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#### **GCOS Region V Lead Centre**

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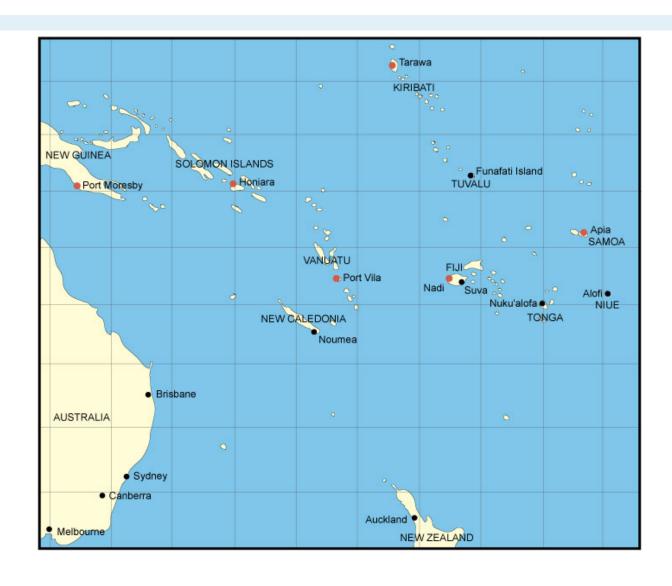
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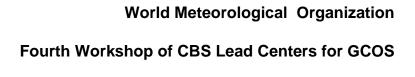


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## **BACKGROUND & INTRODUCTION**

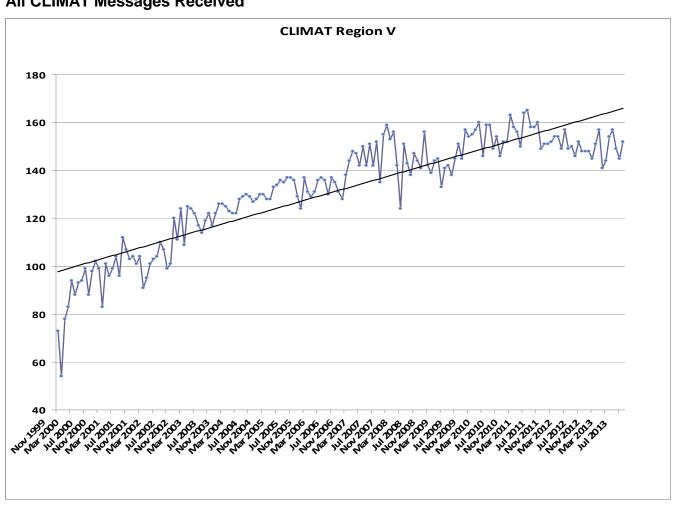
- •RA V observational data sent through the GTS and reports from National Meteorological & Hydrological Services (NMHS) indicate that the overall vitality of the GCOS climate observation network in Region V, considered <a href="https://example.com/healthy">healthy</a>
- •based on the number and regularity of CLIMAT bulletins, can be considered relatively **healthy**.

That said, there has been little or no improvement, and even a slight decline since the last report.





#### **All CLIMAT Messages Received**



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•203 CLIMAT sites

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**Max April 11** 165 or 81%

**Recent Aug 13** 152 or 75%



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#### **CLIMAT STATISTICS RA V SITES**

Intermittent to consistent problems

Papua-New Guinea, the Solomon Islands, the Cook Islands and Tonga.

#### CLIMAT STATISTICS PROBLEM SITES

In most cases where a station submits no reports

- lack of training and knowledge is the problem.
- Where countries send one but not all reports,
  - usually an indicator of broken or unserviceable observation equipment.

The only complete solution is to visit these countries and undertake training in all aspects of specific CLIMAT observations, producing (preparations and deriving calculated quantities) and sending the reports.

