

Global Monitoring Division

- Theme 2 – Ozone and Ozone Depleting Substances



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Overview – Ozone & Ozone Depleting Gases



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Key Scientific Questions

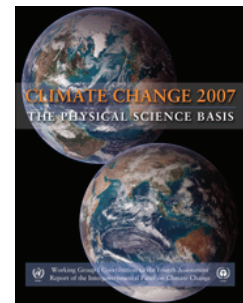
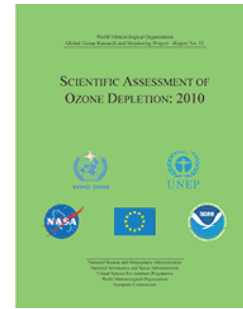
- Is the Montreal Protocol process successfully reducing the threat to stratospheric ozone posed by ozone depleting substances?
- Is stratospheric ozone recovering as expected?
- How does ozone variability affect the distribution and trends of UV radiation at Earth's surface?

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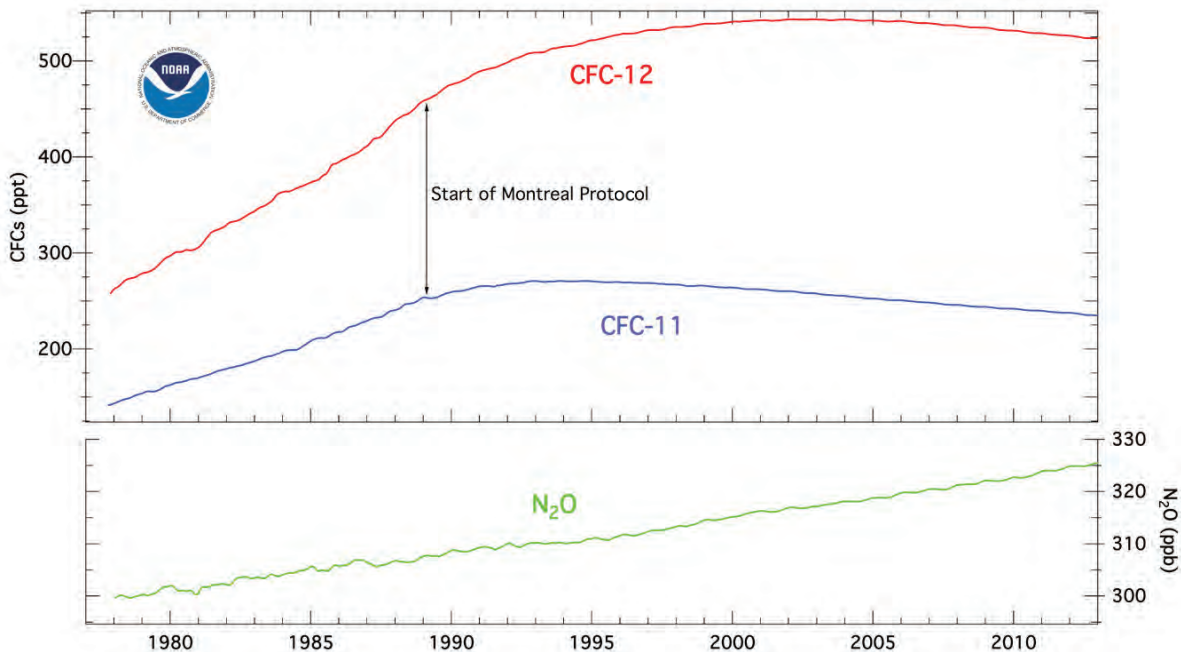
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1. Relevance/Motivation of Work

- US Clean Air Act of 1990 (**WMO Scientific Assessments of Stratospheric Ozone Depletion**)
 - The **Administrators** of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration and the **National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration** shall monitor, and not less often than every 3 years following enactment of the Clean Air Act Amendments of 1990, submit a report to Congress on the current average tropospheric concentration of chlorine and bromine and on the level of stratospheric ozone depletion.
- Other – UN Framework Convention for Climate Change (UNFCCC, June 1992, **US ratified in Oct. 1992**)
 - Reporting of Science and Technological Results and Advice to the UNFCCC through the **International Panel for Climate Change Assessments (IPCC)** and other documents.



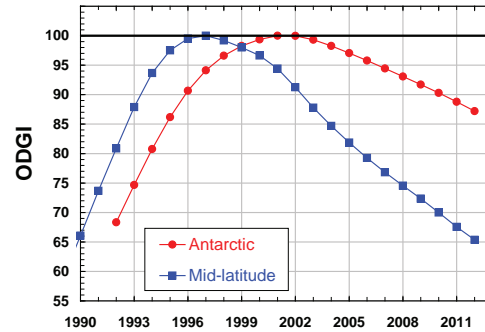
2. Performance/Quality: Long term records of ozone depleting gases.



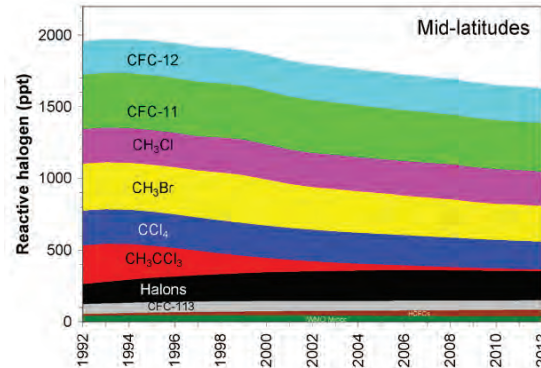
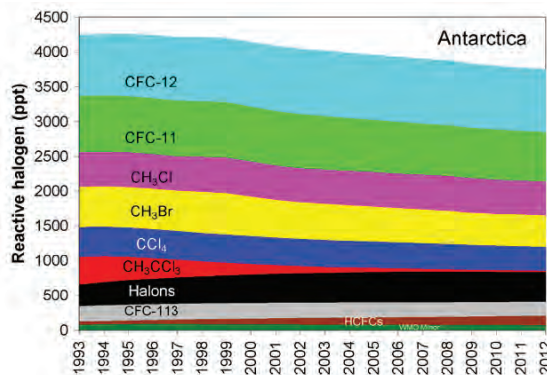
- Global measurements of the CFCs and nitrous oxide (N₂O) began towards the end of 1977. The start of the Montreal Protocol was January 1, 1989.
- Current emissions of N₂O are expected to have a larger impact on future ozone than current emissions of controlled halocarbons. Its global growth rate is 0.7 ppb yr⁻¹.
- Our data are updated once every six months at ftp.cmdl.noaa.gov/hats. See Geoff Dutton's poster.

2. (Cont.) The Ozone-Depleting Gas Index (ODGI)

- Guiding the recovery of the ozone layer--GMD's global surface measurements of ozone-depleting substances provide:
 - a measure of ozone-depleting halogen in the stratosphere (as the ODGI) and its changes, and
 - an understanding of processes affecting ozone-depleting halogen (international policy and natural processes, Steve Montzka's Talk)



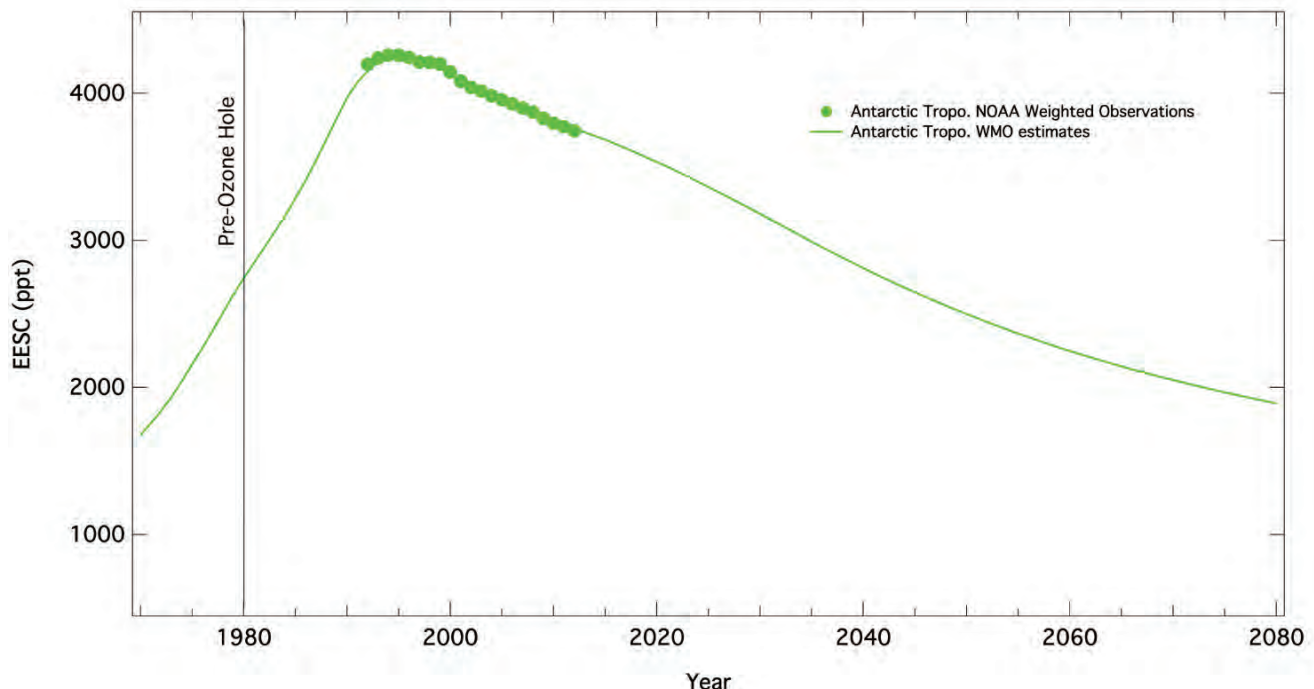
NOAA measures 14 of 16 gases in WMO report, 99% of total Cl & Br.



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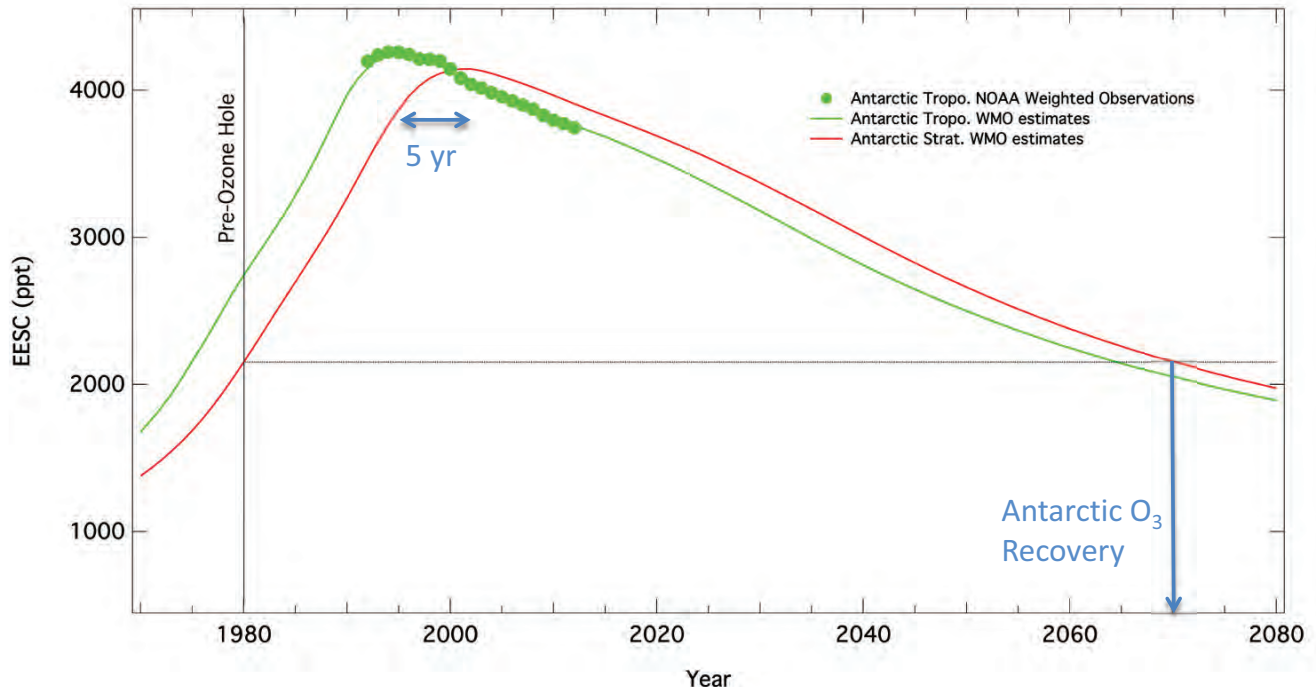
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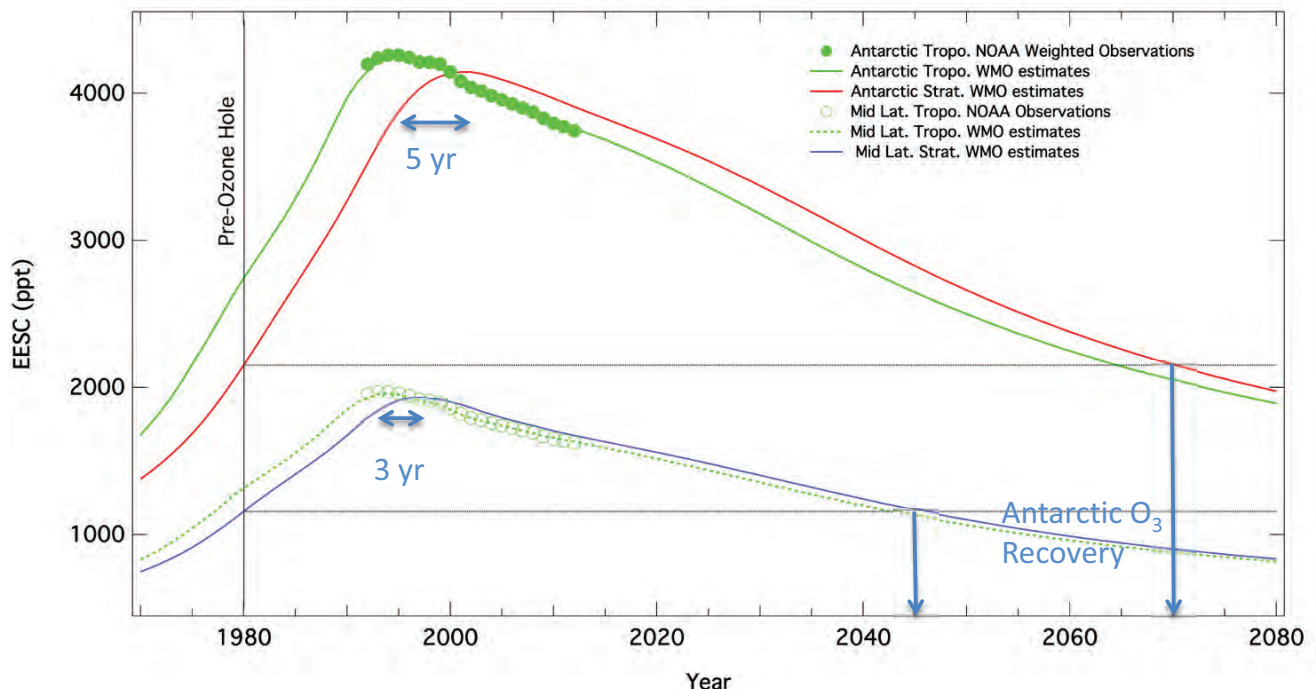


