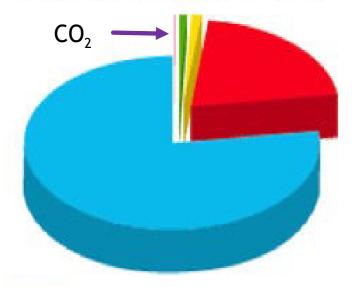
CO₂ - Man's Essential Friend

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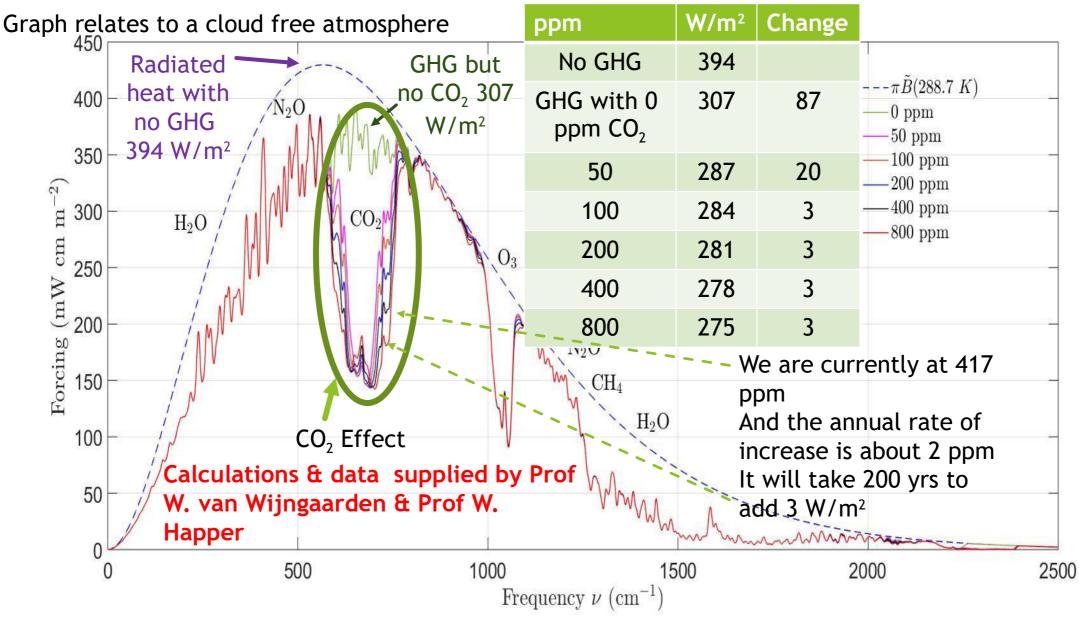
Atmospheric composition



Nitrogen (N2), 78.09%
 Oxygen (O2), 20.95%
 Argon (Ar), 0.93%
 Carbon dioxide (CO2), 0.038%

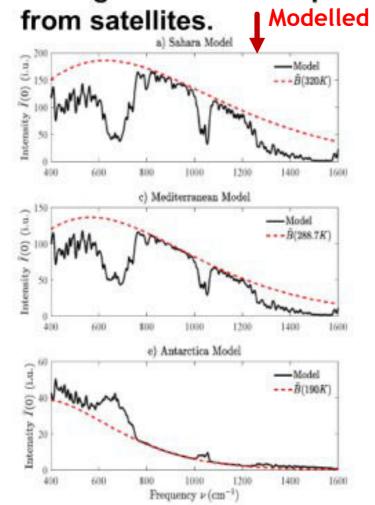
Minute traces of neon (Ne), helium (He), methane (CH₄), water vapor (H₂O), krypton (Kr), hydrogen (H), xenon (Xe), and ozone (O₅). The pink portion is CO_2 It currently forms 0.0417% of our atmosphere on a volume basis. That is the same as 417 ppm When first measured in Mauna Loa in Hawaii in 1958 it was 313 ppm. Despite being such a small volume it helps to keep us warm. Without it & the other greenhouse gases (GHG's) the earth would average -9oC instead of 15.5oC Water vapour is the biggest GHG

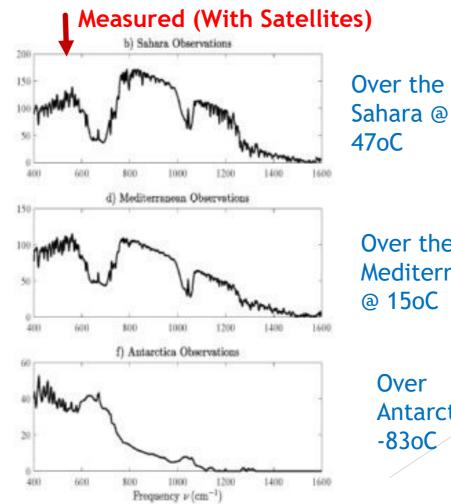
But It Is The First 50 ppm Of CO₂ That Does The Majority Of Warming.



How Good Are Prof van Wijngaarden & Prof Happer At Calculating The Greenhouse Effect?

Thermal radiation to space. One can hardly distinguish modeled spectra of from those observed





Over the

@ 15oC

Over

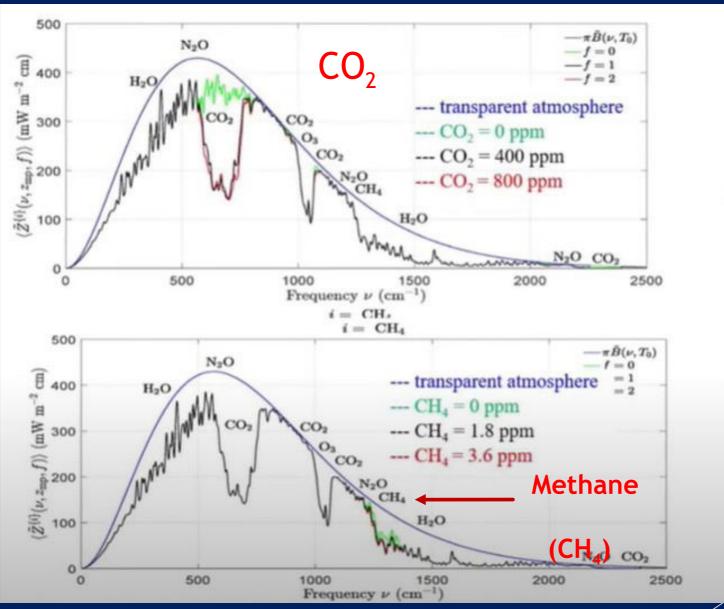
-830C

Mediterranean

Antarctica @

Their predictions match reality. Their scientific method passes the truth test.

So What About Methane (CH₄) From Our Cows, The Other Gas Being Demonised





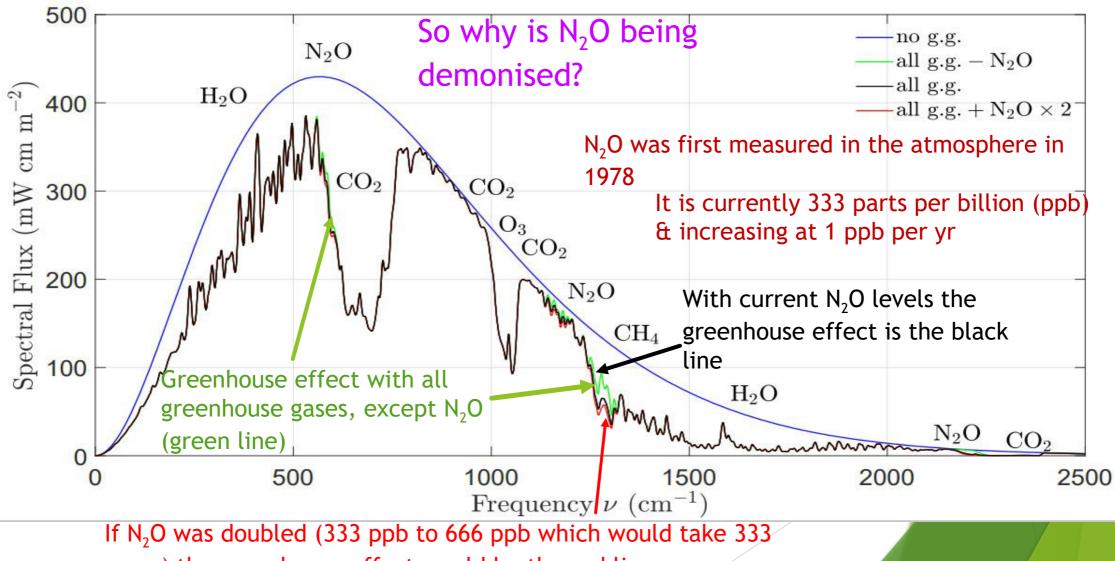
Max Planck 1858-1947



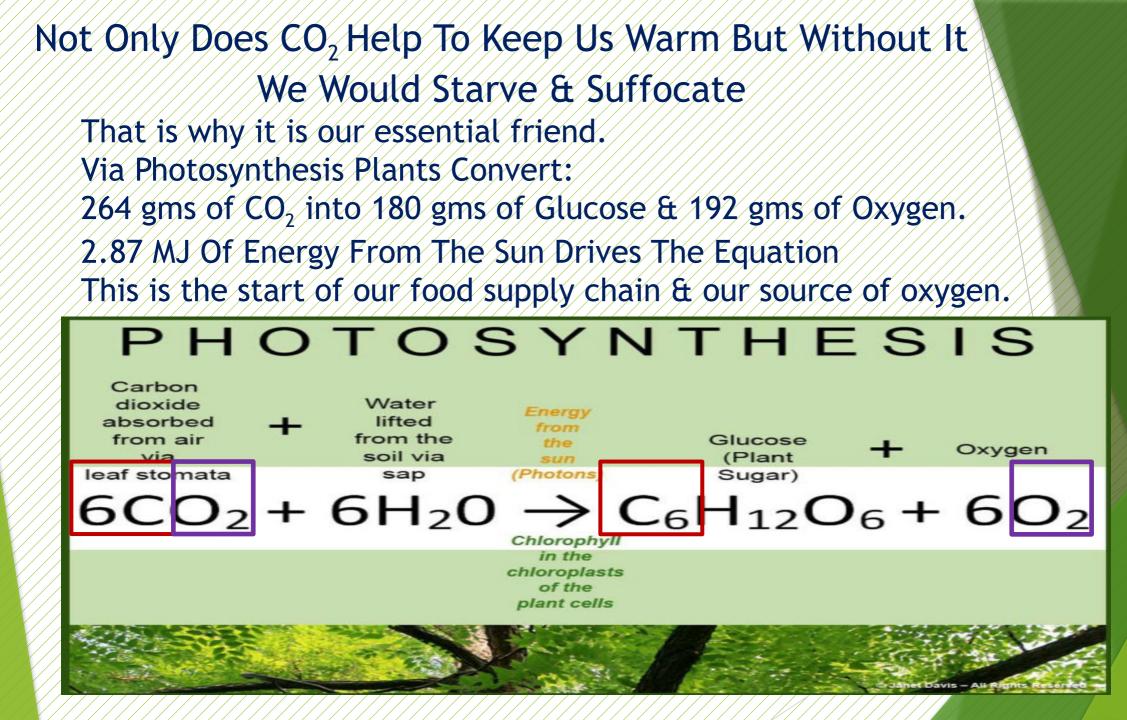
Methane (CH₄) was

first measured at 1.6 ppm in 1983 & is now 1.9 ppm. See if you can see the influence of doubling it from 1.8 ppm to 3.6 ppm (black line to red line) At the current rate of increase it will take 240 yrs reach 3.6 ppm Why are we penalising ruminant milk & meat production Without them we can't meet the protein needs of the world.

And N₂O, nitrous oxide, the new demon being canvassed as a reason to restrict agriculture

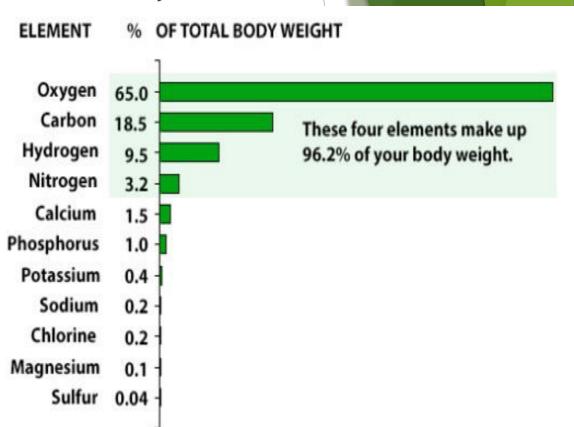


years) the greenhouse effect would be the red line



The Carbon In Glucose Is Used As The Foundational Element To Make All The Other Molecules Of Life. (See the display.)

- Building blocks of protein (amino acids) that make our muscles & enzymes
- Fats & Lipids
- Hormones
- Complex sugars like starch & fibres
- Blood cells
- Keratin, a protein that makes our skin, nails & hair
- The list is huge
- That's why it makes up 18.5% of our body mass



CO₂ Is Plant Food. Increasing It Increases Plant Production. This Is Research From Arizona State University

Ambient = 380 ppm

Explains why tomato farmers pump up to 1,200 ppm CO_2 into their greenhouses to increase yield.



