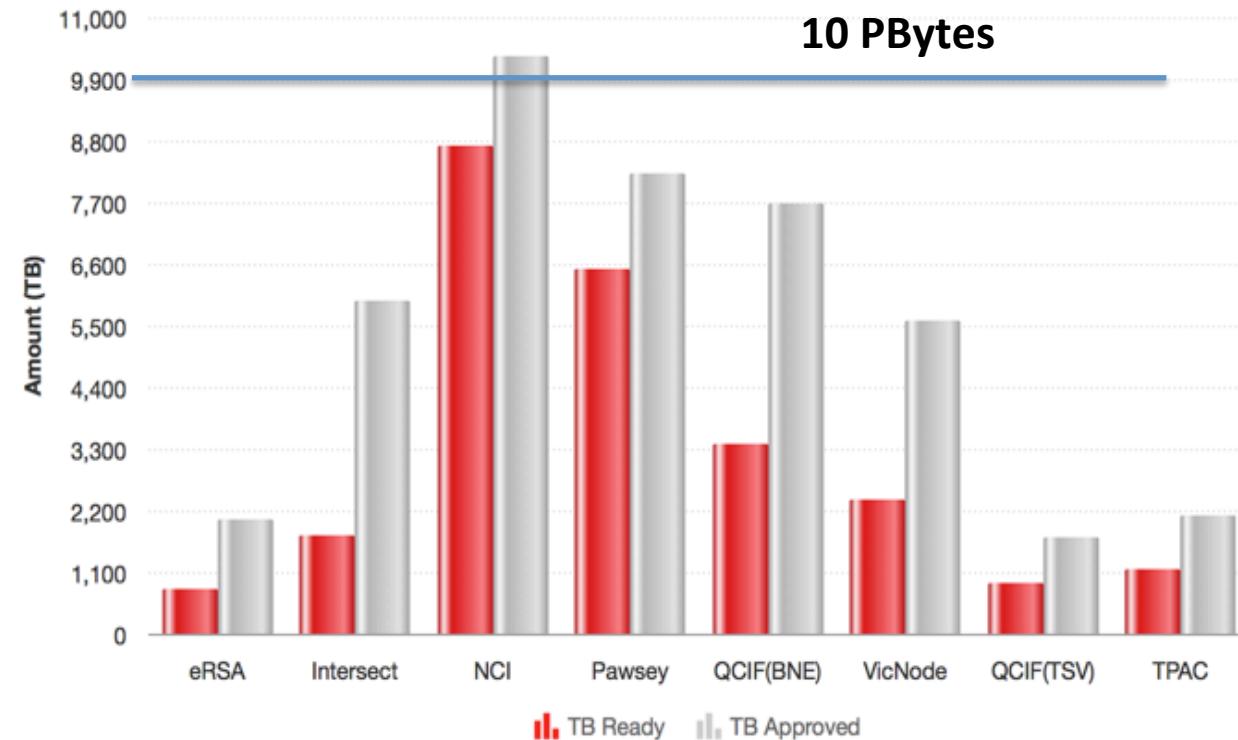




Perspectives on Big Data in the Geosciences from a major Australian national data center

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- Our ~43 Petabytes has saved data on 8 nodes that for the most part, already existed
- We have not considered new initiatives such as the SKA, Copernicus, Himawari etc.
- We are not using our current data to its fullest resolution

eRSA	Intersect	NCI	Pawsey	QCIF(BNE)	VicNode	QCIF(TSV)	TPAC
785	1743	8709	6504	3406	2404	907	1160
2049	5957	10296	8202	7699	5575	1729	2105

