**Notable Climate Change Deniers**

<https://www.beforetheflood.com/explore/the-deniers/top-10-climate-deniers/>

**1) Senator James Inhofe (R-OK):**

**Degree:** B.A., Economics, University of Tulsa

**Stance on Climate Change:** “One of the smartest things the other side did is when they got rid of, they quit talking about, global warming and started talking about climate change. Don’t get caught in that trap. I’ve had to say this on the senate floor many times: That climate is changing. I mean, look at archaeologically, spiritually, scientifically. Climate always changes. Don’t put yourself in a category where they disqualify you for that reason.” **-** “Part 2 - At the Crossroads III: Energy and Climate Policy Summit,” YouTube video uploaded by user The Heritage Foundation, December 9, 2016.

**2) Marc Morano:**

**Degree:**

* B.A., Political Science, George Mason University

**Stance on Climate Change:**

* “The bottom line is, not only do we not face a climate crisis, but if we face a climate crisis what Congress is proposing, what the United Nations is proposing, is scientifically meaningless. It would have no detectable impact. So we'd all be doomed if we had to rely on them for a solution.” - “ClimateGate: the Fraud of 'Global Warming' and 'Climate Change' – by Marc Morano of Climate Depot,” YouTube Video. Uploaded by TCCTV on November 24, 2009.

**3) Chris Horner:**

**Degree:**

* Juris Doctorate from Washington University in St. Louis

**Stance on Climate Change:**

* “Given that the atmosphere inarguably shows no appreciable warming in the 25-year history of satellite and radiosonde measurements (initiated in response to the cooling panic), to assert that runaway global warming is as real as President Bush's re-election is an absurd proposition.” - Christopher C. Horner. “Reviving 'Global Warming',” letter in the Washington Times. Republished by the Competitive Enterprise Institute, April 29, 2005.

**4) Myron Ebell:**

**Degree:**

* B.A., Colorado College | M.Sc., London School of Economics

**Stance on Climate Change:**

* “Believing that man-made climate change exists, as I do, does not necessarily mean that you think that it is rapid or a serious problem or that the policies to address it will actually do anything or that you are willing to pay the costs of those policies.” - Gayathri Vaidyanathan. “How to get a skeptic to believe in climate change? Scientists are studying that,” E&E News, August 8, 2016. Archived November 10, 2016. Arhive.is URL: <https://archive.is/GXmE6> ﻿
* When confronted by the fact that he has no background in science, Ebell insists he’s merely speaking as “a well-informed layman.” - <https://www.thenation.com/article/meet-the-anti-science-extremist-who-could-transform-the-epa/>

**5) Steve Milloy:**

**Degree:**

* Juris Doctorate, University of Baltimore
* Master of Laws (Securities regulation), Georgetown University Law Center
* Master of Health Sciences (Biostatistics), John Hopkins University School of Hygiene and Public Health
* B.A., Natural Sciences, John Hopkins University

**Stance on Climate Change:**

* In the 2006 article, “The Greenhouse Myth,” Steve Milloy stated that the “doubling of atmospheric CO2 from pre-Industrial Revolution days might increase global temperature from between 0.5 degrees Centigrade to 1.5 degrees Centigrade – that is, not much.” He went on to declare that anthropogenic climate change is not based on “actual temperature measurements and greenhouse physics – rather it comes from manmade computer models relying on myriad assumptions and guesswork.” - Steven Milloy. “The Greenhouse Myth,” Fox News, April 20, 2006.

**6) Patrick Michaels:**

**Degree:**

* S.M. Biology, University of Chicago
* Biological Sciences, University of Chicago
* Special Graduate Committee on Ecological Climatology

**Stance on Climate Change:**

* “Probably the best solution is to do nothing, because doing nothing is doing something.” - “Part 3 - At the Crossroads III: Energy and Climate Policy Summit,” YouTube video uploaded by user The Heritage Foundation, December 9, 2016.
* Mother Jones magazine reported in 2010 that “Michaels' credibility on climate is called into question by a trove of documents from a 2007 court case that attracted almost no scrutiny at the time. Those documents show that Michaels has financial ties to big energy interests—ties that he's worked hard to keep secret.” - Kate Sheppard. “Most Credible Climate Skeptic Not So Credible After All,” Mother Jones, February 26, 2010. Archive.is URL: <https://archive.is/2DF3U>

**7) Bjørn Lomborg:**

**Degree:**

* Ph.D., Department of Political Science, University of Copenhagen
* M.A., Political Science

**Stance on Climate Change:**

* “[J]ust like every other issue, there's both positives and negatives to global warming. Overall, and in the long run, the negatives will outweigh the positives, but there is a lot of positives to global warming right now.” - “Opinion: Climate change is bad, but it comes with benefits too,” CBCradio, June 19, 2016. Archived September 5, 2016. Archive.is URL: <https://archive.is/A5hpn>