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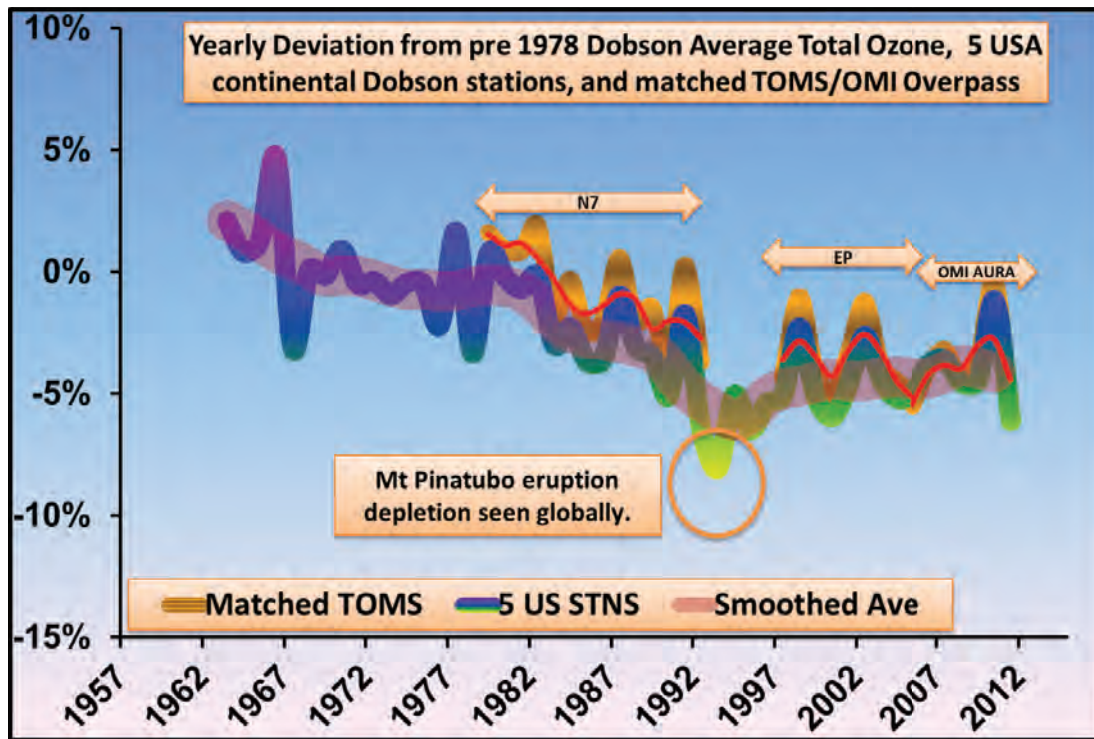
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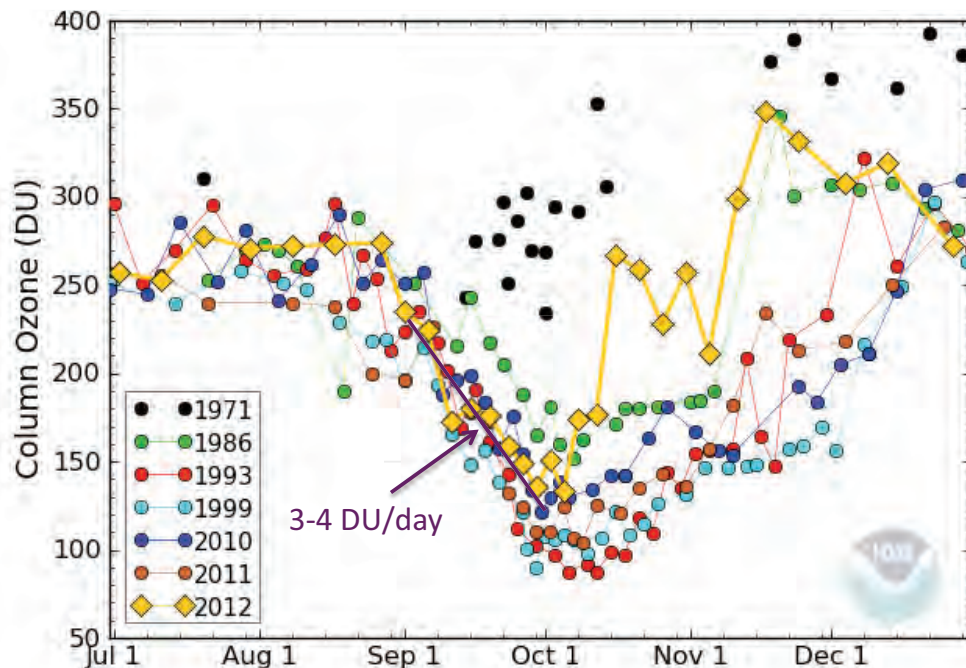
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- GCM shows climate increases age, but obs. show increase. Can we monitor this change? (Fred Moore's talk.)

3. (Cont.) Monitoring ozone over time & providing a benchmark for satellites



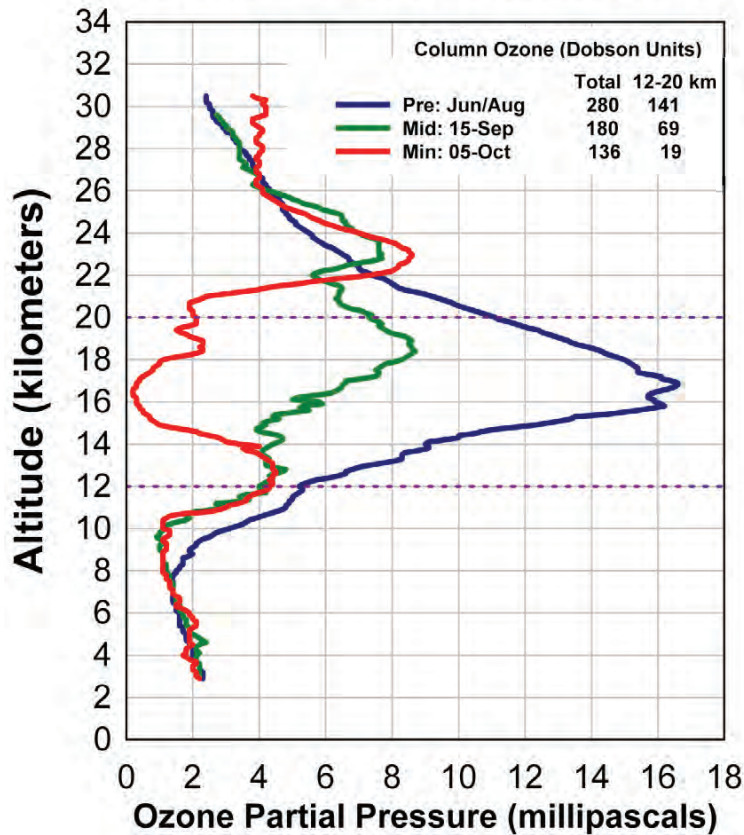
Dobson Network and satellite record complement each other, sometimes filling gaps.

2. (Cont.) Total Column Ozone from SPO Ozonesondes



Ozone Recovery over Antarctica: 2012 still within the previous 3-4 DU/day lost rate.

South Pole Station Ozonesondes: 2012



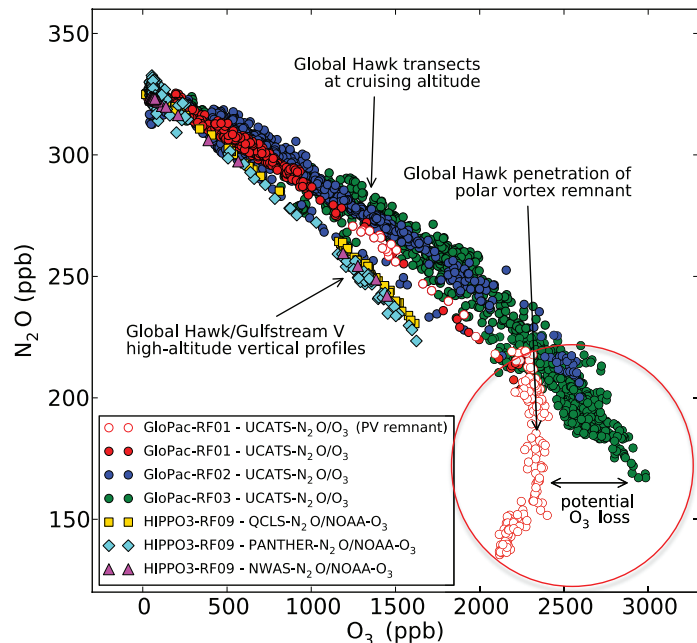
Ozonesonde measurements at South Pole completed 27 continuous years (1986-2012).

2012 minimum total column ozone profile (136 Dobson Units) ranked 24th out of 27 years due to weakened vortex by late September and slightly warmer stratospheric temperatures.

However, the 12-20 kilometer ozone loss rate in early September 2012 was 3.4 Dobson Units/day – the 8th fastest loss rate out of 27 years.

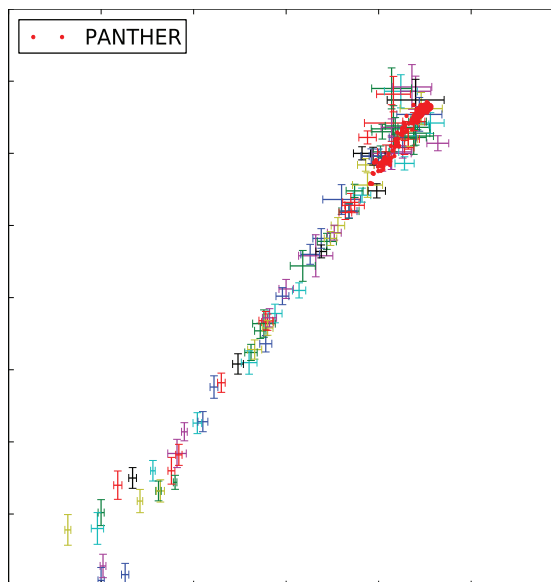
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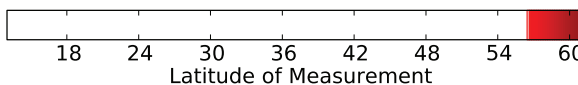
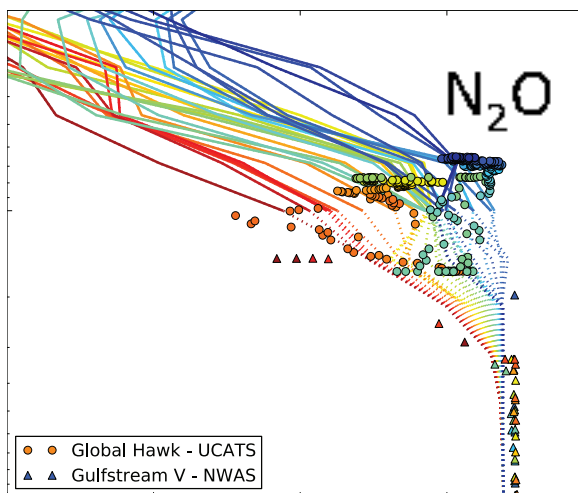
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- Compared profiles with ACE, MLS, and TES instruments on satellites (more on Nance poster).



3. Collaborations/Stakeholders (Cont.)

- GMD is the WMO Central Calibration Laboratory for N₂O and other greenhouse gases (CO₂, CH₄, N₂O, SF₆, and CO).
 - Many outside laboratories use our halocarbon and trace gas standards.
- Only two networks provide independent calibration and long term, global measurements of ozone depleting gases on a weekly timescale (NASA's AGAGE and NOAA's GMD).
 - The WMO assessments average the two data sets.
- GMD is the center for the WMO Dobson Network and Calibration Laboratory (data back to the 1960s).
 - It provides independent long term data including Umkehr calculations of trends to compare with NASA satellite record. Ozonesondes are launched from Antarctica, Greenland, US, and the tropics (SHADOZ) and are provided to researchers and governmental agencies.
- GMD Ozone and Ozone Depleting Gases are provided to a number of stakeholders, including WMO Global Atmospheric Watch (GAW), CDIAC, WMO World Greenhouse Gases Data Center, NDACC, many university and government researchers.

4. Summary

- GMD provides high accuracy calibration scales for ozone and ODSs that are recognized internationally as being of the highest quality. Long term trends are shown for these important gases.
- GMD provides independent, high quality, long-term observations of nitrous oxide, halocarbons and ozone on a global scale.
- Transport is important for ozone and total chlorine.
- GMD conducts critical research on the global budgets, emissions (e.g. UNEP Emissions Gap Report, in press), and transport of ozone and ozone depleting gases.

