

Climate *Fables* vs. Climate *Facts*

#1) “Weather turning *more extreme*”? On the *contrary*, in 2013 the ongoing multi-year *down*-slide brought the *fewest tornadoes ever* (annals from 1950) and the *fewest Atlantic hurricanes since 1983* (<http://www.climatedepot.com/2013/12/27/2013-shatters-the-record-for-fewest-tornadoes-15-lower-than-previous-record/> & <http://icecap.us/index.php/go/faqs-and-myths#3>). *Past extreme years* include 1888, when NY City had a 2-foot blizzard in March and a longest-ever 14-day heat wave in June (<http://www.examiner.com/article/weather-history-june-26-record-temps-storms-tornadoes-wind-snow-floods>), 1900 (Sept.), when a hurricane destroyed Galveston, Texas, killing 8,000 – the biggest natural disaster in U.S. history, 1908 (Feb.), when Indian Lake, New York – then as now free of Urban Heat Island asphalt, cars & tall buildings – plunged to its so far coldest 42F/-41.1C, 1911 (July), when Indian Lake soared to its so far hottest 103F/39.4C...while Painter, Wyoming crashed to a U.S. lowest-ever-in-July 10F/-12.2C, as well as 1913, when Death Valley, California sizzled to a *world-record* 134F/56.7C (<http://www.britannica.com/blogs/2012/10/hottest-place-earth-hint-not-libya/>).

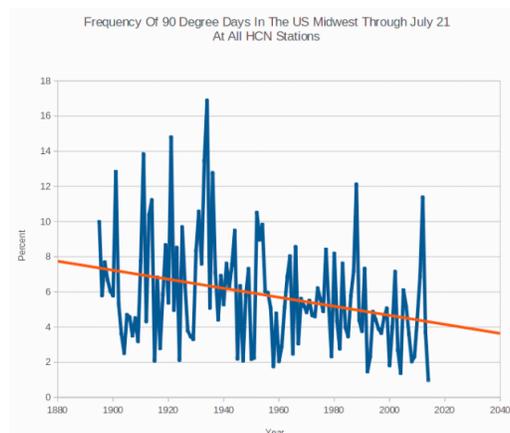
#2) “Polar ice *shrinking*”? *Arctic ice rebounded* in 2013 to ~160% of the *cyclical* low, hit in 2012 as a result of the mostly *warm* phase of the Atlantic's 15-20-year cycle, due to turn predominantly *cold* by ~2020. *Antarctic ice keeps setting expansion records*, as 99% of Antarctica (minus *volcanic* Palmer Peninsula) has for 30-plus years been *chilling down*, currently assisted by the Pacific, which in 2007 entered the *cool* phase of its 25-30-year cycle (Pacific = 167% Atlantic's size).

In 1912 explorer Mawson found *Antarctic* Commonwealth Bay ice-*free* (<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=k-9yJ6-6aEs>). *Antarctic ice has since grown* massively...so Christmas Eve 2013 (*Antarctic summer*) a ship sent to showcase “*disappearing*” ice got *ice-bound* (below) in Commonwealth Bay (http://www.barrelstrength.com/wp-content/uploads/2013/12/ait_mawson.jpg <http://www.dailytelegraph.com.au/news/opinion/global-warming-activists-wanted-to-prove-sea-ice-was-melting-but-became-trapped-by-an-inconvenient-truth/story-fni0cw15-1226793048790>)...and *even rescue icebreakers were trapped* (<http://rt.com/news/rescue-icebreakers-antarctic-us-195/>):



#3) “*Snows diminishing*”? No: We've *already* had *more* East Coast *snowstorms* *this* decade (2010's) *than in any* before (annals since 1950's), *4 of the 5 snowiest* winters for the *Northern Hemisphere* hit from *2007/8 through 2013/14*, 2012 saw *first snow in 112 years* freak Egypt's camels (<http://www.mirror.co.uk/news/world-news/cairo-snow-egyptian-capital-sees-2923418>), 2013 had *first-ever May snow* down even to *Arkansas*, in 2014 Japan *doubled* its old *heaviest-ever* (<http://www.euronews.com/nocomment/2014/02/17/japan-hit-by-heavy-snowstorms/>)(<http://www.weather.com/news/snow-japan-snarls-traffic-deaths-20140216>), Iran got its *worst in 50 years* (<http://www.euronews.com/2014/02/04/worst-snowstorm-for-half-a-century-hits-northern-iran>) and on *9/11/2014* Rapid City, South Dakota *shov(elled)* *forward by 2 days* its *earliest-ever* snow record set in 1970.

#4) “U.S. & world *warming*”? Again *on the contrary*, the NWS (National Weather Service) confirms: Since 1994 the **Continental U.S. is trending colder in all 9 climatic regions!** **Fewer heat records have been set since the 1930's:** That decade had 23 of our 50 state all-time-high records, 39 preceded 1960, just 11 came *post-1960!* Midwest 90F+ heat, *downtrending* for ~120 yrs., in 2014 hit an *all-time low*:



Though NWS books still flaunt a Tucson, AZ (<http://www.wrh.noaa.gov/twc/>) 1990 “all-time high” of 117F/47.2C, the NY Times revealed it as the artifact of a malfunctioning thermometer (<http://www.nytimes.com/1991/08/18/us/in-tucson-it-s-not-the-heat-it-s-the-thermometers.html>) --- a case, sadly, of Orwellian “Ministry of Truth” data *cooking*.

Since the 1940's, the U.S. has had **more cold than heat records**, such as on Jan. 16, 2009: That day, an Arctic invasion set **new all-time-lows in Maine** (-50F/-45.6 vs. 1925's -48F/-44.4C), reported by U.S. Geodetic Survey and accepted by NWS, **and in Illinois** (-37F/-38.3C vs. 1999's -36F/-37.8C), notched on an airport instrument certified just the day before...yet nixed by NWS. Was it lawful for NWS to trash science to spare an Illinoisian embarrassment on the eve of his inauguration?

During an Alaska-wide 2012 record cold wave, a Jim River, AK observer's battle-tested Vantage Pro2, rated to -40F/-40C, gamely soldiered on in fast-plunging temperatures till at 6:34 p.m., with 14 sunless hours to go, its sensor surrendered at -79F/-60.6C. NWS nixed this cold record, too, dissed the thermometer as “not rated for temperature colder than 40 below”...yet its own *official* instrument at Prospect Creek, site of the 1971 U.S. all-time-low of -80F/-61.1C *and just 0.9 miles from Jim River*, is *also rated to just -40F* (<http://wattsupwiththat.com/2012/01/30/bitter-cold-records-broken-in-alaska-all-time-coldest-record-nearly-broken-but-murphys-law-intervenes/>). *What justifies NWS use of taxpayer \$\$ for equipment designed to ensure Prospect Creek will never “officially” break the old -80F record?*

Overseas, the events described in #3 above as well as, for example, **Germany's National Weather Service confirm temperatures are heading down.**