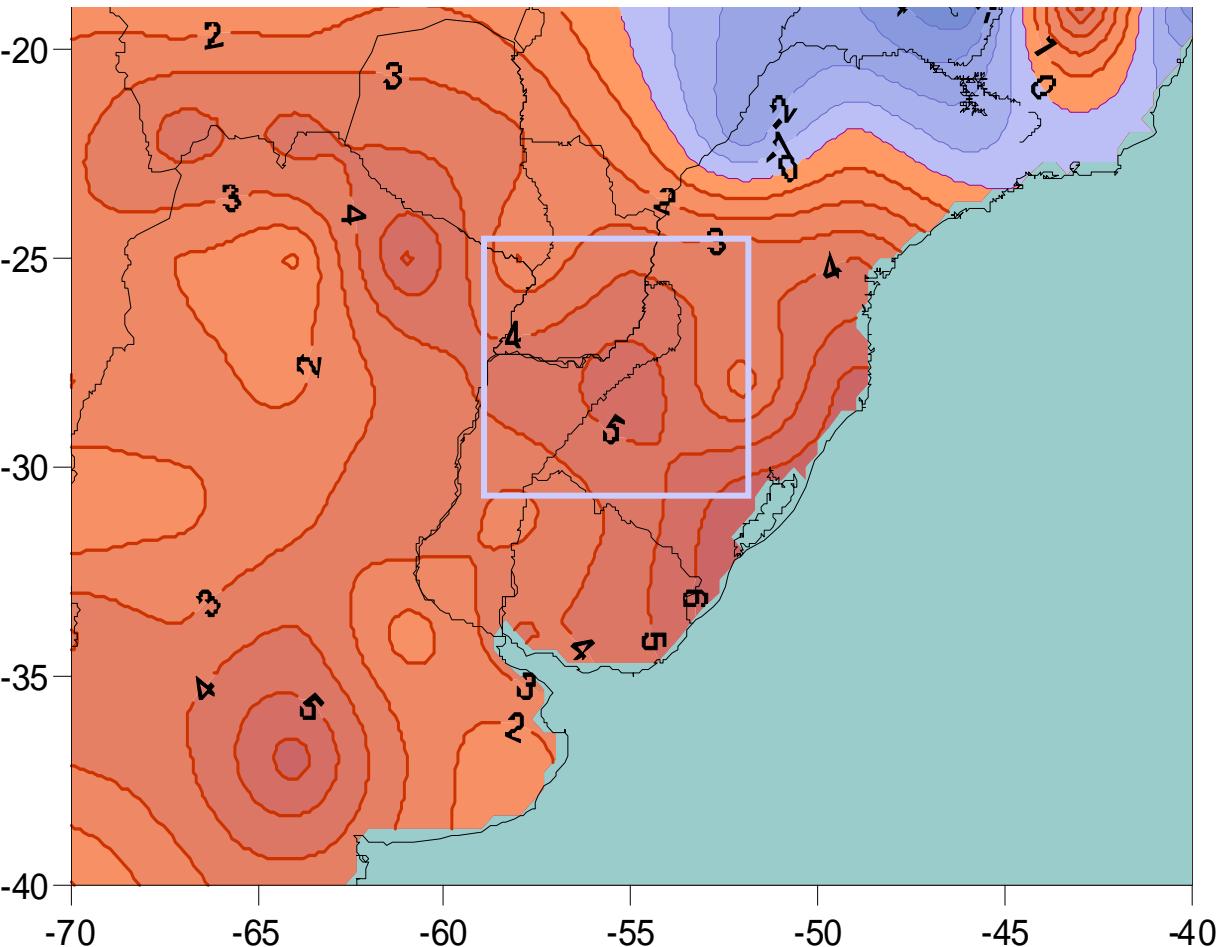


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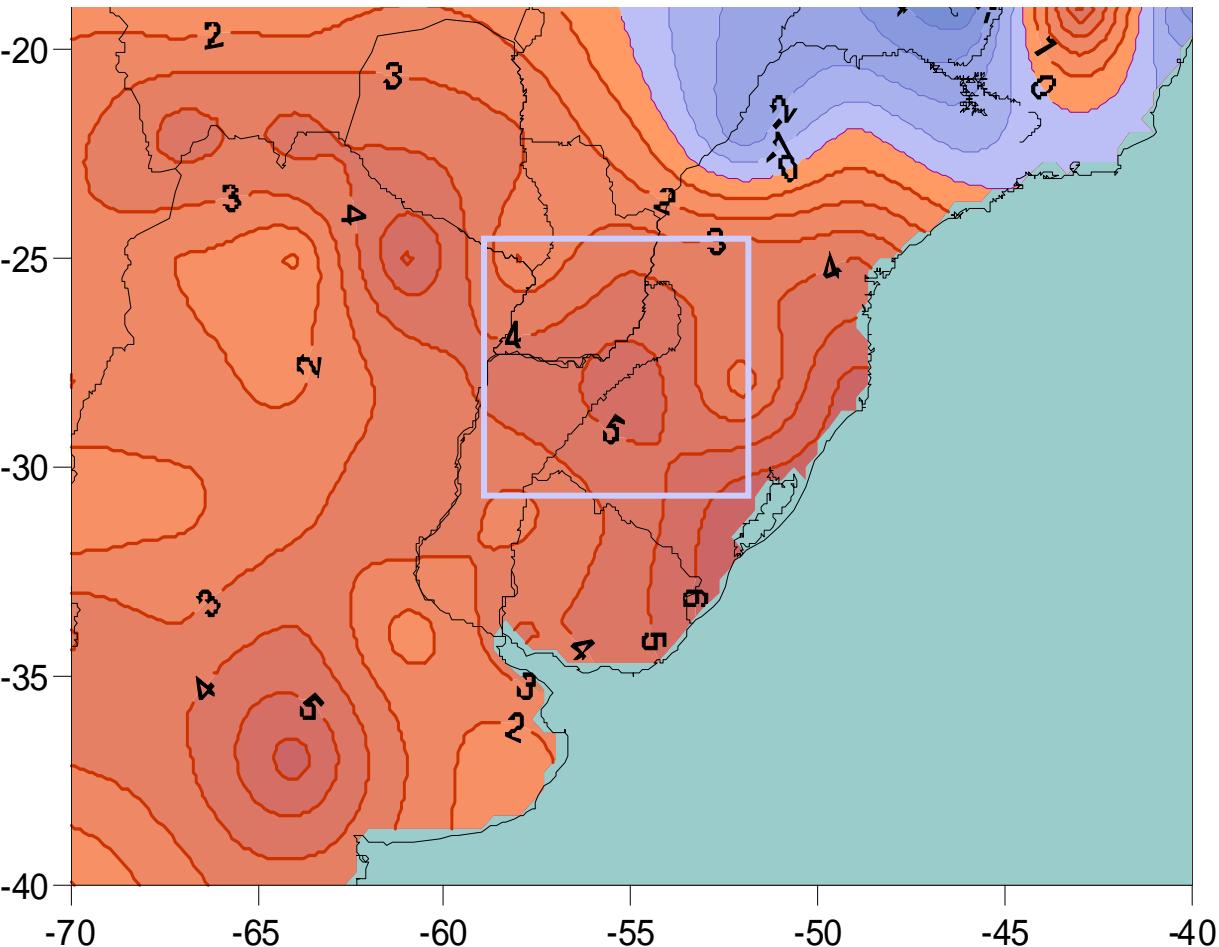
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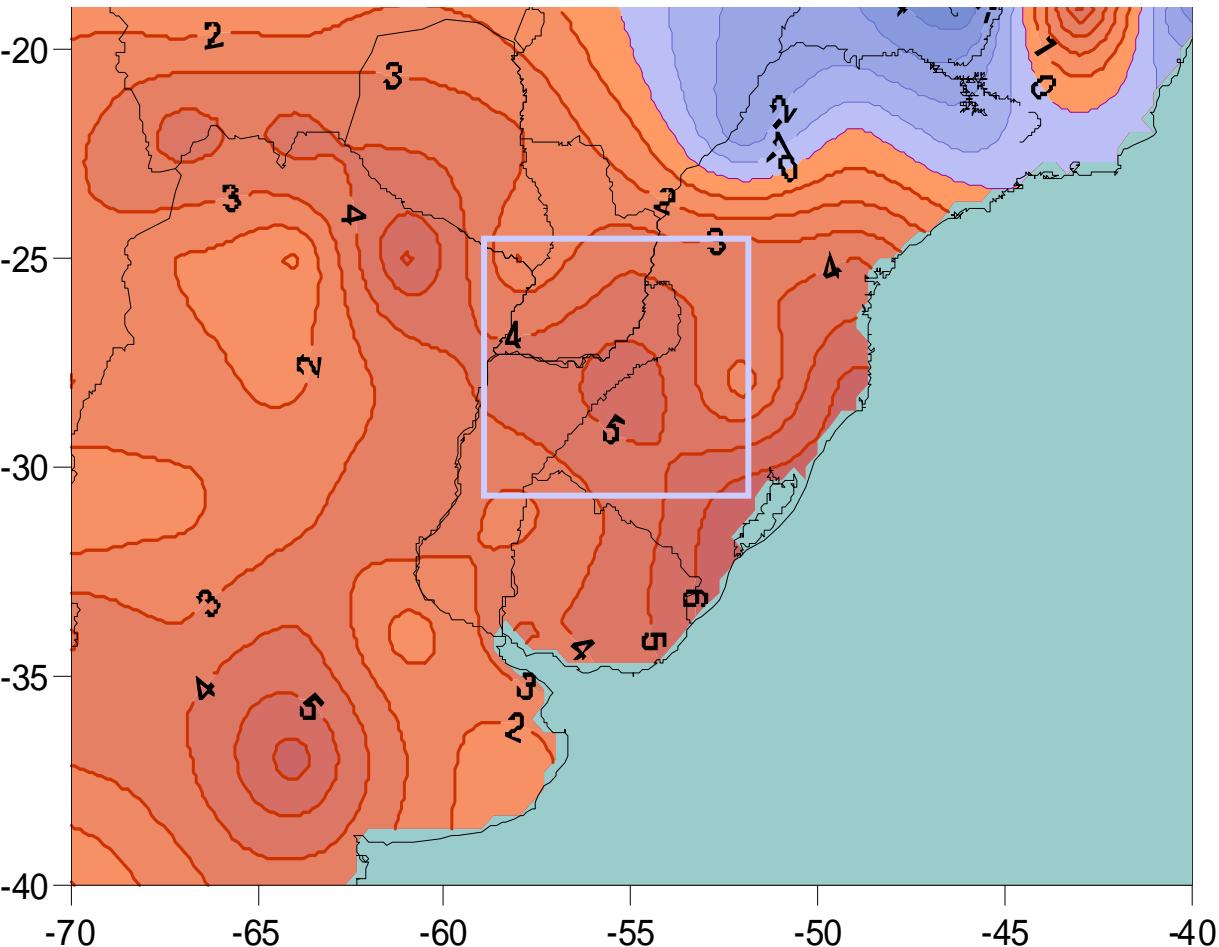
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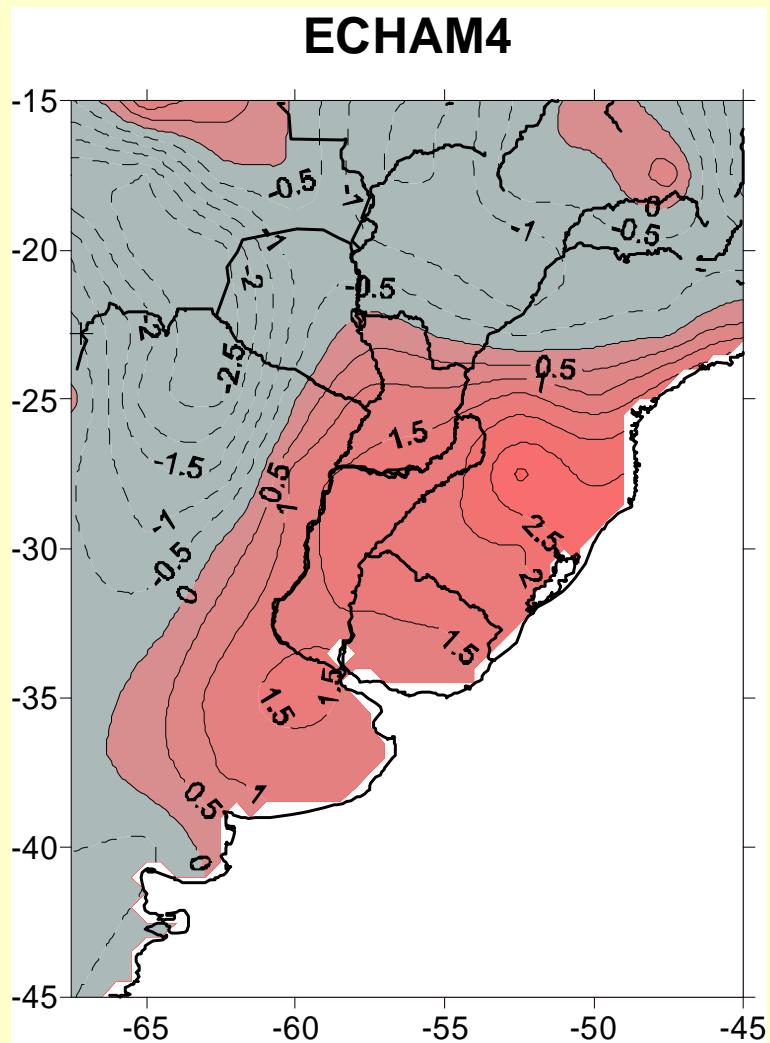
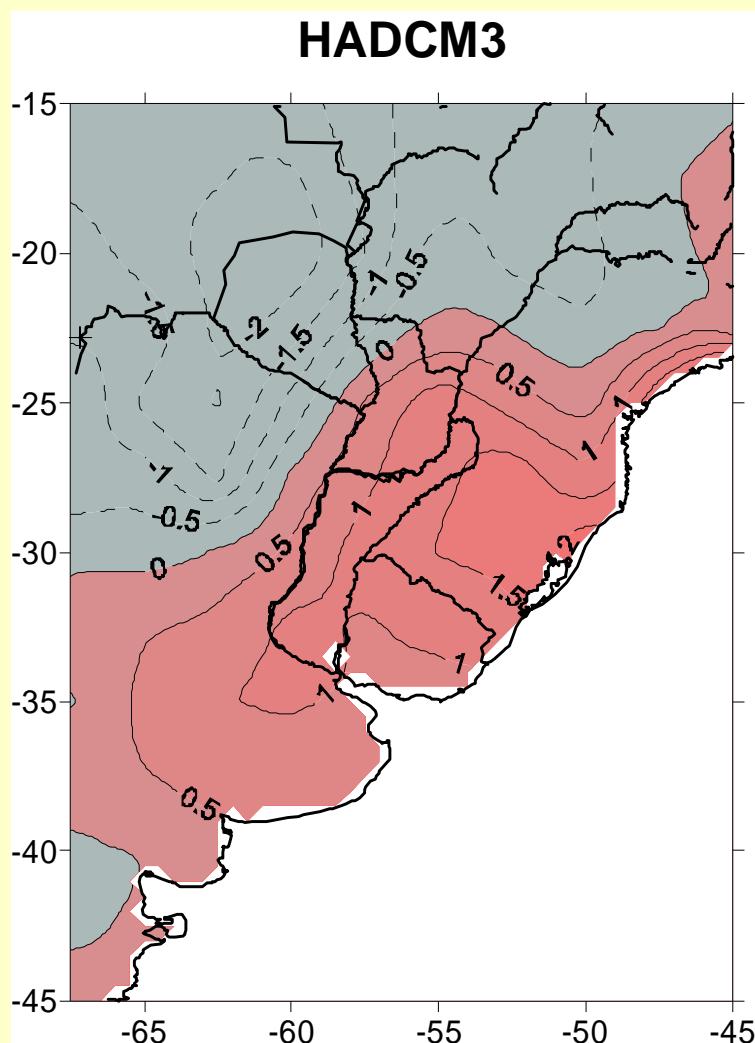
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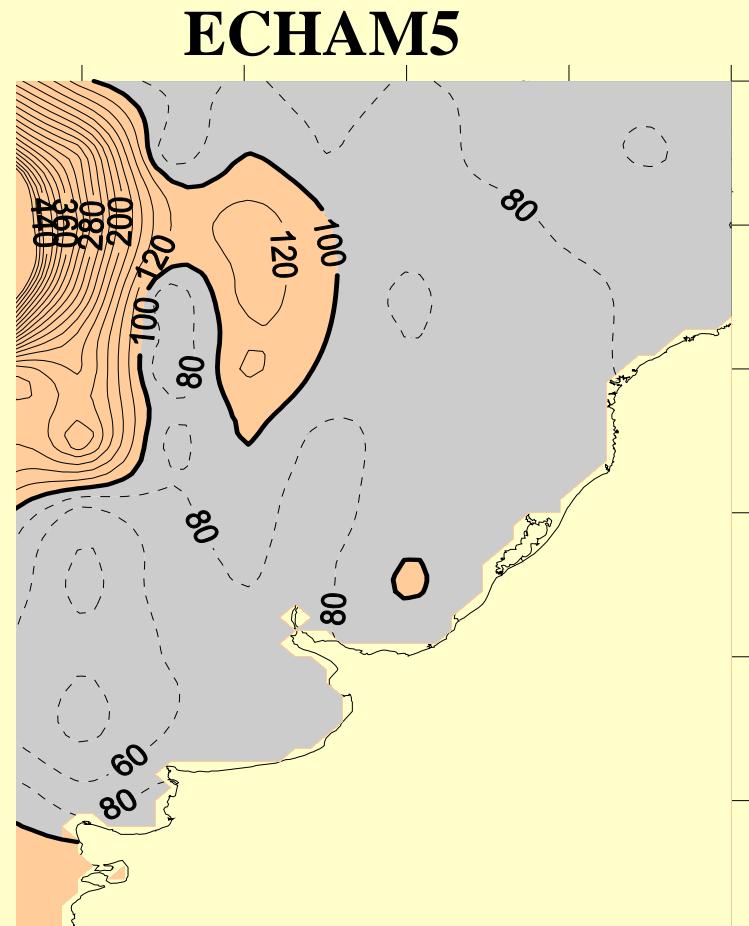
