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Senator Burston asked:

The BoM has altered climate change statistics over the years (and quite recently in some cases) since records were first compiled by as much as five degrees Celsius in certain locations. What has been the effect in general terms of these alterations?

Answer:

The Bureau of Meteorology has not altered climate change statistics. The Bureau maintains both an adjusted and unadjusted temperature record. Full descriptions of adjusted data are provided online: www.bom.gov.au/climate/change/acorn-sat/.