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Senator Burston asked:

The BoM attributes current temperature rises to human industrial activity rather than the historical ebb and flow of global warming and cooling as part of the natural phenomenon of climate change. What disagreements exist at the BoM about the accuracy and reliability of different temperature datasets?

Answer:

A discussion of sensitivity to various data sets can be found at the following link: http://cawcr.gov.au/technical-reports/CTR_050.pdf.