CliDE installation and training visits will hopefully help rectify



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#### In RAV

#### 203 CLIMAT sites

**112 GSN** 

•Max 97 Jan, May, Nov10, Mar 11 87%

•191 RBCN

•Max 157 April 11 .. 82%

103 RBCN

**64 GSN** 

South Pacific

Australia

112 GSN

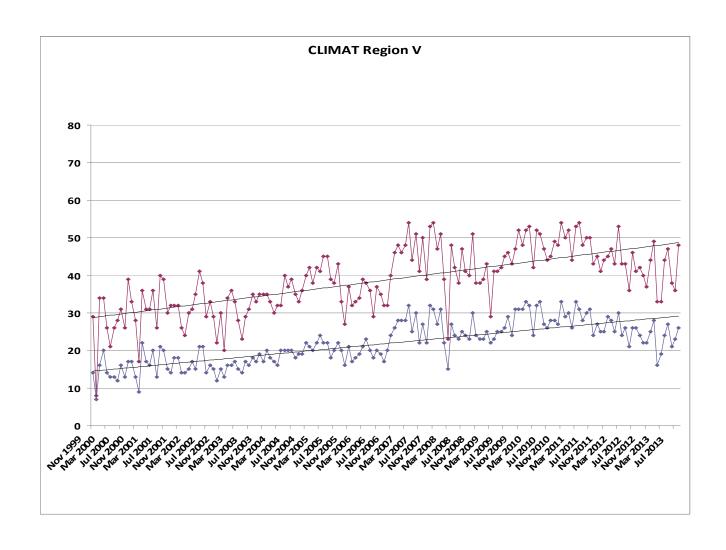
**191 RBCN** 







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South Pacific RBCN (88)

Max 54... 62%

South Pacific GSN (48)

Max 33... 69%



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# The reasons

# A number of countries do not provide CLIMAT messages

- Political Issues
- Financial Issues
- Primarily reflect a lack of capability training
- High staff turnover
- Complicated and difficult delivery systems
- Clirep, manual calculations
- Poor communication and hardware
- Other Projects ... Overload
- What's in it for us
- Lack of of understanding
- GCOS MEMBERSHIP ????

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# **Challenges**

- Understanding and Patience
- Perspective (ours and theirs)
- -Funding
  - Training
    - Ongoing Support

- Logistics



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# The Answers Capacity build, advice, communication

This needs resource
Cultural understanding
Promised Pacific GCOS CLIMAT workshop

**Pacific Projects** 

Empowering officers
More intimate relations
Wider scope
More frequent visits
CliDE



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# **Pacific Projects**

Installing a new database **CliDE** (Climate Data for the Environment) in many of the island nations in the Pacific.

- The secure storage of electronic climate data is paramount to the NMHS as a provider of climate information.
  - SCOPIC (Seasonal Climate Outlook in Pacific Island Countries)
- CLIMAT messaging functionality
- In line with the Climate Data Management System WMO's Commission for Climatology.

- Only test data so far

- Funding
- Metadata

This should overcome many of the training and capability issues.



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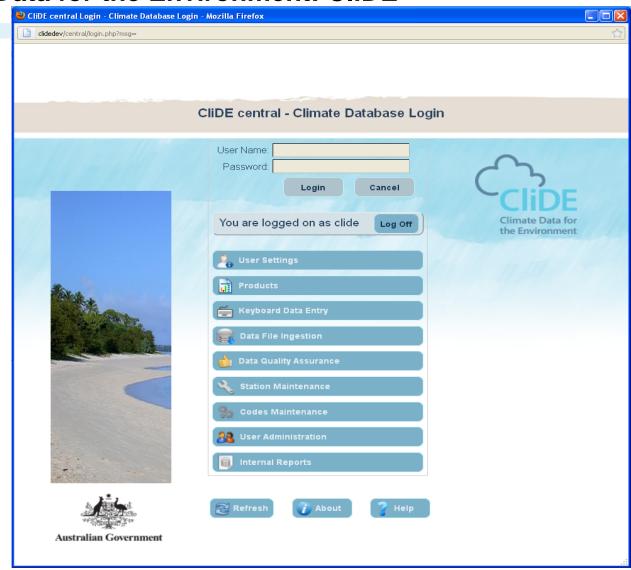
#### Climate Data for the Environment: CliDE