← Primary Nodes → Additional Nodes →

Total: TB Ready

Source: <https://www.rds.edu.au/>

Total: TB Approved

43,611



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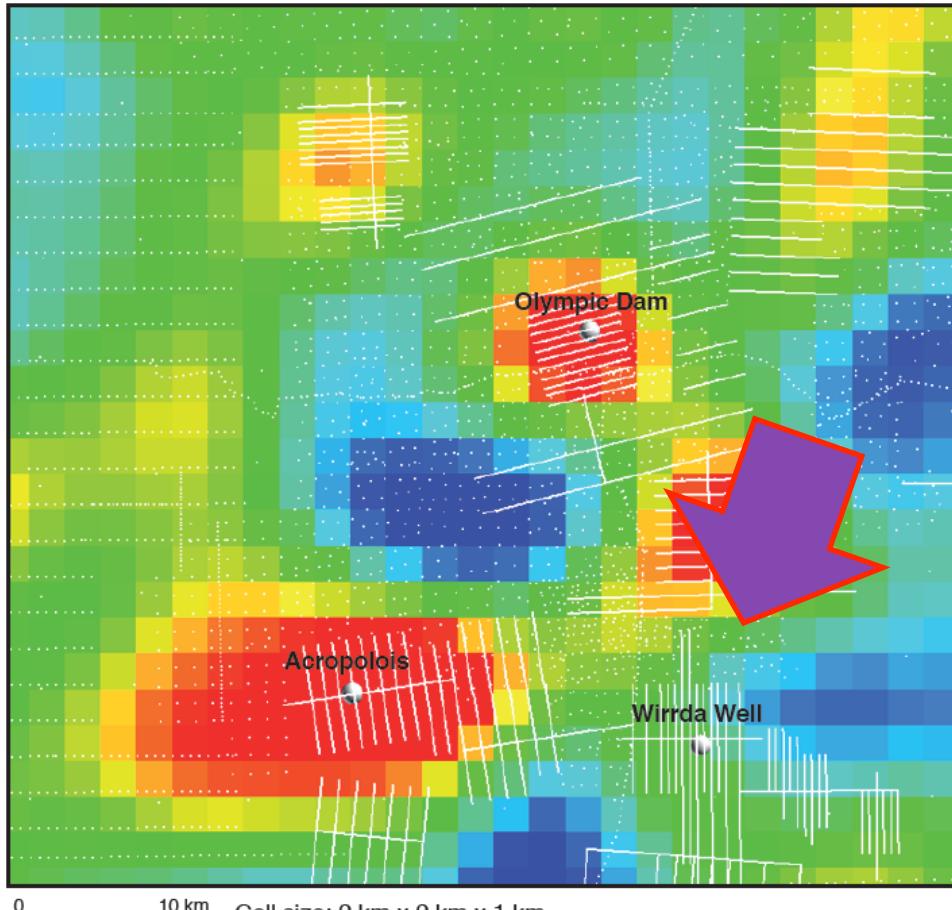
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Workshop, Santa Clara 2015

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No.	Collection	Enterprise	Technology	Information	Allocation (TB)	Ingested (TB)	Capacity
u39	MODIS Ocean Colour	IMOS	THREDDS	NetCDF-CF	428	324	76.0%
	AusCover	TERN	THREDDS	NetCDF-CF			
	MODIS L1B	IMOS/TERN	THREDDS	NetCDF-CF			
	AVHRR, VIIRS	CSIRO	THREDDS	NetCDF-CF			
fj4	Soil Moisture	CSIRO	THREDDS	NetCDF-CF	5	3	54.6%
fj2	eMast data assimilation	TERN	THREDDS	NetCDF-CF	110	13	11.8%
rr9	eMast	TERN	THREDDS	NetCDF-CF	90	28	31.0%
ua6	CMIP5	BoM	THREDDS	NetCDF-CF	2400	1488	62.0%
rr5	Observation (Himawarri)	BoM	THREDDS	NetCDF-CF	360	240	65.5%
rs0	Landsat	GA	GeoServer	GeoTIFF	1478	1413	95.6%
fk4	WOFS	GA	GeoServer	GeoTIFF	22	16	72.8%