Measurements and analysis of stratospheric ozone

Dr. Irina Petropavlovskikh

Goals and Science Questions

- **What is the *issue*?**
 - Stratospheric Ozone recovery following the decline of ozone depleting substances in stratosphere
- **What does it *impact*?**
 - UV exposure to people and plants, climate forcing, expansion of tropics (change of climate in Boulder?), significant climate changes in the Arctic and Antarctic
- **What are *uncertainties* in predicting recovery?**
 - Increase in greenhouse gas concentrations, climate changes, change in the meridional transport of ozone-depleting substances (ODS)
 - deliberate injection of stratospheric aerosols

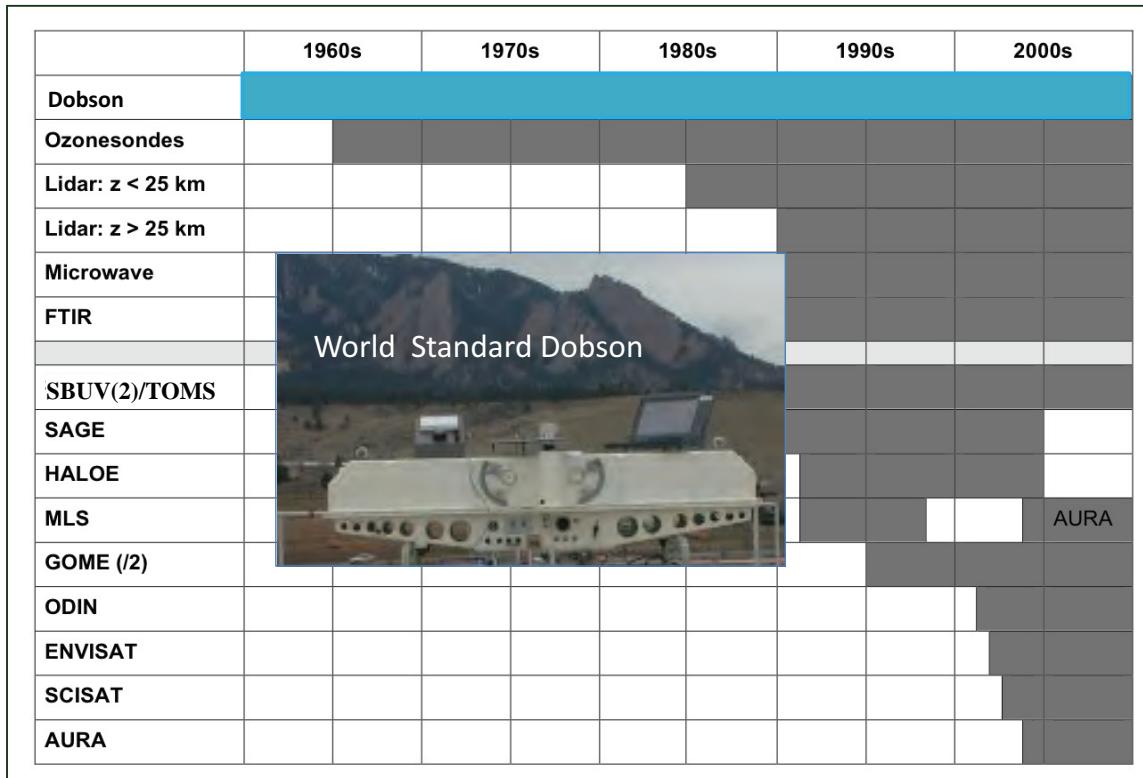
Approaches

- **Long-term** monitoring of ozone profile and column data
- Maintain **calibration** of the WMO Dobson ozone network
- Assurance of **data quality** through calibration and **re-analysis** of data
- Final **archiving** at the WMO data centers
- Provide data for **validation** of NASA and NOAA satellites
- Contribute ozone data and expertise for international **assessments** of current state of atmospheric composition and its long-term changes.
- **Collaboration** with US and international partners

Long-term ozone records

	1960s	1970s	1980s	1990s	2000s
Dobson	■	■	■	■	■
Ozonesondes	■	■	■	■	■
Lidar: z < 25 km			■	■	■
Lidar: z > 25 km			■	■	■
Microwave				■	■
FTIR				■	■
Ground-based					
SBUV(2)/TOMS		■	■	■	■
SAGE			■	■	■
HALOE				■	■
MLS				■	■
GOME (I/2)				■	■
ODIN				■	■
ENVISAT				■	■
SCISAT				■	■
AURA					■
Satellites					

Long-term GMD ozone records



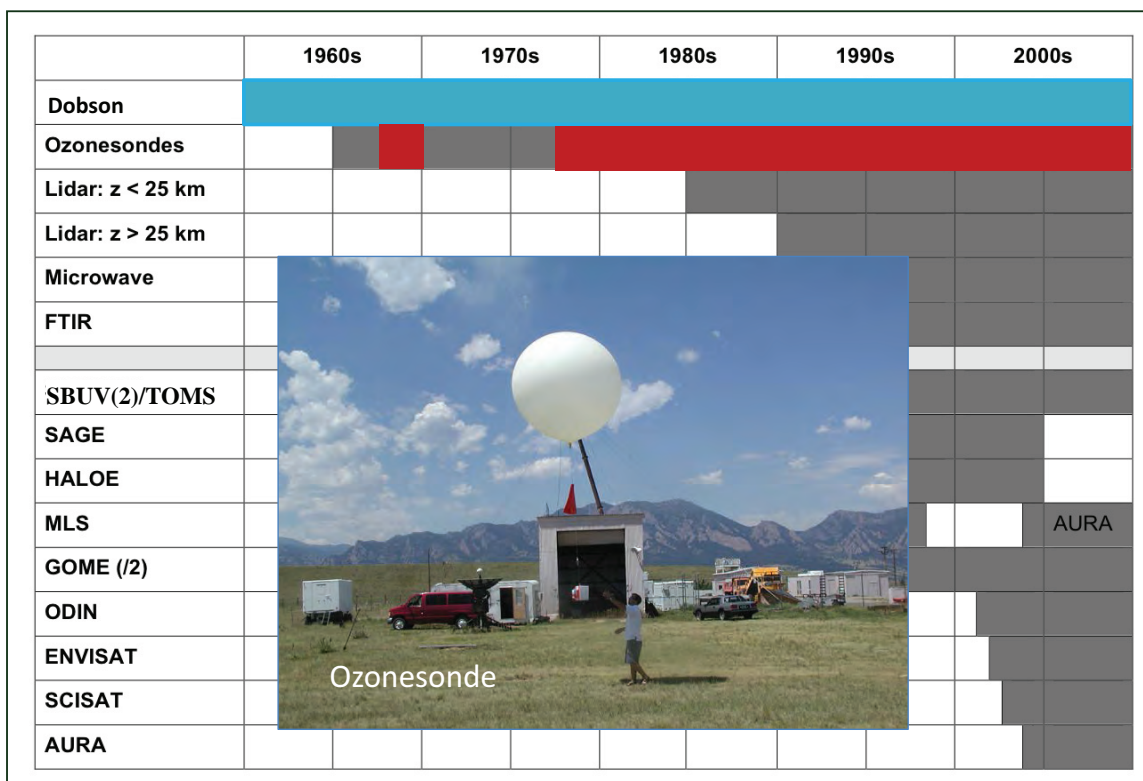
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Poster by Bob Evans on Dobson network calibration

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Long-term GMD ozone records



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Talk by Bryan Johnson about GMD South Pole ozone records

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Newer GMD ozone records

	1960s	1970s	1980s	1990s	2000s
Dobson/Brewer	Dobson/Brewer				Brewer
Ozonesondes	Ozonesondes				
Lidar: z < 25 km					
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NOAA EPA
Brewer
Network

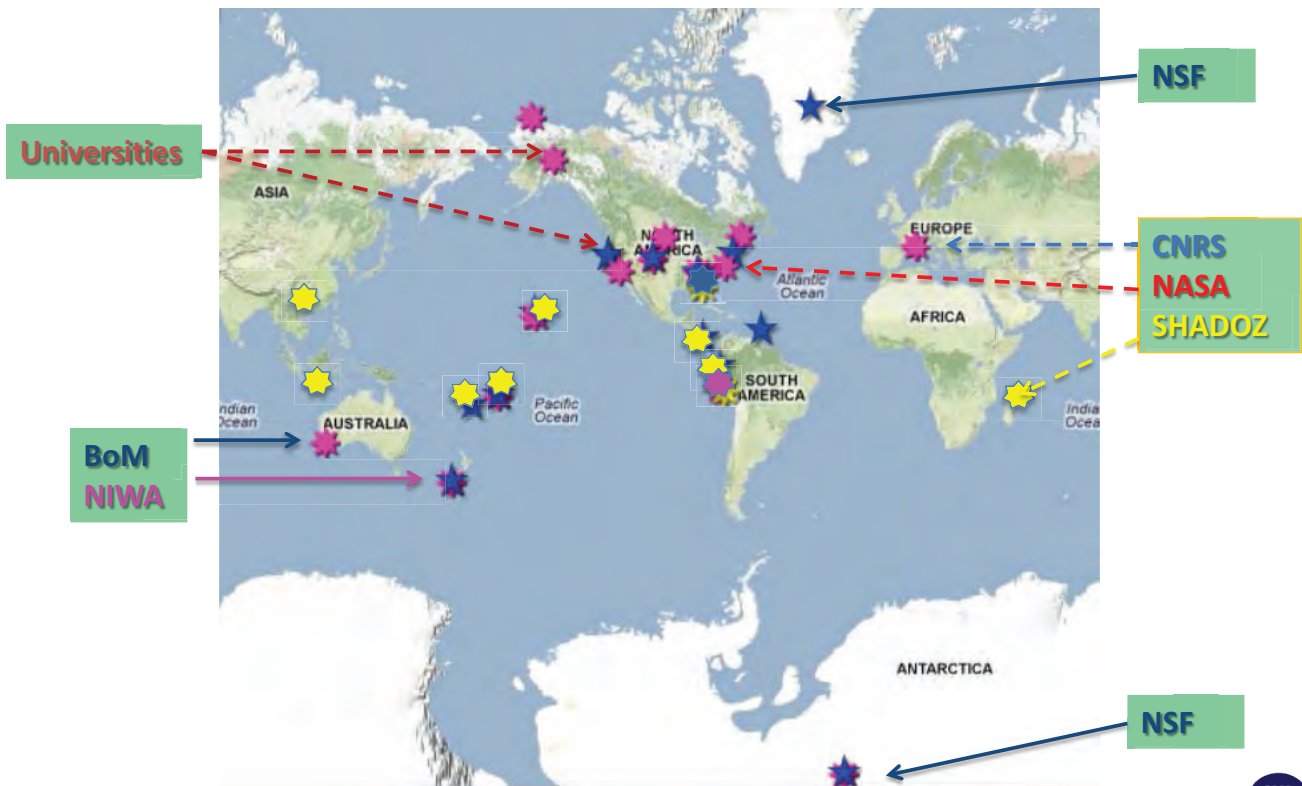


Long-term climate ozone records

	1960s	1970s	1980s	1990s	2000s						
Dobson/Brewer	Dobson/Brewer				Brewer						
Ozonesondes	Ozonesondes										
Lidar: z < 25 km											
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Microwave											
FTIR											
SBUV(2)/TOMS		N4	N7	N9a	N11	N9b	N14	N16	N17	N18	NPP
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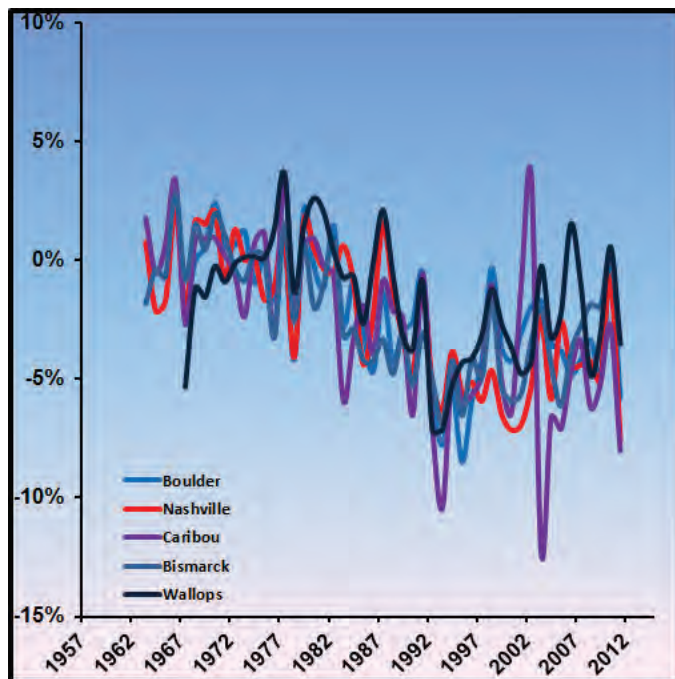
GMD Dobson and sonde records & Partners



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Stratospheric ozone **recovery**: 5 US stations

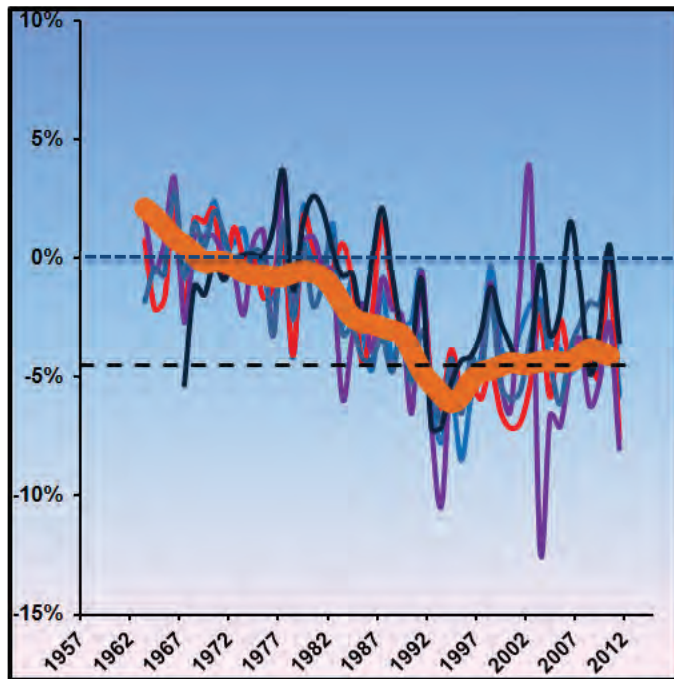


- **62,489!** ozone column measurements at 5 US continental stations beginning in 1962