•Fully open source
Ubuntu
(Lipux)

(Linux),

- •Will run on most environments
- Webpage accessMultiuser

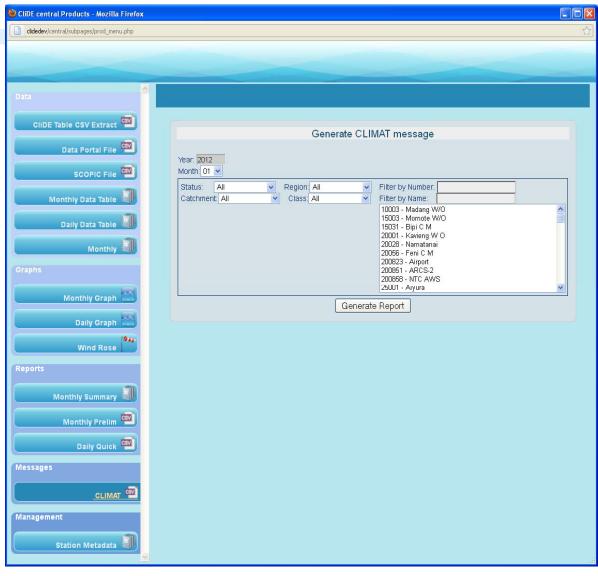
Its very easy to install and use





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## New Menu for growing list of products...



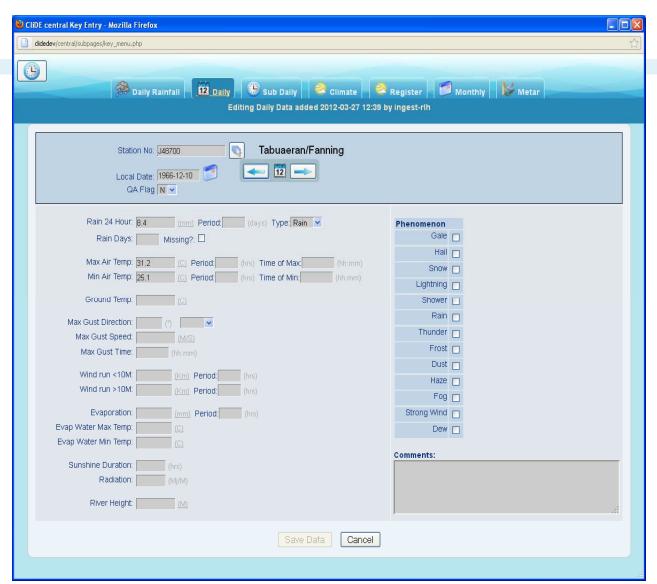
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### Key Entry Functionality:

- Most forms now Add and Edit
- All have quick "day forward" "day back" buttons
- Profiles allow units to be defaulted and elements to be disabled.
- New Form for monthly data
- New Form for METAR parsing and METAR generation
- All edit forms now handle units consistently.
  - Original unit is used in edit forms.
  - Unit can be changed to SI if required

