

# *January to August 2015 -- Warmest in Cuba Since 1951*

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Havana, September 8 (RHC) -- January to August 2015 was the warmest period recorded in Cuba since 1951, the Meteorology Institute's Climate Center said.

According to experts, August was the third warmest month of the last 64 years in the Caribbean nation. The average temperature in the country was 28.2 degrees Celsius, a value above the monthly historical average by 0.7 degrees.

Nine maximum temperature records were also set at many meteorological stations throughout the country. The Casablanca weather station in Havana recorded 29 days with conditions of intense heat. This was the hottest August since 1981 for the Cuban capital.

According to experts, the climate phenomenon ENOS (El Niño/Southern Oscillation) is to blame for the high temperatures.

September expects to be very warm, with maximum and minimum temperatures above normal across the country, while precipitation should be near or below normal, implying the persistence of the current rainfall deficit.



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