

# Eco-Hysteria: A Scientist Examines the “Environmentalist” Movement

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### Qualifications

- Ph.D. in Nuclear Chemistry from the University of Rochester
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### Environmentalist Propaganda

In my university chemistry courses, I always took a poll asking students whether the air we breathe today is cleaner or dirtier than the air we were breathing in the 1970s. More than **90%** say it is dirtier.

**FACT:** The air today is **SIGNIFICANTLY CLEANER** than it has been since 1970.

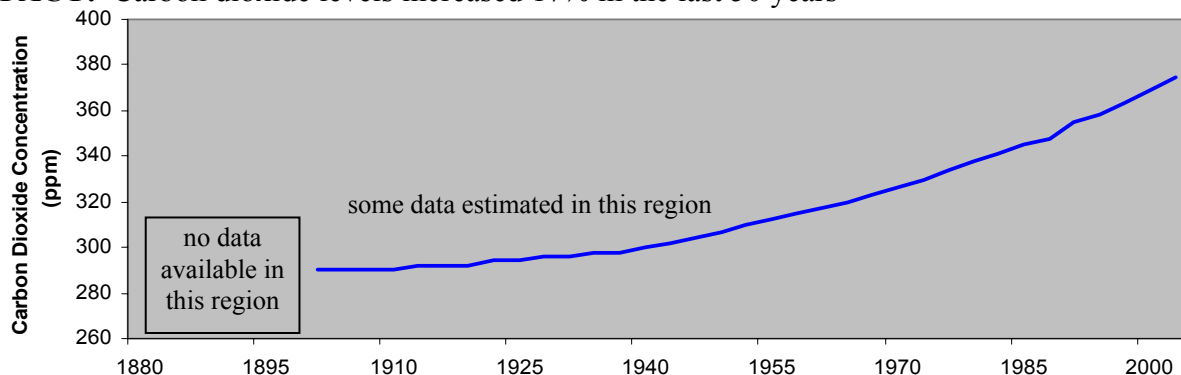
- **Airborne lead: *DECREASED*** by 93%
- **Carbon Monoxide: *DECREASED*** by 60%
- **Ground Level Ozone: *DECREASED*** by 53%
- **Sulfur Oxides: *DECREASED*** by 70%
- **Nitrogen Oxides: *DECREASED*** by 20%

### Global Warming: The Scientific Hoax of the Decade

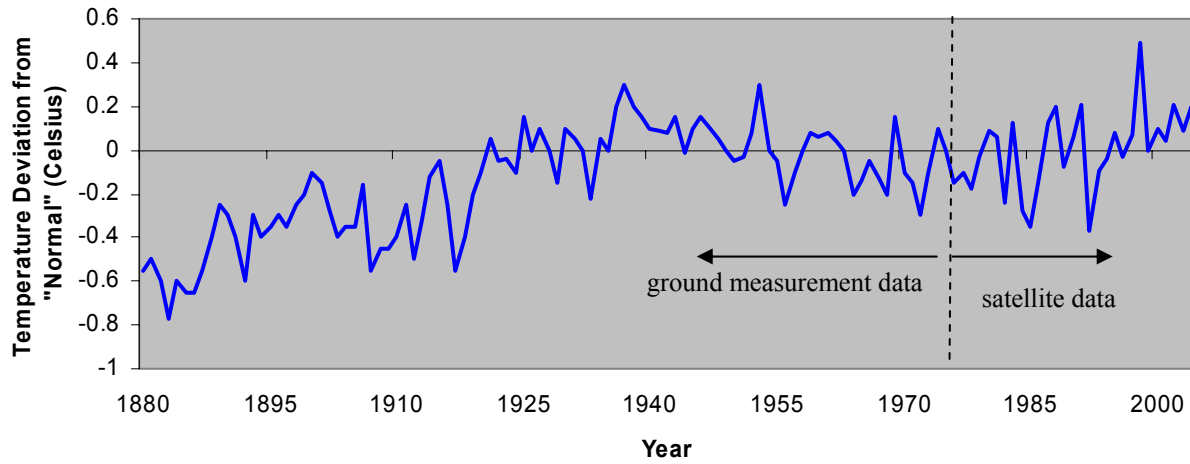
**FACT:** Several gases in Earth’s atmosphere (including carbon dioxide) help to trap infrared heat that the earth radiates from its surface. This process is commonly called the **GREENHOUSE EFFECT**.

Without the greenhouse effect, the average temperature of the earth would be -100° F. With the greenhouse effect, it is a balmy 50° F.

