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**Senator Roberts asked:**

The Bureau is requested to comment on Johnston's overarching conclusion which is:  
No Australian weather station data are useful for tracking climate warming. It is simply the case that data are too coarse, sites are inconsistent and the conditions under which they are measured are too variable for small trends (if they exist) to be detected.

**Answer:**

The Bureau disagrees with the conclusion and notes that it is not based upon peer-reviewed, published research, and stands at odds with leading scientific institutions, independent reviews, and the international scientific literature.