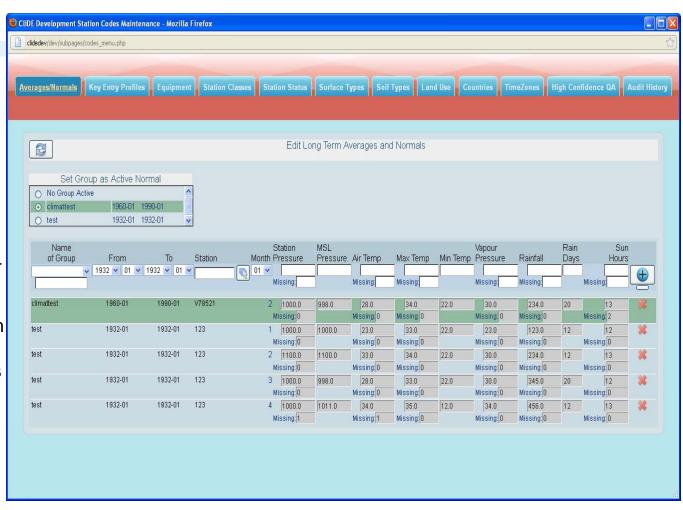






# Normals Administration:

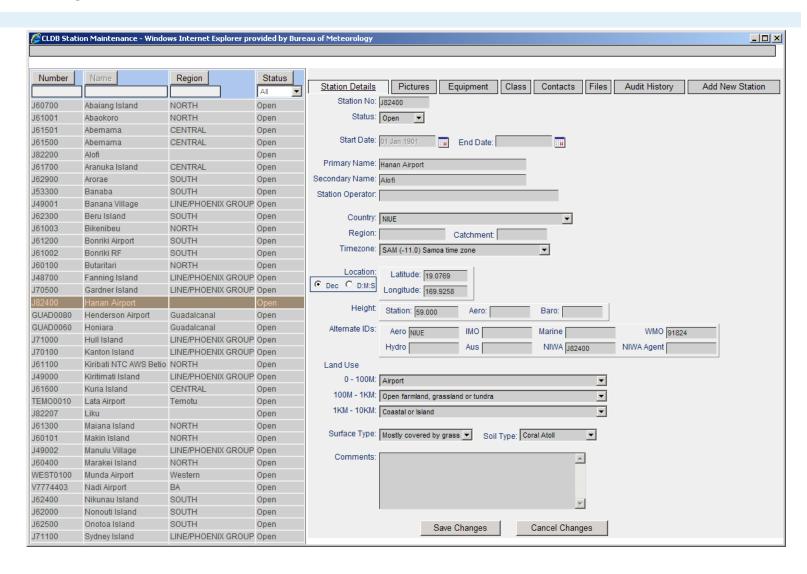
- Several sets of long term averages (LTAs) can be stored.
- One of the LTAs can be set as the official "Normals" for CLIMAT purposes.
- Function to calculate LTAs from raw data in CliDE will be done in future...currently Normals / LTAs are outside of CDMS.



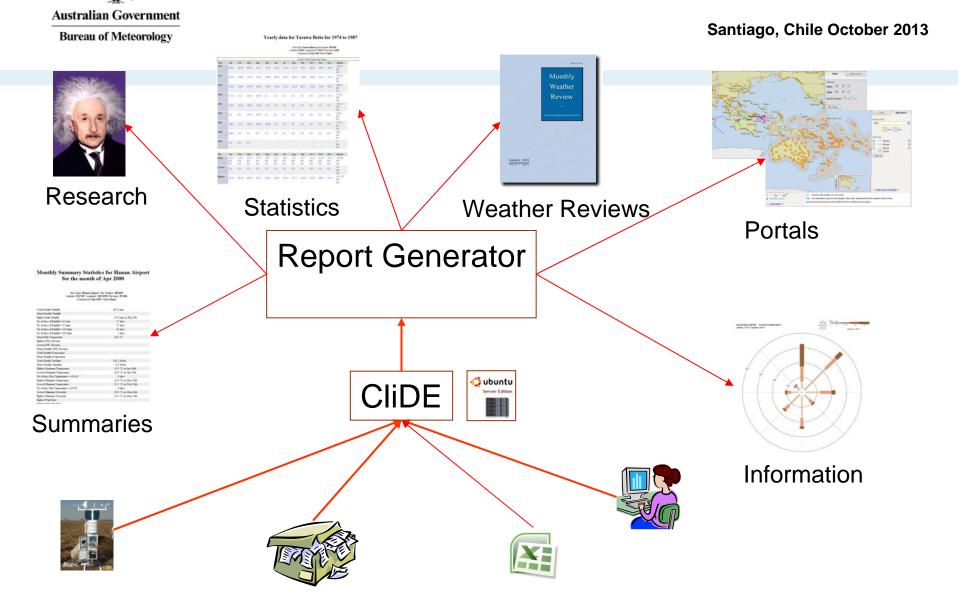


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#### Large selection of Metadata choices



