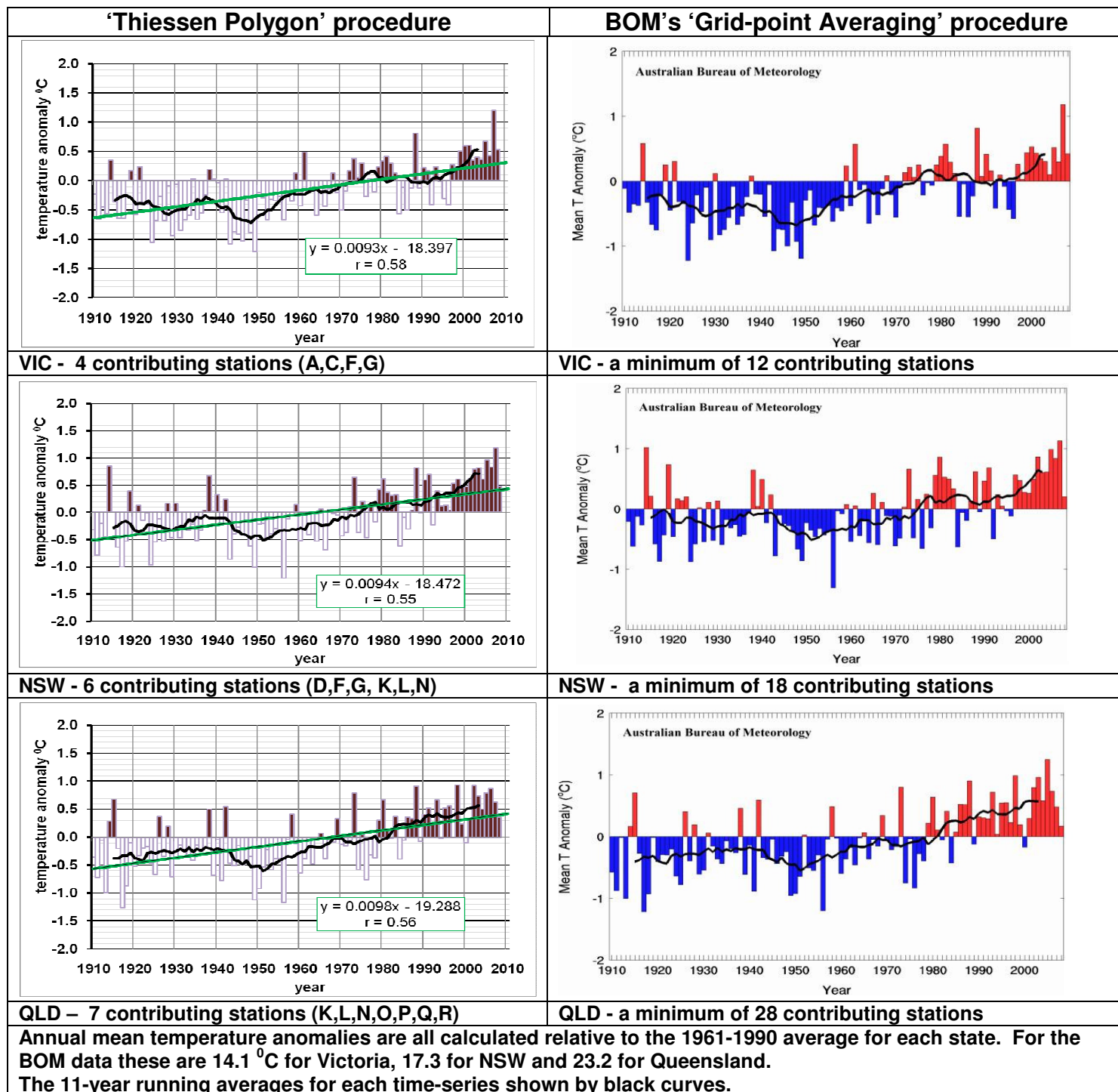


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## 11. Average temperature anomaly trends in Vic, NSW, QLD.

In the graphs below, the results of the Thiessen Polygons method (see **Appendix 8** in the separate **Appendices**) applied to the mean temperature anomalies of 12 rural stations distributed through the states of Victoria, NSW and Queensland are compared with the Bureau of Meteorology's published regional averages based on the Barnes gridded method applied to the whole High Quality land-based dataset (*BOM, 2009 c*).



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### QUESTION:

*In your opinion, how **sensitive** is the trend in temperatures over the past century to observational errors at individual meteorological stations and to the particular objective methods used to compile the observations into regional trends? What does this suggest to you about the general trend in temperatures over the Australian landscape over the past century?*



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