+450 = 830 ppm

Trees Grow Much Faster at Higher Levels of CO2

New Phytologist (2010) 188: 674-695 (University of Kansas Research)

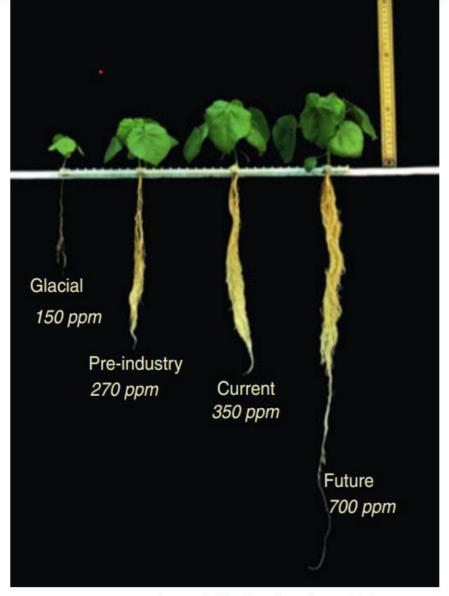
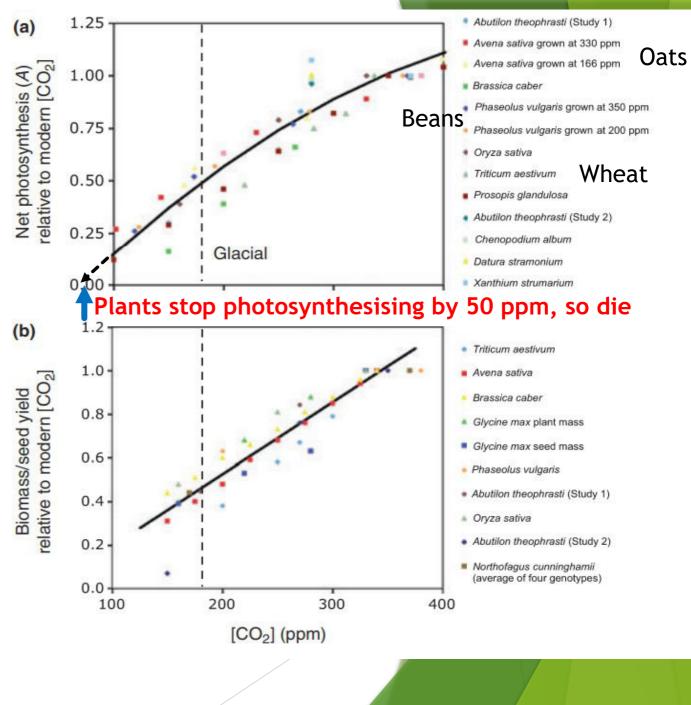


Fig. 2 Representative plants of *Abutilon theophrasti* (C_3) grown at glacial through future [CO_2]. All plants were 14 d of age and were grown under similar water, light, and nutrient conditions. These plants were photographed during a study by Dippery *et al.* (1995). (Photograph is courtesy of Anne Hartley, Florida Gulf Coast University.)

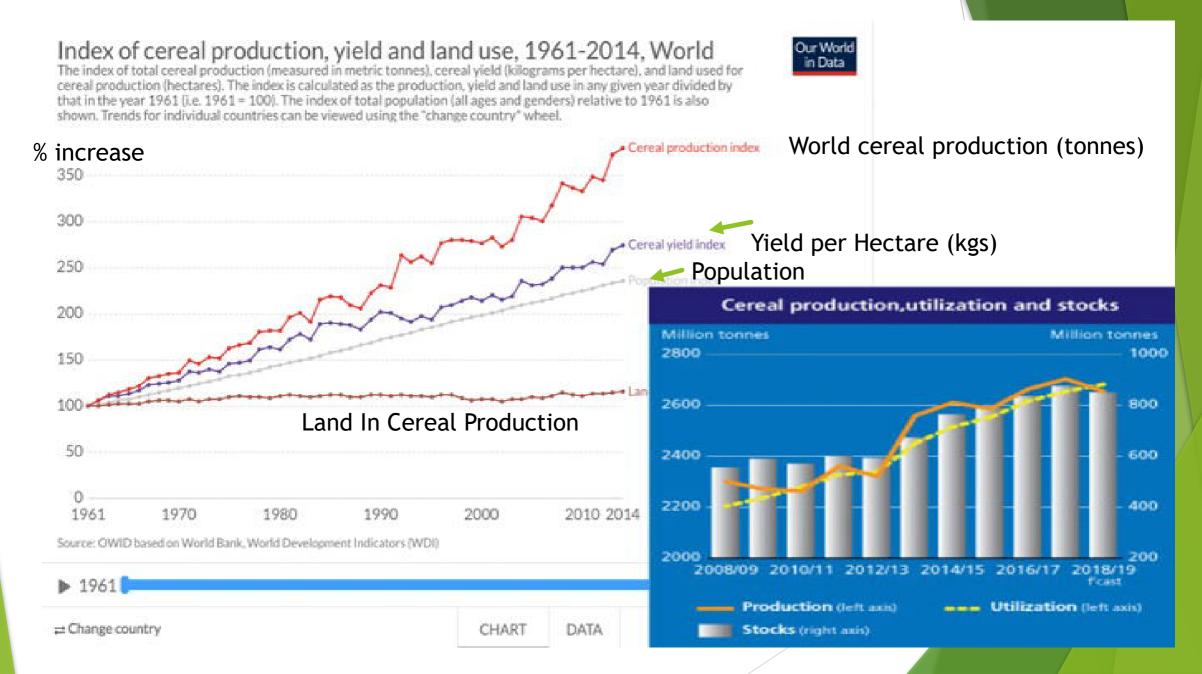


The More CO₂ In The Atmosphere The More Plant Material (Biomass) That Is Produced US Department of Agriculture, (FAO 1996)

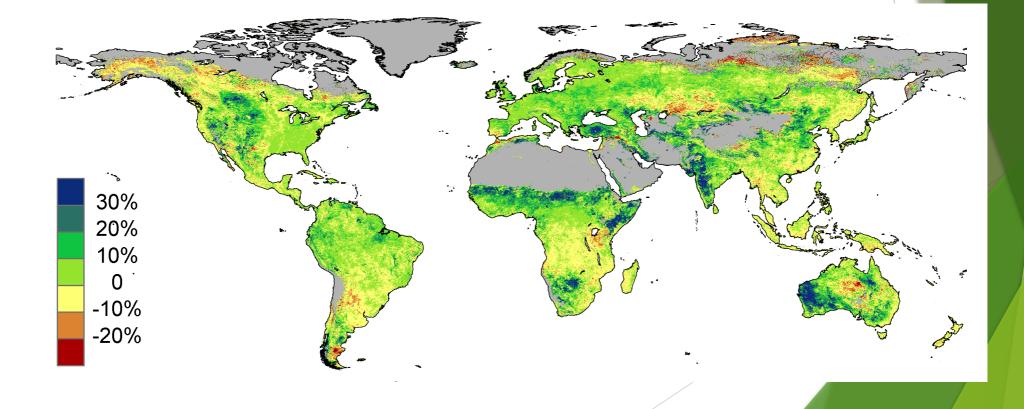
Several recent symposia proceedings and reviews leave little doubt that crop plants can respond well to elevated CO₂ (Rozema *et al.*, 1993; Woodwell and Mackenzie, 1995; Wittwer, 1995).
 Poorter (1993) compiled information from 156 plant species and found that doubling CO₂ provided an average growth increase of 37%.

Crudely speaking, with doubling CO₂ from 280 ppm before the industrial revolution to 560 ppm, we could feed the same number of people with 37% less land

Not Surprising That Increasing CO₂ Is Helping To Increase World Food Production



Increased levels of CO₂ have helped boost green foliage across the world's arid regions over the past 30 years through a process called CO₂ fertilisation, according to CSIRO research. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=S-nsU_DaIZE&ab_channel=ReasonTV



To Understand The Debate We Need To Understand Some Basic Truths



NPR weighs in on climate change policy ...

- If you can see it, it isn't CO_2 .
- We breath out about 40,000 ppm of CO₂. That is 4% of our breath.
- Can you see it?
- So why do people use photos like this to malign CO₂?
- This photo shows steam being discharged from chimneys & has nothing to do with CO₂.

- Humans Breath Out Just Under 1 kg Of CO₂ Per Day.
- So 8.0 Billion People Add Nearly 8 Million Tonnes To The Atmosphere/Day
- The same happens to the CO₂ from industry
- The CO₂ becomes food for plants
- <u>It is not a pollutant</u>

CO₂ is not a pollutant!

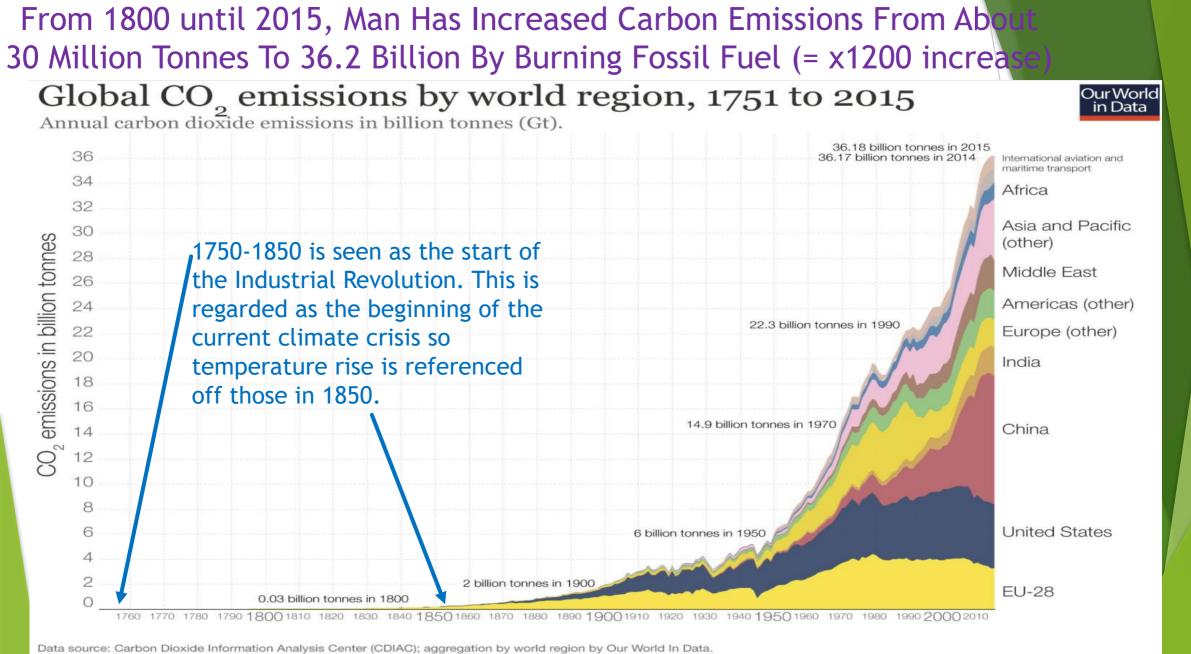




Power plant's breath: 70% N₂ 5% O₂ 5% H₂O 20% CO₂

Alice's breath: 75% N₂ 15% O₂ 6% H₂0 4% CO₂ However We Are Told That Man Is Causing Global Warming By:

- Burning fossil fuel that produces carbon dioxide (CO₂)
- Farming ruminants which produces methane (CH₄)
- Using nitrogenous fertilizer that produces nitrous oxide (N₂O)



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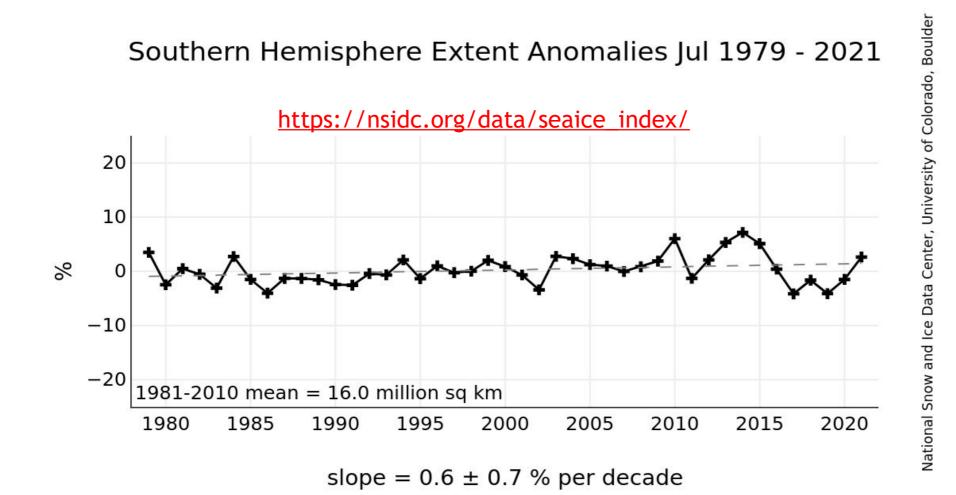
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With Such A Large Increase in Carbon Emissions Is It True That We Are Negatively Impacting The Planet?