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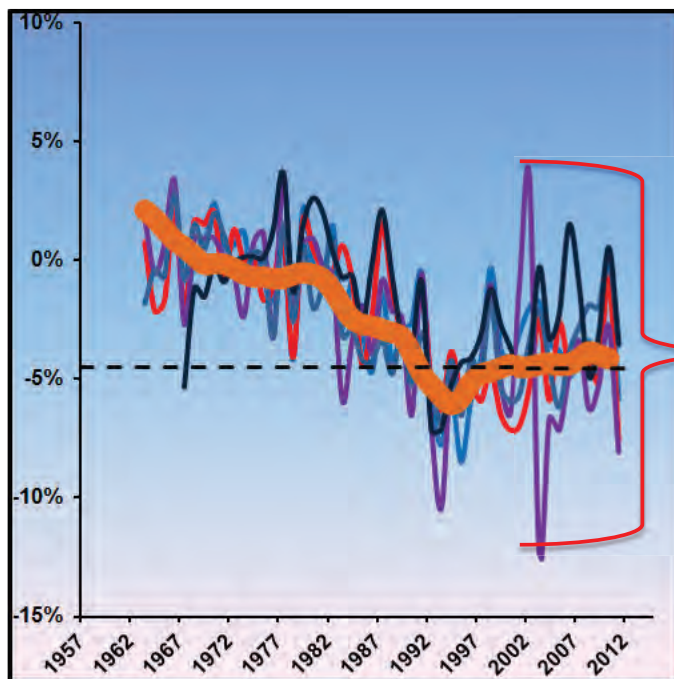
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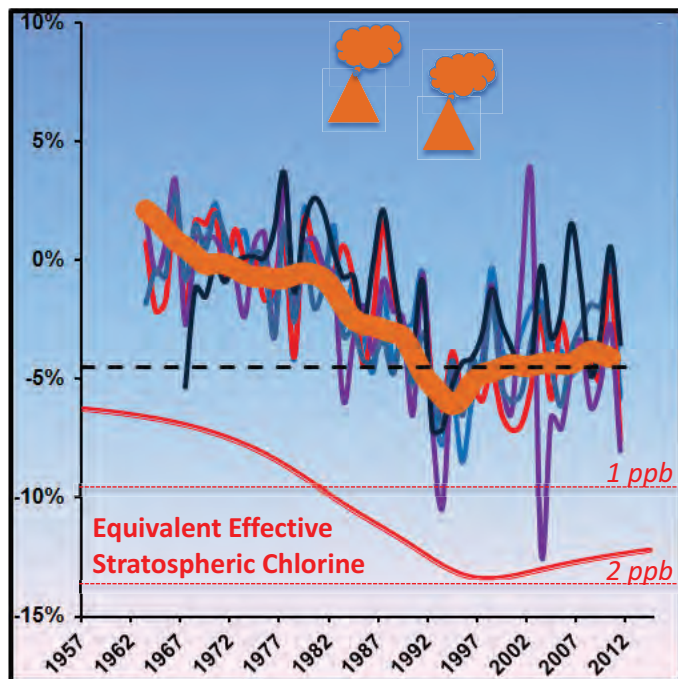
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El Chichón, Pinatubo

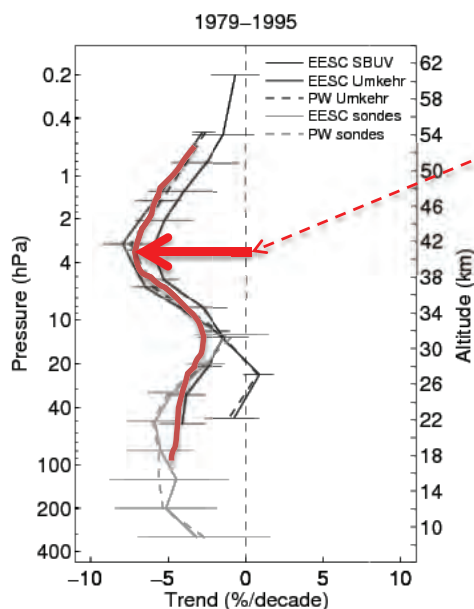
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- **62,489!** ozone column
- NOAA middle latitude records shows that mean TO levels are still **4% below** 1970s levels
- Increase in inter-annual ozone **variability**
- **Mechanisms** (Chlorine, volcanic aerosols, transport)
- Long-term effects of **climate change** on future ozone recovery

Mid-latitude stratospheric ozone **2010 WMO Ozone Assessment**



- Ozone **depletion** in northern hemisphere **1979-1995**
- **Agreement** between sondes, ground-based, and satellite data

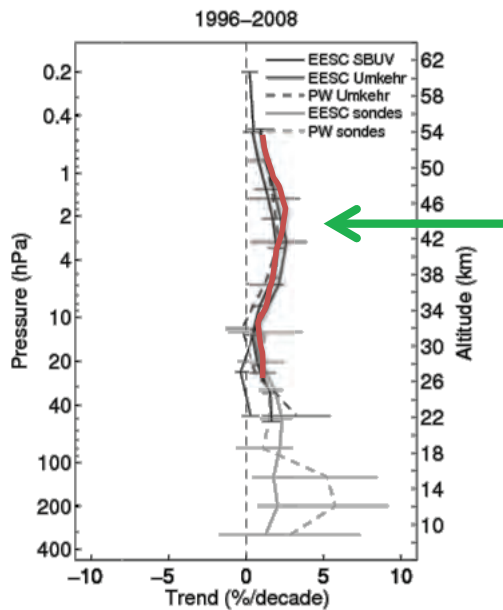
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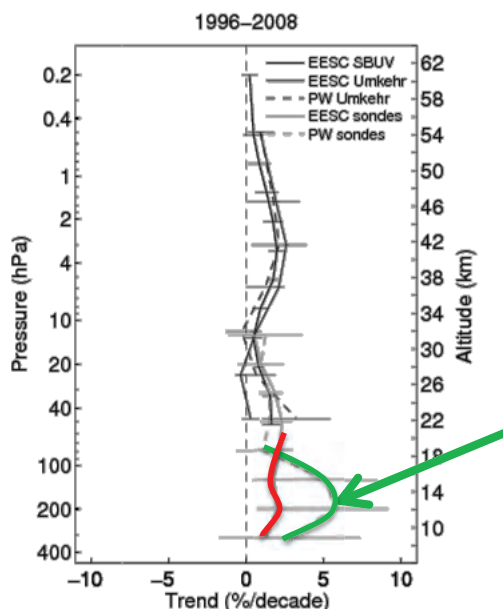
When will ozone recover?

How soon can we detect change?



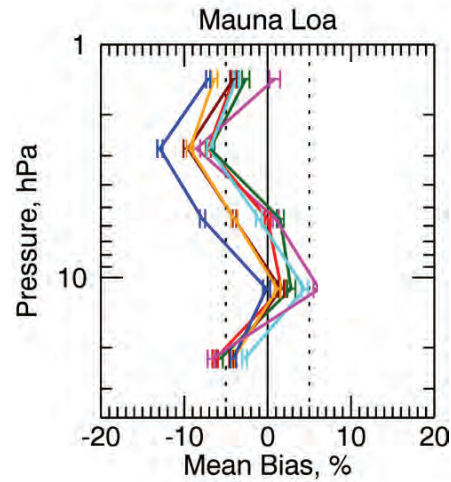
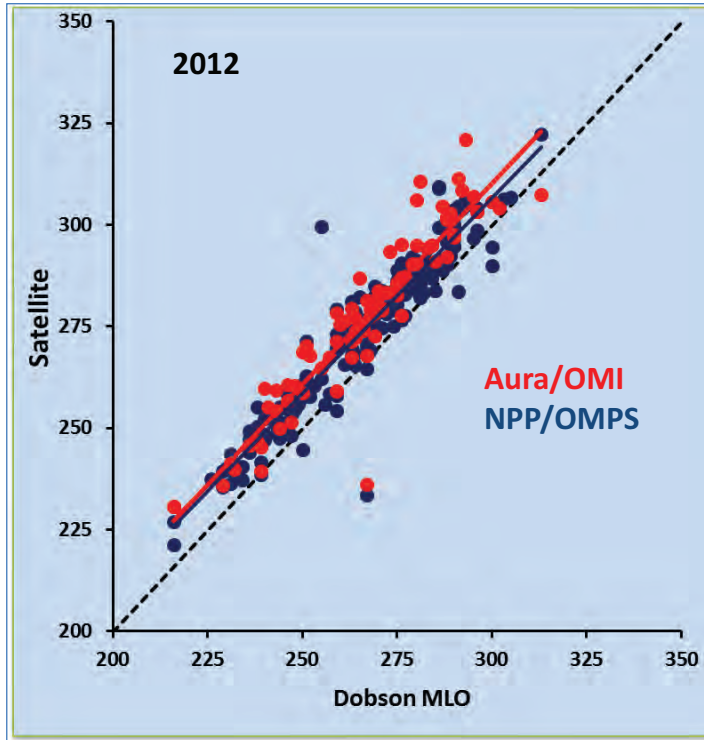
- Decreasing ozone-depleting substances after 1996
- Ozone **recovery** at $\sim 2\%$ per decade above 30 km altitude

What is driving trends in the lower stratosphere?



- **Recovery is not definite**
- High ozone **variability**
- Magnitude and errors depend on **attribution method**
- **ODS or climate ?**
- **Measurement error?**

Validation and detection of Drifts



Satellite merged ozone, 1979-2010

N07 N09 N11 N14 N16 N17 N18



Goals

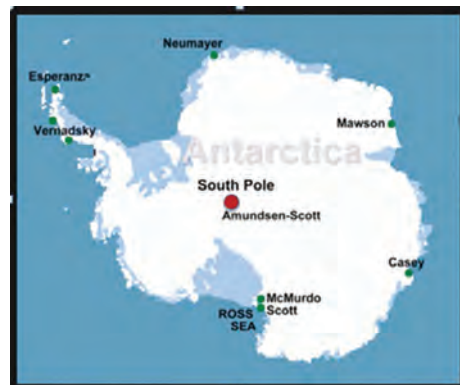
- **Continue** long-term ozone profile and column records
- **Maintain** high calibration and quality control standards, provide standard to WMO ozone network
- **Validate** long-term and new ozone records
- **Coordinate** with GMD and other climate monitoring networks to improve understanding of climate impacts on ozone: Hilo, American Samoa and SHADOZ
- **Verify** regional and global climate models for attribution – “fingerprints” or patterns techniques (amplitude of change) and trajectories for transport
- **Detect** changes in transport patterns and climatological conditions with respect to impacts on the Arctic ozone
- **Guide** ozone recovery at South Pole and globally



South Pole ozone

Bryan Johnson

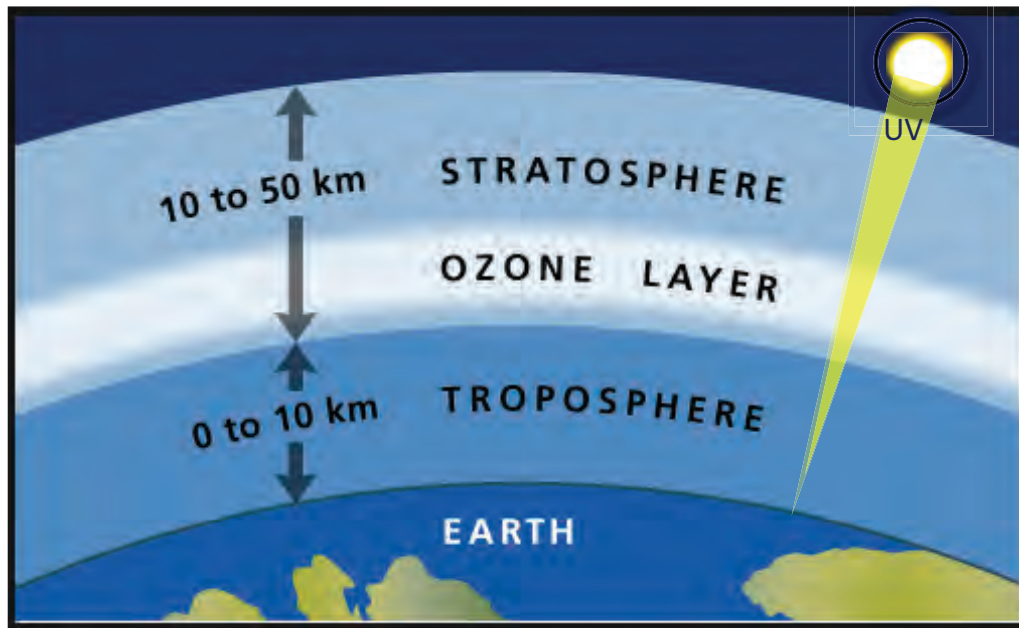
OUTLINE



- Measuring stratospheric ozone at South Pole Station.
 - Dobson Spectrophotometer (ground based)
 - Ozonesondes (balloon-borne)
 - Long term record

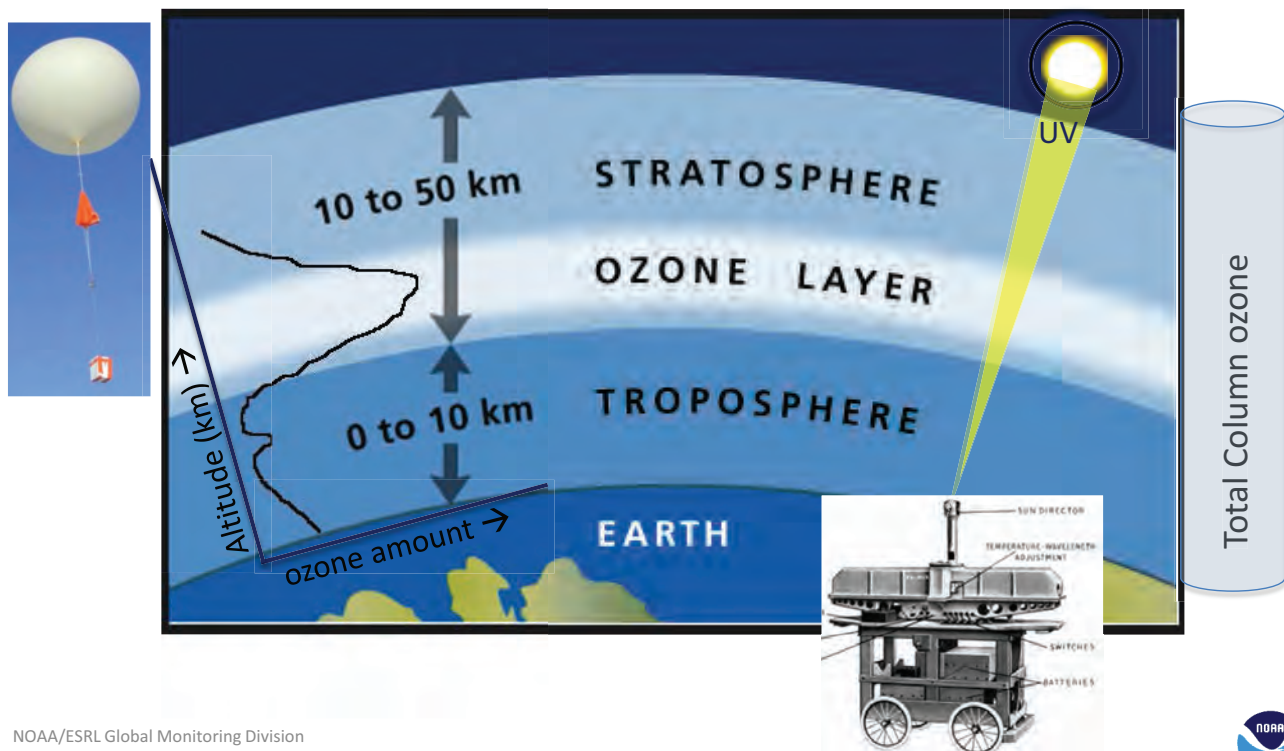
2012 -- October ozone minimum was much higher but loss rates in early September 2012 did not show any indication of ozone recovery.