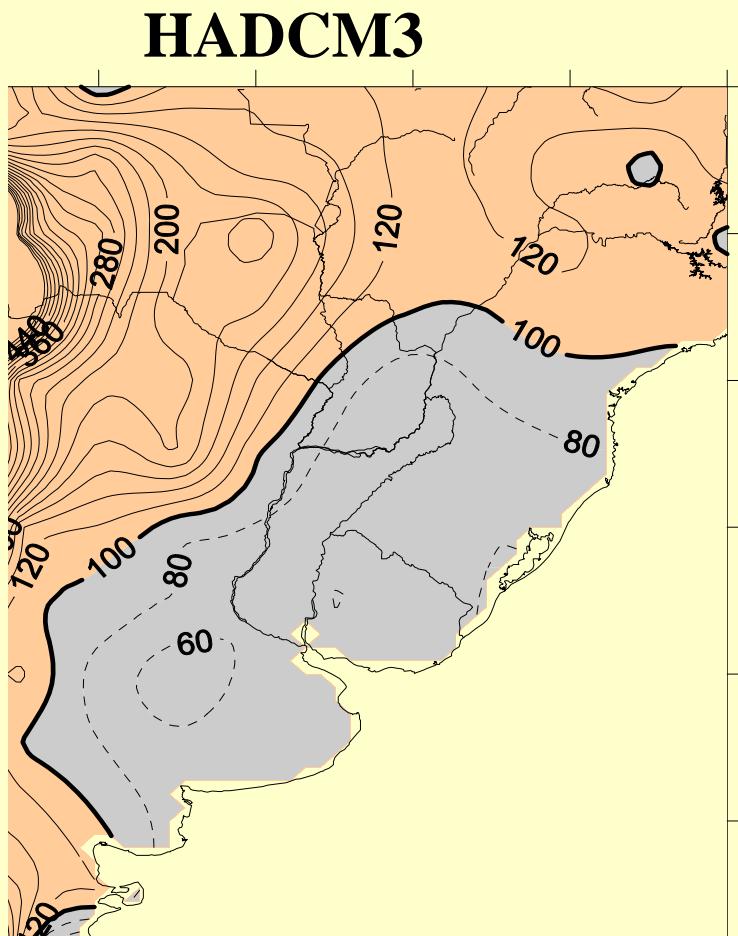
THE CAUSE ?

# Diferencia entre la precipitación anual observada y la de los MCGs (mm/día) 2001



I. Camilloni y Bidegain, 2005

# Diferencia entre la precipitación anual observada y la de los MCGs (%) 2006



# Precipitation trends in southeastern South America: relationship with ENSO phases and the low-level circulation, 2006:

Theoretical and Appl. Climatology In press.  
V. Barros, M. Doyle and I. Camilloni.

