

**Senate Standing Committee on Environment and Communications
Legislation Committee**

Answers to questions on notice
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Outcome: Agency
Program: Bureau of Meteorology (BoM)
Topic: Climate Change Statistics - Earth temperature
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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. Is it a fact that there has been no appreciable rise in the Earth's temperature but for these adjustments to the BoM records?

Answer:

No. 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/.