Stratospheric Ozone



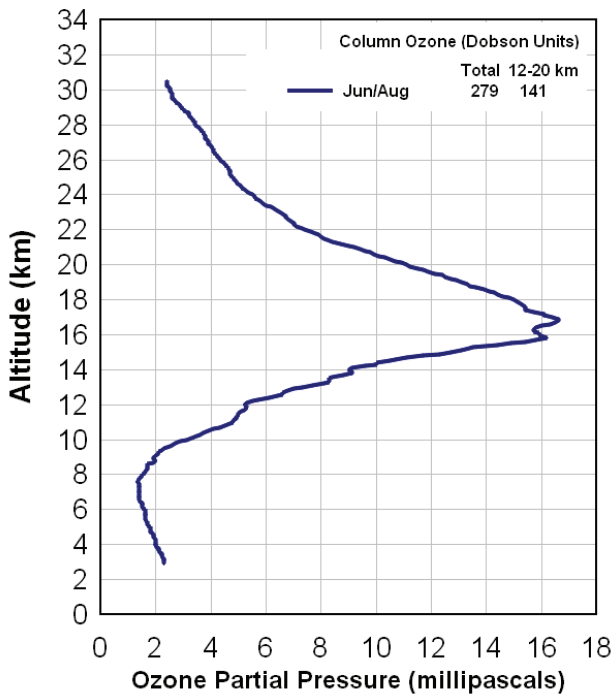
GMD measures stratospheric ozone at South Pole from:

1. Ground-based Dobson spectrophotometer: *51 years 1962-2012*
2. Balloon-borne ozonesondes: *27 years 1986-2012*



Total Column Ozone (Dobson Units) =
Sum of ozone from surface to burst altitude + Residual amount

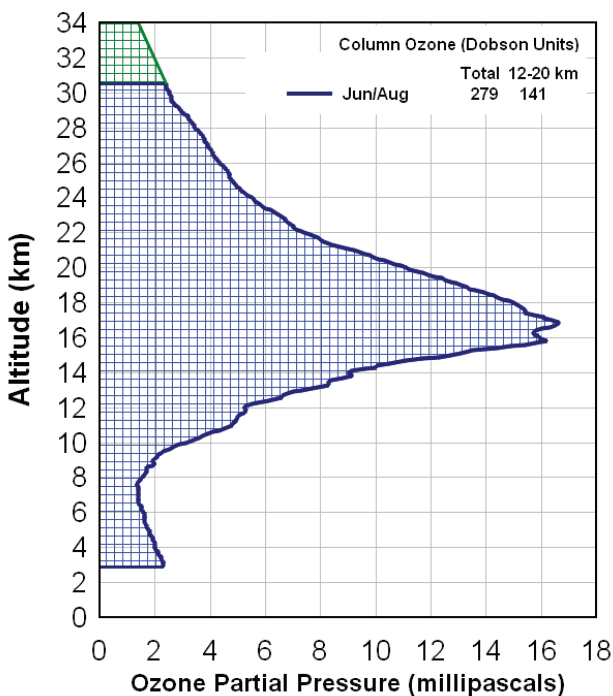
South Pole Station Ozonesondes: 2012



Total Column Ozone of
279 Dobson Units =
0.279 centimeter column of
pure ozone gas at the surface
of the earth.

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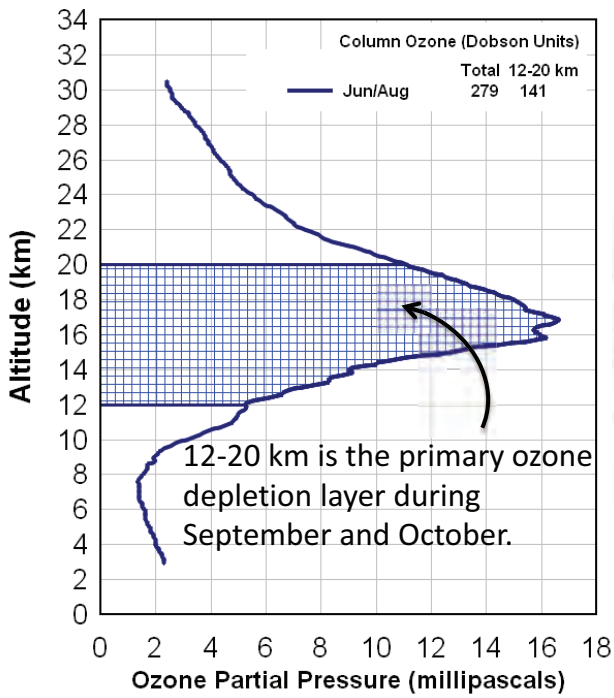


Residual Ozone = 21 Dobson Units
Integrated Ozone = 258 Dobson Units
Total Column Ozone = 279 Dobson Units

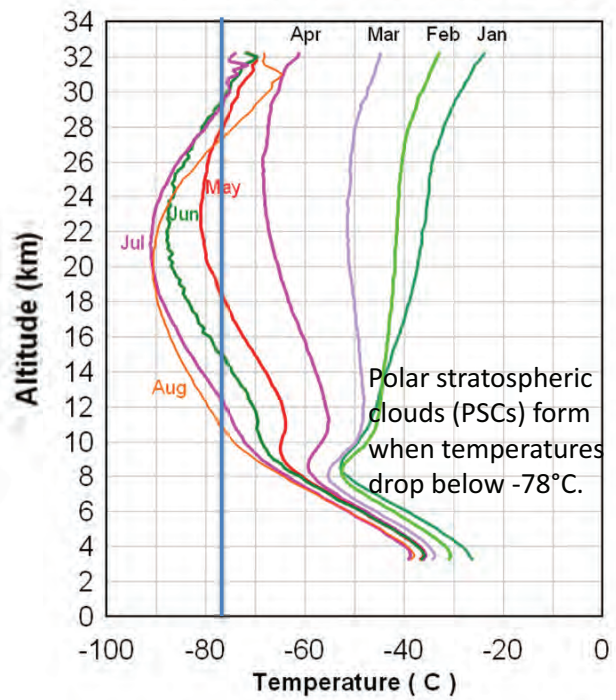
12-20 km Column Ozone (Dobson Units)

18 km temperature (C)

South Pole Station Ozonesondes: 2012



South Pole Station Temperature Profiles:



Balloon-borne ozonesondes Ozonesonde launch in early September.



Balloon-borne ozonesondes October (day after strong wind storm).



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Balloon-borne ozonesondes. late October.

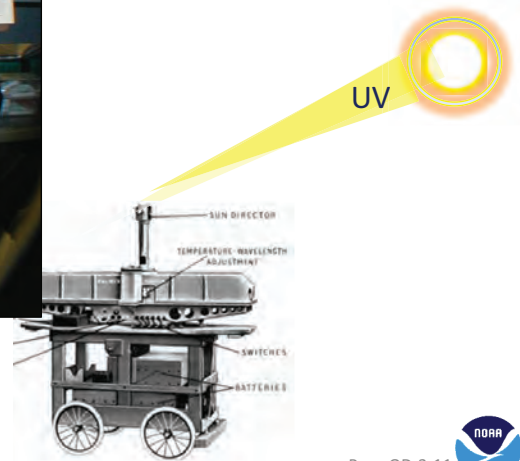


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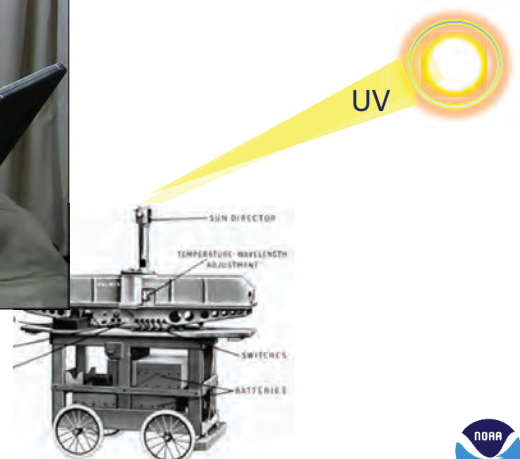
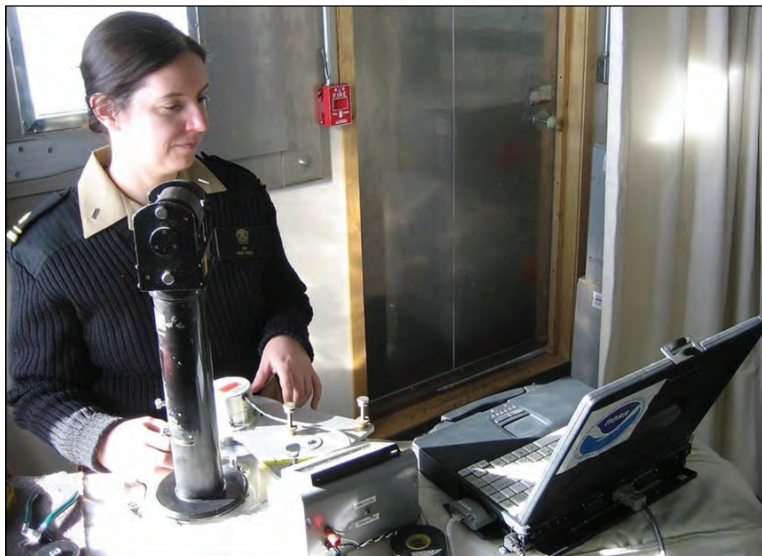
Ground-based Dobson spectrophotometer.

Three observations (measurements of total column ozone) in a 24 hour period - as the view of the sun passes by the 3 windows.

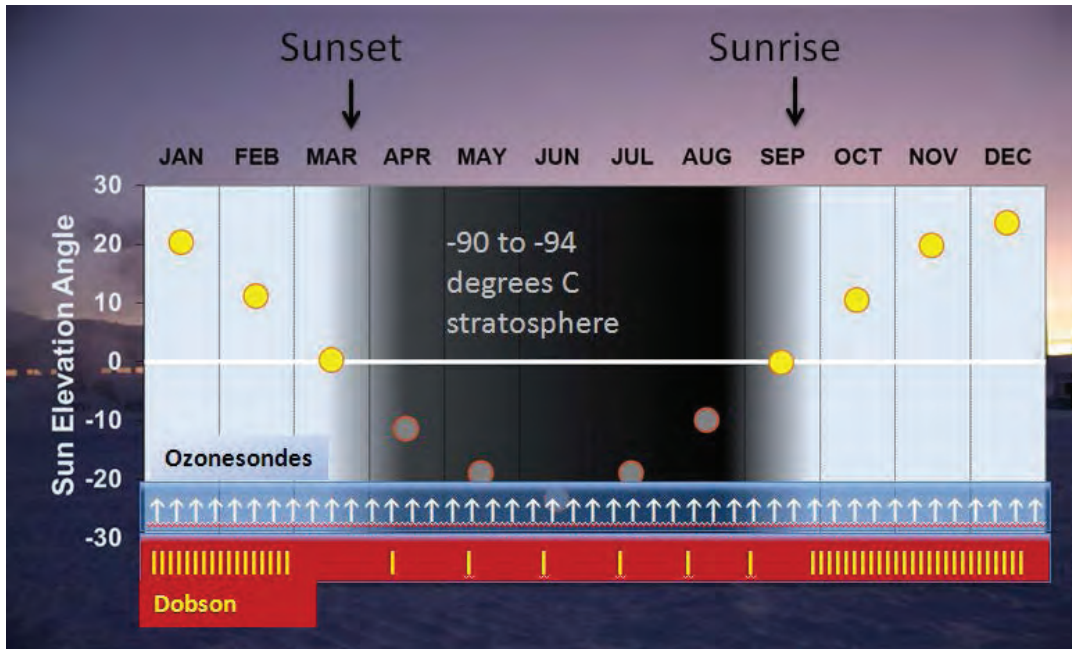


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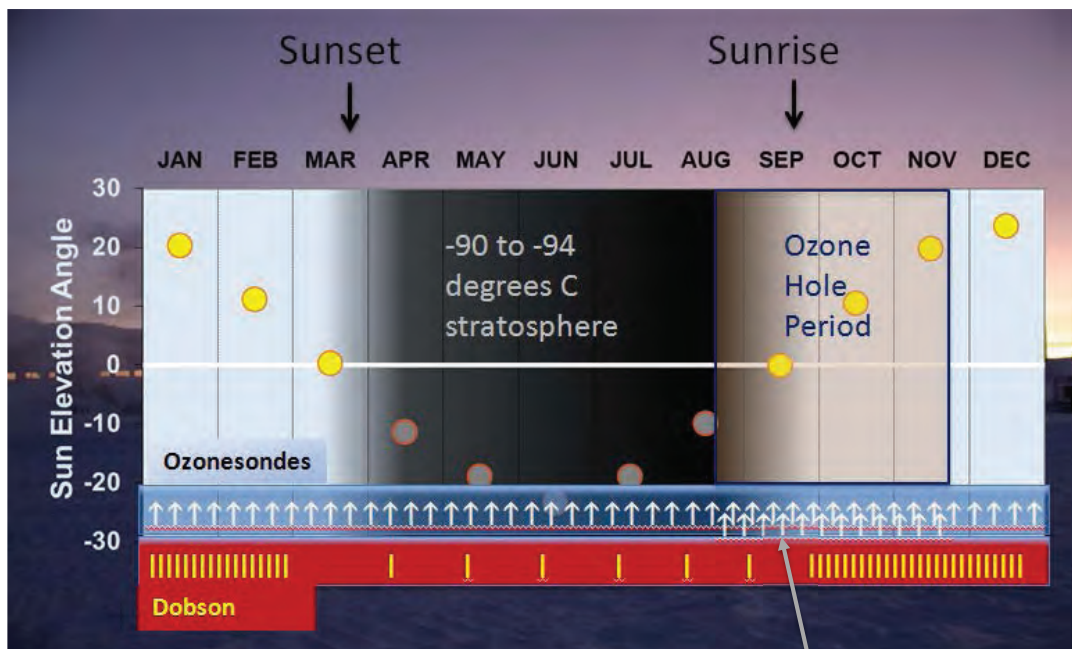
Observation taken by NOAA Corp Officer Amy Cox during winterover 2007-2008.



