

MetEyeTM

A simple guide to using MetEye

When you enter MetEye you'll see a map of all the current temperatures around Australia. You can zoom in to get a clearer view. The latest rain radar activity is also shown on this map.

On the left side of the screen is a column of options to see different kinds of **LATEST WEATHER**, like:

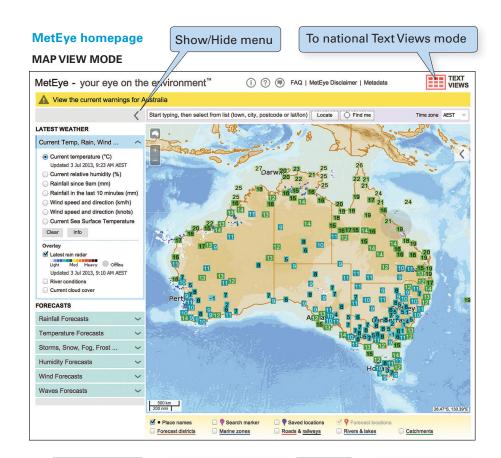
- current temperature
- current relative humidity
- rainfall since 9.00 am
- rainfall in the last ten minutes
- wind speed and direction
- current sea surface temperature.

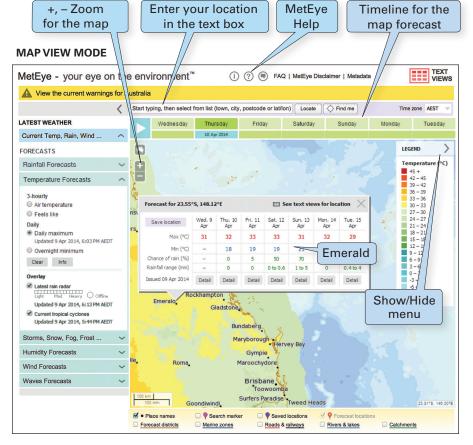
Below these options is the Overlay section where you can also turn on or off information like Latest rain radar, tropical cyclone tracks (when a cyclone is active), River conditions and Current cloud cover.

Also on the left side of the screen, the next main section shows options to see different kinds of **FORECASTS** on the map, like:

- rainfall forecasts
- temperature forecasts
- storms, snow, fog, frost, etc
- humidity forecasts
- wind forecasts
- · waves forecasts.

Whenever you change any of the options, the map overlay and legend automatically adjusts to display your selections. When you select one of the forecast options, a timeline also appears above the map, with the forecast date or time highlighted. Use this clickable timeline to shift the displayed information through time, or animate it using the large Play button.





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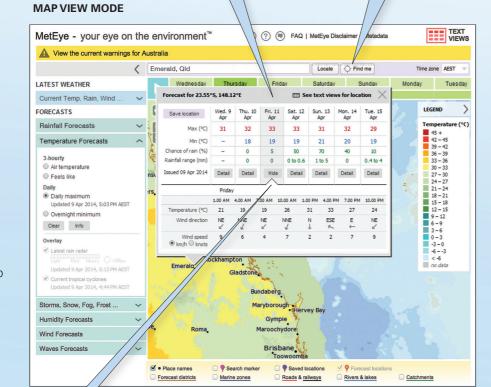
The forecast weather popup box provides many useful features. Clicking on the **See text views for location** link takes you to the location's **Text View mode**, showing much more information about your location

Click on the **Find me** button to zoom in and automatically display the seven-day forecast for your location

How to find a forecast for your location

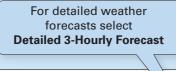
In MetEye's Map View you can enter your location into the text box above the map. When you begin to type, a list of locations drops down for you to make a selection. Picking a location from this list puts a location marker on the map, zooms there and displays its forecast weather popup box. Emerald, Queensland has been selected as the location for the examples in this guide.

You can move around the map using its + or – buttons and click-and-drag. You can also click any point on the map to display the forecast weather popup box for that location. We call this a 'click anywhere' forecast.