**FACT:** Carbon dioxide levels increased 17% in the last 50 years

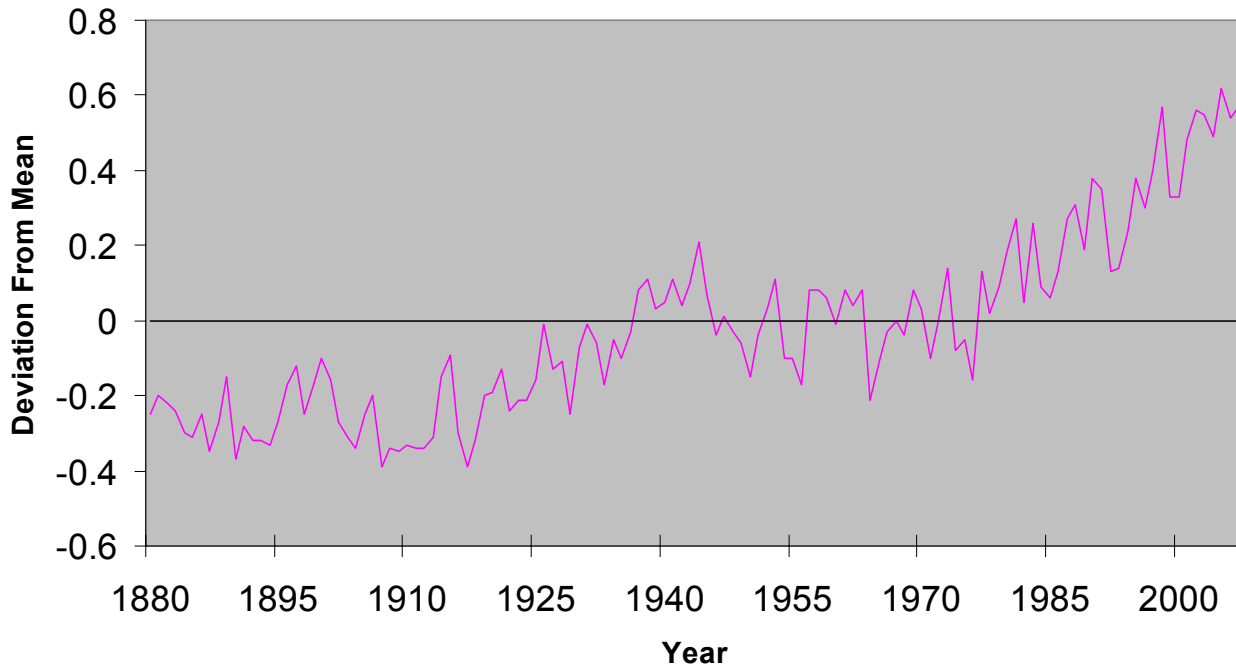


**Environmental Claim:** This will lead to Global Warming  
**FACT:** The data say NO!!!!



### Why Do People Believe in Global Warming?

Surface Temperatures are rising a bit:



### Why SURFACE TEMPERATURES Don't Measure Global Warming

- ☞ Global warming occurs **FIRST** in the atmosphere. Thus, the atmosphere must warm first, THEN the surface of the earth will warm.
- ☞ Most temperature measurements are made at the airport. As time has gone on, cities have grown towards the airport, making the airport **WARMER**.
- ☞ Global warming is supposed to be **GLOBAL**. Surface temperature measurements are weighted to **LAND**, which is about 30% of the earth!

## Computer models (GCMs) predict global warming...but they are WRONG!

- No GCM has ever succeeded in creating a troposphere that behaves at all like the observed data of the last quarter of the twentieth century
- "...while the United Nations was promoting the paradigm that the models were 'generally realistic' and using them as the basis for sweeping policy recommendations that could greatly harm United States prosperity, the models were in fact making massive errors that the [United Nations] was loath to note." - **Dr. Patrick J. Michaels, past president of the American Association of State Climatologists**
- "Ten years ago, I believed the modelers that global warming was a serious problem that needed attention and intervention...As I studied the issue year by year, I became less and less convinced." - **Dr. George Taylor, president of the American Association of State Climatologists**
- A comparison of tropical temperature trends with model predictions, Douglass, D.H., et al, *International Journal of Climatology*, 12-5-2007  
A detailed comparison between model predictions and observations over the past 25 years show that the models are in drastic disagreement with the data. The models predict significantly warmer atmospheric temperatures than have actually occurred, despite the fact that the last 25 years constitute a period of more complete and accurate observations and more realistic modeling efforts.