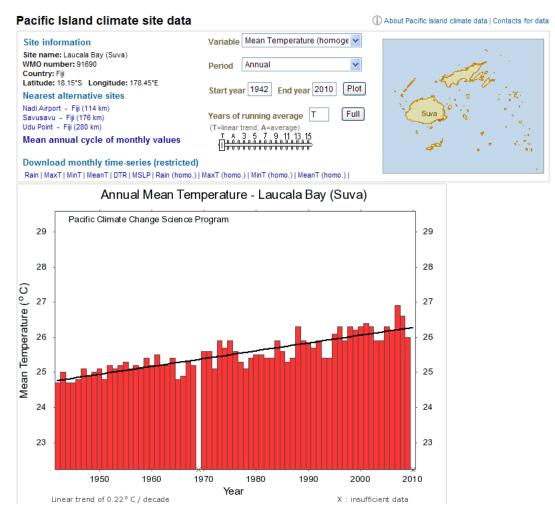
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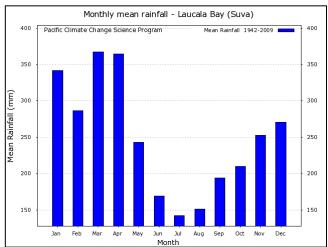


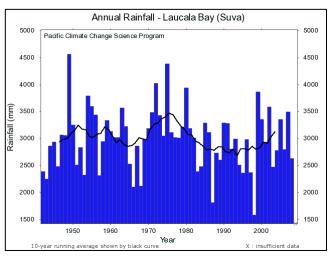


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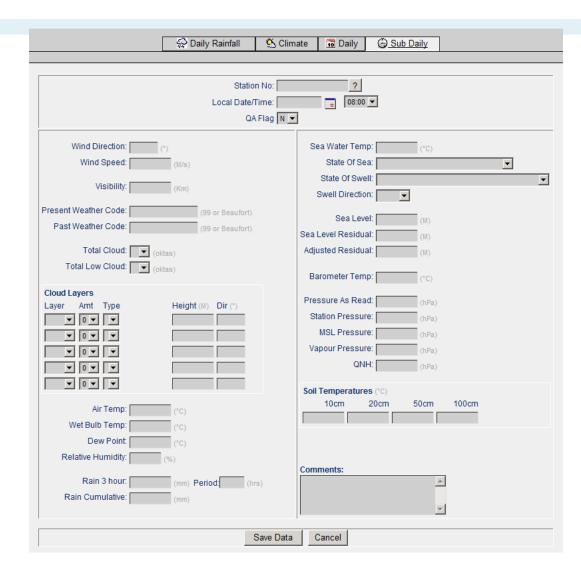
# CliDE ... CLIMAT generation issues

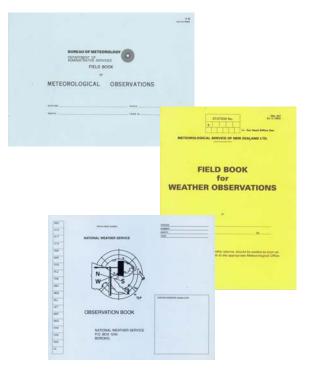
- Still requires observations to be done
- •Still requires data to be entered in database
- Not station compiled
- Taking away from message generation at site
- Needs to be centralised (at this time)
  - Data provided to climate sections