# Theorem

- When splitting a series in various sub series, the linear trends of these sub series, weighted by the number of their elements, add up to the same value as the linear trend of the entire series if each of the sub series has its elements ordered in time around the same mean value with the same variance as the complete series.
- A linear trend is a special case of a linear regression slope when the independent variable is time. Therefore, the more general case on regression slopes is formalized as follows:

- Being  $xi$  and  $yi$  two series with  $i = 1, \dots, N$ , the slope of the linear regression of  $yi = f(xi)$  is

$$a = \frac{\frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N x_i y_i - \bar{x} \bar{y}}{S_x^2} \quad (1)$$

- If the series  $x$  and  $y$  are split in  $M$  subsets,  $j = 1, \dots, M$ , according to index  $i$ , such that each has  $n_j$  disjoint (non common) elements, such that

$$\sum_{j=1}^M n_j = N \quad (2)$$

- that is to say, all the elements from  $i = 1, \dots, N$  are included in one and only one subset  $j$ , then for any variable  $\alpha$

$$\sum_{j=1}^M \sum_{i=1}^{n_j} \alpha_i = \sum_{i=1}^N \alpha_i \quad (3)$$

- Each  $j$  subset is not necessarily composed of subsequent  $i$  elements. Then, under the assumption that

$$\bar{x}_j = \bar{x} \quad (4) \quad \text{and} \quad S_{xj}^2 = S_x^2 \quad (5)$$

- for all  $j$ :

$$a = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{j=1}^M n_j a_j \quad (6)$$

- Proof:

$$\frac{1}{N} \sum_{j=1}^M n_j a_j = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{j=1}^M n_j \left[ \frac{\frac{1}{n_j} \sum_{i=1}^{n_j} x_i y_i - \bar{x}_j \bar{y}_J}{S_{xj}^2} \right] \quad (7)$$

- By (4) and (5), equation (7) becomes:

$$\frac{1}{N} \sum_{j=1}^M n_j a_j = \frac{1}{S_x^2 N} \left[ \sum_{j=1}^M \sum_{i=1}^{n_j} x_i y_i - \bar{x} \sum_{j=1}^M \bar{y}_j n_j \right] \quad (8)$$

- But

$$\sum_{j=1}^M \bar{y}_j n_j = N \bar{y}$$

- So

$$\frac{1}{N} \sum_{j=1}^M n_j a_j = \frac{1}{S_x^2} \left[ \frac{1}{N} \left[ \sum_{j=1}^M \sum_{i=1}^{n_j} x_i y_i \right] - \bar{x} \bar{y} \right]$$

- Applying (3), the above equation becomes

$$\frac{1}{N} \sum_{j=1}^M n_j a_j = \frac{\left[ \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N x_i y_i - \bar{x} \bar{y} \right]}{S_x^2} \quad (9)$$

- Thus, according to (1)

$$\frac{1}{N} \sum_{j=1}^M n_j a_j = a$$

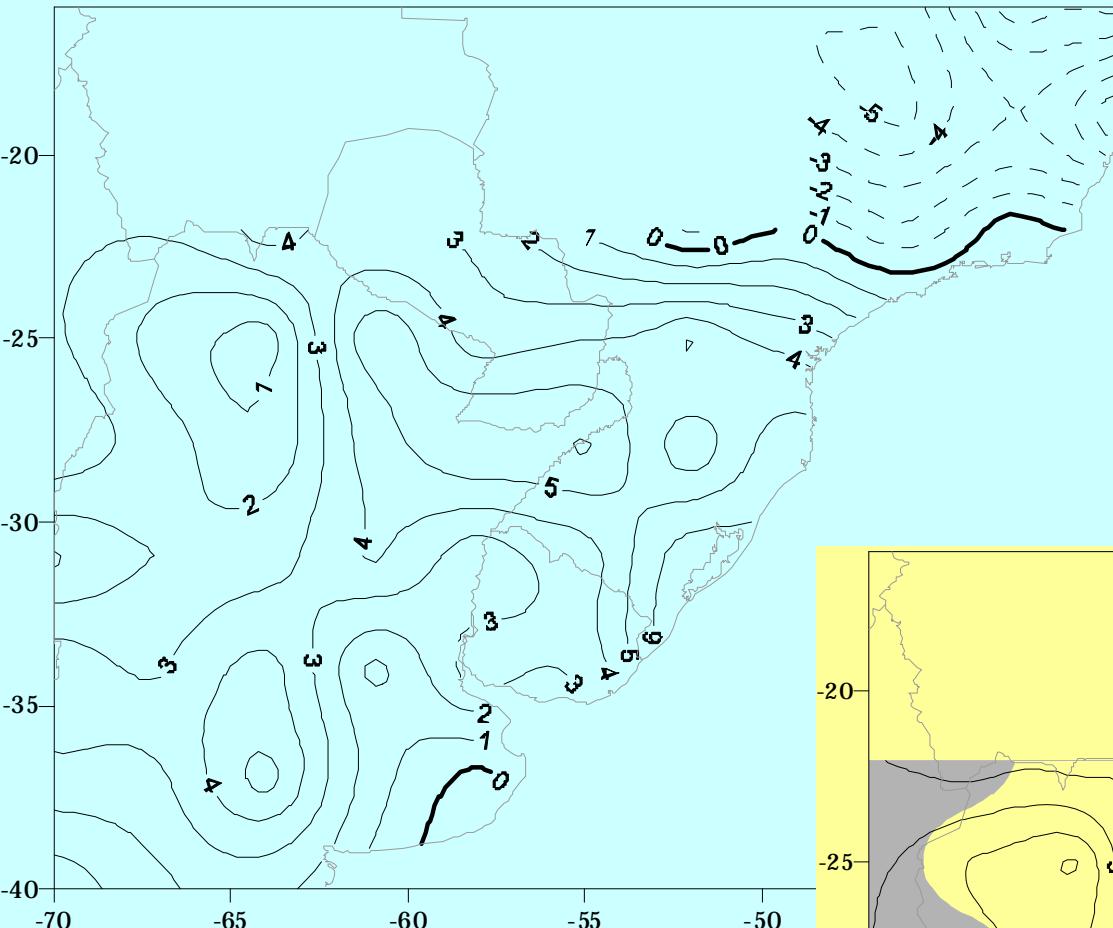
**In the particular case of annual or seasonal precipitation series, its linear trend is the slope of the linear regression of these variables as a function of the year**

# : Mean and Standard Deviation of El Niño, La Niña and Neutral events 1960 – 1999

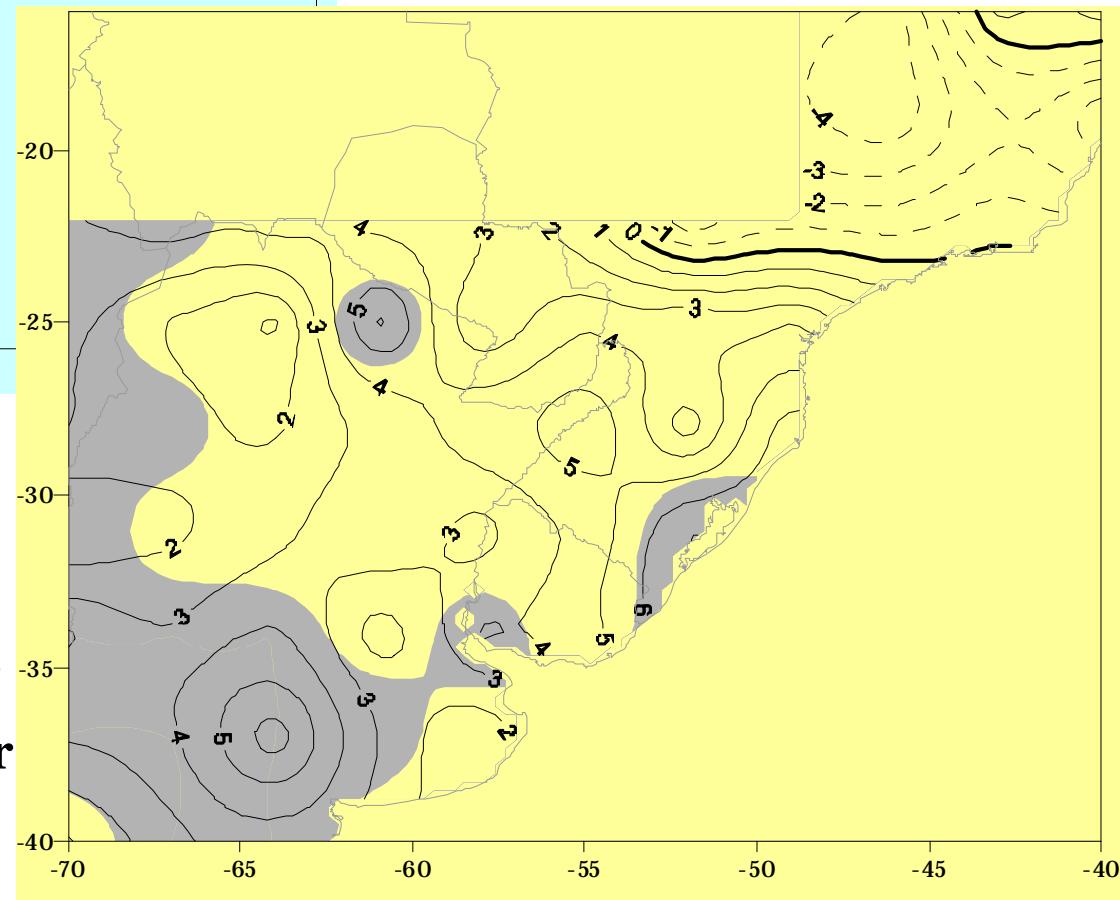
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	Mean	Stand Dev	Mean	Stand Dev	Mean	Stand Dev
January	1980	10.9	1980.2	11.4	1978.6	13.1
February	1981.1	11.4	1983.1	10.7	1976.7	12.2
March	1982.6	10.9	1983.1	10.7	1975.8	12.1
April	1984.2	10.8	1981.3	10.1	1976.2	12.1
May	1981.5	11.7	1980.6	11.5	1978	12.1
June	1981.1	12.5	1979.8	11.1	1978.2	12
July	1981.9	11.7	1979.8	13.4	1977.7	11.3
August	1980.9	11.5	1979.8	13.4	1978.4	11.7
September	1980	11.5	1981	12.4	1977.9	12
October	1979	10.9	1981	12.4	1978.9	12.6
November	1979	10.9	1981	12.4	1978.9	12.6
December	1979	10.9	1981	12.4	1978.9	12.6
Weighted Mean	1980.8	11.3	1980.9	11.9	1977.8	12.2