**8) Matt Ridley:**

**Degree:**

* B.A. (Zoology), Oxford University
* D Phil (Zoology), Oxford University

**Stance on Climate Change:**

* “So far, the benefits of global greening have been greater than expected, while the costs of global warming have been smaller than expected and the price of reducing carbon dioxide emissions has been higher than expected. That price is falling more heavily on poor than on rich people. The evidence suggests that this imbalance will persist for most of this century, perhaps longer. It is time for a rethink.” - Matt Ridley. “The world is getting greener. Why does no one want to know?” The Spectator, October 22, 2016. Archive.is URL: <https://archive.is/b8B7c>

**9) Christopher Monckton:**

**Degree:**

* Degree in Classics
* Diploma in Journalism

**Stance on Climate Change:**

* “[Y]ou don’t have to worry about the cuddly polar bear. They are going to be just fine. Because what this means is that global warming will not affect us for the next 2,000 years, and if it does, it won’t have been caused by us. I therefore declare the climate scare officially over.” - Tristan Scott. “Climate Science Skeptic Calls Global Warming a 'Huge Exaggeration',” Flathead Beacon, October 8, 2016. Archive.is URL: <https://archive.is/urDMk#selection-427.0-427.66>

**10) S. Fred Singer:**

**Degree:**

* B.E.E. (Electrical Engineering), Ohio State University
* Ph.D., Physics, Princeton University

**Stance on Climate Change:**

* “The Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) has to provide proof for significant human-caused climate change; yet their climate models have never been validated and are rapidly diverging from actual observations. The real threat to humanity comes not from any (trivial) greenhouse warming but from cooling periods creating food shortages and famines.” “Climate change has been going on for millions of years – long before humans existed on this planet. Obviously, the causes were all of natural origin and not anthropogenic. There is no reason to think that these natural causes have suddenly stopped.” - S. Fred Singer. “Climate Change: The Burden of Proof,” American Thinker, January 29, 2016. Archived September 13, 2016. Archive.is URL: <https://archive.is/LCN7k>

**11) Roy W. Spencer:**

**Degree:**

* Ph.D., M.S. Meteorology, University of Wisconsin-Madison
* B.S., Atmospheric Sciences, University of Michigan

**Stance on Climate Change:**

Roy Spencer published an article in Forbes titled “Hillary Clinton Boards The Climate Crisis Train To Nowhere” where he makes a number of contentions about climate change. For example, Spencer writes: - Roy W. Spencer. “Hillary Clinton Boards The Climate Crisis Train To Nowhere,” Forbes, October 25, 2016.

“Global warming and climate change, even if it is 100% caused by humans, is so slow that it cannot be observed by anyone in their lifetime. Hurricanes, tornadoes, floods, droughts and other natural disasters have yet to show any obvious long-term change. “

Eight scientists analyzed Spencer's article and concluded that it's overall scientific credibility was “very low.” Their responses are published at Climate Feedback, with overall feedback summarized below: - “Analysis of 'Hillary Clinton Boards The Climate Crisis Train To Nowhere',” Climate Feedback. Archived November 3, 2016. Archive.is URL: https://archive.is/7sJOS

**Kerry Emanuel, Professor of Atmospheric Science, MIT:**

The article is inaccurate in several places and conveys that one must choose between solving immediate problems, such as poverty, and long-term risks such as climate change. We can do both, and indeed must do both if we take poverty seriously, since climate change disproportionately affects the poor.

**Jim Kossin, Research Scientist, NOAA's Center for Weather and Climate:**

The author makes a number of statements that are not supported by the science or by established scientific process. He is basically playing by a different set of rules than the scientific community at large, which allows him to say anything he wants in order to make his case. A number of statements are misleading and some are obfuscating, particularly in terms of potential impacts of climate change on humans.

**Victor Venema, Scientist, University of Bonn, Germany:**

This article by Roy Spencer is misleading when it comes to his own work on tropospheric temperature changes and several times severely wrong outside of his expertise. It does not give a fair overview of the state of the science.

**Peter Gleick, President Emeritus and Chief Scientist, Pacific Institute:**

Almost every claim in this article is scientifically inaccurate or misleading.

**Alexis Berg, Associate Research Scholar, Princeton University:**

This articles uses a number of misleading statements, logical flaws and unsubstantiated claims to try to defend the erroneous idea that climate change is nothing to worry about, that there is nothing to do about it anyway, and that wanting to address it is all a power play by politicians.

**Benjamin Horton, Professor, Rutgers University:**

The discussion on sea level rise is misleading.