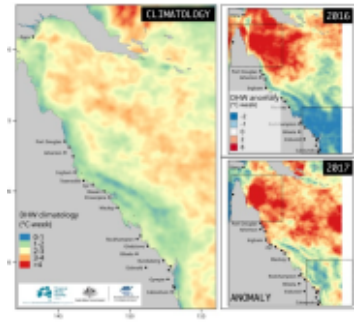


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Abstract

This dataset explores a new approach to predict coral bleaching events. It uses a temperature anomaly map to create a spatially dynamic temperature threshold for the calculation of degree heating weeks (DHW) instead of using a static constant. The dynamic threshold was used to classify map areas with low, medium or high risk of coral bleaching for years 2016 and 2017.

Methods:

Understanding that the combination of several variables could provide better explanatory value than each individual variable by itself, we used a classification tree prediction model (Breiman et al, 1984) to select the relevant variables and determine the threshold values for each of them as the best prediction solution for the bleaching category. Using the data from 2016 and 2017 aerial bleaching surveys at specific reefs, we derived the corresponding anomaly values and paired them with the estimated bleaching response. The classification tree algorithm will select the values of the variables that produce the most efficient partition of the data into the bleaching categories. The algorithm was trained using a randomly selected sample of 80% of the survey locations (training set), and the remaining 20% was used for validation of the results (test set). The accuracy of the classification system was calculated comparing the predicted bleaching category of the test set and comparing it with the observed bleaching category.

Using a recursive partition approach we were able to create a system that correctly classified more than 66% of the reef bleaching conditions. The importance of the variables in the classification procedure according to the number of splits attributed to that variable is DHWmax anomaly > MHW count anomaly > Proportion of the mixed water column > PAR anomaly > Upwelling anomaly > MHW duration anomaly. Having a DHWmax anomaly of 4.4 °C-week above the expected climatological value and 0.3 °C above the expected value for the upwelling anomaly are the conditions linked to a severe bleaching in any reef. No or mild bleaching occurs when DHWmax anomaly was below 4.4 °C-week, and the water column was mostly stratified.

Format:

The data is in geoTIFF format.
 CRS: EPSG:4326 - WGS 84 - Geographic

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