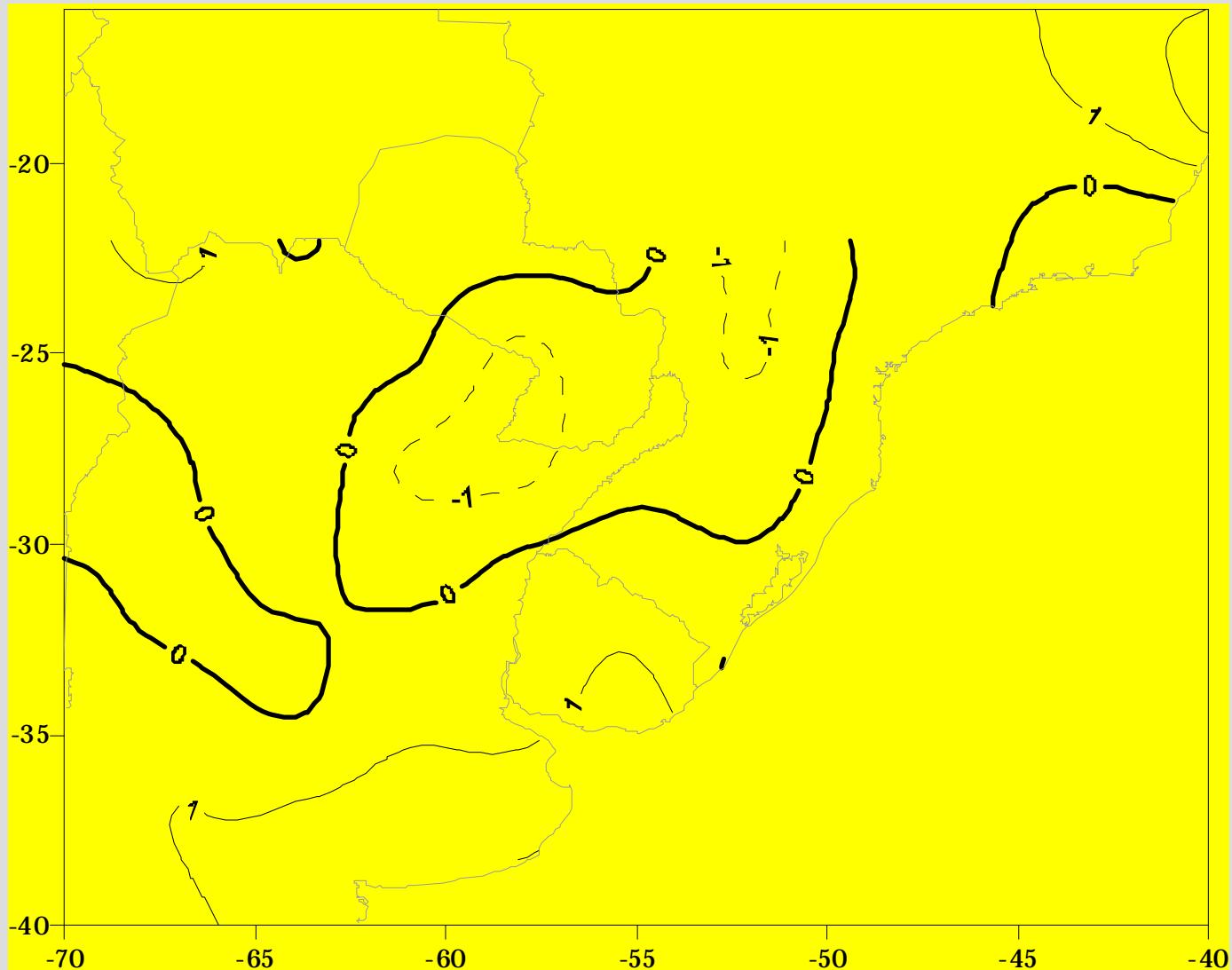
SOME DOUBT ?

**TRENDS CALCULATED  
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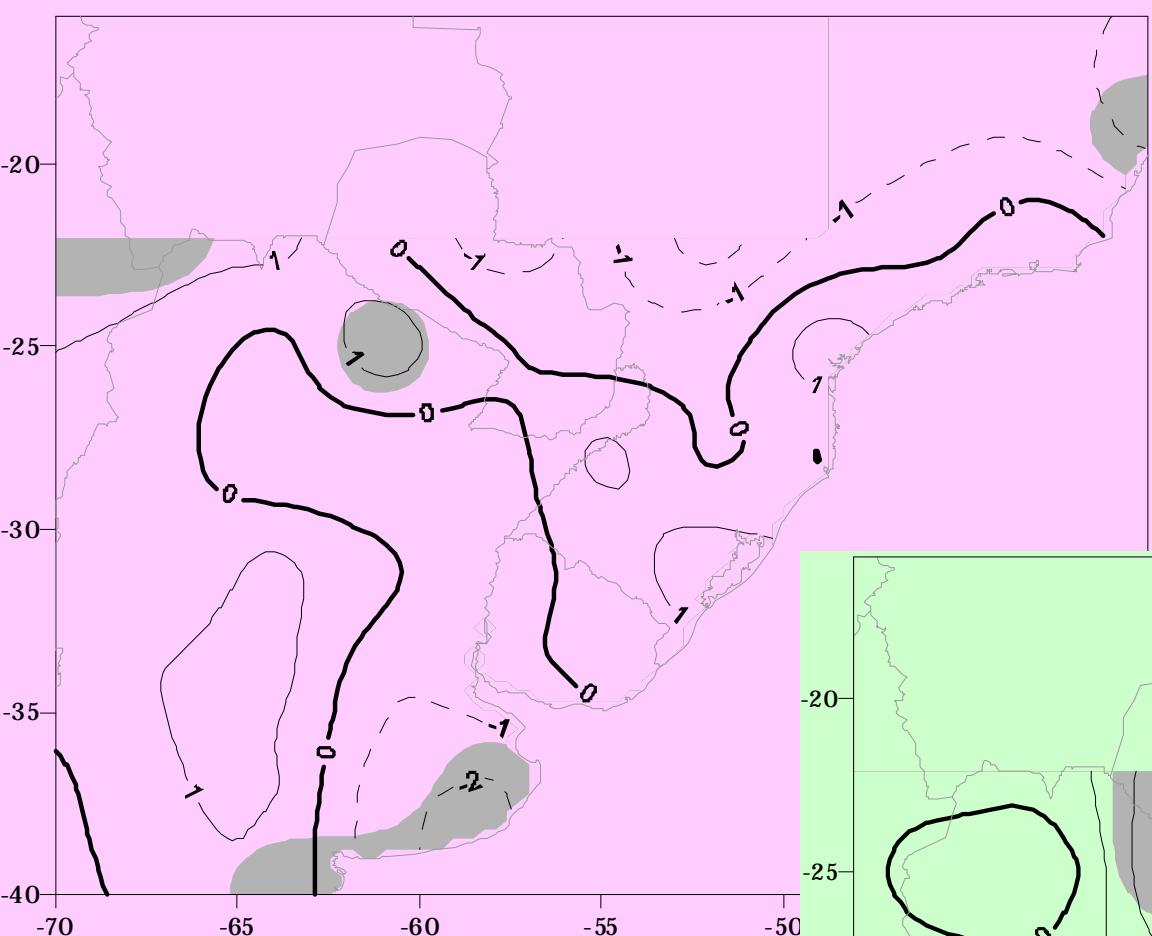


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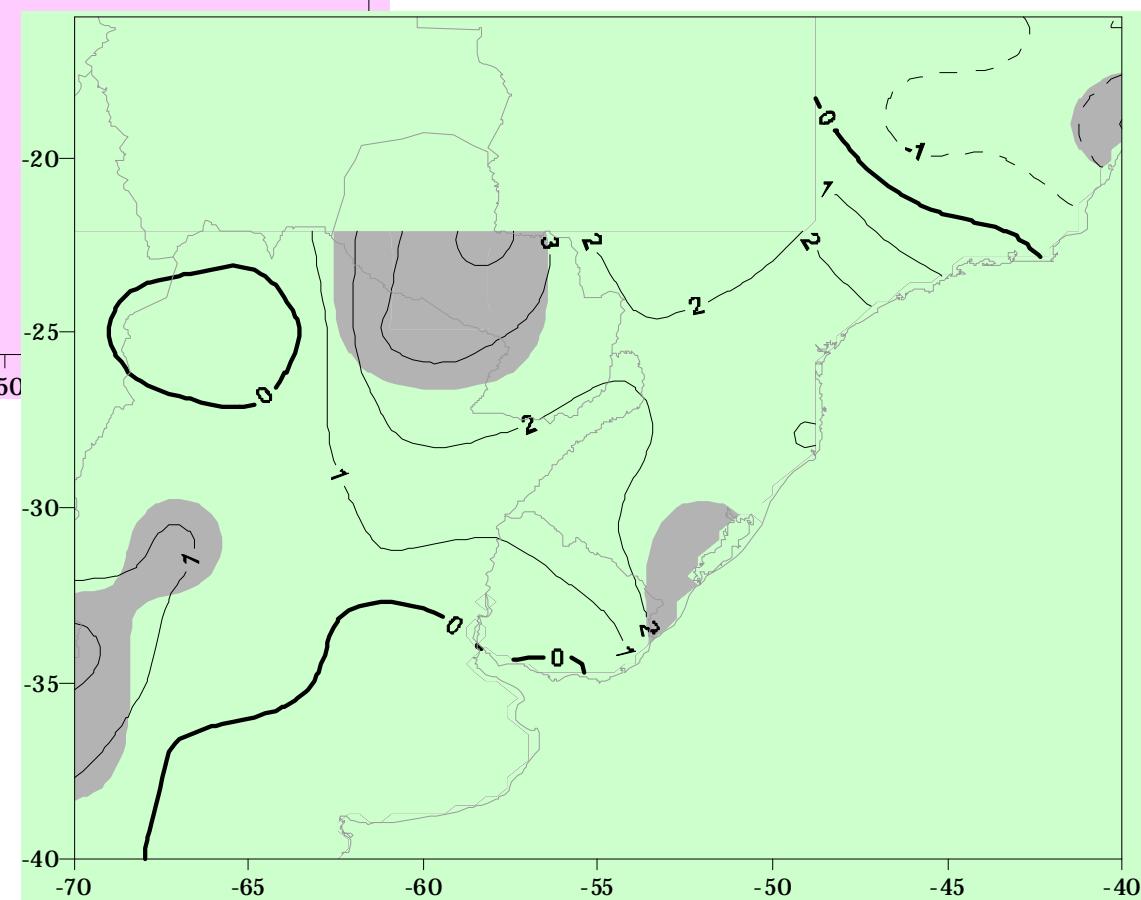
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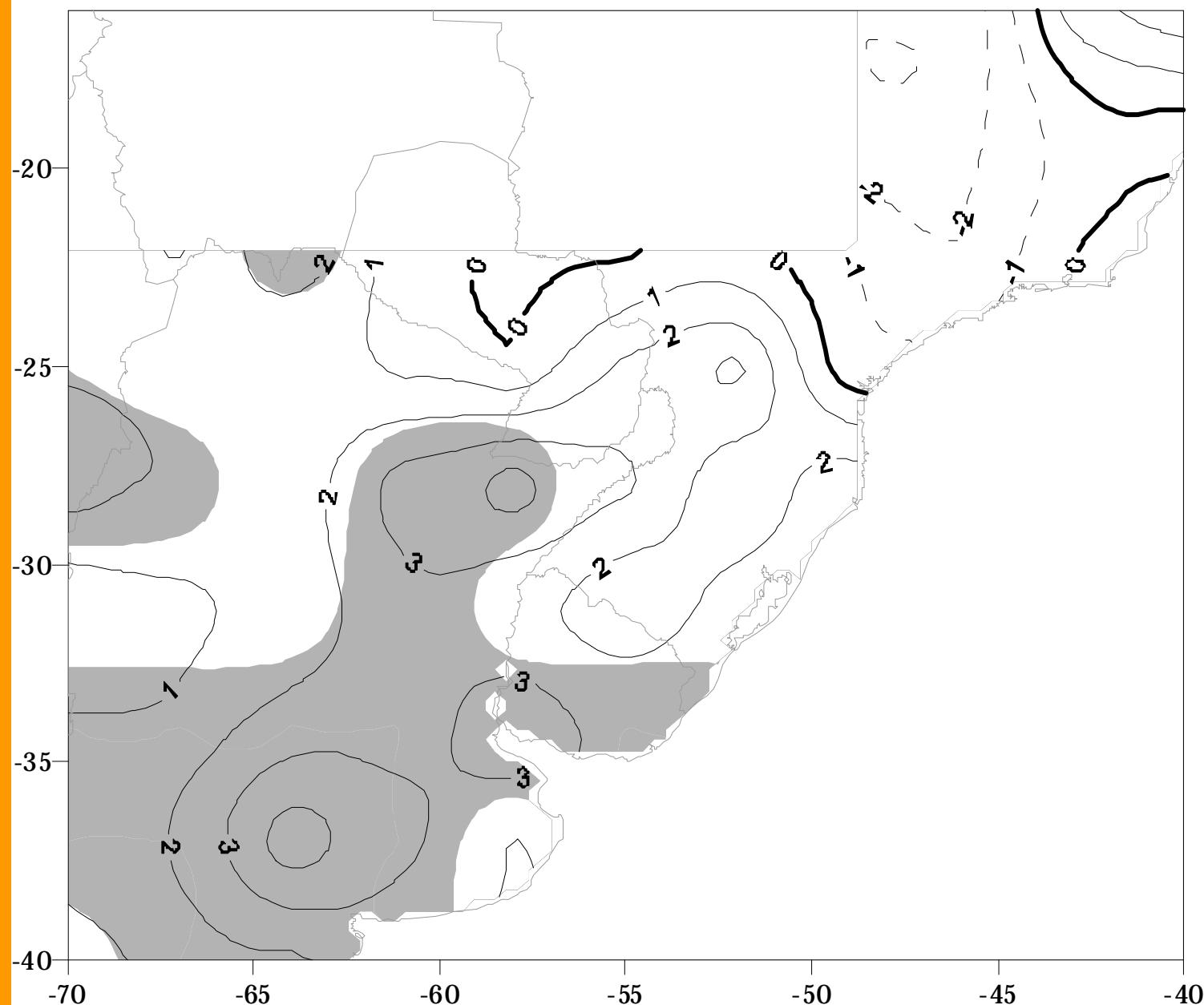
AND WHERE?