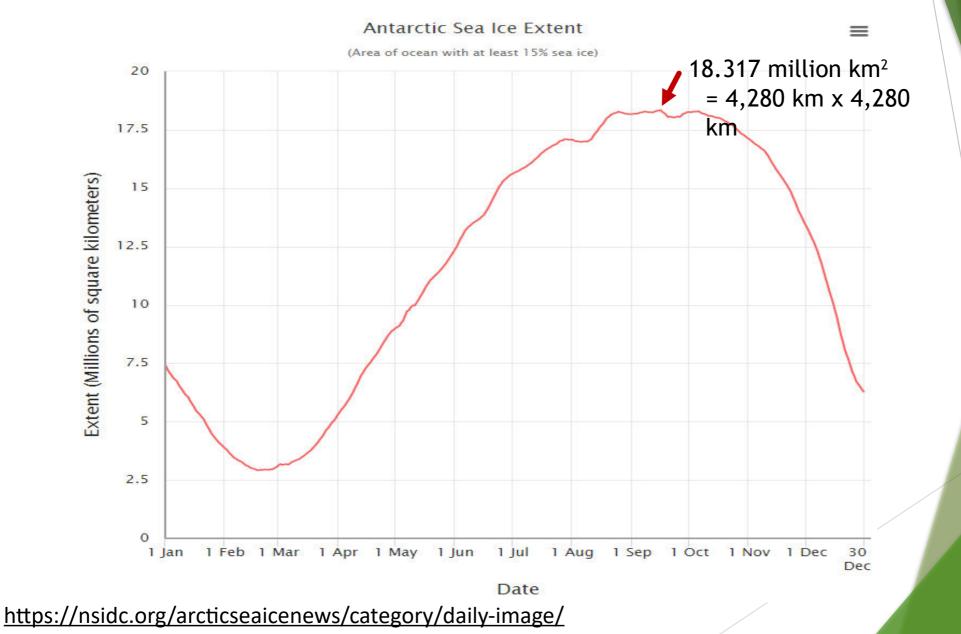
- Ice melting at the poles
- Sea level rise
- Rising temperature
- ► Floods
- Droughts
- Cyclones

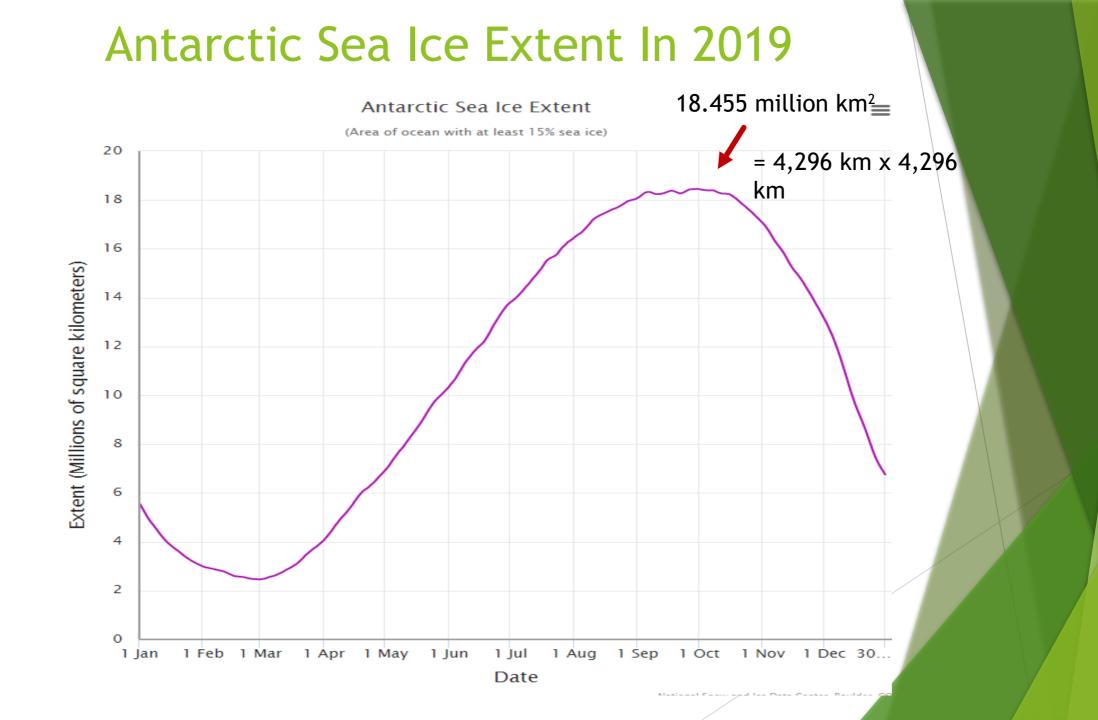


Let's Look At The Evidence Antarctica with 90% of the earth's ice, has shown an <u>INCREASE</u> in ice since satellite photos began in 1979

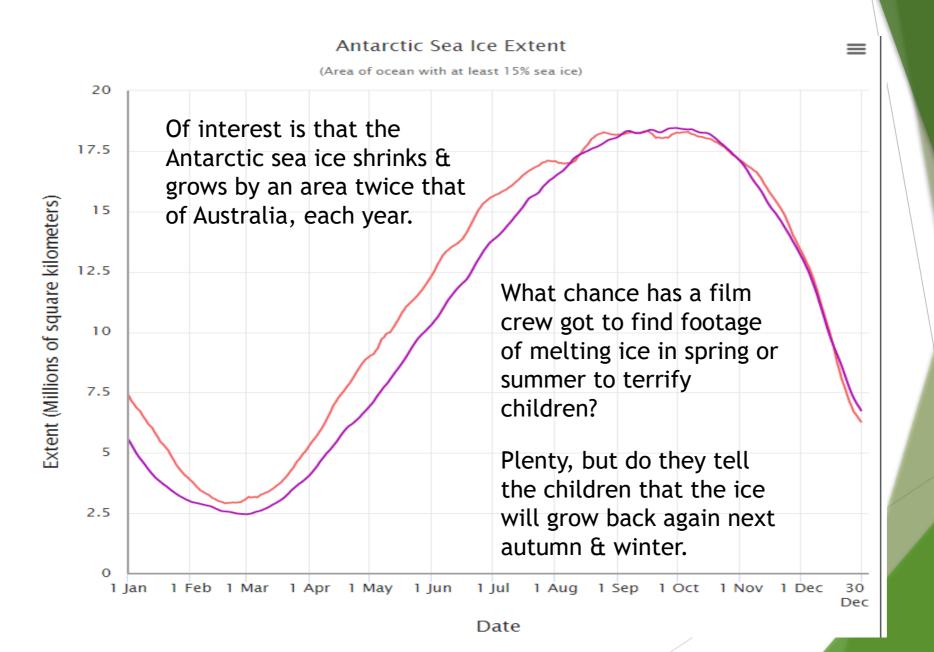


Antarctic Sea Ice Extent In 1979

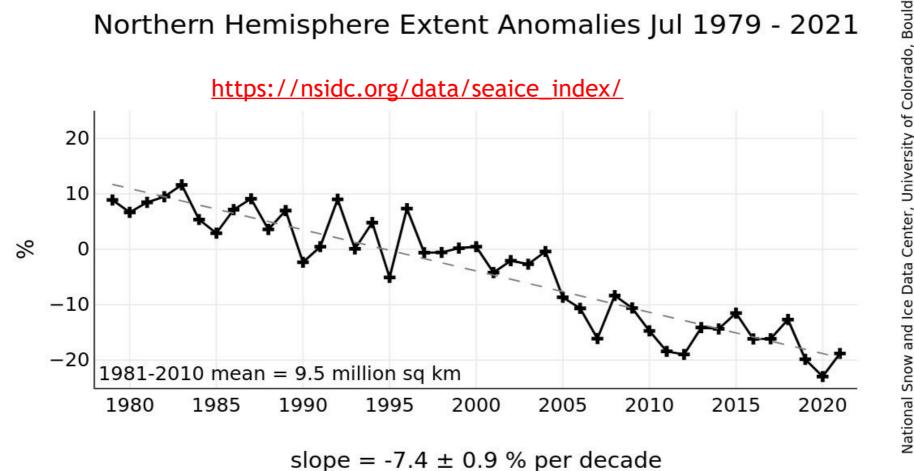




Antarctic Sea Ice Extent In 1979 verses 2019 (40 yrs)

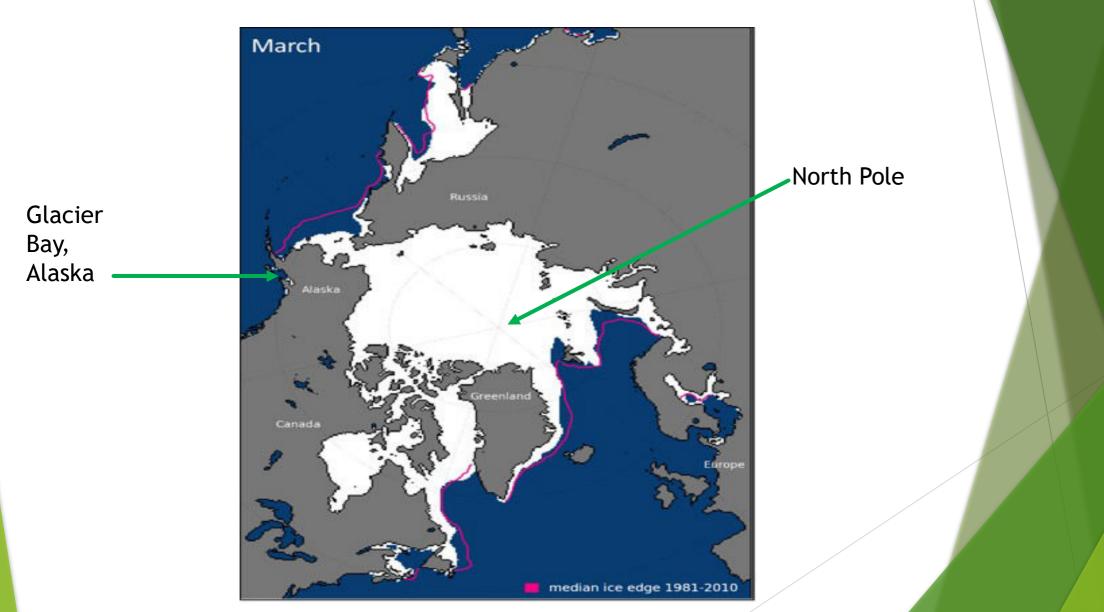


But Satellite photos show <u>Arctic</u> sea ice <u>HAS</u> receded



National Snow and Ice Data Center, University of Colorado, Boulder

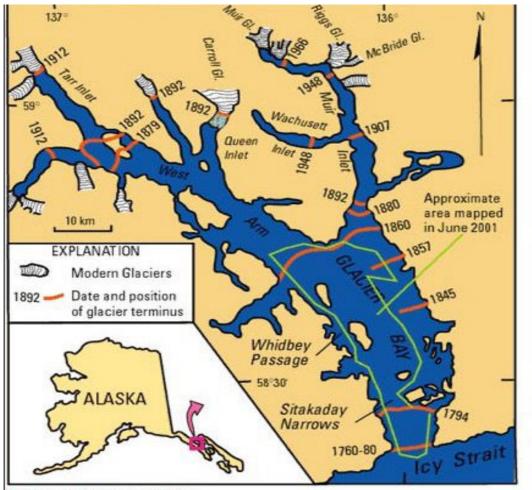
But Ice Has Been Melting Nearby At Glacier Bay In Alaska Since At Least 1750, So Why Not The Arctic?



Glacier Bay Has Eye Witness Records Extending Back To 1750 & Most Of The Ice Had Melted By 1880



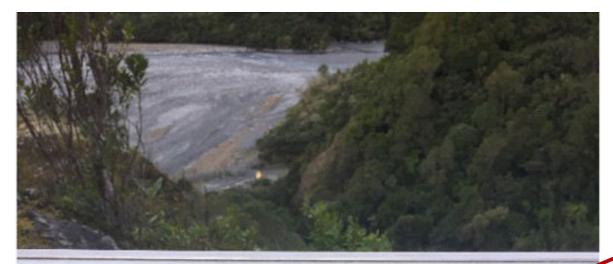
The Little Ice Age came and went quickly in geologic terms. By 1750 the glacier reached its maximum, jutting into Icy Strait, but 45 years later, when Capt. George Vancouver sailed here, the glacier had melted back five miles into Glacier Bay, which it had gouged out. When conservationist John Muir came here in 1879 the glacier had retreated 40 more miles up the bay since Vancouver's visit. A renowned author, Muir captured the public's imagination about Alaska, attracting tourists to Glacier Bay. Like most people today, they came by ship. Today you must travel 65 miles up the bay to view tidewater glaciers—a far cry from the glacier's 1750 maximum shown at left. Northern regions respond to changes in climate at faster rates than southern regions do. How will Glacier Bay change in your lifetime? The extent of ice at Glacier Bay has been well recorded and the melt began before the industrial revolution



No higher resolution available.