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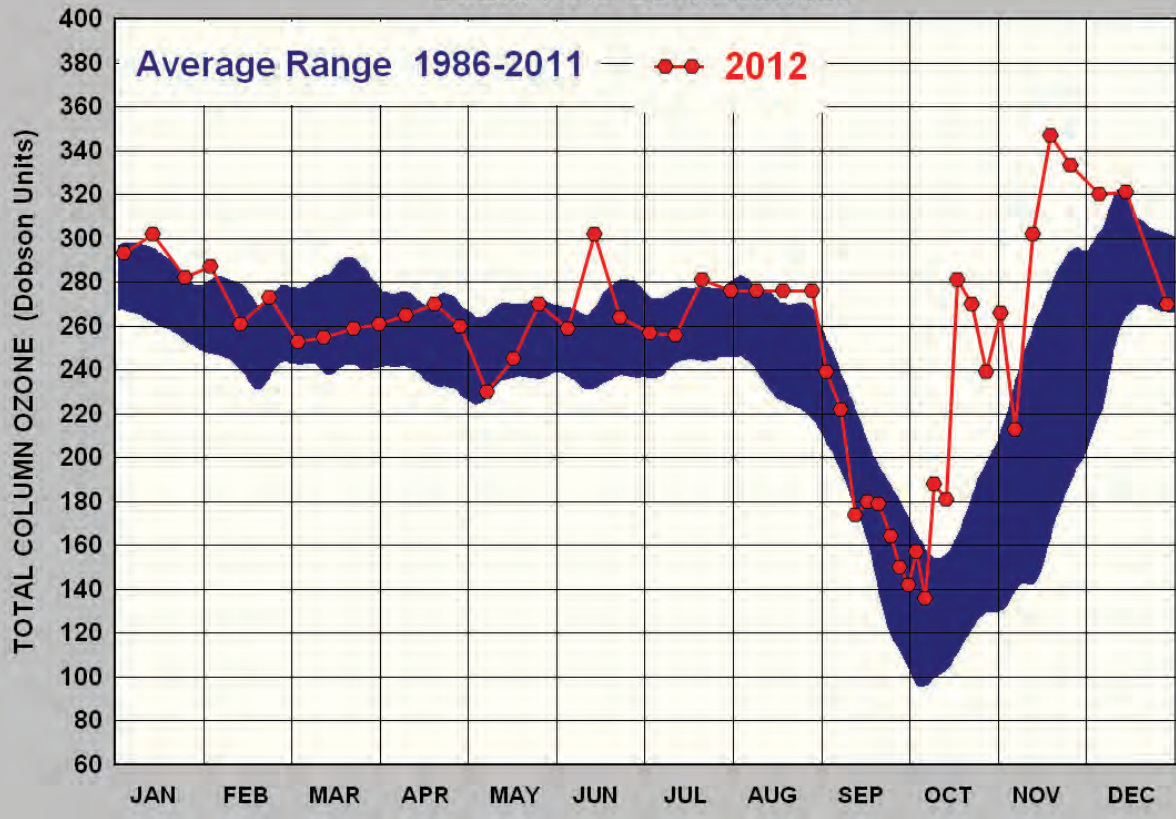


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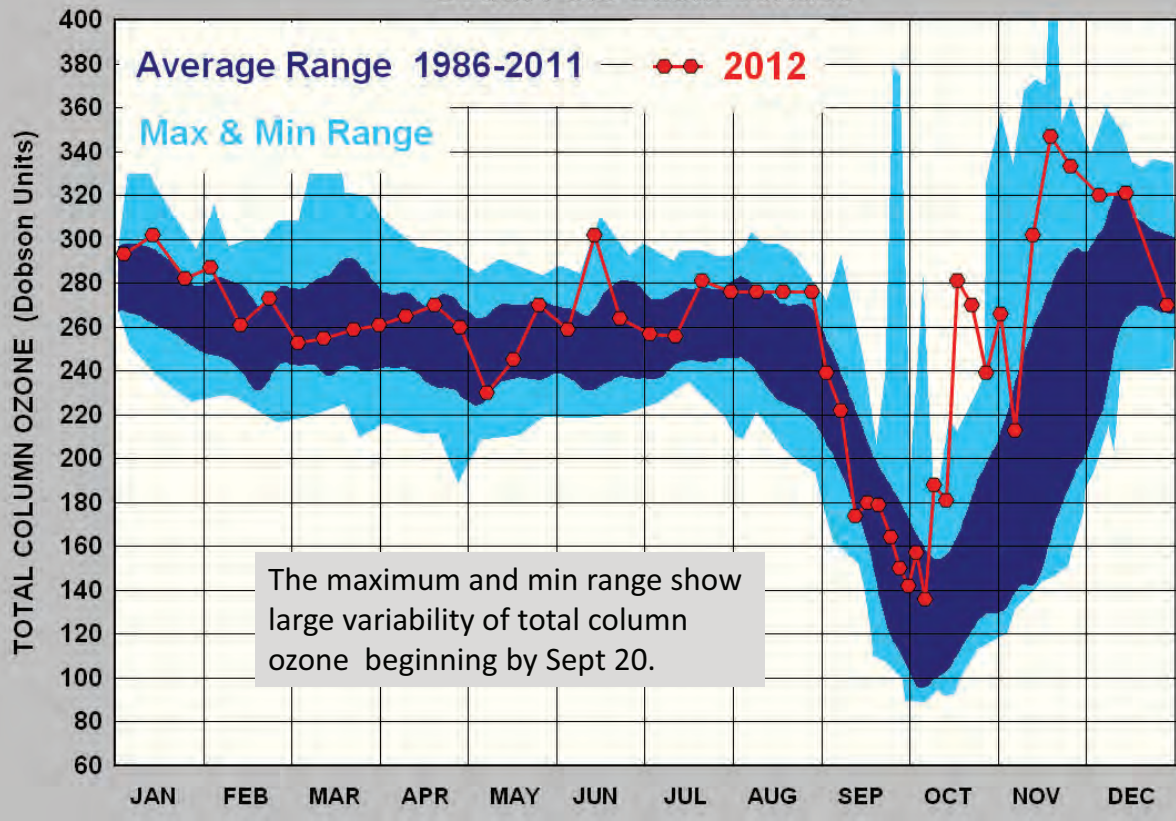


Increased frequency of ozonesonde launches during ozone hole period.

