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Summary: The sea surface temperatures of the gulf have cooked, warming more than 3 degrees above the norm for the date. The water has also heated up far beneath the surface. In fact, temperatures of nearly 88° are common to depths of 165 feet below the surface, according to data from Kim Wood, a professor of meteorology at Mississippi State University. University of Miami hurricane scientist Andy Hazelton called the ocean heat “other-worldly.” While the Gulf of Mexico as a whole has cooled slightly compared with earlier this month, when it shattered records, it remains near all-time highs. Related: Heating Waters Force Change in Industries That Depend on the Ocean and What This Year’s ‘Astonishing’ Ocean Heat Means for the Planet and The Rapid Loss Of Antarctic Sea Ice Brings Grim Scenarios Into View

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