Climate change – the current global situation

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Climate change Keep it in the ground

March temperature smashes 100-year global record

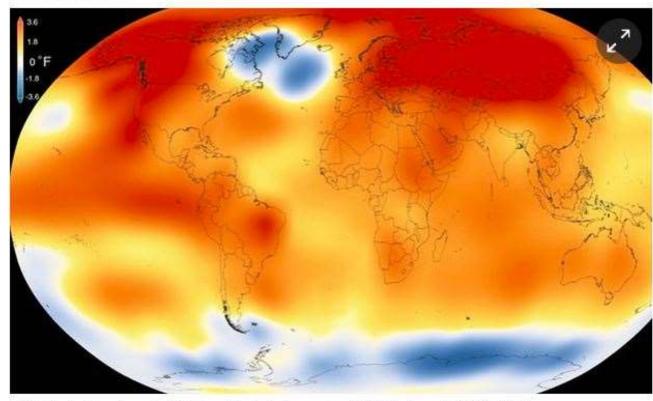
Average global temperature was 1.07C hotter - beating last month's previous record increase

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An illustration shows that 2015 was the hottest year since 1880. Photograph: AFP/Getty Images

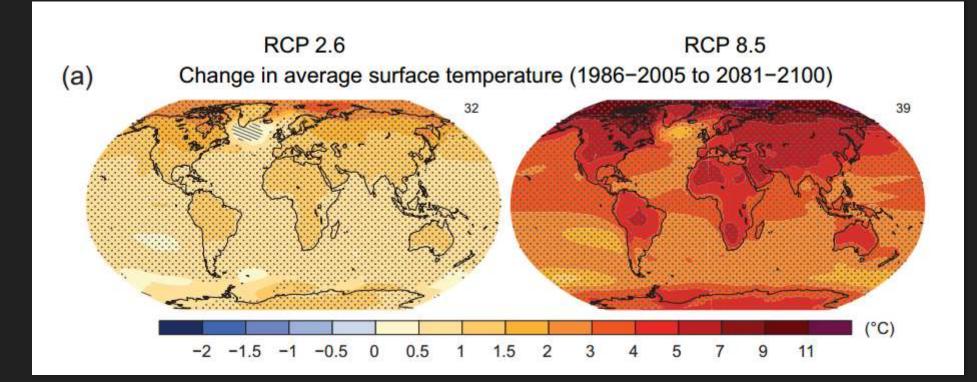
The global temperature in March has shattered a century-long record and by the greatest margin yet seen for any month.

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 Table SPM.2 |
 Projected change in global mean surface air temperature and global mean sea level rise for the mid- and late 21st century relative to the reference period of 1986–2005. {12.4; Table 12.2, Table 13.5}

	Scenario	2046–2065		2081-2100	
		Mean	Likely range ^c	Mean	Likely range ^c
Global Mean Surface Temperature Change (°C)ª	RCP2.6	1.0	0.4 to 1.6	1.0	0.3 to 1.7
	RCP4.5	1.4	0.9 to 2.0	1.8	1.1 to 2.6
	RCP6.0	1.3	0.8 to 1.8	2.2	1.4 to 3.1
	RCP8.5	2.0	1.4 to 2.6	3.7	2.6 to 4.8
	Scenario	Mean	Likely range ^d	Mean	Likely range ^d
Global Mean Sea Level Rise (m) ^ь	RCP2.6	0.24	0.17 to 0.32	0.40	0.26 to 0.55
	RCP4.5	0.26	0.19 to 0.33	0.47	0.32 to 0.63
	RCP6.0	0.25	0.18 to 0.32	0.48	0.33 to 0.63
	RCP8.5	0.30	0.22 to 0.38	0.63	0.45 to 0.82

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Short answers



How much is the planet heating up?

1.7 degrees is actually a significant amount.

How much trouble are we in?

For future generations, big trouble.

Is there anything I can do?

Fly less, drive less, waste less.

What's the optimistic scenario?

Several things have to break our way.

Will reducing meat in my diet help the climate?

Yes, beef especially.

What's the worst-case scenario?

There are many.

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Will a tech breakthrough help us?

Even Bill Gates says don't count on it, unless we commit the cash.

How much will the seas rise?

The real question is not how high, but how fast.





Why do people question climate change?

Hint: ideology.

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Is crazy weather tied to climate change?

In some cases, yes.

Will anyone benefit from global warming?

In certain ways, yes.

Is there any reason for hope?

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If you share this with 50 friends, maybe.

How does agriculture affect climate change?

It's a big contributor, but there are signs of progress.

Will the seas rise evenly across the planet?

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Think lumpy.

Is it really all about carbon?

Not just fossil fuels...

Will this disaster movie end with a kiss?

Open for your comments...

Positive proof of global warming.

18th Century 1900 1950 1970 1980 1990 2006

Thank you for your attention!

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