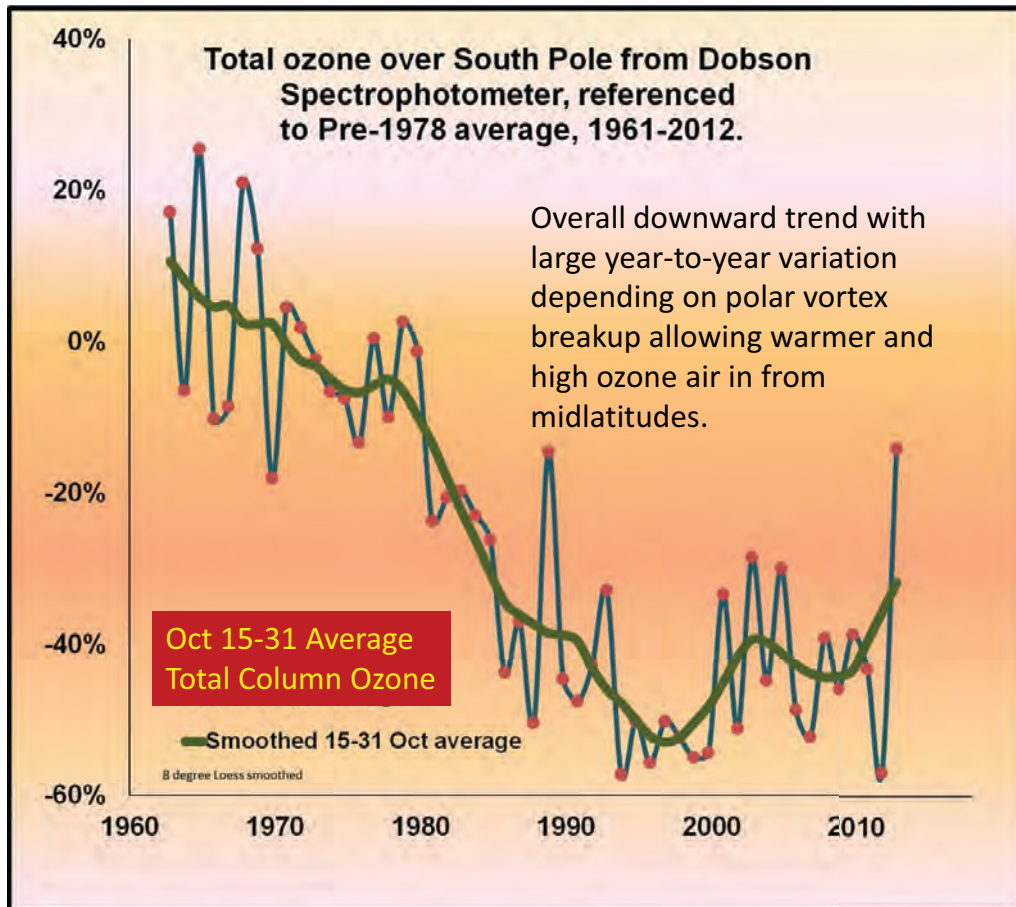
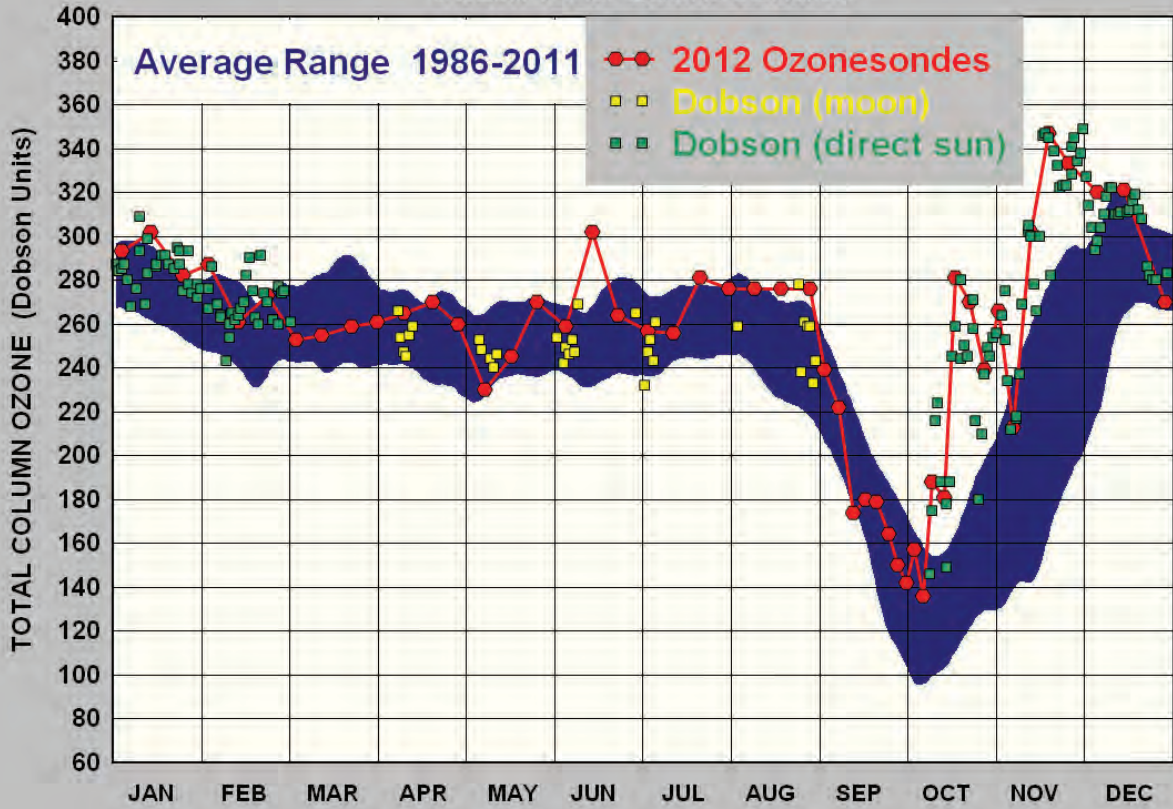
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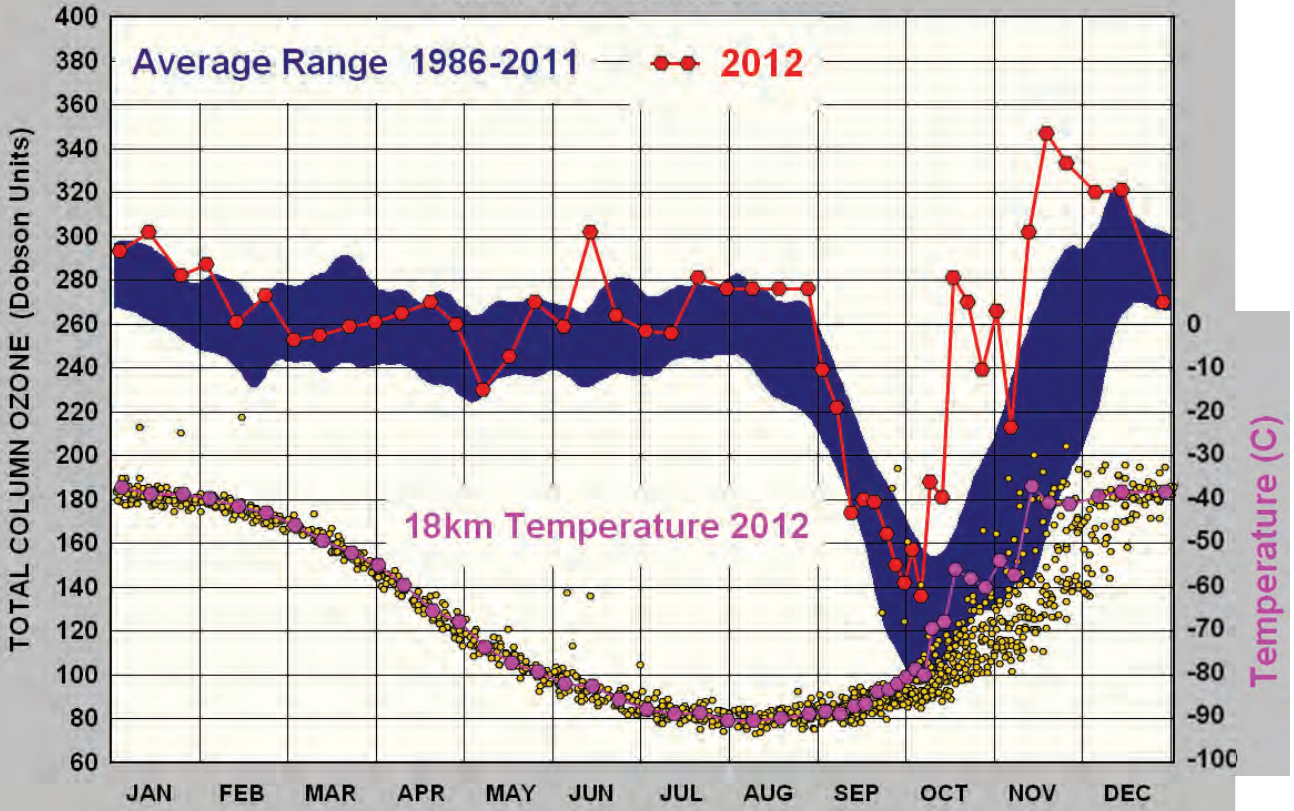
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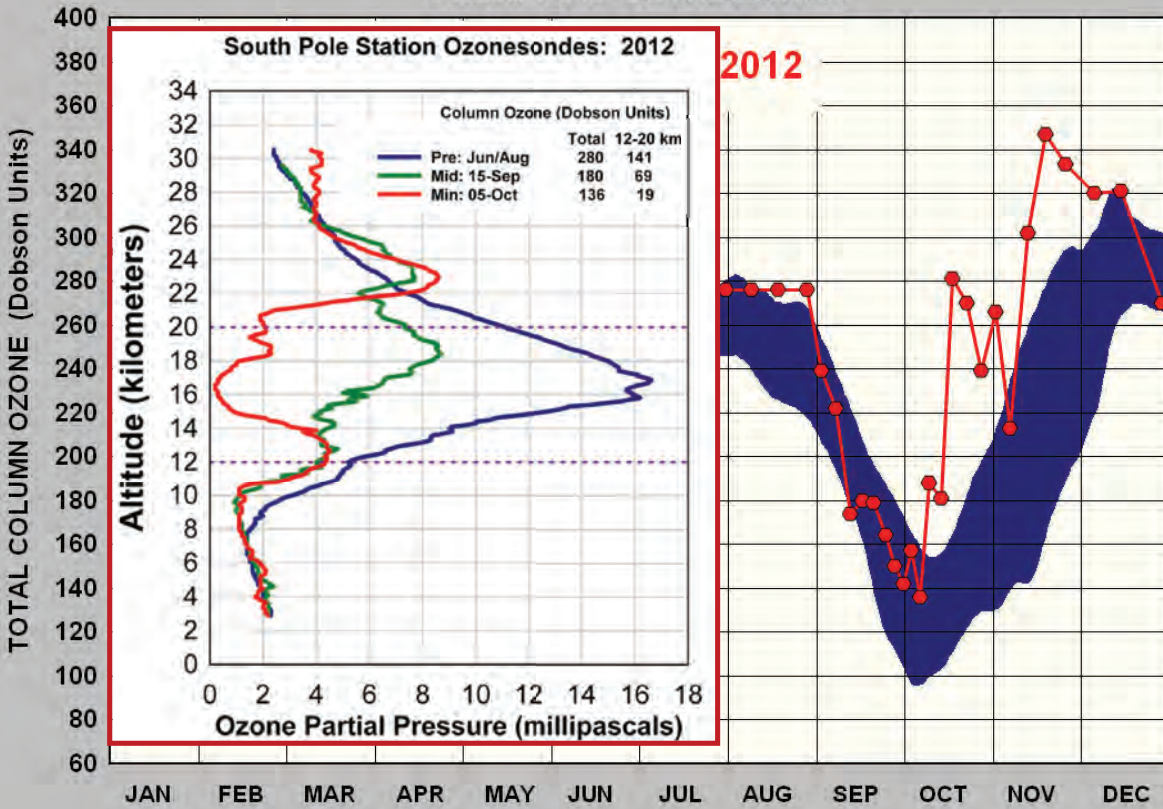
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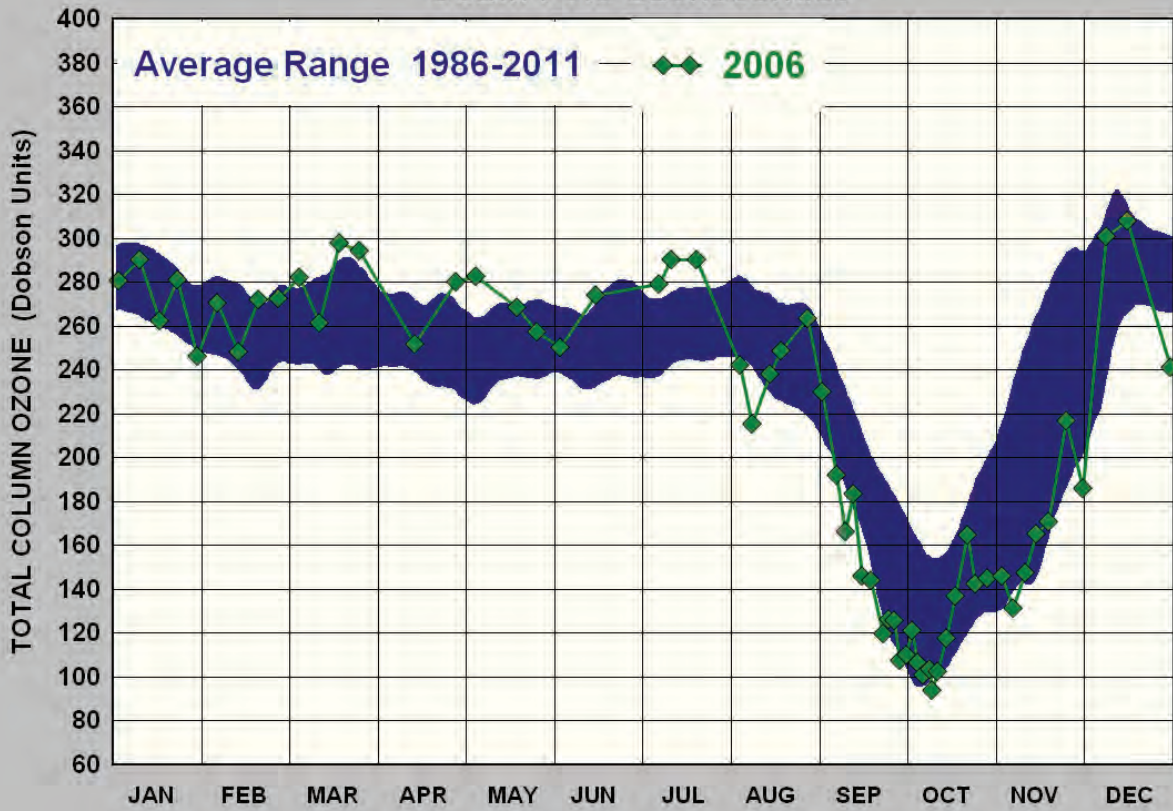
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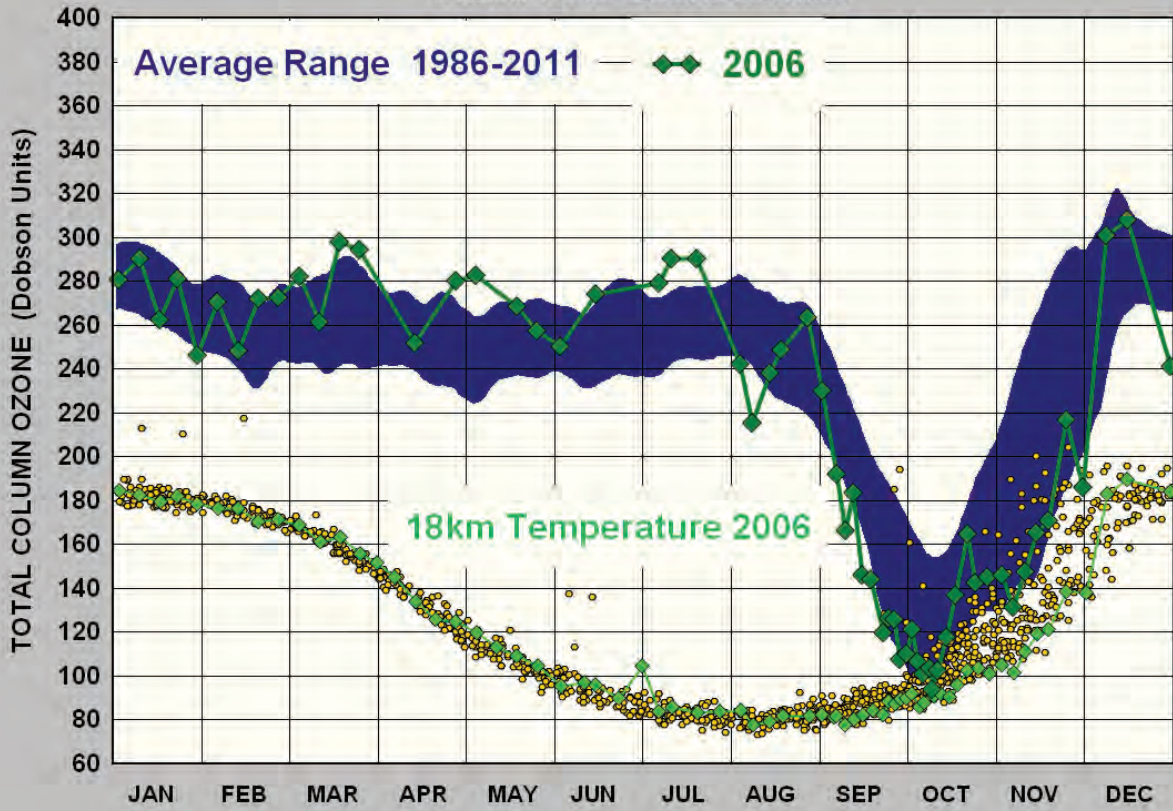
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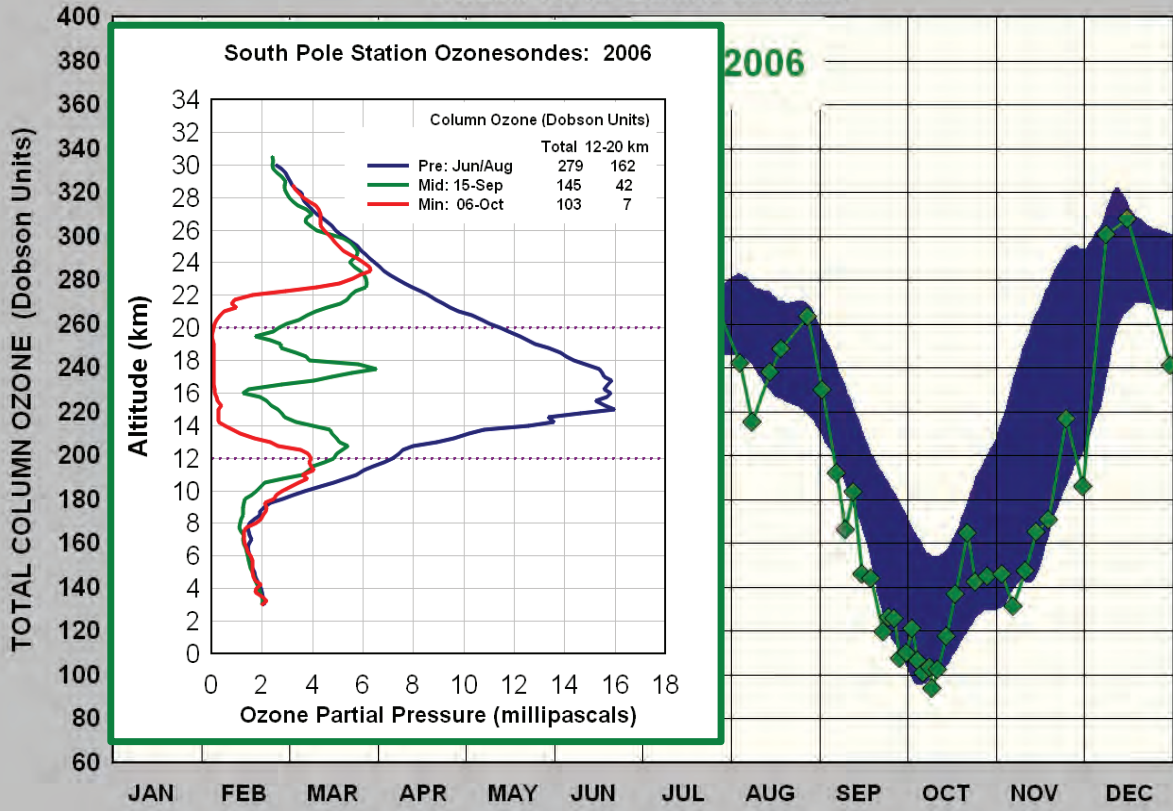
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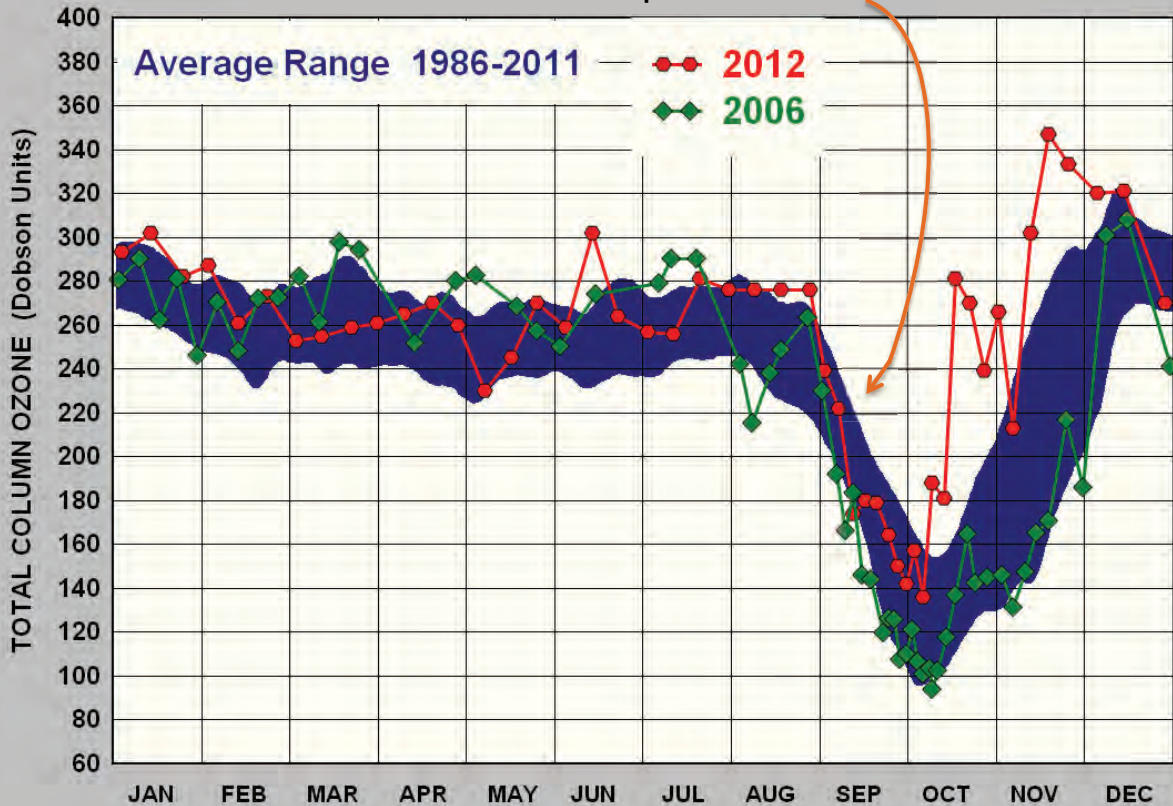
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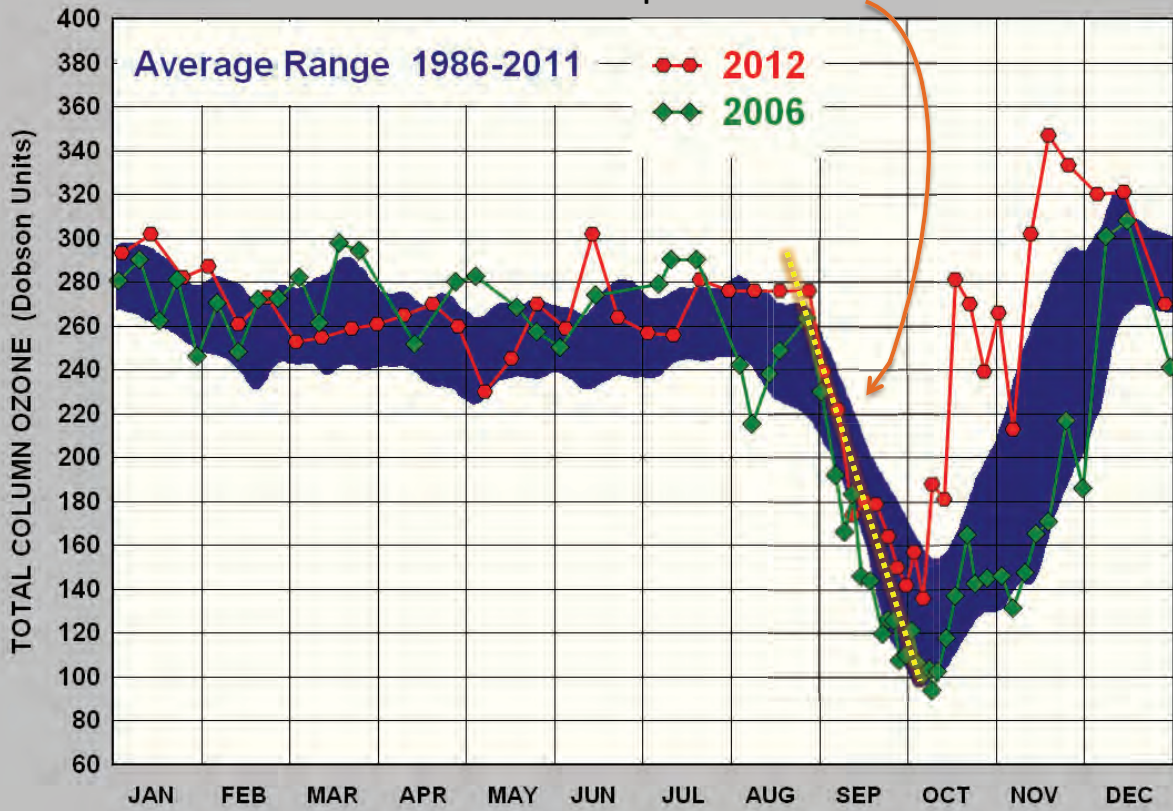
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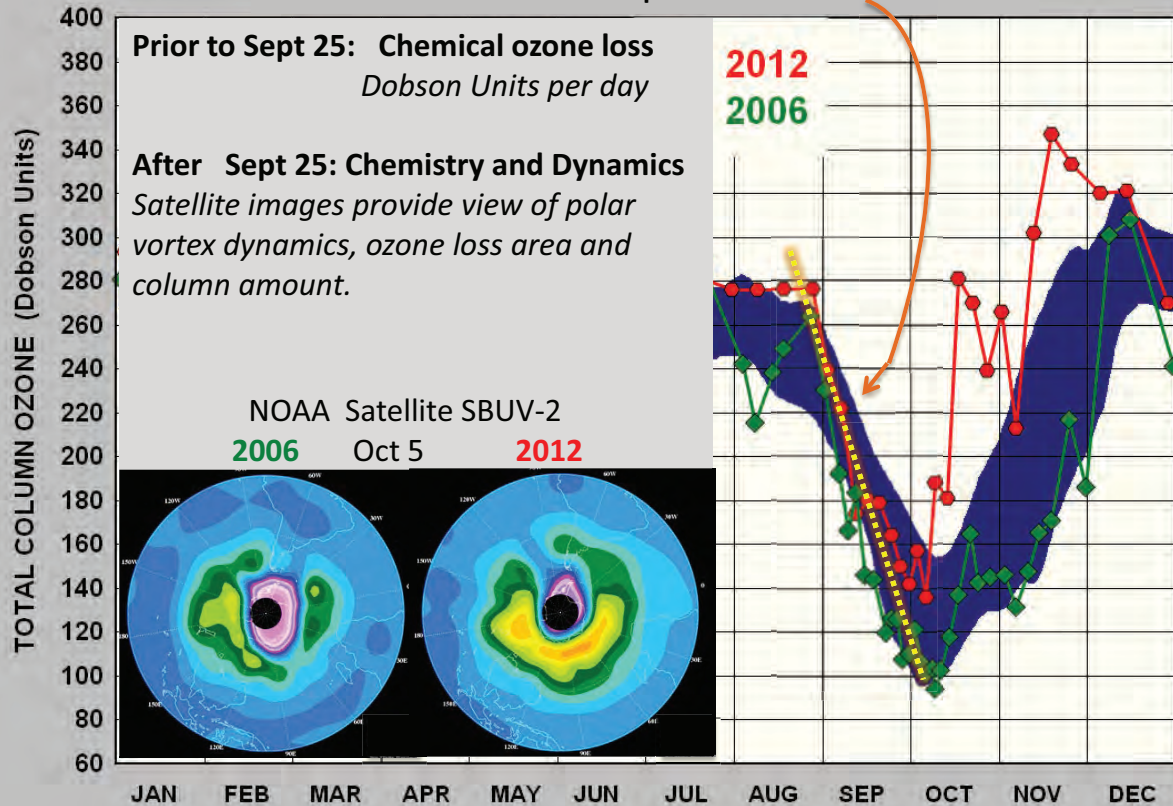
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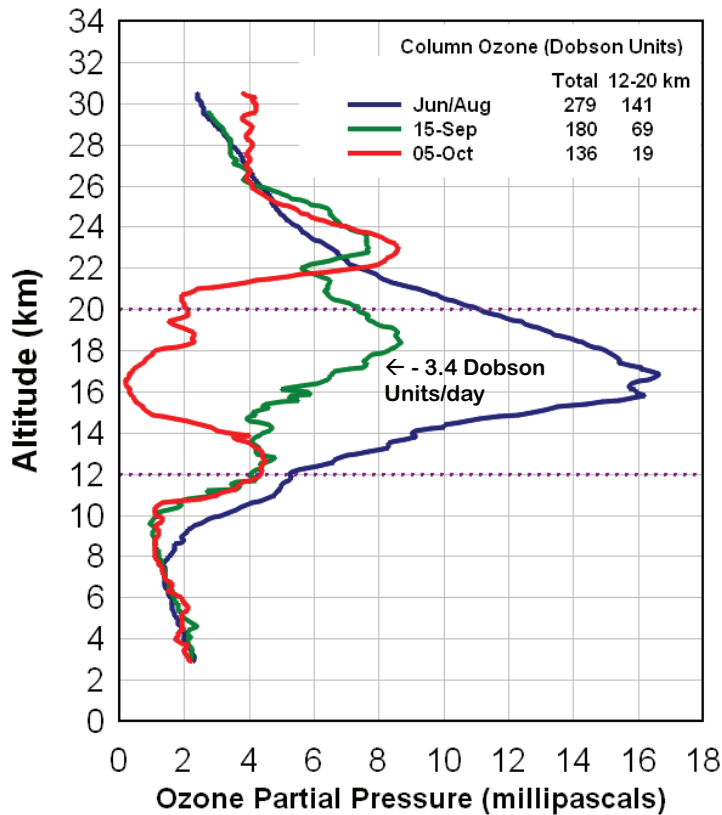
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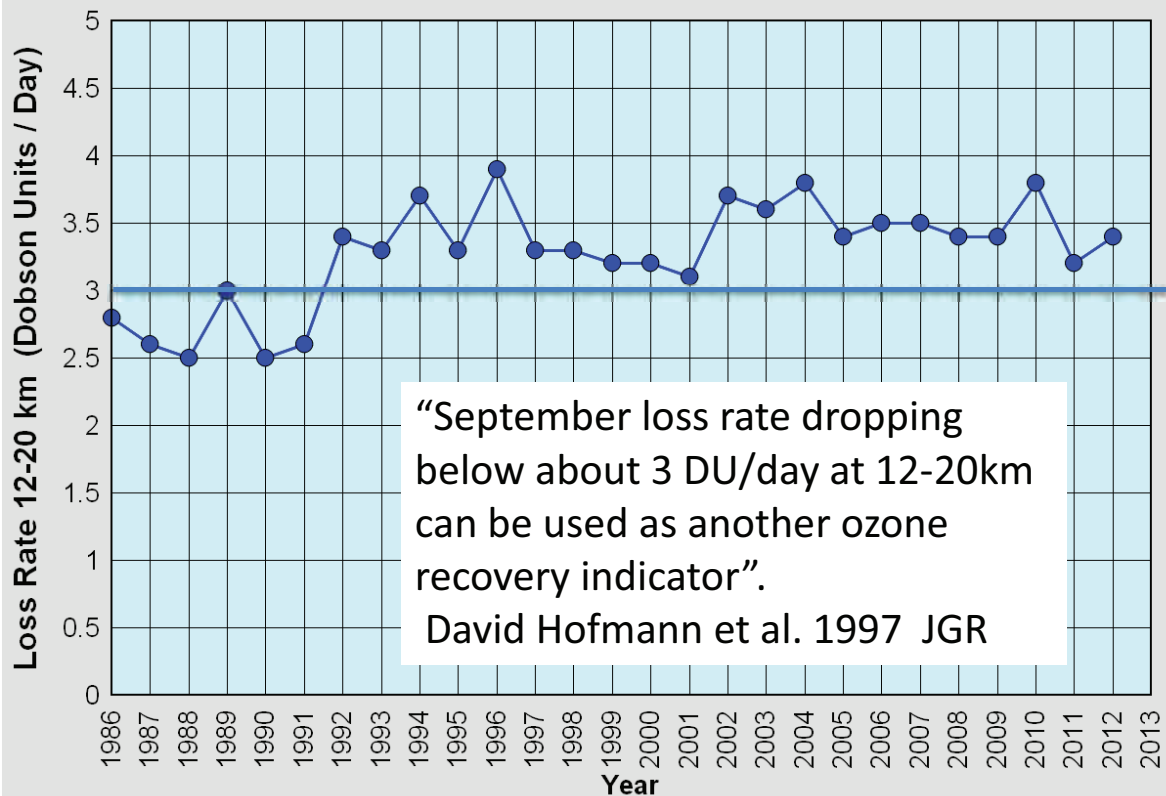
South Pole Station Ozonesondes: 2012