### But Aren't the Glaciers Melting?

YES – Some Are. For Example: Mendenhall Glacier (AK)

But many are GROWING. The Briksdal glacier is growing at a brisk rate of 200+ feet per year.

VK Raina, a leading Himalayan glaciologist, says that out of 9,575 glaciers in India, research has been conducted only on about 50. Nearly 200 years of data has shown nothing abnormal occurring.

Serious studies on glaciers confirm VK Raina's view. In "Extracting a Climate Signal from 169 Glacier Records" [*Science* 308, 675 -677 (2005)] J. Oerlemans studies historical records on 169 different glaciers. He finds some getting smaller and some getting larger. While he notes a general decrease toward smaller glaciers in the *Northern Hemisphere*, his study also indicates that this trend began in the mid-to-late 1700s and has not accelerated with increasing carbon dioxide levels.

### Speaking of Glaciers...

A March 14, 2005 report from the World Wildlife Fund claimed, "Himalayan glaciers are among the fastest retreating glaciers globally due to effects of global warming." *National Geographic* stated that glaciers were shrinking throughout the Himalayas and that "these water supplies could eventually dry up as the glaciers melt due to global warming."

The September 2006 issue of the *Journal of Climate* showed consistent recent growth among the region's glaciers. *National Geographic* then stated, "Some glaciers in Pakistan's Upper Indus River Basin appear to be growing, and a new study suggests that global warming is the cause..."

## But Isn't There a Scientific Consensus on This?

“The central theme...is that there is a near universal consensus of opinion within the scientific community about the dangers of climate change. But this is not true. There is no such unanimity among scientists.”

- Dr. Richard Lindzen, Prof. Meteorology, MIT

“My belief is that three, four years from now, the globe will start to cool again, as it did from the middle '40s to the middle '70s”

- Dr. William Gray, Prof. Atmospheric Science, Colorado State Univ.

“The 2007 IPCC Statement for Policymakers ...[contains] errors and selective use of data... Policymakers are being misled in terms of the actual scientific community understanding of climate science.”

-Dr. Roger Pielke, Director of Environmental Studies, Univ. of Colorado

“Observational evidence does not support today's computer climate models, so there is little reason to trust model predictions of the future.”

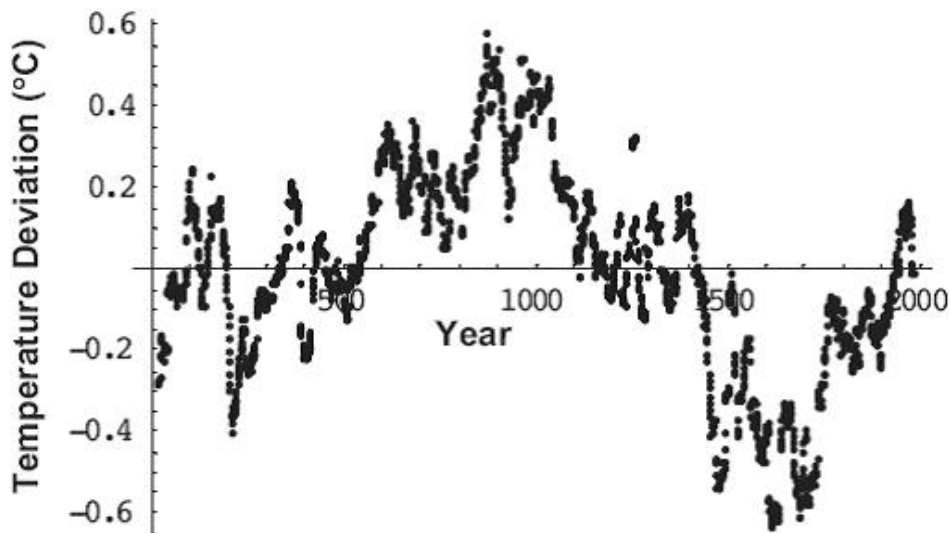
- from a statement signed by 60 “accredited experts in climate and related scientific disciplines”

Dr. Klaus-Martin Schulte reviewed all the papers he could find on climate change from January of 2004 to February of 2007. Of the 528 papers, 7% explicitly endorsed the view that human-made global warming is happening, while 6% explicitly denied it. 48% remained neutral.

