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El Niño \'el nee\' nyo noun [spanish] \': the name given by Peruvian sailors to a seasonal, warm southward-moving current along the Peruvian coast \<la corriente del niño>\': name given to the occasional return of unusually warm water in the normally cold water [upwelling] region along the Peruvian coast, disrupting local fish and bird populations; 4: name given to a Pacific basin-wide increase in both sea surface temperatures in the central and/or eastern equatorial Pacific Ocean and in sea level atmospheric pressure (Southern Oscillation) 5: used interchangeably with ENSO (El Niño-Southern Oscillation) which describes the basin-wide changes in air-sea interaction in the equatorial Pacific region 6: ENSO warm event synonym warm event antonym SEE La Niña [Spanish] \'the young girl\'; cold event; ENSO cold event; non-El Niño year; anti-El Niño or anti-ENSO (pejorative); El Viejo \'el vyay\' ho [Spanish] \'the old man\'

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