Niña mm/year



Niño mm/year





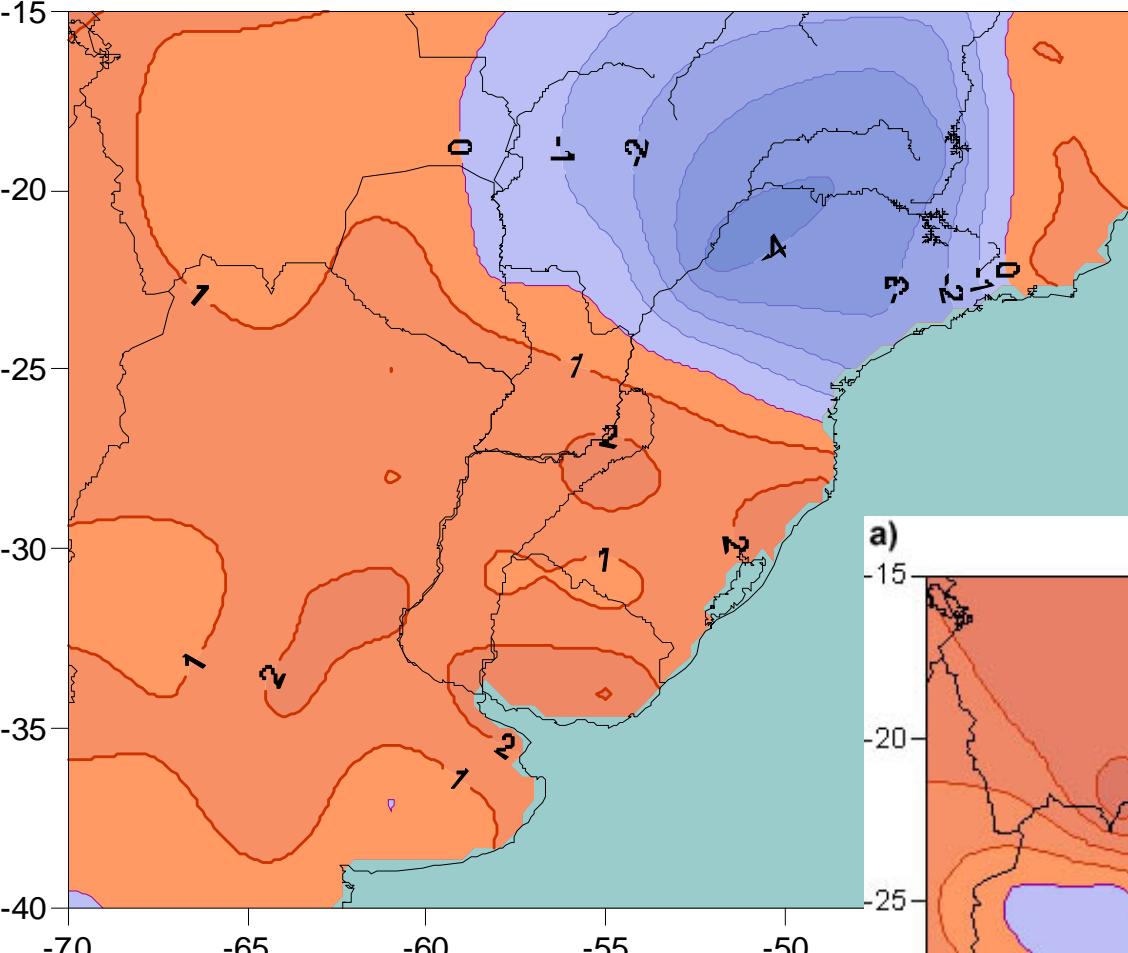
**NEUTRAL**

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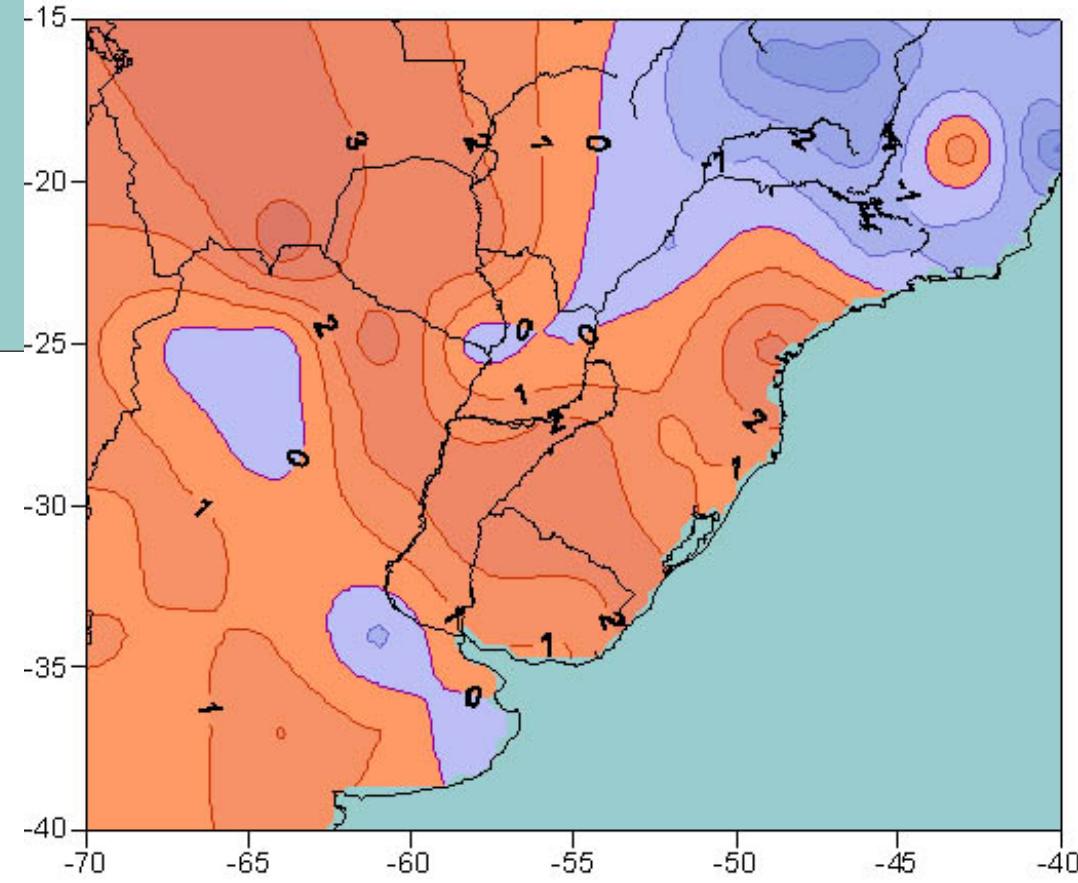
**THE TRENDS IN A BAND THAT RUNS  
FROM THE CHACO REGION  
THROUGH NORTHEASTERN  
ARGENTINA TO SOUTHERN BRAZIL  
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# NEUTRAL TREND: WHAT WAS THE CAUSE?

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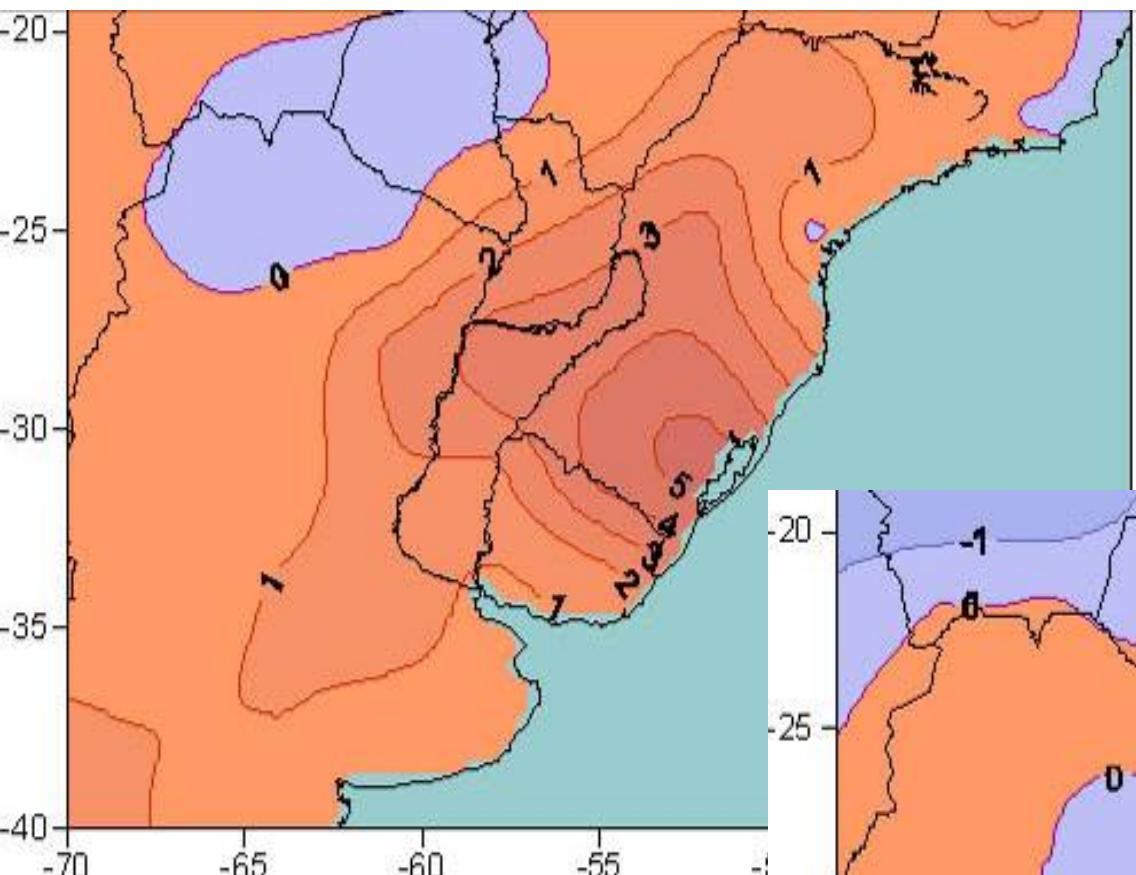