The bonsai effect: degrading our data

Current degraded product

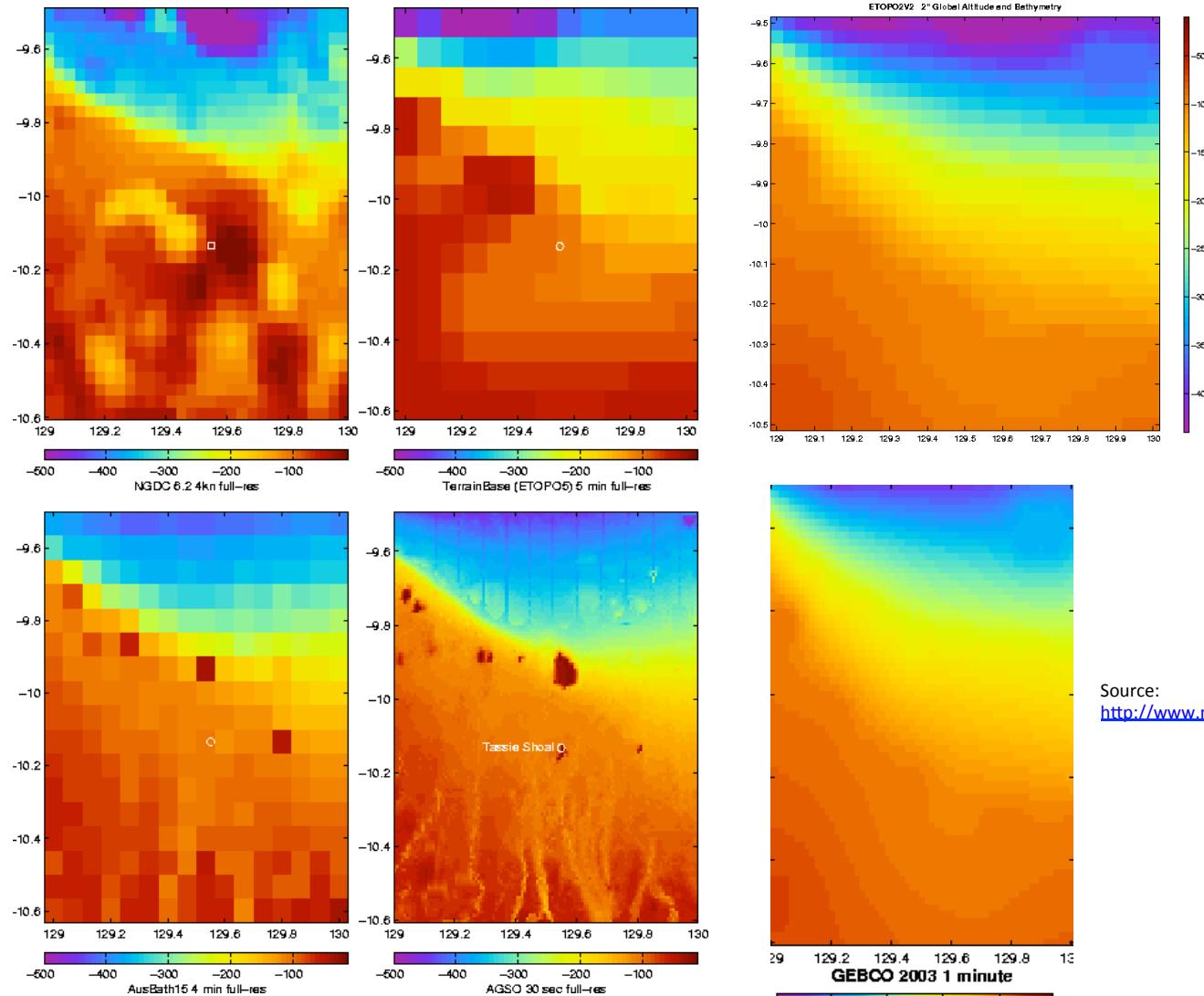


Increasing resolution with smaller cell size



Regional Gravity Inversion Olympic Dam area. (courtesy N.Williams Geoscience Australia)

Marine example of bonsai'ed data



Source:
http://www.marine.csiro.au/eez_data/doc/comp_bath.gif

Grids of Grids vs Grids of Actual Observations

Collection

Australian Geophysics Data Collection

National Grids

Gravity

Mag

Radiometrics

Theme

Gravity

Mag

Radio-metrics

AEM

Seismic

MT

Seis-mology

Survey

Survey 1

Survey 2

Survey 3

Survey 4

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Grids

20 m

40 m

30 m

80 m

10 m

50 m

10 m

50 m

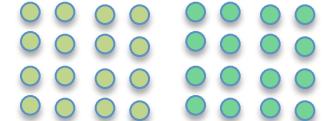
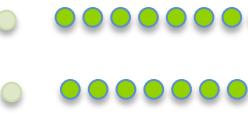
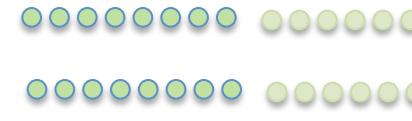
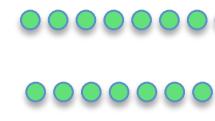
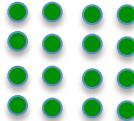
20 m

