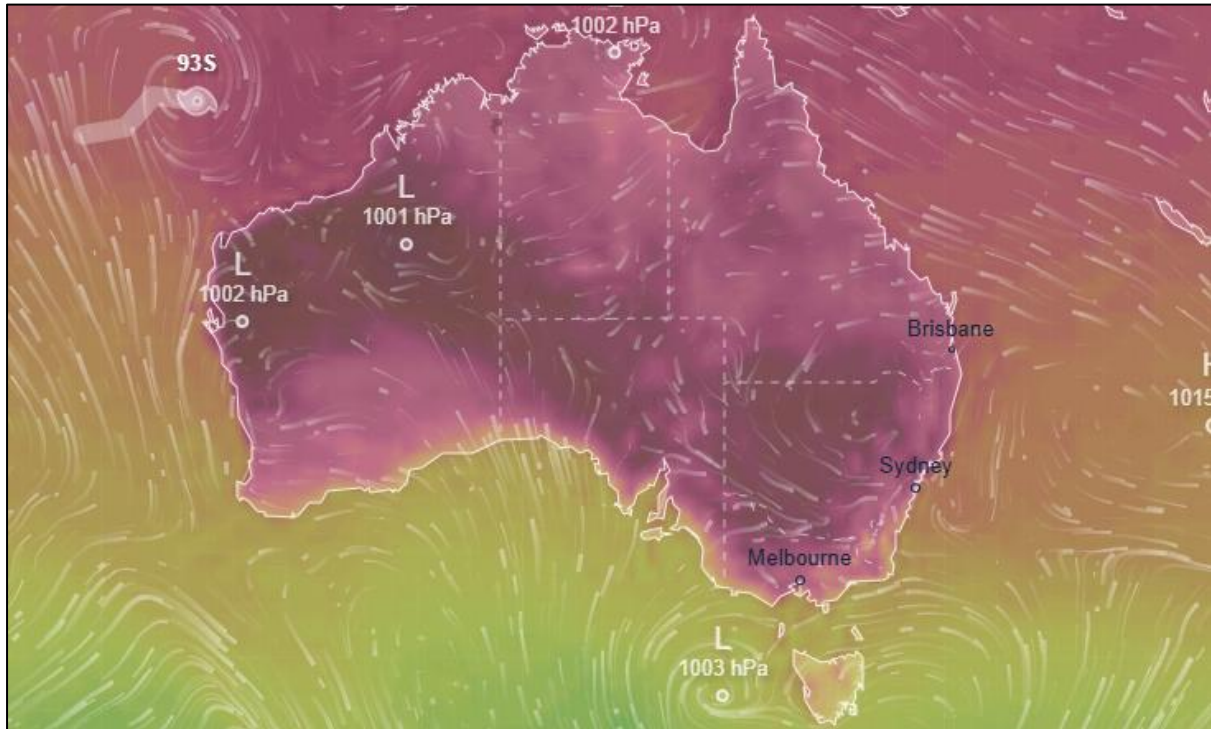




Extreme Heatwave in Australia



Valid: From December 17th, 2025 to December 22nd, 2025

Affected Areas

Most affected include: Interior Australia including WA interior, NT, SA, western QLD, and inland NSW, Southern Australia including Victoria and South Australia and severely affected areas include (persistent/extreme heat): Central & western interior, southern inland WA and inland eastern Australia.

Hazard Types

Extreme heat stress & heatwaves, Bushfire risk (very high), Increased evaporation & drought intensification, Health impacts (heat exhaustion, dehydration), Energy demand stress & infrastructure strain.

Hazard Summary

A widespread and persistent heatwave pattern dominates much of Australia, driven by strong continental heat and weak synoptic relief, particularly across inland and southern regions. Prolonged high temperatures elevate bushfire danger, water stress, and health risks, with limited cooling expected outside coastal fringes.