If you want more information click on the popup box's **Detail** button to get three-hourly data

See Current and past weather at the nearest weather station



TEXT VIEW MODE

Click **Map View** mode for your location using this symbol

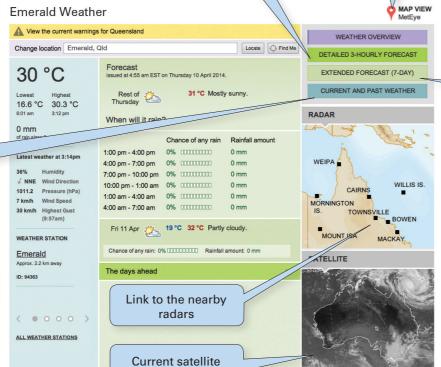
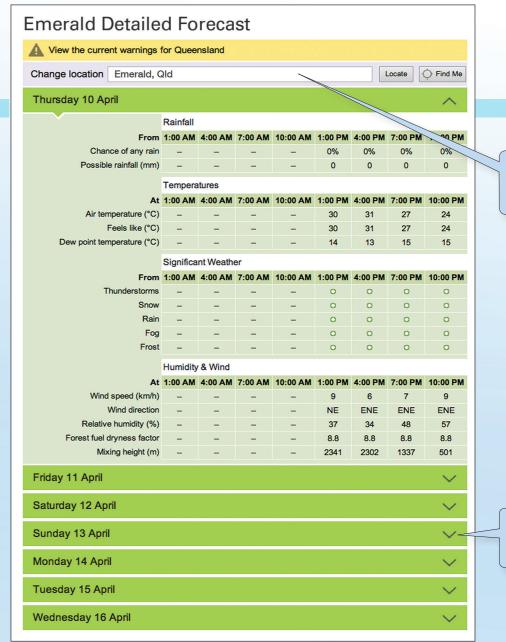


image and link to descriptive text

TEXT VIEW MODE



You can enter a location in this box to search

Select the date table to see a detailed forecast for that day



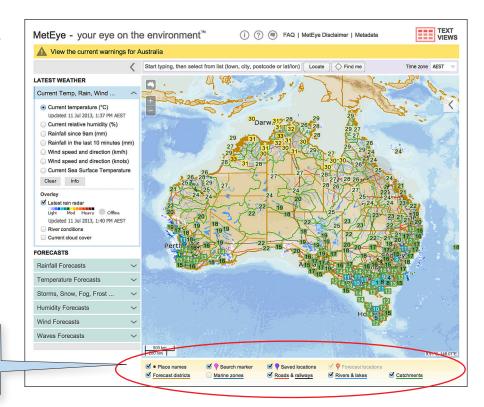
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The MetEye system is great for a quick overview, but if you delve deeper you'll be rewarded with highly detailed forecast information out to seven days for most States.

Reference layers are available at the bottom of the map, and they can be used to refine your view or help you orient to a remote location. These appear below the map in Map View mode, and include:

- Bureau forecast districts
- Bureau marine zones
- Roads and railways
- · Rivers and lakes
- Catchments boundaries

Selectable map reference layers. You can also display these features on the map by using the controls.



Need more comprehensive assistance?

In MetEye at the top of the screen you can access the full online help guide by clicking on the question mark icon. ?

A series of frequently asked questions and answers are also provided and these can be accessed by clicking on the **FAQ** icon.

HOT TIP

Did you know you can save a location from the **Map View** or the **Text View** mode as a bookmark-friendly browser link or URL?

This is how you do it:

First open MetEye and go to the URL: www.bom.gov.au/australia/meteye/

- 1. Search for your location in Map View (e.g. Sydney). The URL remains: www.bom.gov.au/australia/meteye/
- 2. Click the **See text views for location** link from the forecast weather popup box and the URL becomes: www.bom.gov.au/places/nsw/sydney/. You are now in **Text View** mode.
- 3. Click back to Map View mode using the MAP VIEW MetEye button (top right of page). The URL now becomes:

www.bom.gov.au/australia/meteye/?lat=-33.85&lon=151.22&url=/nsw/sydney/&name=Sydney

This can be bookmarked, shared or copied.

This process also works for unnamed places on the map, for example:

- www.bom.gov.au/places/sa/DFJB/
- www.bom.gov.au/australia/meteye/?lat=-26.2&lon=129.51&url=/sa/DFJB/&name=26.2°S,%20 129.51°E