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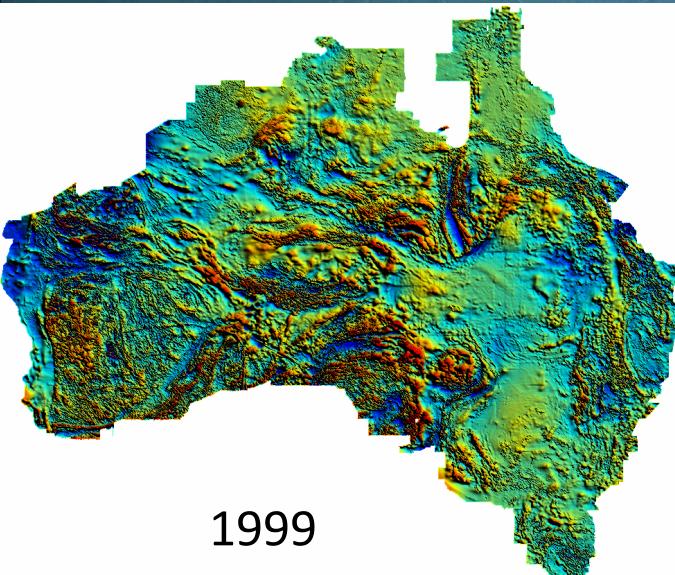
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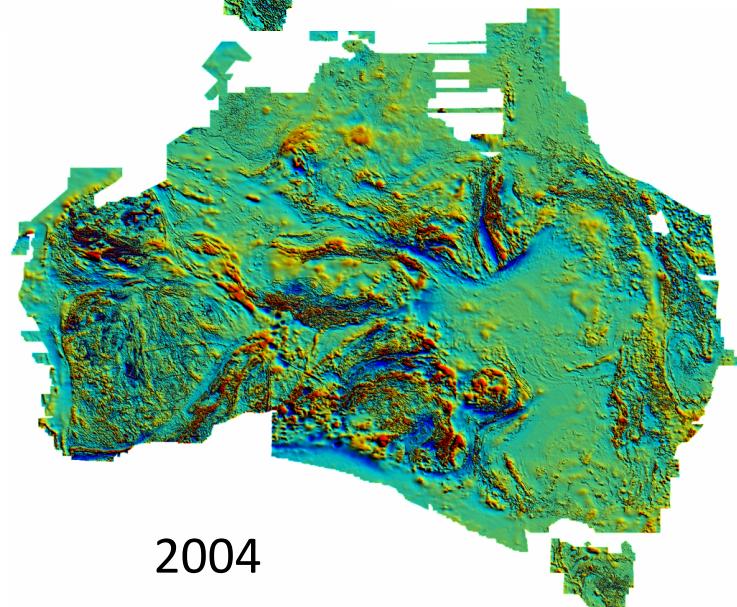
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Resolution impacts on file size: e.g. Magnetics

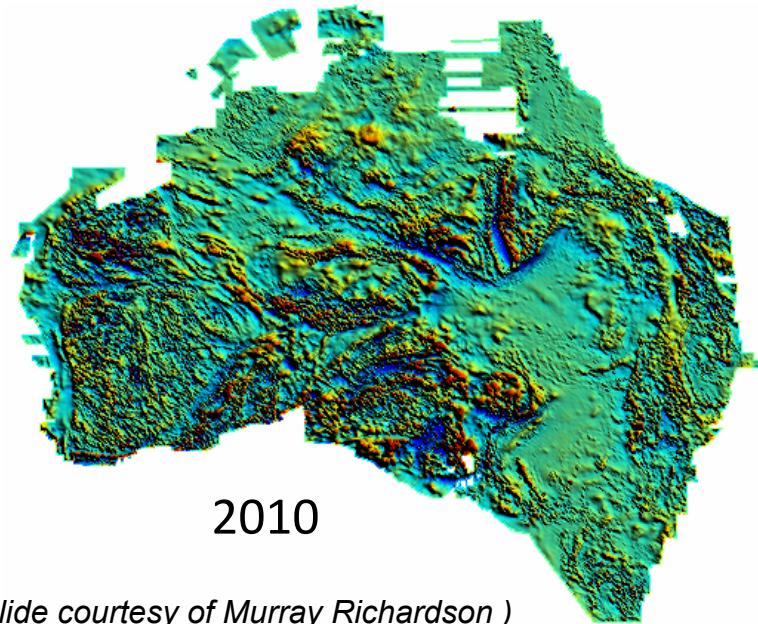


1999



2004

Version	Year	Grid cell size	Data file size
3	1999	400m	0.49 GB
4	2004	250m	0.94 GB
5	2010	80m	9.73 GB
6	2013 (?)	<80m	3 TB