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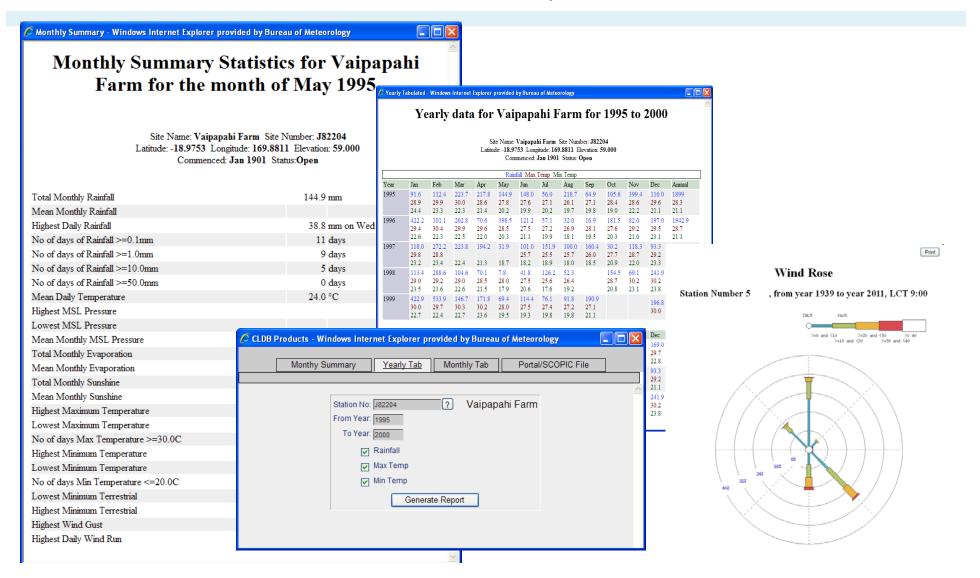




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Products (Printable Reports, Statistical summaries, etc)

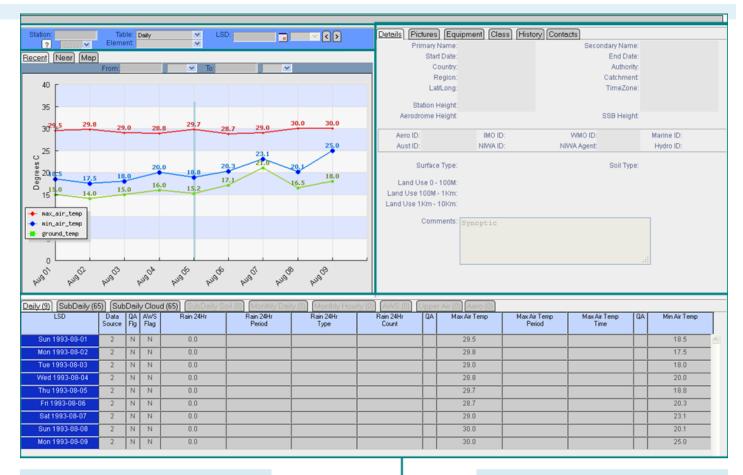




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#### **Data Quality Assurance**



#### Graphs of data

Messages to the user are displayed here

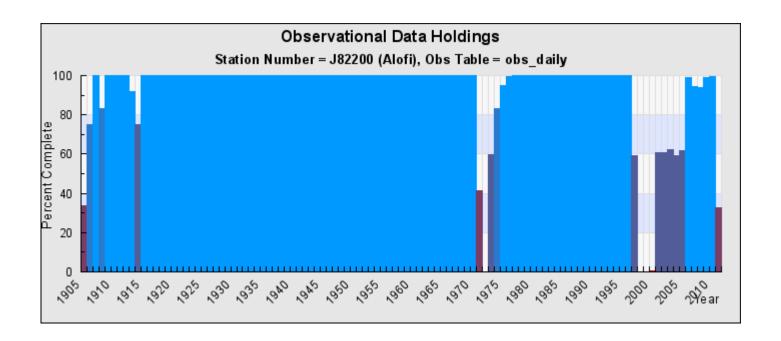
#### Station metadata

Information about the selected station

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#### **Gaps in Observational Data Holdings**