Only ONE of the 528 papers made any reference to climate change leading to catastrophic results

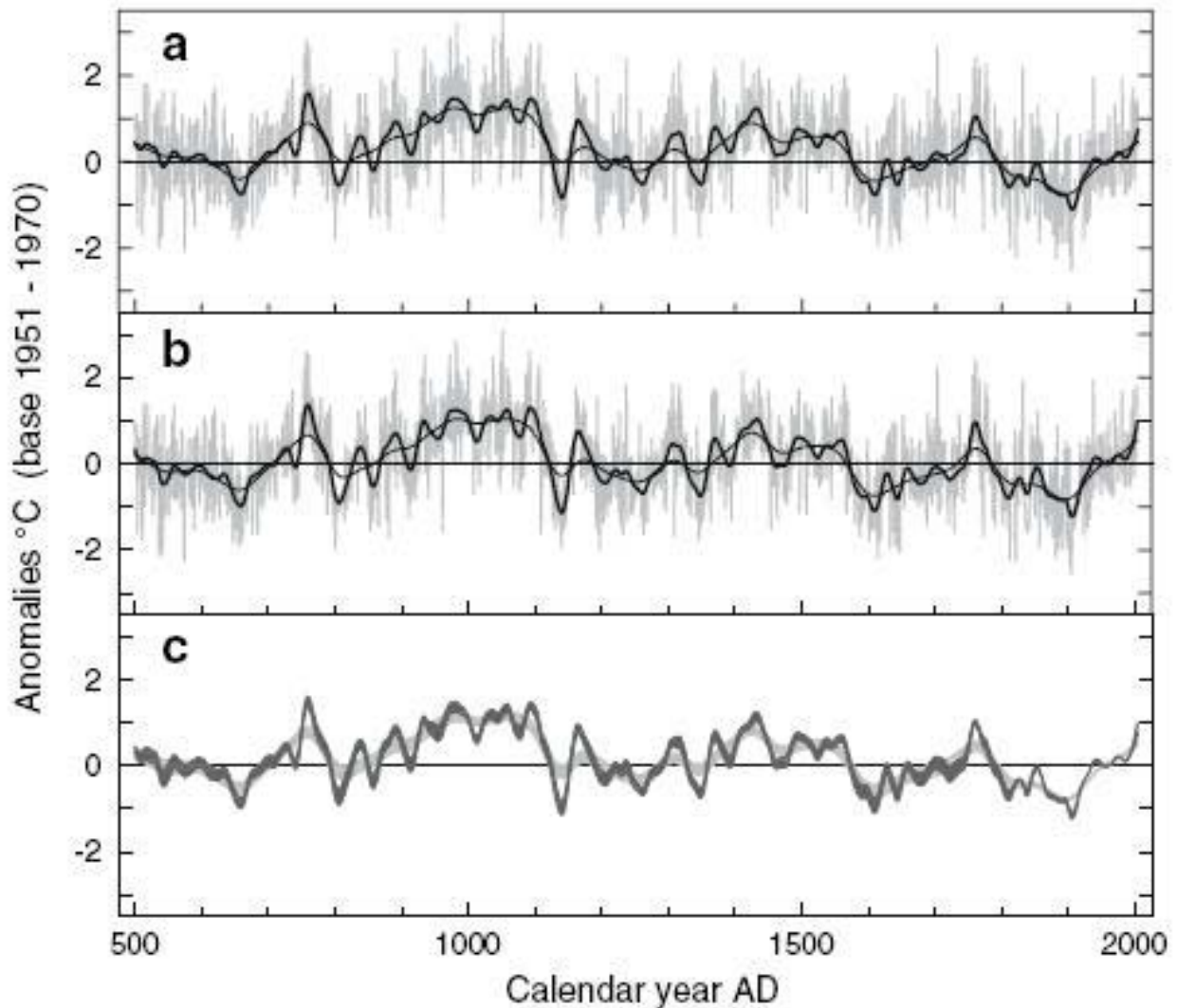
### Let's Get A Little Perspective on This...

Loehle, C. 2007. A 2000-year global temperature reconstruction based on non-tree ring proxies. *Energy and Environment*, 18, 1049-1058.



## Even in a place we KNOW is warming...

Using tree rings in the Arctic as temperature proxies, the warming we see now is still not unprecedented.



Grudd, H. 2008. Torneträsk tree-ring width and density AD 500–2004: a test of climatic sensitivity and a new 1500-year reconstruction of north Fennoscandian summers. *Climate Dynamics*, DOI 10.1007/s00382-007-0358-2.