2010

(Slide courtesy of Murray Richardson)

6th assessment
2020

5th assessment
2013

4th assessment
2007

3rd assessment
2001

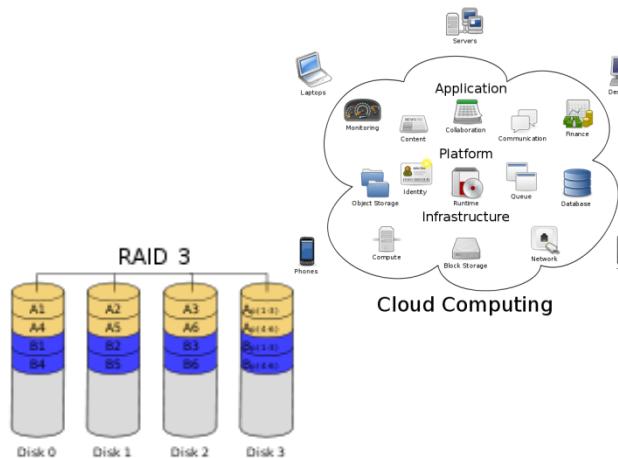


50 gigabytes

35 terabytes

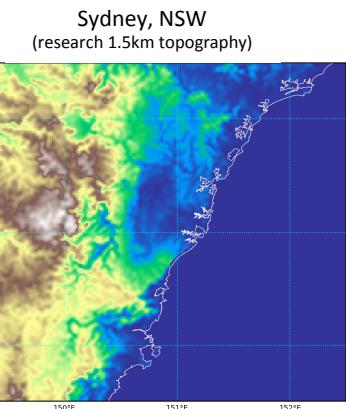
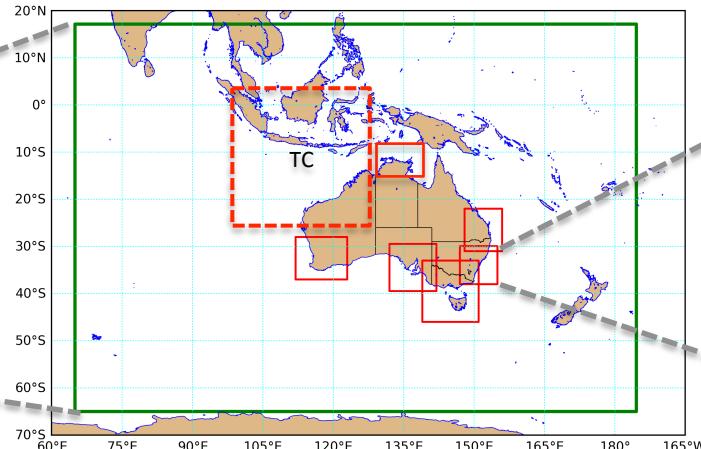
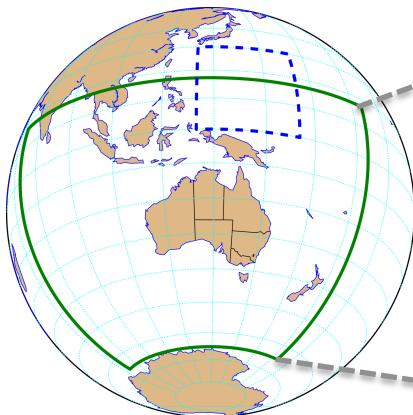
30 petabytes

?? exabytes

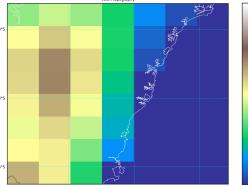


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Numerical Weather Prediction Roadmap