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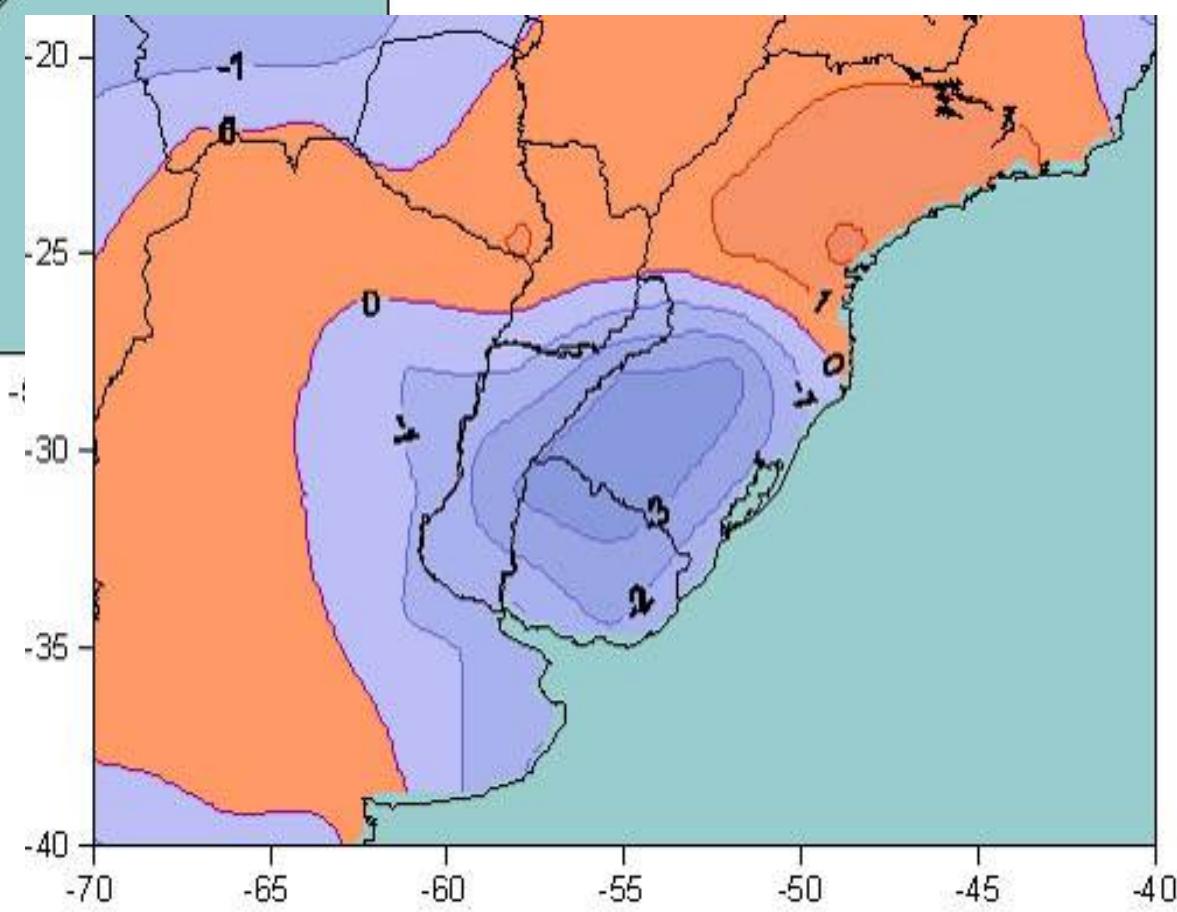


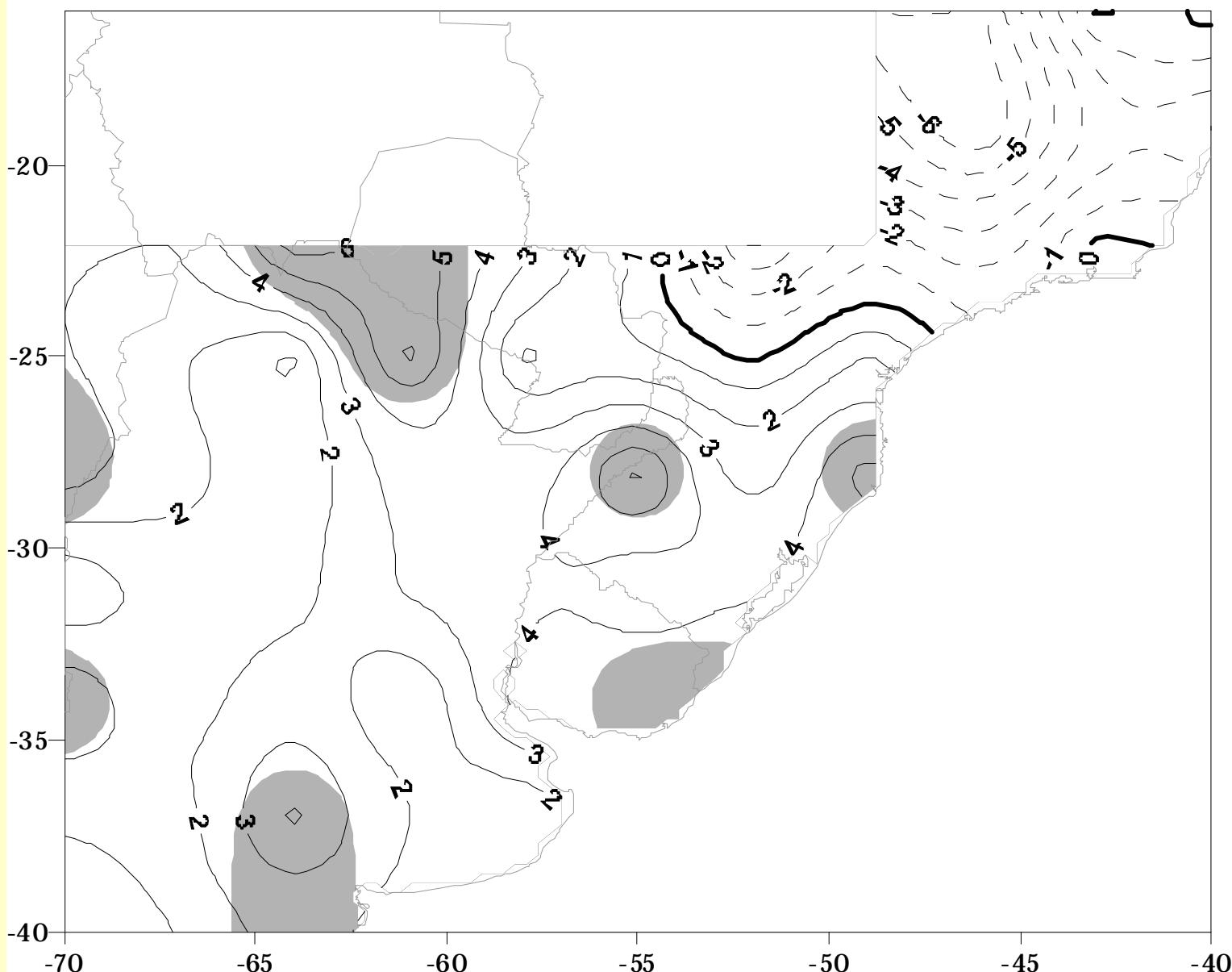
**Summer mm/year**

**Autumn mm/year**

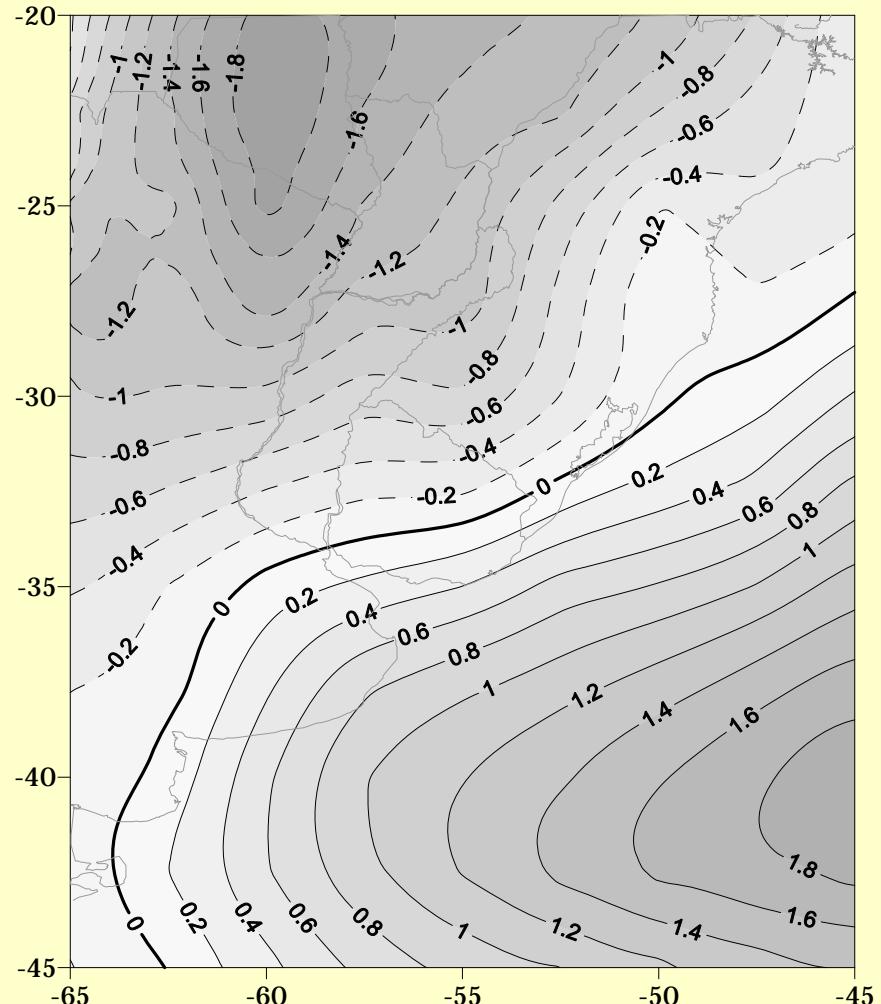
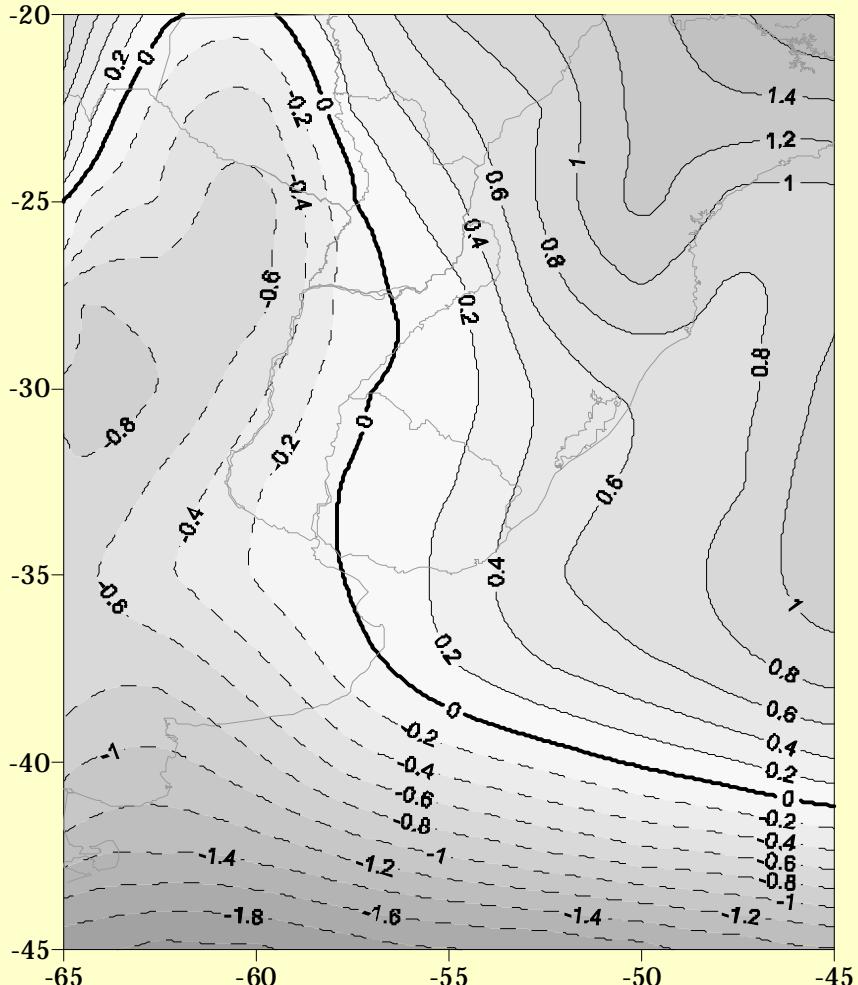


