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Scrap Net Zero: Dramatic New Ice Core Evidence Shows Current Century Warming Common Throughout the Last 400,000 Years

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Lies, disinformation and fictional accounting are the order of the day as a desperate hard-Left UK government, aided by its pet Climate Change Committee, tries to keep its impossible Net Zero controlling agenda intact. The bedrock unproven science claims surround the suggestion that recent limited global warming presents an existential threat to the planet. Statistics are routinely tortured to produce claims of up to 1.7°C warming from the pre-industrial age, notable as reported in a recent silly ‘Trump’s brave new world’ article by Ambrose Evans-Pritchard in the *Telegraph*. In fact, temperatures have only risen by around 1.1°C over the last 100 years. Moving away from the tortured stats measured over a few cherry-picked months, it has recently been discovered from ice core records that rises of 1.1°C in the current interglacial, which started about 20,000 years ago, occurred in about one in six centuries.

Moreover, similar, although less frequent, temperature rises appear in earlier periods going back 150,000 years. The

frequency here was around one in six to one in 20 centuries. Of further interest was the discovery that these routine rises became rarer before this date. None of these findings suggest that current warming is either unusual or solely caused by humans burning hydrocarbons. Needless to say, the findings will be ignored – as is most other inconvenient palaeo evidence – by climate headbangers and political activists prepared to fib about the climate and waste trillions of pounds on their command-and-control Net Zero fantasy.

In the meantime, we can all laugh at one of Damian Carrington's recent beauties published in the *Guardian*, headlined: "**Point of no return: a hellish 'hothouse Earth' gets closer, scientists say**".

Not yet in the rapidly pauperising UK, but in many others parts of the world, Net Zero is dead or entering its death throes. In addition, the 30-year 'emergency' around 'settled' climate science, with its political orders not to question scientific opinions, is being seen for the scam it is. Even in the UK, long gone are the days when this piffle from BBC presenter Jeremy Vine could be tweeted, seemingly with a straight face.

Attenborough and Thunberg talking to each other for the first time (on [@BBCr4today](#), right now) is surely the radio moment of the decade, just as it closes.

Well done [@BBC](#) [@MishalHusain](#)

— Jeremy Vine | Here, on Tiktok, Insta & Facebook ([@theJeremyVine](#)) **December 30, 2019**

In so many ways, this ludicrous tweet sums up the dumbing down of education over decades. This allowed climate psychosis to take general hold, with a school-skipping doom goblin child meeting a famous TV voice over-artist to the accompaniment of chirping praise from another UK State broadcasting presenter.

Climate models, which are ultimately responsible for all the Attenborough/Thunberg *et al* 'tipping point' nonsense that drives the mainstream settled narrative, are almost invariably wrong in their conclusions. Decades of failed predictions confirm the fact that they cannot realistically model a chaotic climate. Knowledge of the role of clouds, the Sun and even ocean and air currents is too basic to be effectively modelled. Using these models should come with a warning that any human involvement in changes in the climate cannot be distinguished from natural variation. Computer-generated claims to be able to attribute individual weather events to human involvement should be supplied with a picture of the late Tommy 'Just Like That' Cooper, a great comedic conjuror famous for wearing a Fez and waving a magic wand.