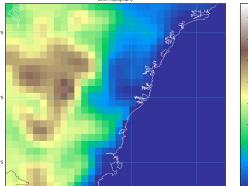


2 x daily 10-day & 3-day forecast
40km Global Model



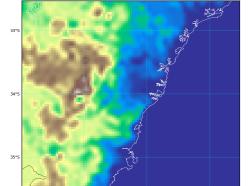
Increasing model resolution
for improved local
information

4 x daily 3-day forecast
12km Regional Model



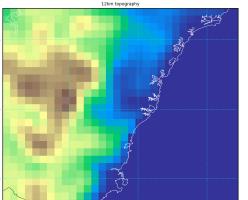
2013

4 x daily 36-hour forecast
4km City/State Model

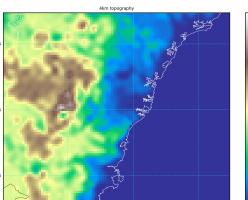


Future model ensembles for
likelihood of significant
weather

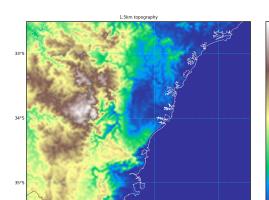
2 x daily 10-day & 3-day forecast
12km Global Model



Model Topography of Sydney, NSW

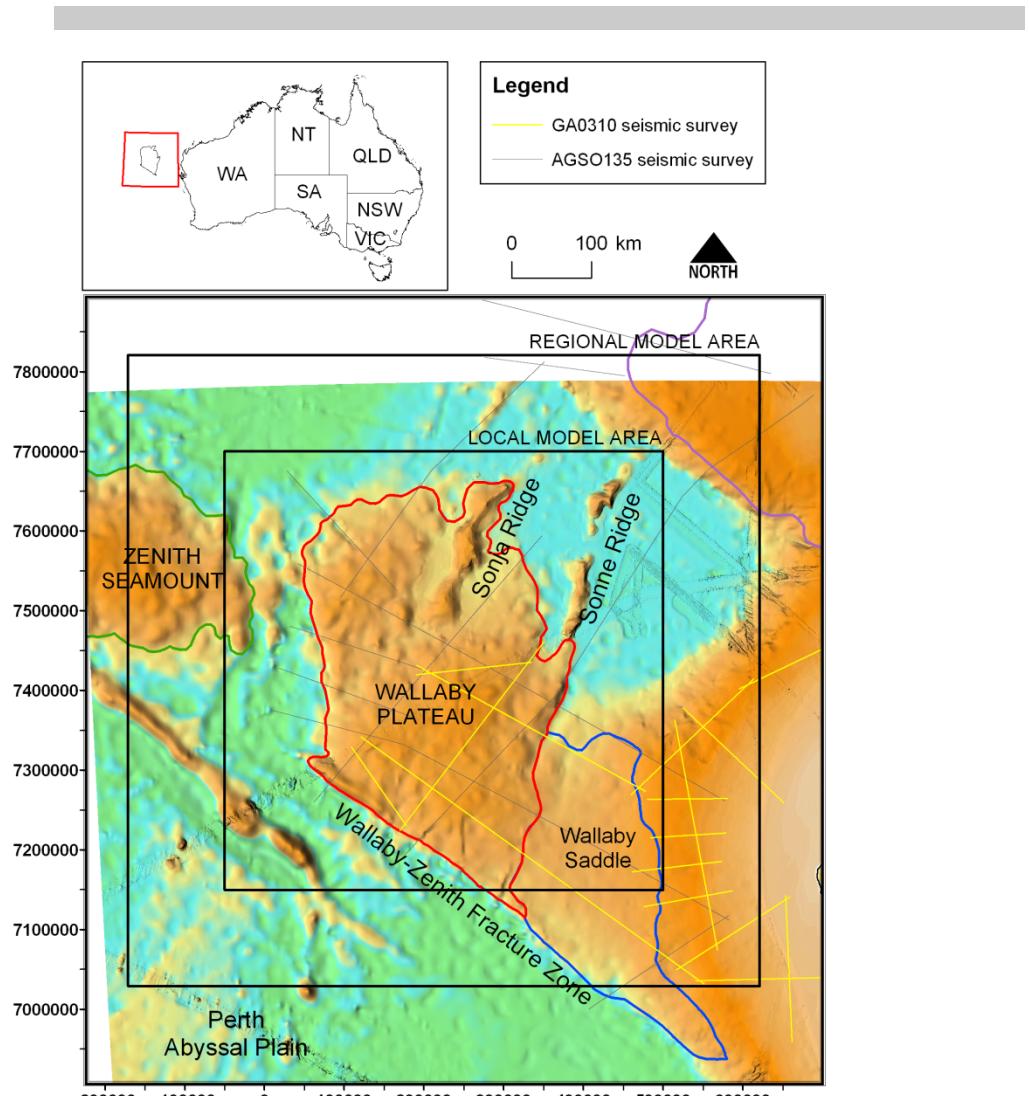


24 x daily 18h or 36h forecast
1.0km City/State Model



C/- Tim Pugh, BoM



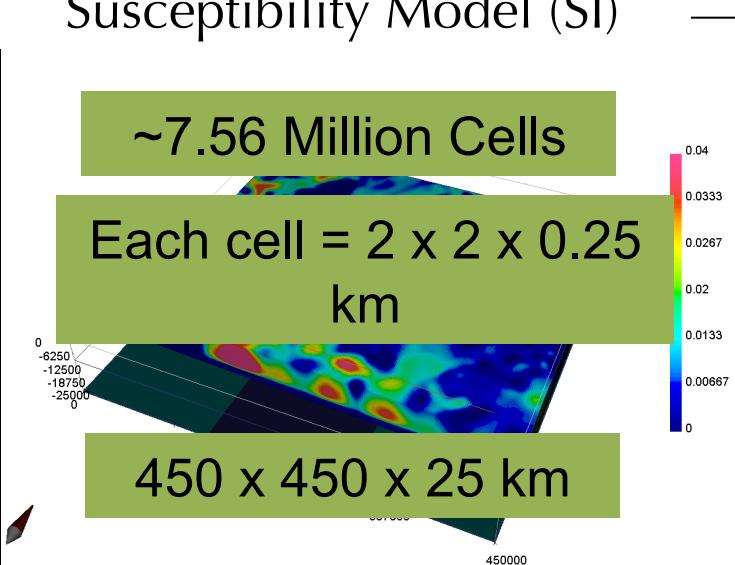


Susceptibility Model (SI)

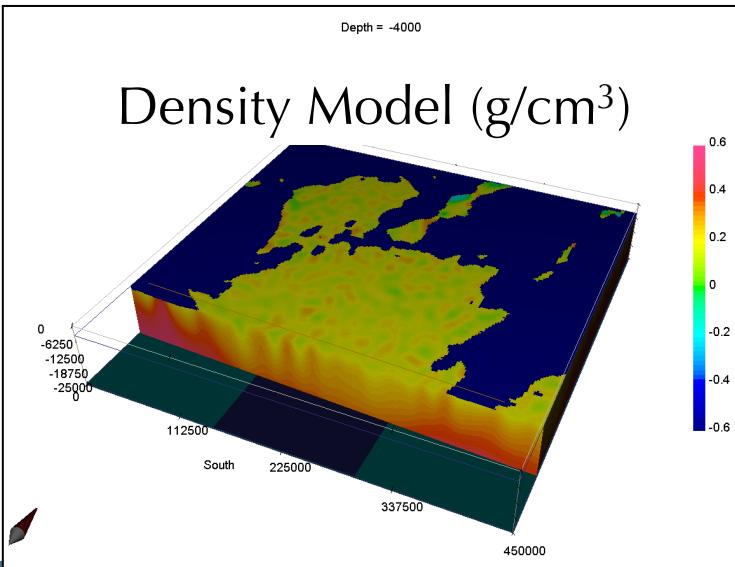
~7.56 Million Cells

Each cell = $2 \times 2 \times 0.25$ km

450 x 450 x 25 km



Density Model (g/cm^3)



- We are moving from Data My-ning on Desktops
 - “*Give me the file, the whole file, and nothing but the file and let me process it locally on MY DESKTOP KIT*”
- To new, more complex Data Mining on centralised data platforms
 - “*Please enable me in real time to discover, access and process only those parts of multiple files and/or databases that I need and let me do it online using YOUR KIT and let me drive it from my iPAD or my SmartPhone*”.
- But we also need to leave our desktop habits behind including:
 - *Constantly reformatting for particular applications*
 - *Downsampling the data*
 - *ETC ETC.*
- ***THE DATA TSUNAMI HAS NOT YET HIT THE BEACH – WE ARE NOT READY***