Glacierbaymap.gif (420 × 458 pixels, file size: 29 KB, MIME type: image/gif)

Franz Joseph Showed a similar history. See 1907 vs 1930



18,000 years ago, Franz Josef Glacier/Kā Roimata o Hine Hukatere extended to the sea. Today the terminal face lies 19 km from the shore. A warming climate has caused this retreat. Even within the short time since the first Europeans visited, the glacier has shrunk considerably.



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Fox Glacier plaque also recorded a similar trend before the 2020 flood destroyed the plaque

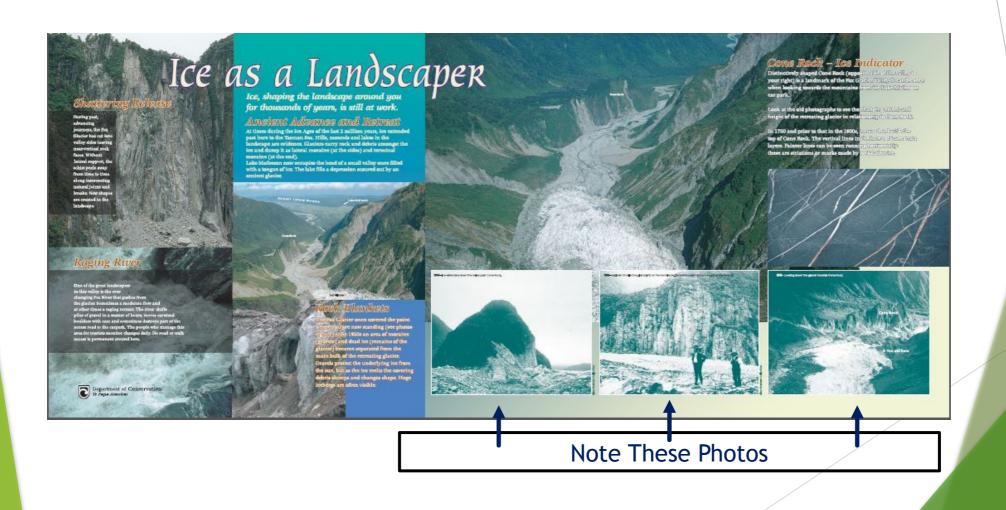


Photo 1 - In 1894 Fox Glacier extended well beyond Cone Rock, a perfect reference for glacial activity

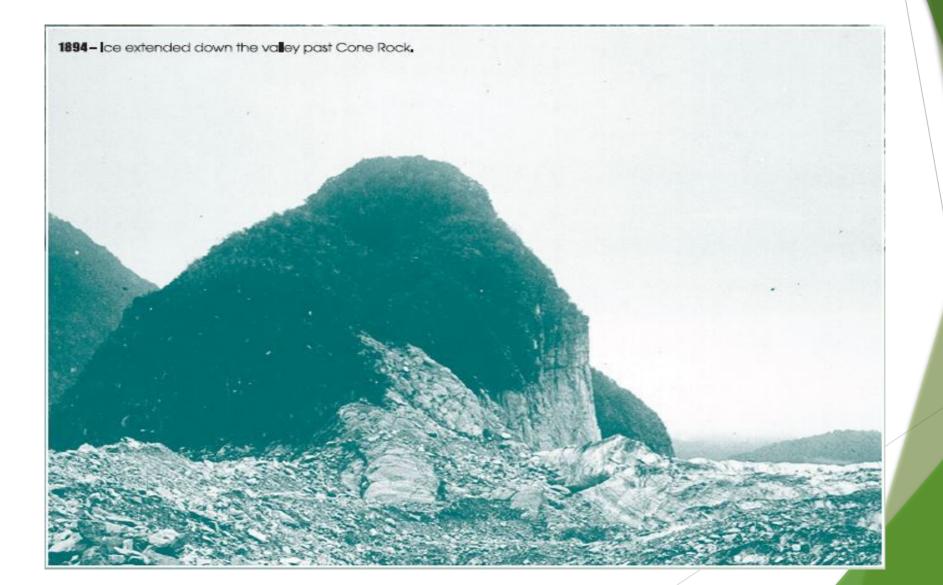


Photo 2 - In 1900 the glacier depth was easily measured against Cone Rock

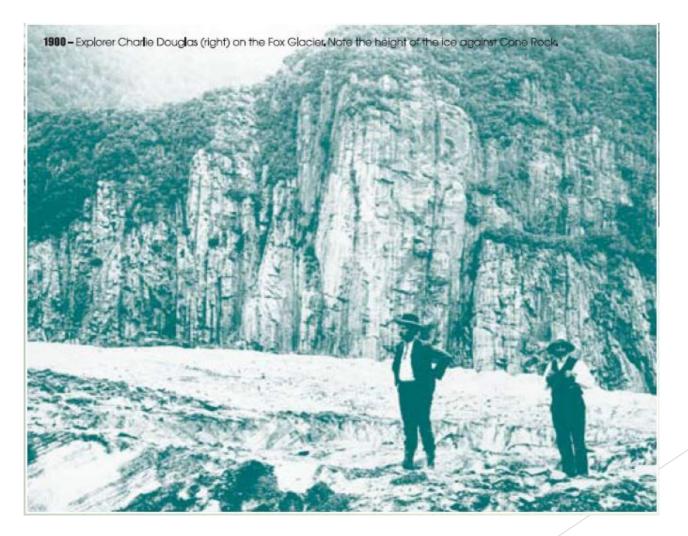


Photo 3 - By 1948 the glacier had receded to be upstream of Cone Rock, highlighting that the ice was melting before significant carbon emissions began



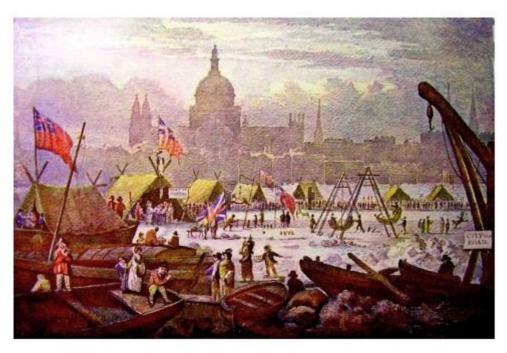
UK Records Show That The Thames Froze Regularly Between 1607-1815.



This Painting from 1677, shows the frozen Thames

During the Great Winter of 1683 / 84, where even the seas of southern Britain were frozen solid for up to two miles from shore, the most famous Frost Fair was held.

https://www.historic-uk.com/HistoryUK/HistoryofEngland/The-Thames-Frost-Fairs/



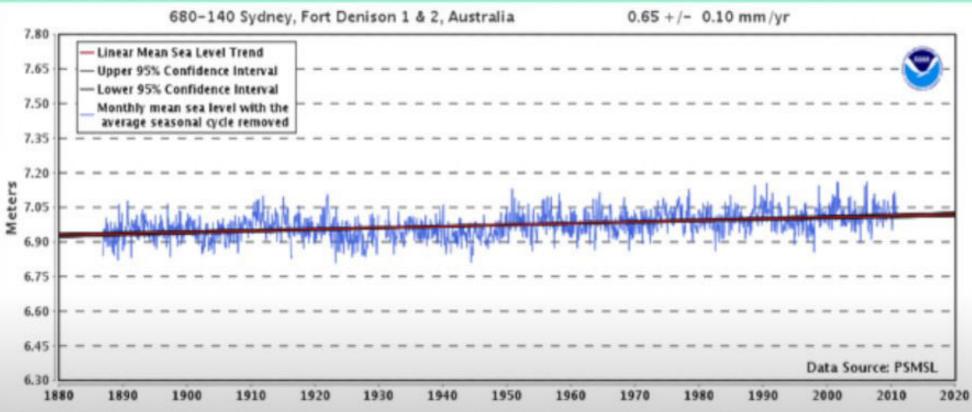
The last ever Frost Fair held in 1814 / 15

By the 1800's the climate had started to warm, the severity of the winters had waned and the last ever London Frost Fair took place in the January of 1814.

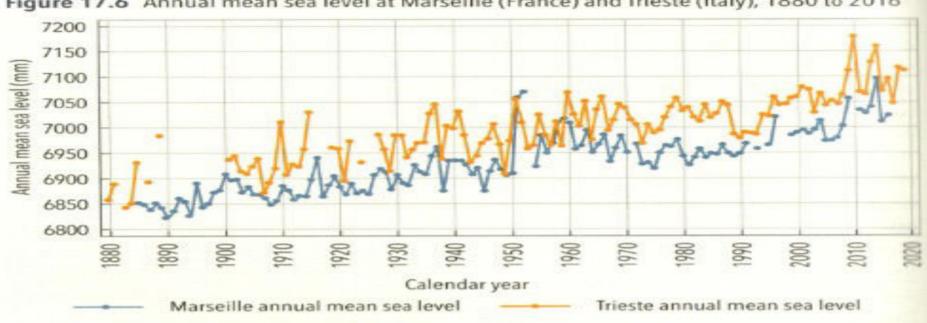
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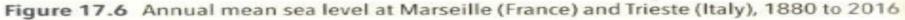
With Alaskan Ice Melting Since 1750 & A Similar Trend In The UK & NZ, Would We Expect Sea Levels to Be Rising?

This is Sydney's Sea Level Record Since 1887.



The same linear trend has occurred in France and Italy from 1880 - 2016



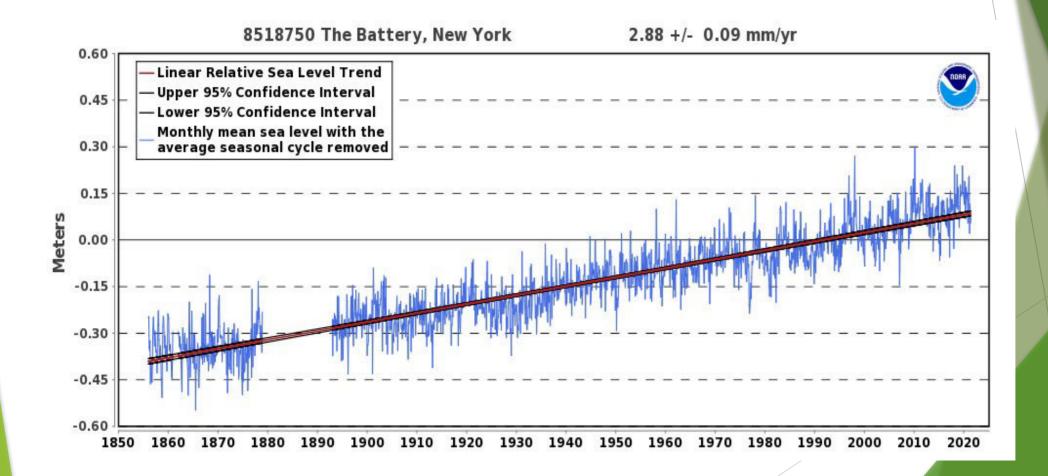


Tide gauge data from the Permanent Service for Mean Sea Level (PSMSL 2020).

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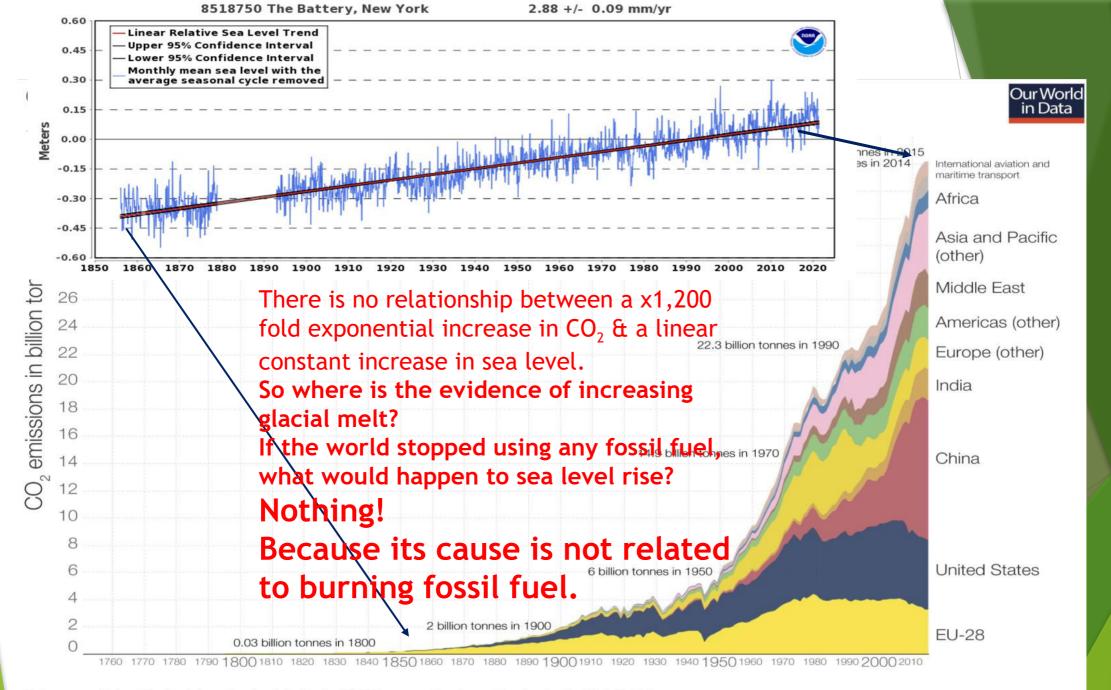
The Record In New York Is Even Older But It Still Shows A Consistent Yearly Increase Since 1855.