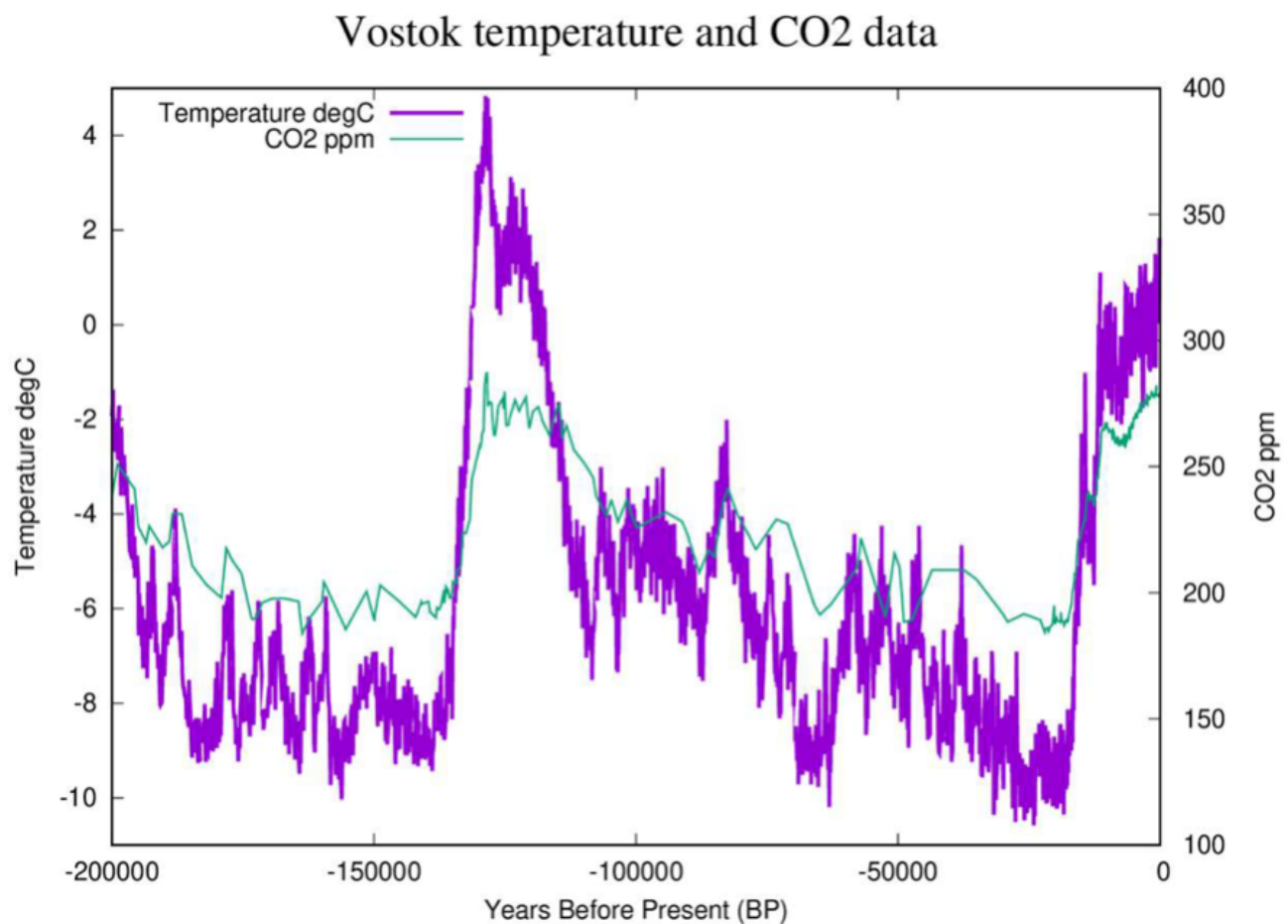
Tommy 'Just Like That' Cooper

It is natural variation that the headbangers try to ignore. Only then can they demonise recent gentle global warming and spin the lie that collectivist action can stop the weather. This is why this latest temperature paper is important, and why it will be ignored in the mainstream. It would be impossible to impose a Marxist wet dream costing trillions of

pounds and involving horrendous lifestyle changes if it became generally known that the recent rise in temperature was common throughout the last 200,000 years.

Written by the Emeritus Professor of Computer Science at Kingston University Les Hatton, the paper analyses publicly-available temperature information going back around 420,000 years from the Epica-Vostok Antarctica ice core dataset. It accepts that the data do not provide a global figure, which it is noted is a statistical amalgam with many assumptions and numerous proxies. The more cynical might note here that current global temperature datasets contain a great deal of 'junk' unnatural heat measurements, and are subject to considerable suspicious retrospective adjustments. The author notes that the Vostok ice core is a "pure" record since it is based on a single location in a consistent manner over a long period. Again, sceptics might welcome the lack of measurements next to airport runways, solar farms and glass-clad high-rise buildings.