**Winter mm/year**

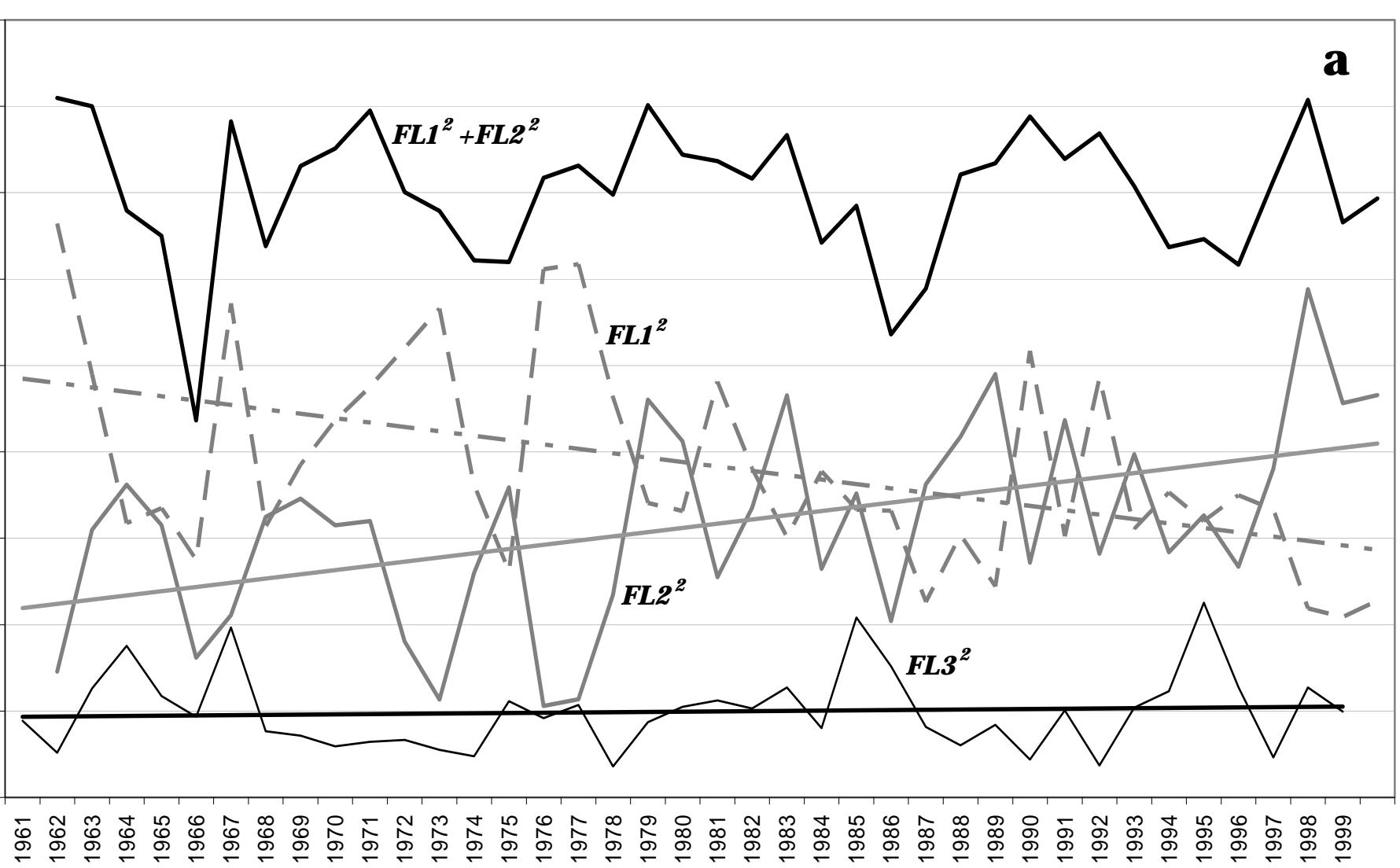




**Seasonal rainfall linear trends: October – March in  
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significant at the 95% level.**



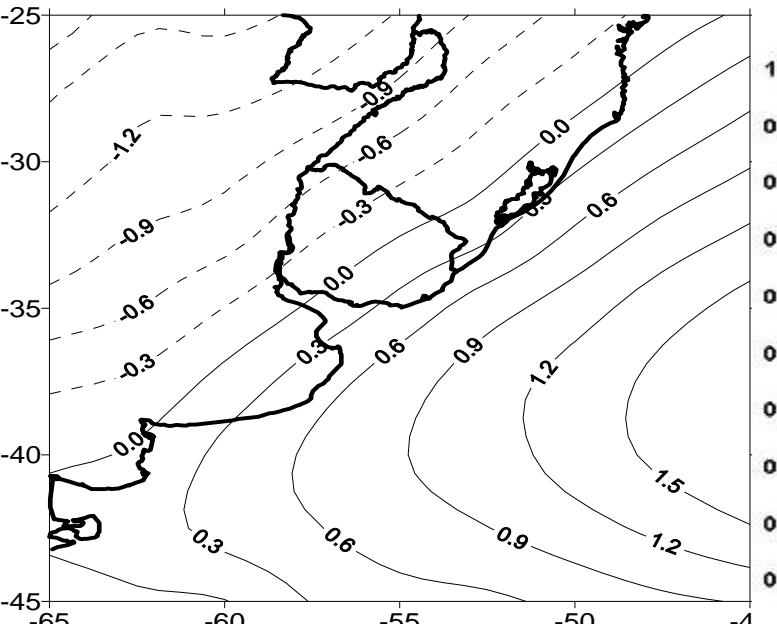
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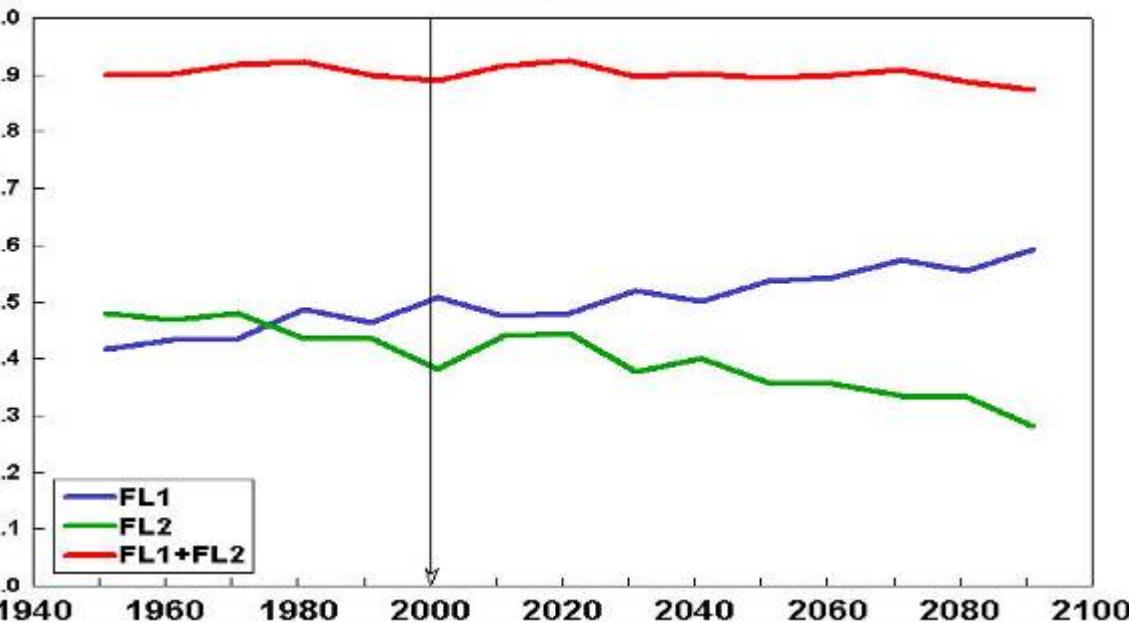
**Mean squared leading SLP factor loadings: a) warm  
semester**

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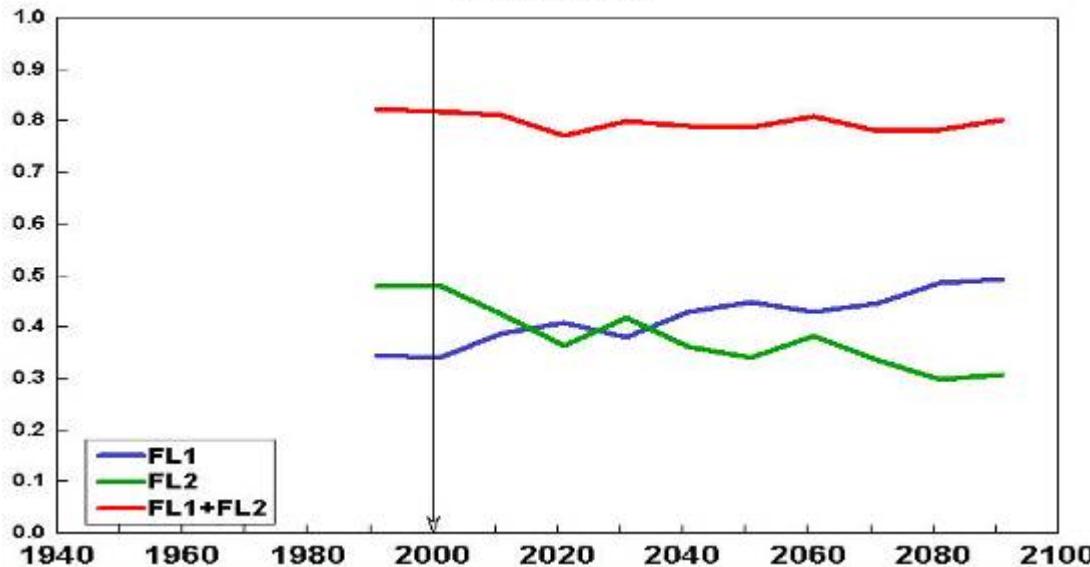
PC1 - HADCM3 - 49.8%