https://tidesandcurrents.noaa.gov/sltrends/sltrends_station.shtml?id=8518750

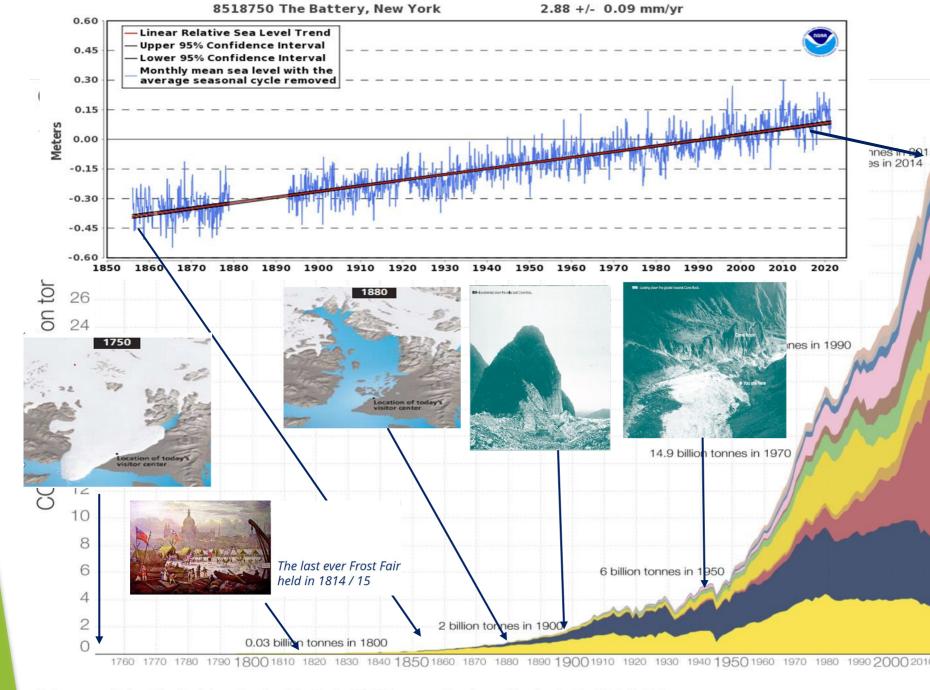


As well, even the United Nation's IPCC, the body whose task it is to find evidence for climate change stated

"No significant acceleration in the rate of sea-level rise during the 20th century has been detected" (Church et al 2001 – Changes in Sea Level In: Climate Change 2001: The Scientific Basis. Contribution of Working Group 1 to the Third Assessment Report of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change pp 639-693.)



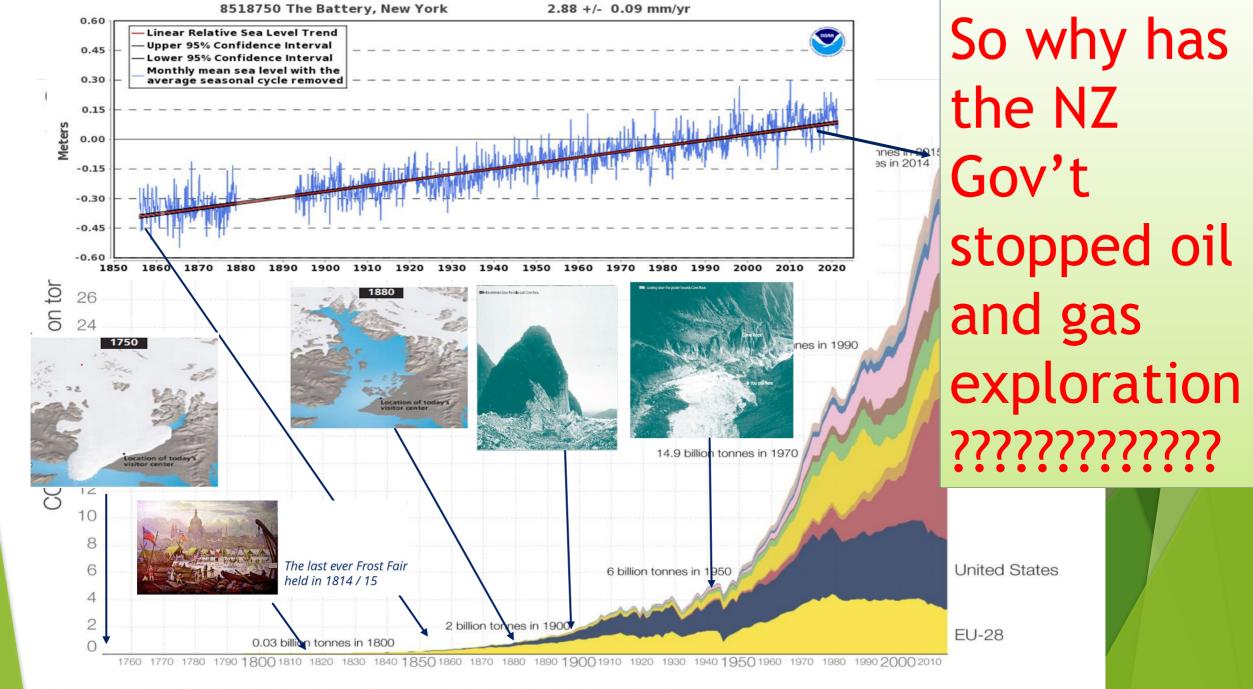
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How come we are blaming the burning of fossil fuels for: - melting glaciers & the corresponding sea level rise when, - we know from eye witness accounts from before the industrial revolution (1760-1850), - that the ice was already melting & - has done so at a constant rate since at least 1855.

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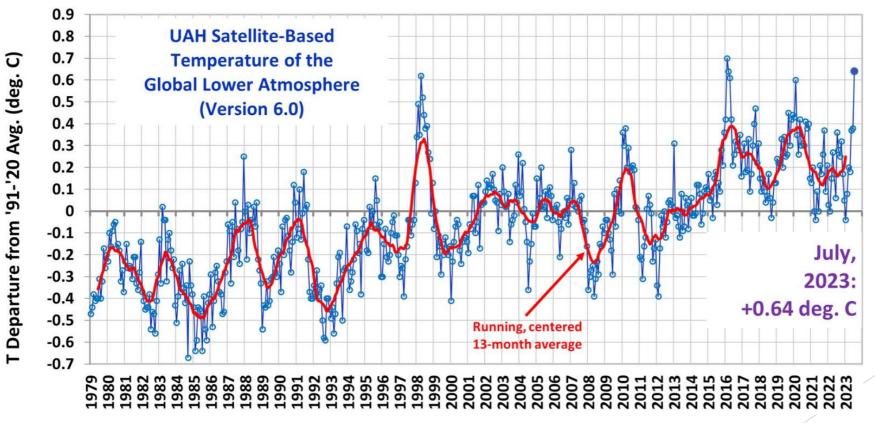
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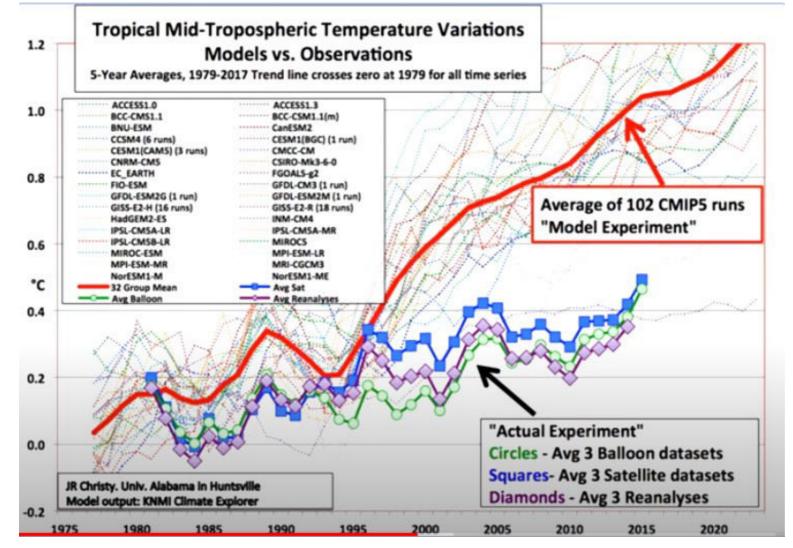
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Like Sea Level Rise, The Commencement Of Satellite Monitoring of Global Temperature In 1979 Shows A Small Gradual Increase



But Climate Models With > 200% Error In Predicting Temperature Are Being Used To Make Gov't Policy

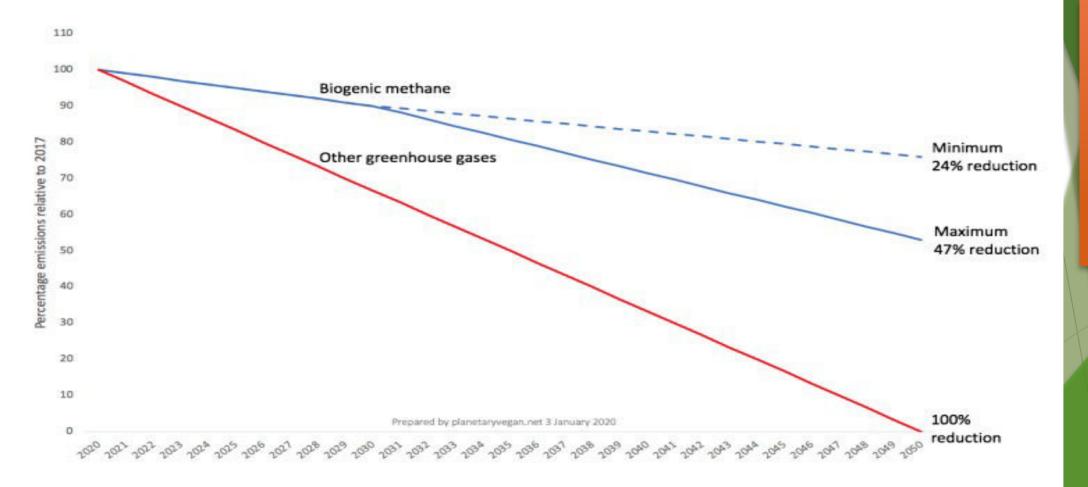


The models have an error of 200% compared to actual records from weather balloons & satellites

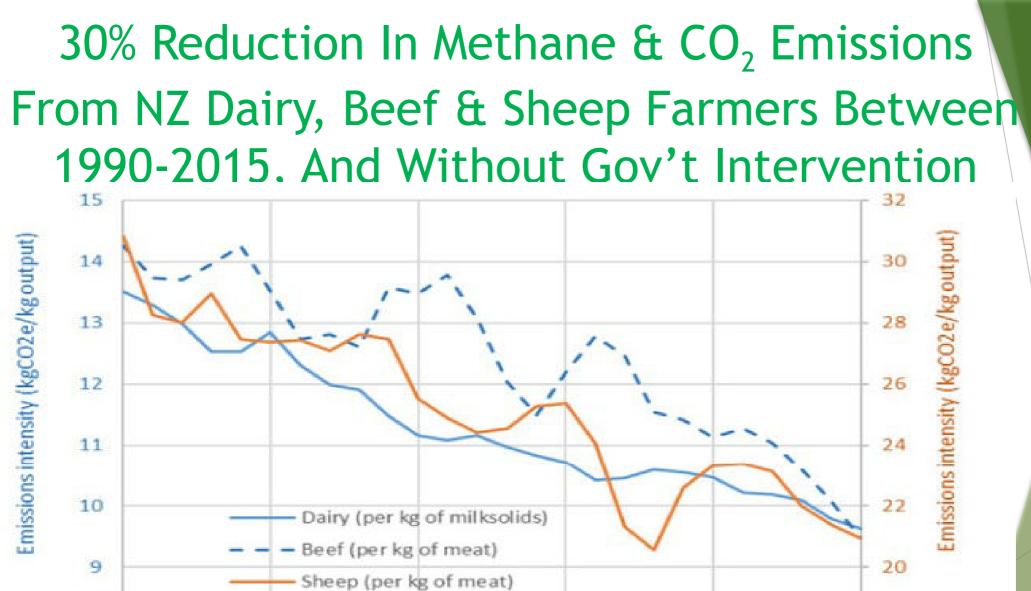
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Here Is What The Models Are Persuading Our Gov't To Do. The Goal Of The Zero Carbon Amendment Act - Nov 2019