Professor Hatton has some interesting general comments about temperature, noting that interglacial peaks starting 400,000 years ago appear to be getting hotter. The interglacials are followed by ice ages and these seem to be getting colder. Carbon dioxide levels do not seem to play a large part in all this natural variation as the graph below going back 200,000 years clearly shows. In some periods, the red temperature line moves in a different direction to the blue CO₂ marker.



Carbon dioxide levels in this dataset vary between 170 parts per million (ppm) and 280 ppm. If the level had fallen below 150 ppm, photosynthesis would have stopped and an almost certain mass extinction of land-based life would have occurred. Hatton observes that in 556 centuries of the 800,000-year Vostok database, CO₂ was below 190 ppm.

Whatever the cause of the recent upturn in CO₂, which has 'greened' the planet by up to 20% in the last 50 years, we seem to have dodged a very dangerous extinction bullet.

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Dinger64 ⌚ 6 hours ago

Chris your a caution, bless you 🙌

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ElaineH ⌚ 6 hours ago

The general public are too easily captured and brainwashed by the net zero alarmists, so called scientists, aided and abetted by the mainstream media.

We need a revolution of sanity to break out to stop all this dangerous and damaging group think that is affecting our economy. It seems the UK will be the last to wake up with ideolog Miliband making up the rules.

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john1T ⌚ 5 hours ago

Judging by the cycles of warm and cold periods throughout history, and their corresponding periods of plenty and famine, we are extremely lucky to be living in one of the warm periods. Try telling that to brainwashed climate catastrophe mob.

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Bill Hickling ⌚ 5 hours ago

Many thanks Chris for your commentary on an interesting piece of research that would otherwise go unreported for me and many others.

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zebedee ⌚ 4 hours ago

Last year I downloaded the source code for NASA GISS ModelE, a GCM that is usually used for 'evidence' by the UN IPCC. A mix of modern Fortran and what looks like Fortran 66 but can't be because it compiles, lots of Fortran 77 that ignores the DoD extensions (these trivially increase the quality). Lots of stochastic models including one that inject uniform noise arbitrarily scaled into the temperature field. To misquote Einstein, God does not play die.

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Steve Hatch ⌚ 4 hours ago

When I was at school (long long ago) I learnt about King Canute's attempt to stop the tide coming in. I imagine that's been removed from the syllabus.

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Gezza England ⌚ 1 hour ago

🗨️ Reply to [Steve Hatch](#)

It was King Knut's demonstration to his courtiers that while he may be the King he was not all powerful.

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GroundhogDayAgain ⌚ 3 hours ago

In my view, these models are merely guesses unless they can be set to start at some arbitrary point

over the last billion or so years, and then produce a plausible plot of what happened between then and now. I'd accept some deviations due to the challenge of predicting over such a big timescale, but plausibly similar would satisfy me.

But of course they can't. Not even for the last 100 years. A magic 8-ball is more often correct and so clearly should be used instead by government to determine policies.

The climate zealots ignore any scientific findings and fields of science, such as geology, that contradict their doom cult.

May I recommend Ian Pilmer's recent Triggernometry interview.

<https://youtu.be/8kNvSu93P9Q>

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Gezza England ⌚ 1 hour ago

🗨️ Reply to [GroundhogDayAgain](#)

The models are unvalidated and so just computer games especially if you look at the outputs of the whole host of models. There is a massive spread of results given that in theory they are all based on the same 'settled science'. Models can be very useful in design to help create something by using CFD or FEA, but the model is then put to the test by building the actual item. Models can be used to test something that is physically too big for test rigs.

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GroundhogDayAgain ⌚ 18 minutes ago

🗨️ Reply to [Gezza England](#)

I agree, that was my point. A model that cannot predict the past is clearly missing something. Embedded assumptions, missing factors, garbage inputs etc

Above I was referring to the very detailed temperature/CO2 graphs that go back millions of years. If the models can't explain these massive swings then they're clearly incomplete, especially when mankind wasn't present to 'cause' these effects.

It's far easier to take a far more limited and much more recent dataset and infer a trend, and even then they're miles out.

It's a really complex system and they clearly don't understand it.

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shred ⌚ 1 minute ago

The present levels of CO2 are enabling a huge increase in food production. What happens if Mad Ed gets his way?

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