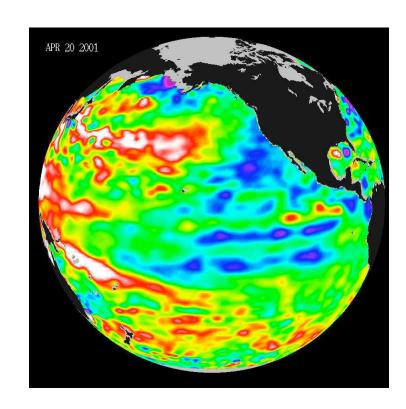




## **Pacific decadal oscillation (PDO)**

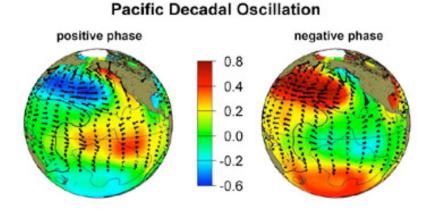




monthly values for the PDO index: 1900–Feb 2000

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-1900 1920 1940 1960 1980 2000

- •In this April 2001 image, the Pacific Decadal Oscillation pattern had persisted for three years
- •Warm water (high sea levels in red and white)
- Cooler water (lower sea level in blue)



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