



Figure 1. Map of tropical Pacific, showing locations of instrumental and coral records used. Maiana Atoll is indicated by a star, and the warm pool is indicated by the 28°C isotherm. Also shown are the regions used to define large-scale ENSO indices: the Niño 3.4 SST region is outlined by a box, and the region used for the central Pacific rainfall index is shaded. The Multivariate ENSO Index includes information on surface air and ocean temperatures, wind, cloudiness, and sea level pressure from the full Pacific Ocean region shown in this map.

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