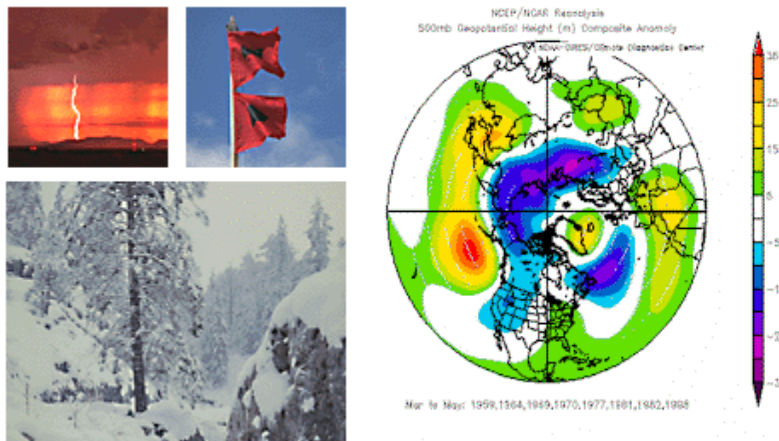


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## FEATURED CLIMATE HIGHLIGHT

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Figure 1 below shows the standardized precipitation anomalies for May 2013 based on March precipitation over the past 100 years. Here we see below average precipitation amounts for the south with above average precipitation in the north central sector of the United States.

Composite Standardized Precipitation Anomalies  
May 1899,1922,1940,1947,1948,1954,1960,1962,1965,1969  
Versus 1950–1995 Longterm Average

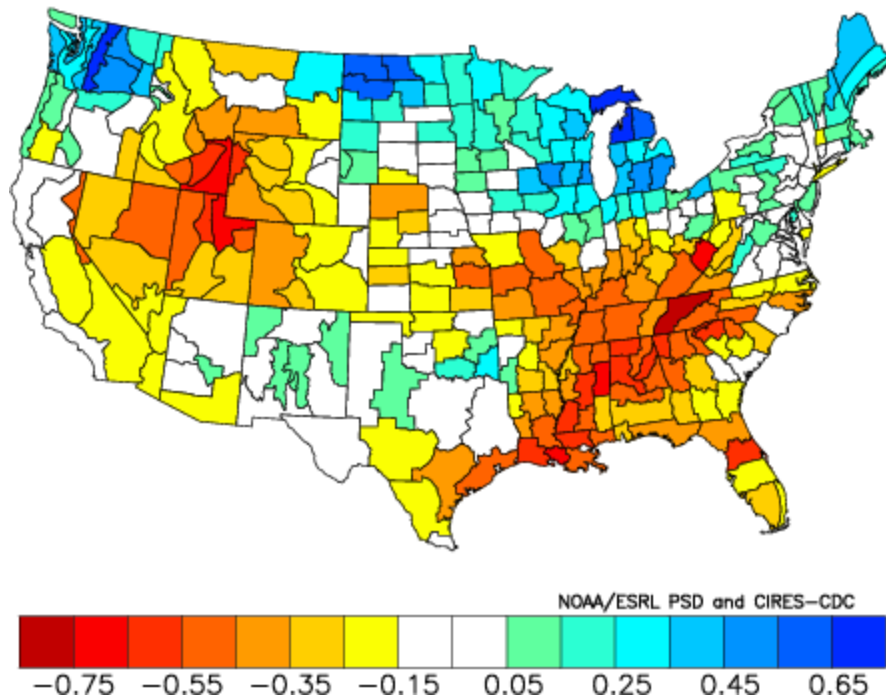
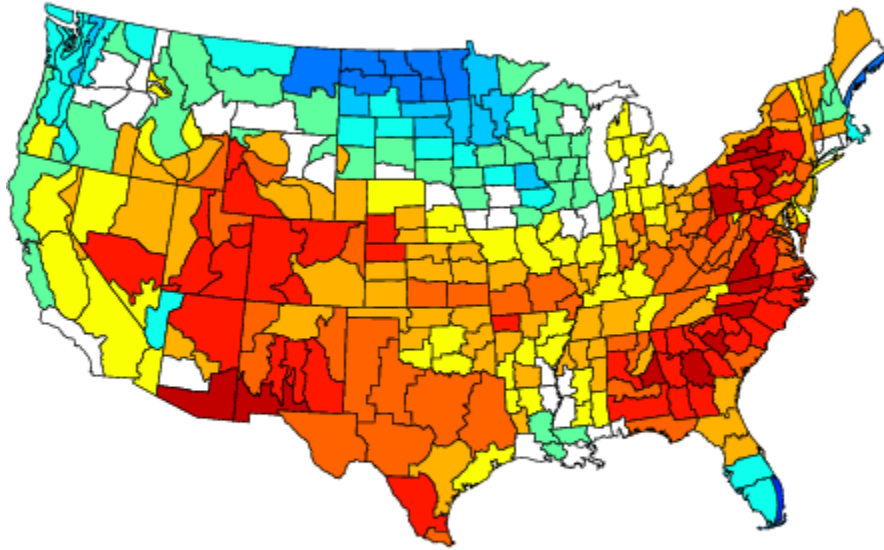


Figure 1 below shows the standardized temperature anomalies for May 2013 based on March temperatures over the past 100 years. This shows us that above average temperatures will be present in Pennsylvania and the eastern parts of the United States. Below average temperatures will be seen in the north central part of the country.

Composite Standardized Temperature Anomalies  
May 1899,1922,1940,1947,1948,1954,1960,1962,1965,1969  
Versus 1950–1995 Longterm Average



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