Figure 1: New Zealand emission reduction targets relative to 2017 base period



Trend lines from 2020 to 2050



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2010

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1990

1995

2000

Year

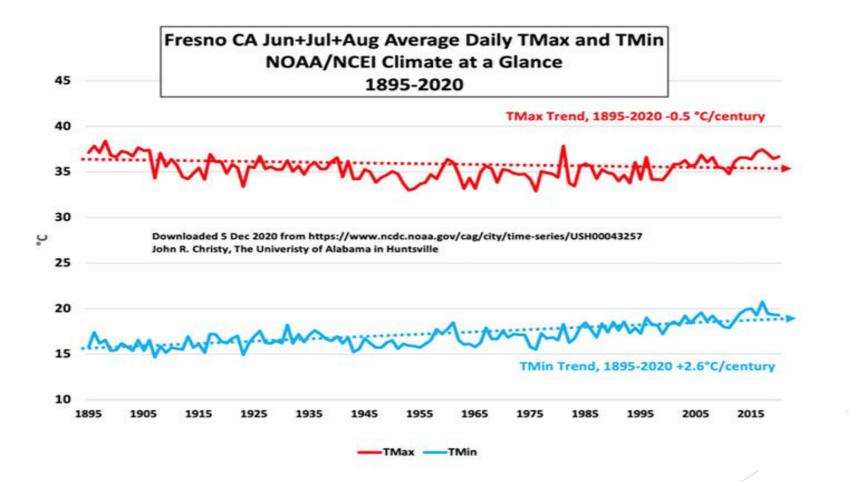
Source: NZ Govt 2018 "Zero-Carbon-Bill-Economic-Analysis-Report-FINAL"



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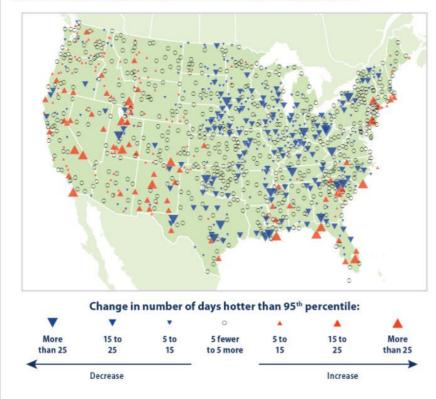
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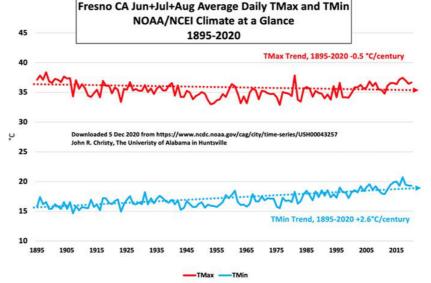
The Average Temp Is Gradually Increasing, But I Is Not The Maximums, Rather It Is The Warming Minimums, As Shown Since 1895 In California.



Same Trend Over Most Of The USA Where Unusually Hot Days Are Becoming Less Common From 1948-2015

Figure 4. Change in Unusually Hot Temperatures in the Contiguous 48 States, 1948-2015





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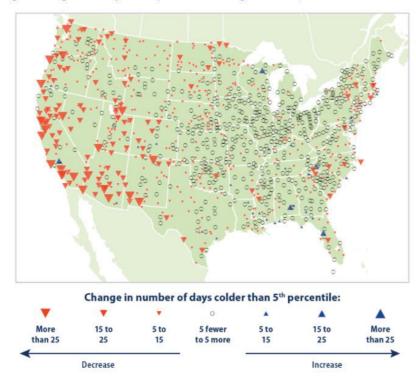
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"Blue downward pointing symbols show where unusually hot days are becoming less common"

Data source: NOAA, 2016⁹

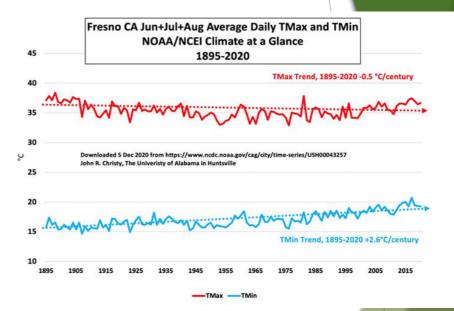
Same Trend Over Most Of The USA Where Unusually Cold Days Are Becoming Less Common From 1948-2015

Figure 5. Change in Unusually Cold Temperatures in the Contiguous 48 States, 1948-2015



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This map shows trends in unusually cold temperatures at individual weather stations that have operated consistently since 1948. In this case, the term "unusually cold" refers to a daily minimum temperature that is colder than the 5th percentile temperature during the 1948–2015 period. Thus, the minimum temperature on a particular day at a particular station would be considered "unusually cold" if it falls within the coldest 5 percent of measurements at that station during the 1948–2015 period. The map shows changes in the total number of days per year that were colder than the 5th percentile. Blue upward-pointing symbols show where these unusually cold days are becoming more common. Red downward-pointing symbols show where unusually cold days are becoming less common.

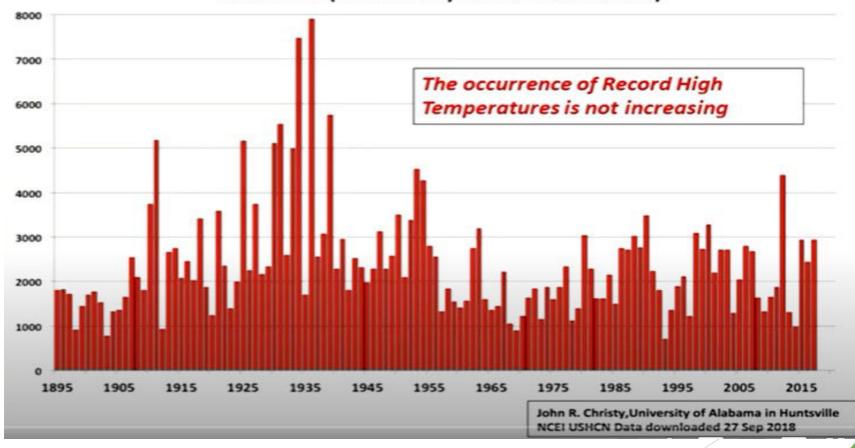


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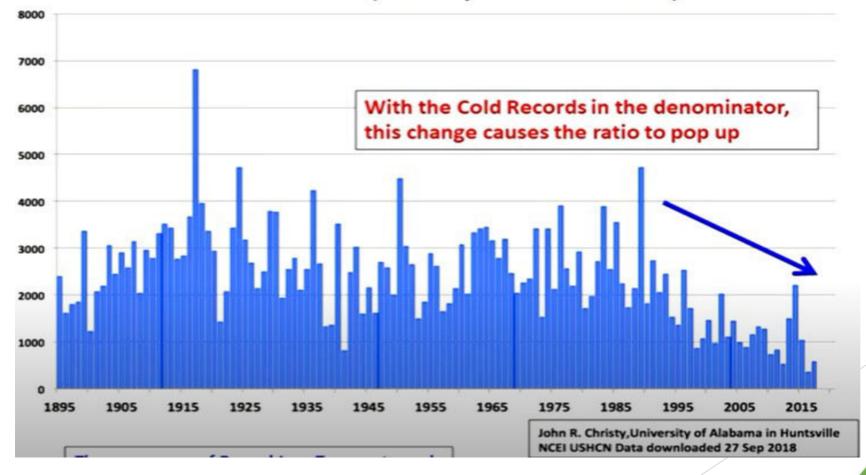
The USA Has Over 120 yrs of Temperature Records. The Number of Record Highs is Not Increasing, But In Fact Is Decreasing

Number per year of Record Daily Hottest TMax in 804 USHCN Stations 1895-2017 (min of 100 years of observations)



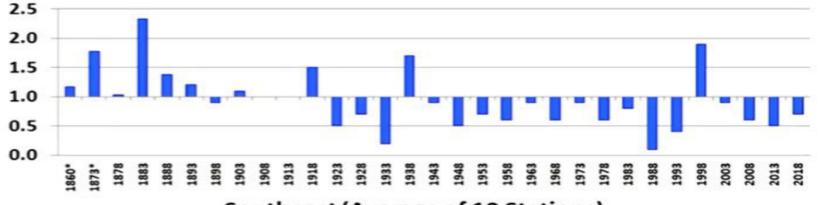
The Number of Record Lows Is Decreasing, So Warming Winters Creates The Average Temperature Trend To Increase

Number per year of Record Daily Coldest TMin in 805 USHCN Stations 1895-2017 (Min 100 years of observations)



Rainfall Extremes in the USA Since 1860. Note That If You Start at an Appropriate Point It Can Be Made To Look Like Downpours Have Increased.

Number of "1-in-5 Year" 2-day Extremes per 5-year period Expected value = 1.0 per station Pacific Coast (Average of 10 Stations)



Southeast (Average of 10 Stations)

 Start in 1958 = Significance

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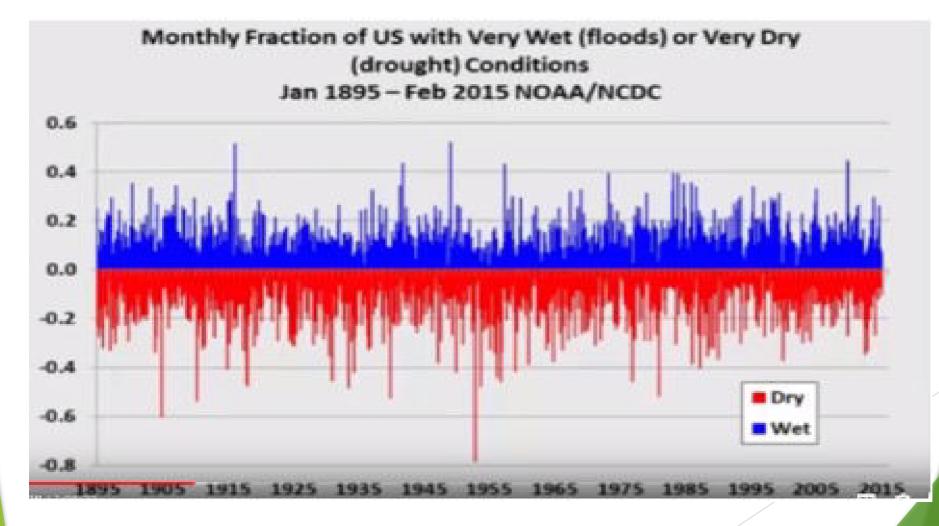
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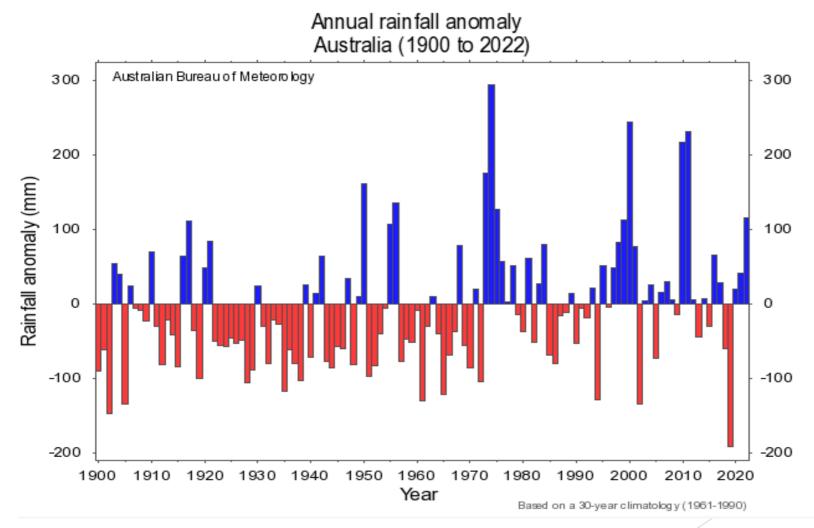
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Floods and Droughts In The USA From 1895-2015

