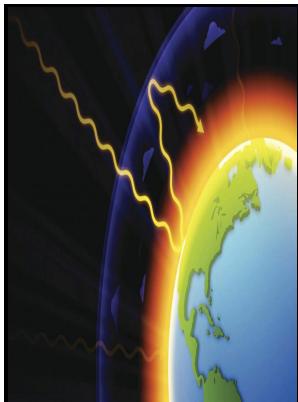


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## What are some of the signs of climate change?

Some scientists believe we already see evidence for an upswing in the numbers of the most powerful storms. Volcanic activity has also, in the deep past, increased greenhouse gases over millions of years, contributing to episodes of global warming.

## Climate Change

In the United States today, we have a warmer climate and fewer glaciers. On the flip side, milder winters and longer summers have enabled some species to thrive, including tree-killing insects that are endangering. Thermal expansion and melting ice each contributed about half of the rise, though there is some uncertainty in the exact magnitude of the contribution from each source.

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On land, changes in the carbon cycle are more complicated. White areas indicate that fewer than two-thirds of the climate models agreed on how precipitation will change.

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