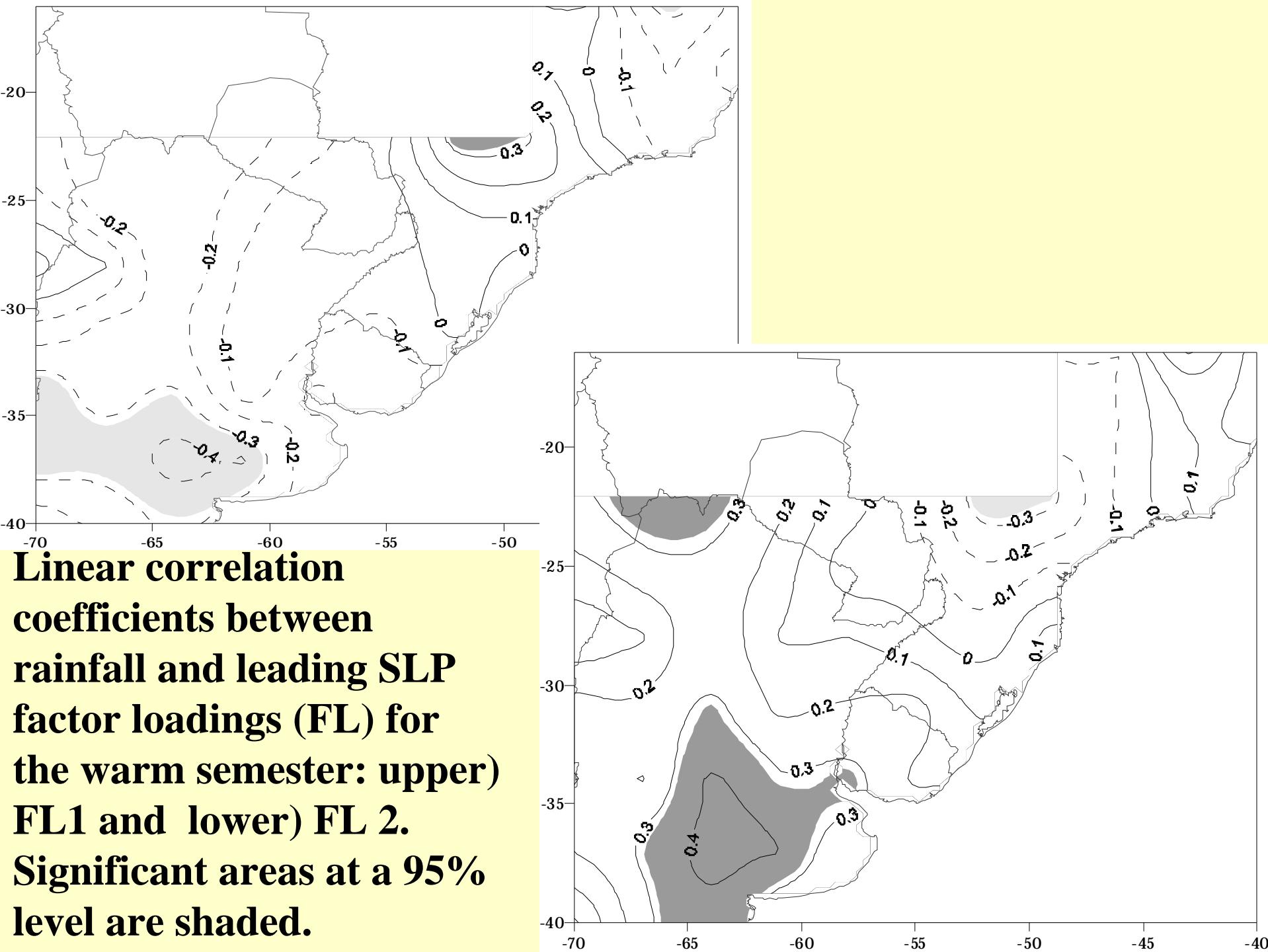
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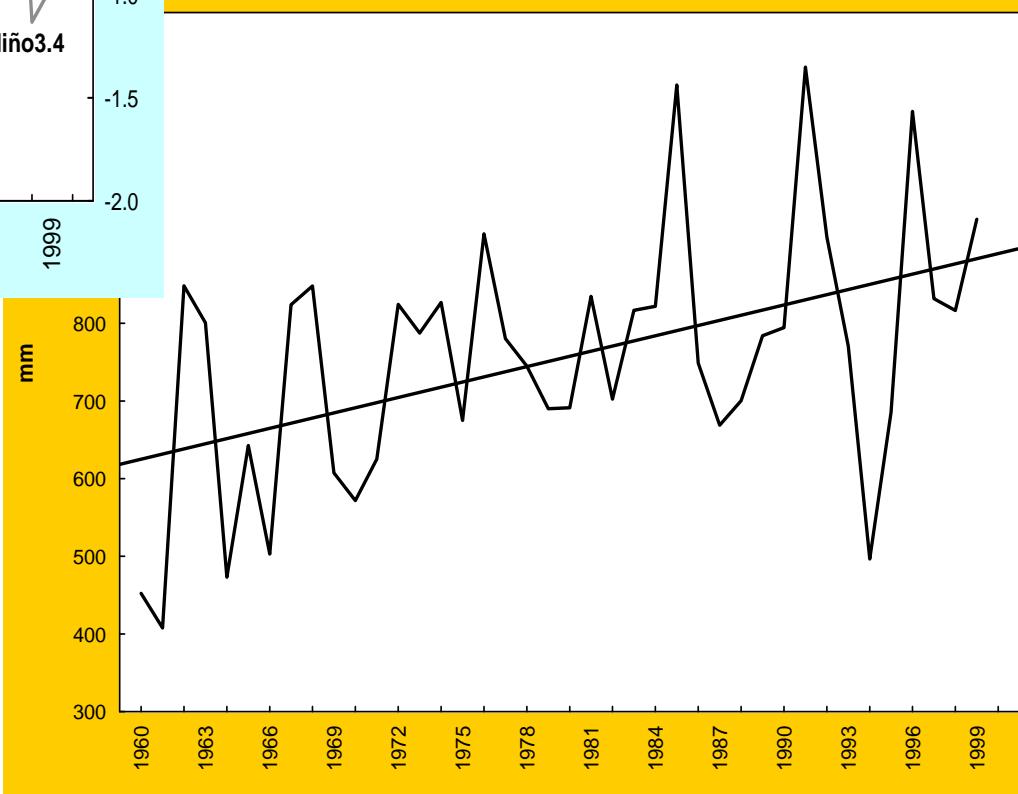
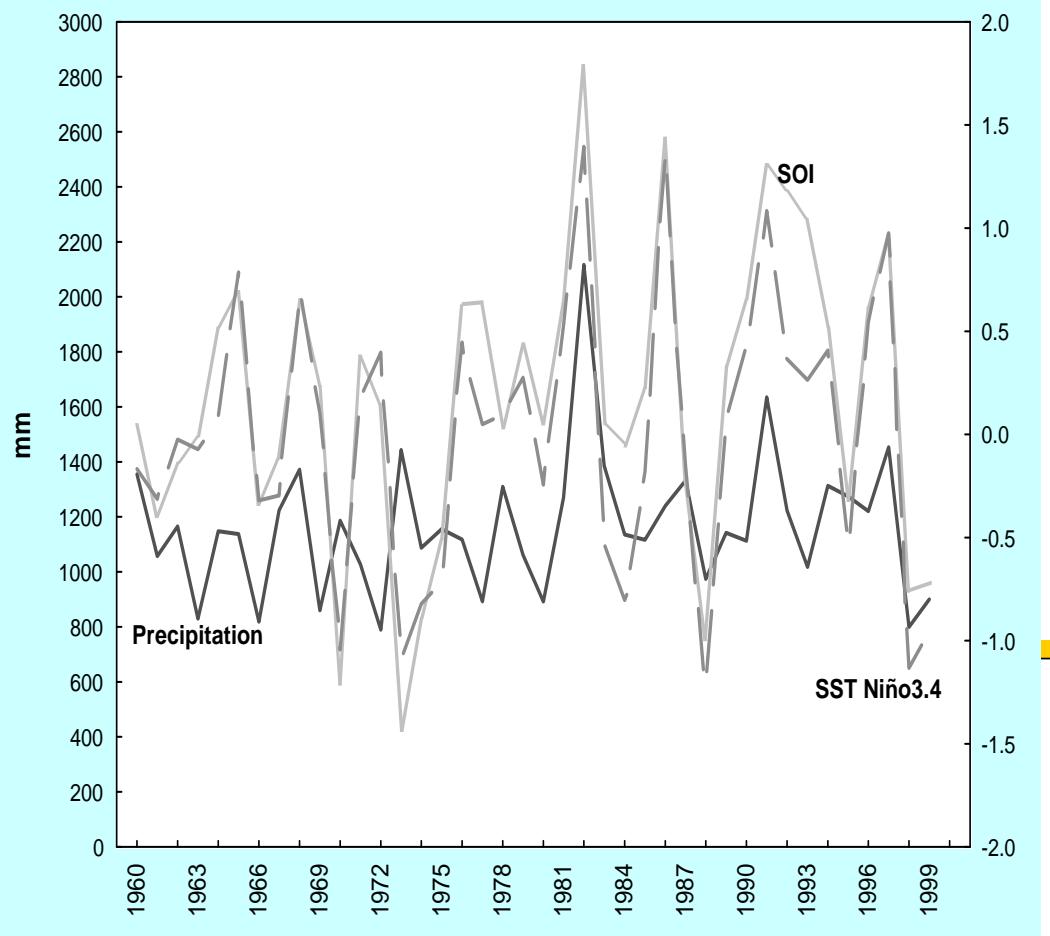
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**Annual rainfall time series for  $3^{\circ}$  latitude by  $3^{\circ}$  longitude areas.  
Central grid points centered at: up)  $25^{\circ}\text{S}$ ,  
 $58^{\circ}\text{W}$  and low)  $37^{\circ}\text{S}$ ,  
 $64^{\circ}\text{W}$ .**



# **CONCLUSION**

- THERE IS HIGH PROBABILITY THAT TRENDS IN THE WEST AND SOUTH OF SUBTROPICAL ARGENTINA WERE RELATED TO GLOBAL WARMING
- IN THE NORTHEAST OF ARGENTINA, TRENDS WERE RELATED TO EL NIÑO ACTIVITY