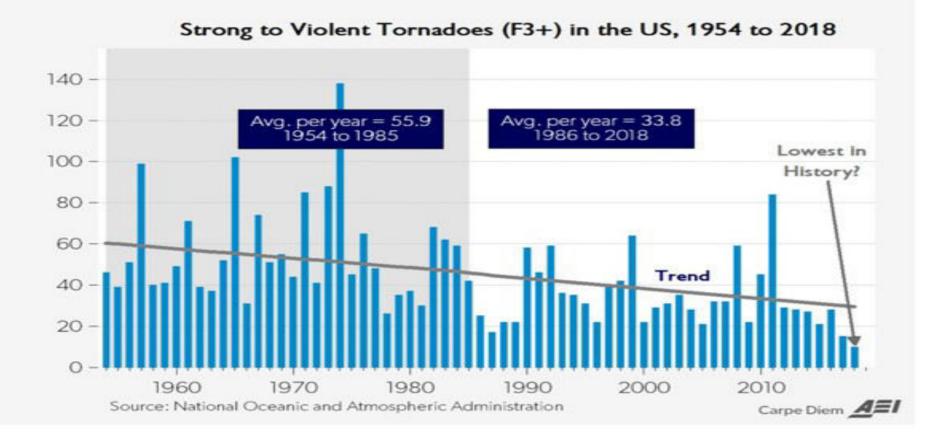


Australian Rainfall Anomaly 1900-2022 Doesn't Show Increased Droughts

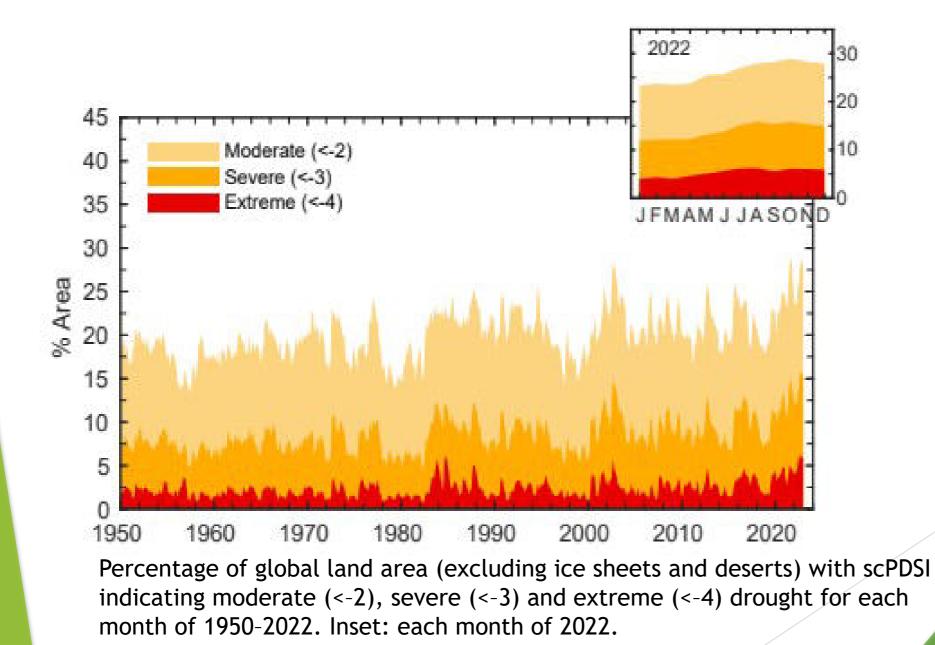


USA Strong to Violent Tornado History 1954-2018

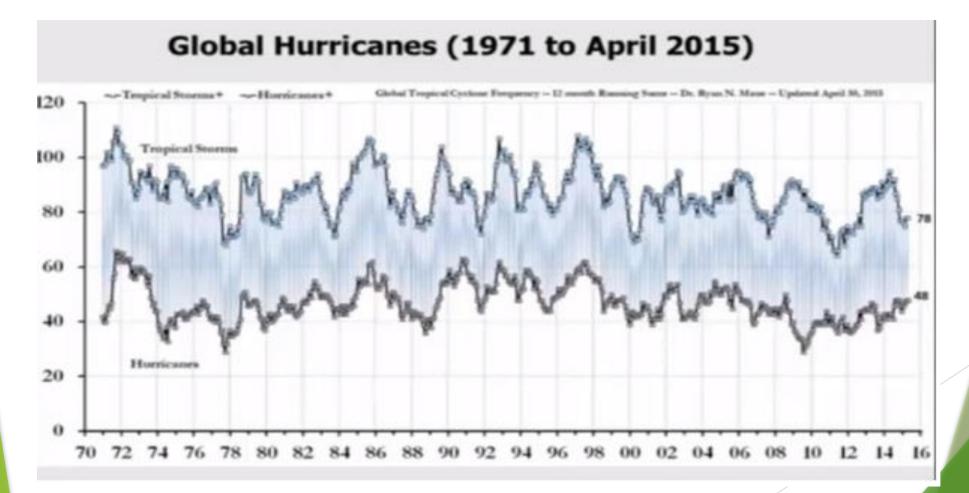
2018 – Oklahoma record longest tornado drought ended 1 May



In Over 70 Yrs Global Drought Hasn't Increased

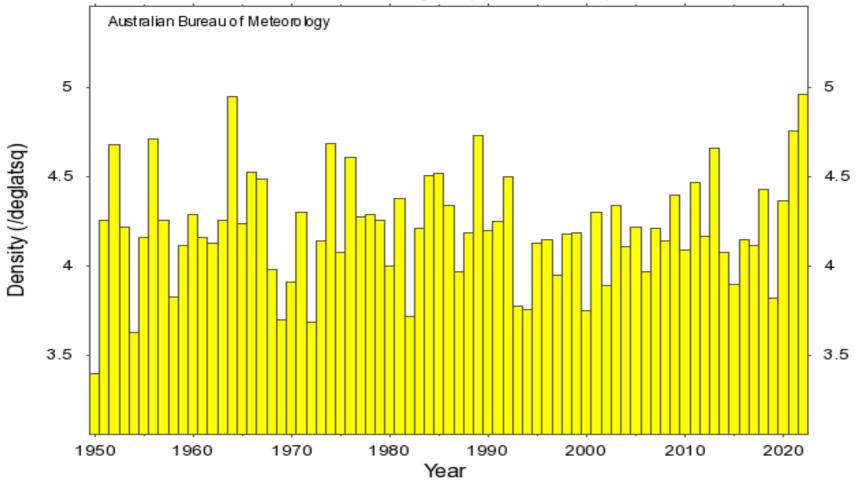


Tropical Storms and Hurricane/Cyclone Occurrence Is Easy To Measure And They Have Not Increased

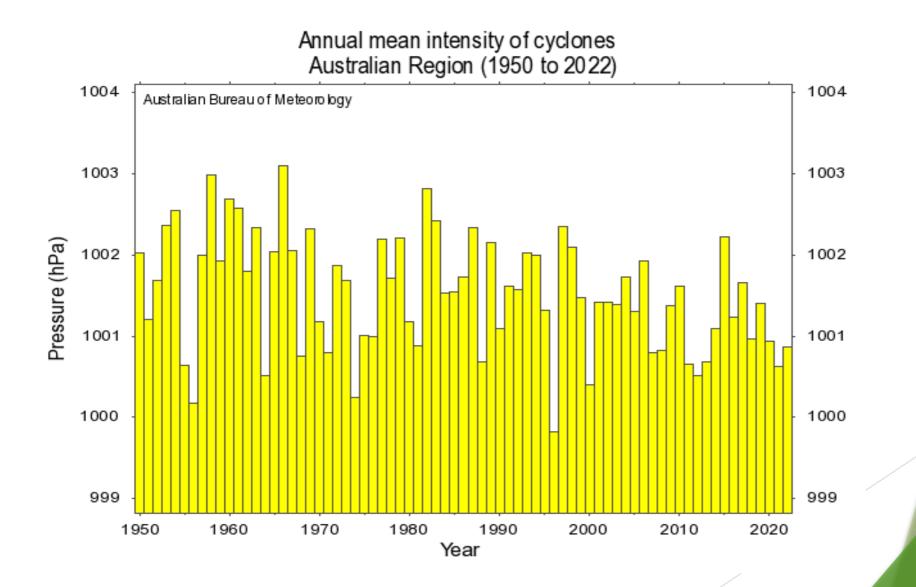


Australian Cyclone Incidence Shows No Worsening In The Last 70 Yrs

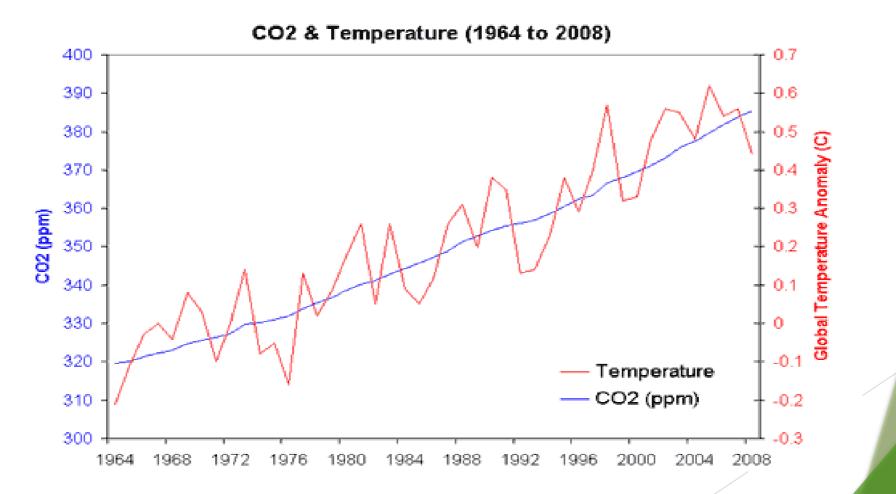
Annual mean cyclone density Australian Region (1950 to 2022)

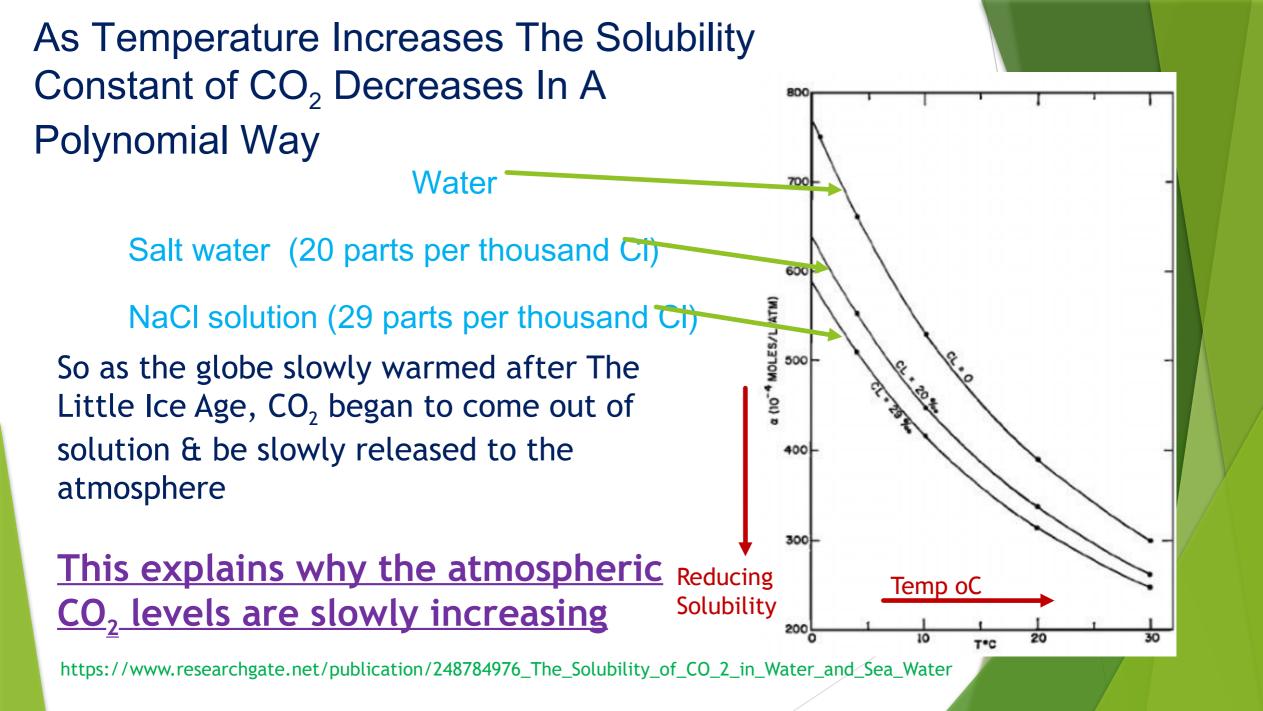


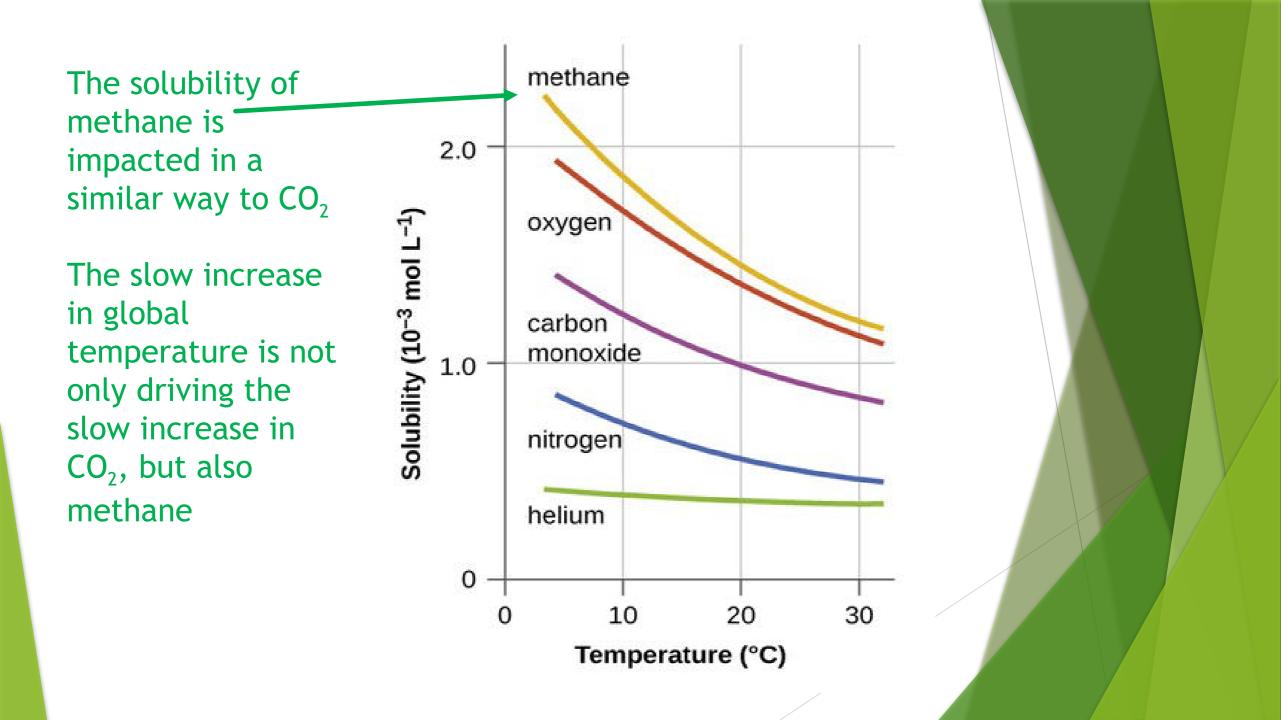
The Strength Of Australian Cyclones Hasn't Increased In The Last 70 Yrs



