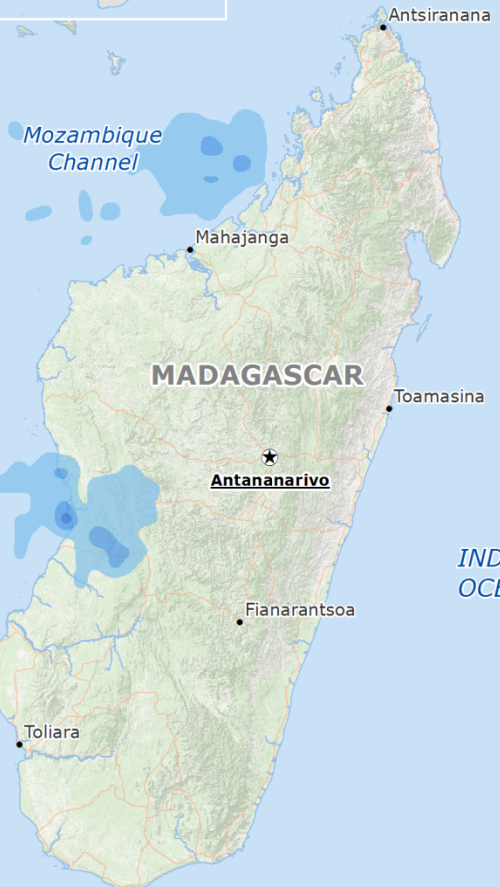
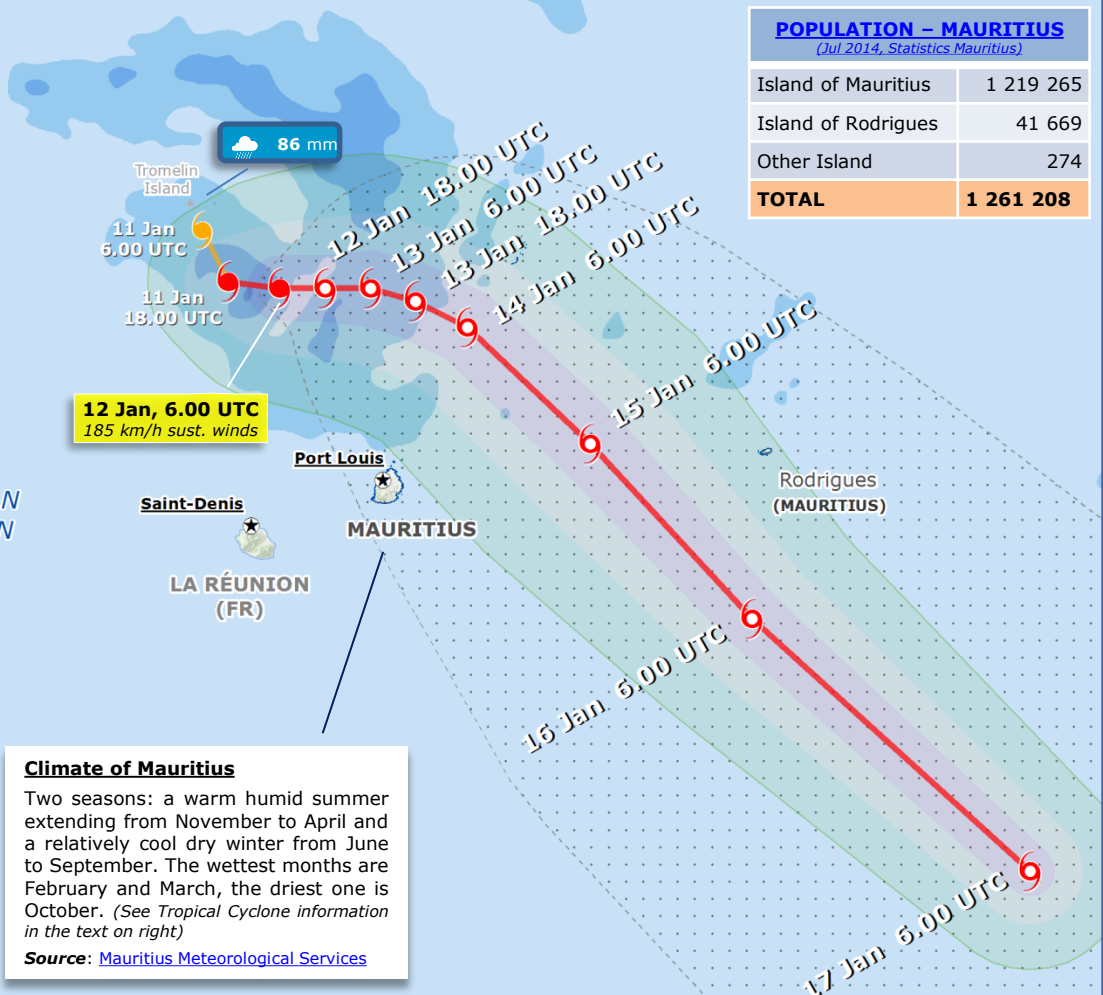


# 12 January 2015: Mauritius – Tropical Cyclone BANSI



## Tropical Cyclone BANSI



**Climate of Mauritius**

Two seasons: a warm humid summer extending from November to April and a relatively cool dry winter from June to September. The wettest months are February and March, the driest one is October. (See Tropical Cyclone information in the text on the right)

**Source:** Mauritius Meteorological Services

### SITUATION

- Tropical Cyclone BANSI formed in the south-west Indian Ocean on 11 January and started moving south-east and then east, significantly strengthening. On 12 January at 6.00 UTC it had max. sustained winds of 185 km/h and its centre was located over sea, approx. 355 km north-west of the island of Mauritius.
- In the next 48 h it is forecast to continue moving east-southeast, over sea, intensifying. It is forecast to pass between Mauritius and Rodrigues on 15 January. However the track / intensity uncertainty is still very high. Strong winds and heavy rains may affect the islands of Mauritius and Rodrigues on 14-16 January. Winds may also affect La Reunion on 14-15 January.
- As of 12 January 11.00 UTC (Meteorological Service of Mauritius), a Cyclone Warning Class II is in effect for Mauritius.

### Tropical Cyclones in the South-Western Indian Ocean:

- In the SW Indian Ocean the Tropical Cyclones usually occur from November to April/May. See the Tropical Cyclones of the 2013-14 season in the image below (\*).
- (\* Tropical Depressions are not shown in the map.)

**Sources:** GDACS, JTWC, Meteo France – La Reunion, Meteorological Service of Mauritius, WMO (1, 2), UN OCHA.

Tropical Cyclones in the SW Indian Ocean November 2013 – April 2014

