

Weather Bureau/NWS History in the Caribbean and Atlantic

Location	Type	Years	Details
Charlotte Amalie, Virgin Islands	WBO	1939-1943	
Bermuda	WBO	1900-?	
Havana, Cuba	HC	1899-1902	The West Indies hurricane center was moved here from Kingston, Jamaica. In 1902, responsibility was transferred to the Weather Bureau headquarters in Washington, DC.
Keflavik, Iceland	WBO	1946-1951	The U.S. Army turned over the operation of the Keflavik station to the Weather Bureau in late 1946. During the summer of 1951, the operations were gradually transferred to the 8th Weather Squadron of the U.S. Air Force.
Kingston, Jamaica	HC	1898-1899	In 1898, Congress enacted a provision for a storm warning service for the Caribbean (West Indies). The first hurricane forecasting center was located in Kingston, and moved to Havana, Cuba, the next year.
Roseau, Dominica	WBAS	1941-1950	A Weather Bureau Airport Station was opened in Dominica in 1941, after upgrade of the existing airways station. It was changed to a synoptic reporting station around 1950.
San Juan, Puerto Rico	WBO DFO HC WSFO WFO	1899-present	The first Weather Bureau office in Puerto Rico was established in 1899, in Old San Juan. Its second facility in the area was destroyed by the San Felipe Hurricane of 1928. It was rebuilt in that area, then moved to the Isla Grande Airport in 1946, then to the new Munoz Marin Airport in 1954. In 1935, a hurricane forecast center was established to cover the Caribbean Sea and nearby islands, east of 75°W and south of 20°N. The forecast function was transferred to the National Hurricane Center in Miami in 1966, but San Juan continued to issue hurricane warnings and advisories for this area until 1980.
Swan Islands, Honduras	WBO WSO	1940-1980	A Weather Bureau Office was opened 8/29/1940 at the CAA radio operating building. It was relocated to a different CAA building in February 1943, then to the Navy Building in 1955 after the old facility was destroyed by Hurricane Janet. A WSR-1 radar was installed a year later, in September 1956, but was removed around 1963. The station name was changed to Islas del Cisne in 1973. The station became a Cooperative Hurricane Upper Air Station in 1974, taking observations on request of NHC. It was closed in 1980, after the upper air function was transferred to Belize, and the surface observations were assumed by the Honduran Navy.