Differences between ENSO 2014-2017 and another strong ENSO events

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Source: NOAA

The annual mean global average sea surface temperature in 2017 was +0.26°C above the 1981-2010 average, making it the third highest since 1891. The linear trend from 1891 to 2017 shows an increase of 0.54°C per century.



Time-series representation of annual global sea surface temperature anomalies The 1981 - 2010 average is used as the normal. The black, blue and red lines represent annual global sea surface temperature anomalies, their five-year running mean and the long-term linear trend, respectively.

DATA USED FOR MONITORING ENSO





Is ENSO concept the same for everybody?



Factors or parameters that can change evolution of ENSO along Equatorial Pacific

OCEAN

- Sea level variations (Dynamic height).
- Surface and subsurface Currents (Cromwell).
- Sea surface and subsurface temperature (thermocline) variations.
- Sea surface and subsurface salinity changes, pycnocline, etc.
- Water mass fronts

ATMOSPHERE

- Zonal and Meridional Trade Winds (850 mb)
- Pacific Anticyclone position and pressure and West winds (from Australia)
- Madden Julian waves
- Solar radiation, OLR, clouds, etc.

OCEAN-ATMOSPHERE INTERACTION

- Kelvin waves and Rossby waves
- Heat transfer
- Air temperature near surface
- Precipitation or Evaporation.
- Atmospheric pressure, etc



... ENSO related variables in the central pacific:

✓ Subsurface temperature changes
✓ Equatorial Undercurrent (EUC)
✓ Dynamic Height
✓ Winds

Monthly Subsurface Temperature



Daily 100 m SeaTemperature at 0°N 95° W 1982 -83 and 1997-98



—1997-1998 **—**1982-1983

Daily EUC variations at 0 N 110 W (cm/s)



Monthly Dynamic Height 1997

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Enero







Meridional Velocity at 120m depth N-S



Fuente de datos: NOAA Elaboración y análisis: CIO-CHALLENGER.

Winds during 2015

Winds along Equatorial Line



Meridional component of wind Jun 2014 – Jul 2015



Meridional component of wind Jun – Nov 2015



Winds during 2018 along Equatorial Line



...ENSO for The Peruvian area?

It was 2015 – 2016 ... or 2014 -2017?

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Weak EUC and hake distribution area (during La Niña or ENSO cold phase)



Strong EUC and hake distribution area during ENSO (Year -1 and 0)



According to hake evaluation cruise on May 1997, the species was found more than 300 miles of their normal bottom distribution area. SOURCE: Bulletin IMARPE 1997

Monthly Sea Surface Temperature 2014-2018 at Paita (5°S) Chicama(8°S) and Callao (12°S) (Data each 15 min)



Monthly Anomaly 2014-2018 5 S, 8 S and 12 S



Daily SST anomaly along Peruvian Coast during 2017



SST Daily Average [Chicama to Callao] 7°41 °S 30 28 26 24 22 20 18 16 12°04 °S 14 Feb Oct Jan Mar May Jul Sep Jan Apr Jun Aug Nov Dec

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ARGO FLOATS: About 50 in front of Peruvian and Equatorial Coast used for identification of water mass





- AES and ATS are present from 20m to 50m depth with temperatures from 16°C to 26°C.
- AESS are present from 50m to 300m with temperatures between 13°C and 15°C.
- The AEP from 200m to 600m depth, where is the oxygen minimum.
- There is no presence of **ACF** or **ASS**.





In the Northern zone of Peru, **AES** is present (up to 20 m depth) with a temperature range between 18 °C and 21 °C.

There is no presence of **ATS**.

Between 20 m and 50 m depth, there is a mixed-layer that has ACF origin with salinities above 34.8 UPS.

The **AESS** are present between 50 m and 250 m.

The AEP are found between 250 m and 600 m depth

There is no presence of ASS.





- There is presence of ASS and ACF with a temperature range between 17.5 and 21 °C . There was a slight temperature increase of 1°C compared with the last month.
- At 50m Depth ASS is present with a salinity range between 35.1 and 35.3 ups.
- Between 70 and 200 m Depth AESS are present and AEP are found at 200 m depth.



Schematic resume of ENSO events difference related to water mass distribution near the Peruvian Coast

Surface water mass before and during the first stage of ENSO





Source: http:// tarwi.lamolina.edu.pe/licochea

ENSO Surface Water Mass Distribution (last stage) during Peruvian Summer 1983 and 1998



ENSO Surface water mass distribution before and during summer 2016 and 2017



CONCLUSIONS

- ENSO beginning and their mechanism is very similar during different events.
- Many parameters influence during advance of the warm pool. The end of El Niño could be different along the Peruvian coast like as was observed during the period 2014 – 2017. It was different from ENSO 82 – 83 and ENSO 97 - 98
- It will be recomendable to insert in the different ENSO models variables (not so used) in order to obtain a best prediction of ENSO events in the future.



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CHALLENGER (CIO-CHALLENGER in fb)