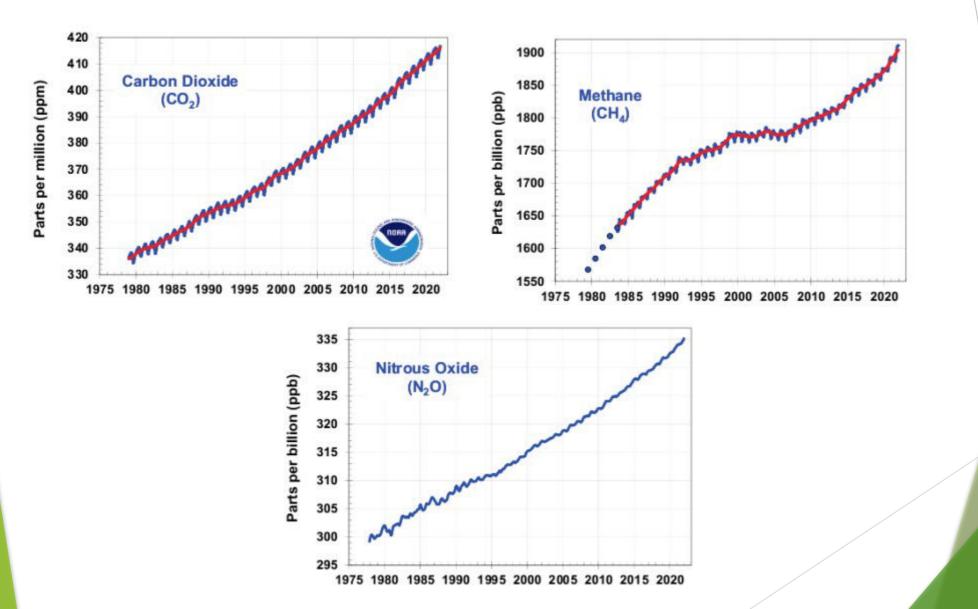
We Know CO₂ Is Certainly Slowly Increasing, As Is Average Temperature, But Which Is Causing The Other?







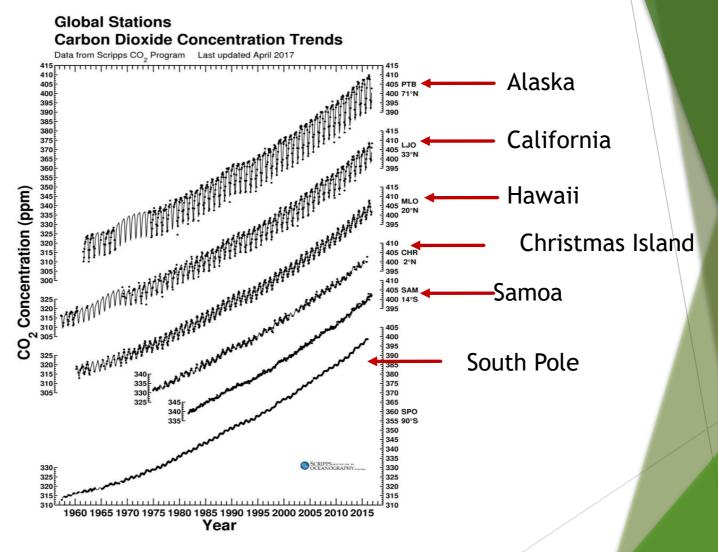
All three demonised gases are slowly increasing



The graph portrays variations in CO₂ levels at Point Barrow Alaska (PTB), La Jolla California (LJO), Mauna Loa Observatory (MLO), Christmas Island (CHR), Samoa (SAM), and the South Pole (SPO)

over the last 60 years. In other words, the further a location is away from the coldest place on earth, Antarctica, the greater the variation in atmospheric CO₂, due to the variation in seasonal ocean temperature.

> Remember, the oceans are very deep so the temperature of the ocean volume in a location will determine the CO_2 & methane solubility, not the surface.



Source: Scripps CO2CO2 Program, Global Stations CO2CO2 Concentration Trends

Latest Research Supports This Conclusion

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Antarctic **Keiller MacDuff**

As wildfires and heatwaves dominate th headlines in the Northern Hemisphere, Trans-Tasman gathering bringing hui dreds of Antarctic experts to a three-da conference in Christchurch has the focu squarely on the bottom of the Earth.

The New Zealand-Australia Antarct Science Conference Latitudes of Chang is the first gathering of its kind in aroun a decade, and comes amid a rapidly inter sifving rash of extreme weather and som startling scientific discoveries.

Vastly reduced Antarctic sea ice - at th precise moment when it should be at i largest - has been recorded at its lowe levels since satellite measurement bega 45 years ago.

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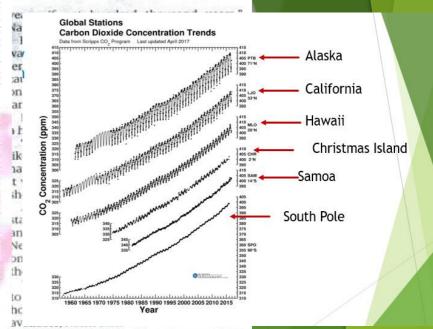
"It's not a pretty picture."

She said sea ice reflects about 90% of sunlight, while the ocean absorbs about 90%, which will cause the ocean temperature to increase and make sea ice formation even less likely.

The reduction is so drastic it "doesn't even feature into the numbers that come an out as marine a subarre of prospilion - when the process becomes irreversible as the trend could perhaps reverse or stop temporarily.

"But because of global warming and the heat we've put in the ocean and the atmosphere, it's not a case of if we hit a tipping point, it's just a case of when."

The rates of change were "completely unprecedented in the last few thousand



The Press Thursday, July 27, 2023

News

"We've known about how humans have been affecting the climate system for more than 30 years now, and all that's happened over that time is the evidence has just got more compelling and stronger."

The conference runs until tomorrow, with a variety of speakers presenting to the public at the Antarctica After Dark event tomorrow night.

Summary

- The Little Ice Age around 1600-1800 established a period of significant temperature reduction, which in turn led to significant global glacial formation & therefore a reduction in sea level.
- Accordingly the world's oceans & fresh water stocks were frozen or cooled
- This caused atmospheric CO₂ levels to be reduced through increased absorption into water stocks.
- As the globe slowly warms until homeostasis is achieved, the oceans continue to slowly warm & the solubility of CO₂ and methane therefore decrease, thus increasing atmospheric concentrations.
- Man has little influence on the rate of increase of temperature, CO₂ & methane, so any attempts to do so through perceived mitigations will destroy the world's economies & population through the removal of reliable cheap energy.
 - Increasing levels of CO₂ are helping to feed the planet
 - The burning of plastic should be considered as a source of energy, providing ingredients in the plastics do not cause air pollution.
 - This would be a solution to the very serious problem of plastic pollution, especially in the poor countries.

People Need Energy To Live So If They Don't Have Reliable Energy They Burn Trees. This Is The Border Of Two Countries With Different Policies On Using Fossil Fuel (Haiti (L) vs Dominican Republic (R))

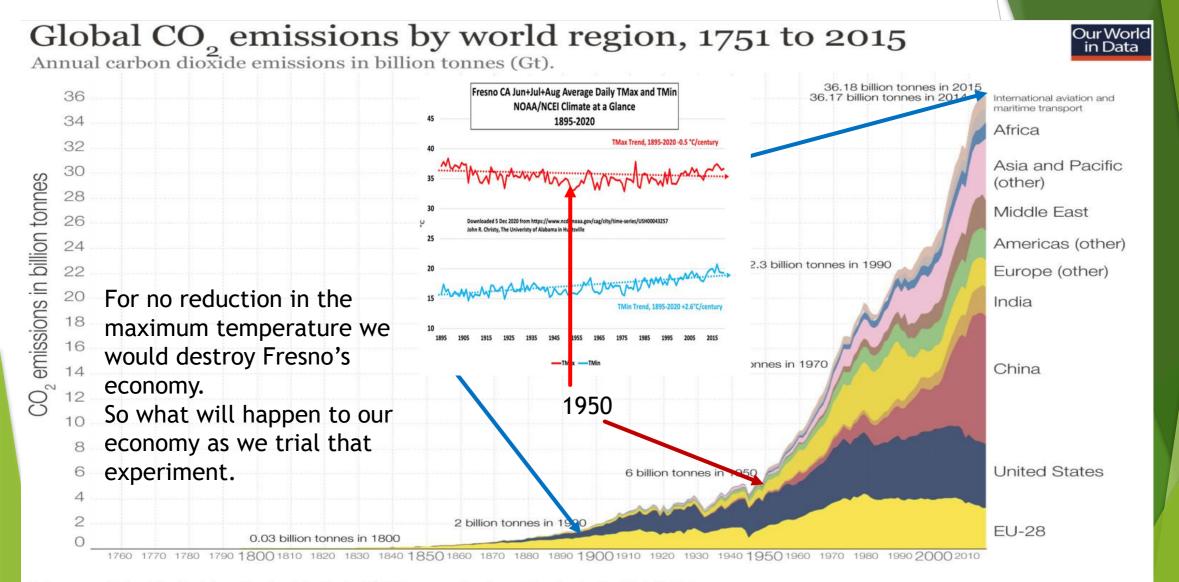


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Which Living Standard Will We Leave Our Children & Grandchildren?



With Over 100 Yrs Of Temperature Data At Fresno (California) We Can See What Will Happen To Our Economy If We Reduced Carbon Emissions By 84% To 1950 Levels For Example.



Data source: Carbon Dioxide Information Analysis Center (CDIAC); aggregation by world region by Our World In Data. The interactive data visualization is available at OurWorldinData.org. There you find the raw data and more visualizations on this topic.

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Conclusions By World Class Scientists

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=imGGSObeGds&ab_channel=familyfirstnz

June 2021 - Prof Michael Kelly – former Professor of Technology at Cambridge University.

Regarding the wholesale shift to renewable energy "I think we are sleep walking into an awful future and its not one of climate change."

- <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nor_0MKsmjc&ab_channel=SkyNewsAustralia</u> <u>June 2021 -</u> Former Chief Scientist to President Obama, Prof Steven Koonin, said humans have not had any detectable impact on climate metrics.
- <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jePtwdjcU_g&ab_channel=RathnakumarS</u> Emeritus Prof William Happer, former Director of Energy Research for President Bush (Snr) and then President Clinton, says man-made climate change theory is a hoax. He was fired by Vice-President Al Gore because he kept correcting Gore's "grotesque" exaggeration of the climate facts.

Conclusions By World Class Scientists cont

https://www.climatedepot.com/2019/06/24/watch-climatologist-epa-board-scientist-dr-john-christy-exposes-the-climate-scare/

Emeritus Professor John Christy won a prestigious science award when he worked for NASA, for measuring the earth's temperature with satellites. He refutes the claims that man is the dominant cause of climate change & that

we have climate emergencies

<u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RCgEAmr42yI&ab_channel=TheUniversityofAlabamainHuntsvilleTheUniversity ofAlabamainHuntsville</u>

Retired MIT Professor of Atmospheric Physics, Richard Lindzen, does not support the theory of anthropogenic global warming.

And

- Michael Shellenberger is a Time Magazine "Hero of the Environment," and he wrote
 - "Consider California. Between 2011–17 the cost of solar panels declined about 75 percent, and yet our electricity prices rose five times more than they did in the rest of the U.S.
 - It's the same story in Germany, the world leader in solar and wind energy. Its electricity prices increased 50 percent between 2006–17, as it scaled up renewables."
- He was one of those involved in leading the expenditure of \$US150 billion from 2009-2015 in the US to introduce mass renewables.
 He finished his TED Talk in November 2018 "I think it's also understandable that as the facts have come in, many of us have started to question our prior beliefs and change our minds. For me the question now is, now that we know that renewables can't save the planet, are we going to keep letting them destroy it?"

Other Resources

RCR – RealityCheck.Radio (online)

21 March - Ian Wishart with Paul Brennan 26 June 23 - Prof Geoff Duffy with Jaspreet & Don 29 June 23 - Barry Brill with Rodney Hide <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Moum_SZ5NNY</u> The earth's surface temperature data has been cherry picked by NOAA (Prof Richard Muller).

Questions For You

Are we being told the truth? What does it mean for our children? So what do we do about it? Answer:

Share a piece of truth that you have learned today with others. Truth will defend itself if enough of us share it.

Thank you