Station Number = J82200 (Alofi), Obs Table = obs\_daily



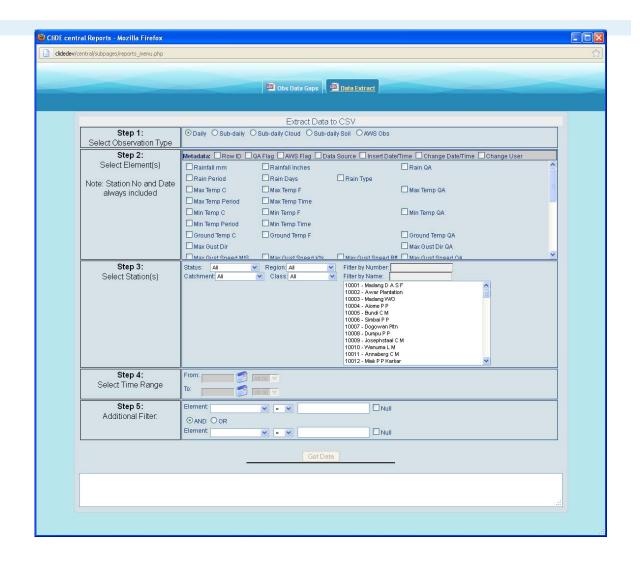


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### New Reports:

- Data Extract: Make all columns of all observation tables available for extract into CSV file.
- Multiple stations, date range and two extra fields (qa flags, value thresholds, etc)
- SQL is returned to user...capacity building. Data consumers \*love\*
   SQL once they get beyond the scary stage!
- Similar product for monthly data: Select multiple stations, multiple elements for given period.
- With external views and these data dumpers, *raw* data can easily be extracted for all obs types.
- There is also a prototype web service for CSV or XML formatted data for any observation.

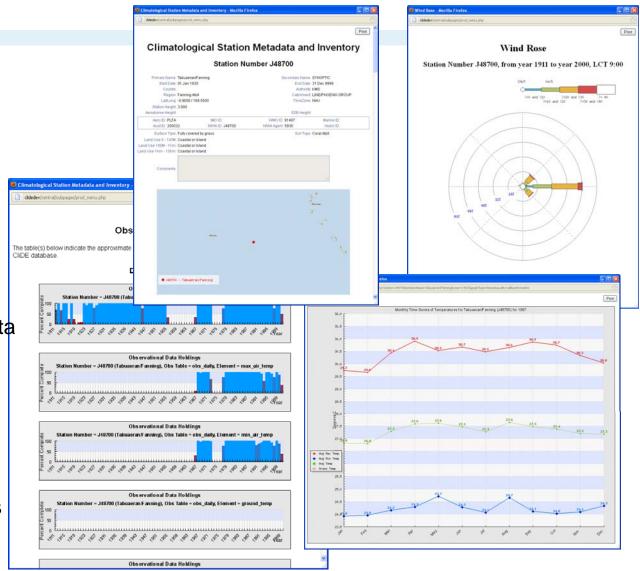




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### Other Reports:

- Station Metadata Report
  - Including data gaps report by element, maps and all metadata.
- CLIMAT Generation
- Most reports can now select data based on QA flags:
  - High quality only or all
  - Output in SI or Imperial
- Graphs have been improved
- Subdaily wind can be plotted as wind rose.





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- •CliDE is a tool to manage observed historical and current meteorological data including rainfall and temperature
- •CliDE is a tool to determine what is missing from your data inventory.
- CliDE improves data accessibility and quality of data
- CliDE also provides data dumps, summaries and reports of your data including CLIMAT
- CliDE a repository for Metadata





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**Thank You** 

**Questions?**