12-20 kilometer ozone loss rate in September 2012 was 3.4 Dobson Units/day .
(average loss rate compared to 27 year record)

87% of ozone depleted in the 12-20 kilometer layer.

South Pole Station September Loss Rates (Dobson Units / Day)



Summary

GMD monitors stratospheric ozone at South Pole Station:

- Ground based Dobson Spectrophotometer observations
(51 year record).
- Balloon-borne ozonesonde profiles (27 year record).
- When to expect first signs of recovery at South Pole:

*“Assuming a lineal relationship between ozone loss rate and Equivalent Effective Stratospheric Chlorine - a reduction of the ozone loss rate at South Pole station will be detectable in **2017-2021 period**” Hassler et al., (2011).*

Stratospheric Transport

presenter: Fred Moore

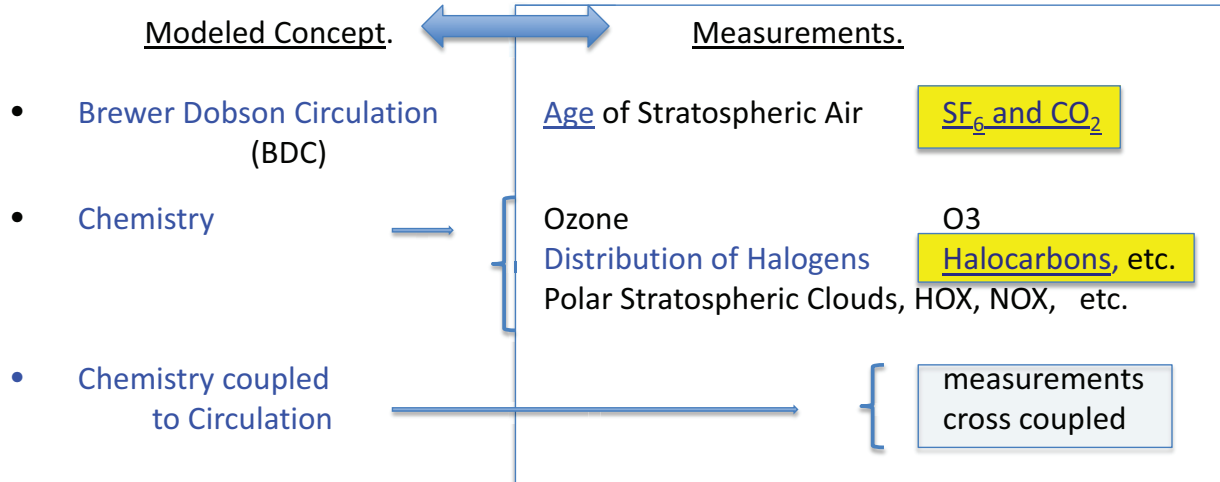
Stratospheric Transport is Important

- Affects Ozone Production and Depletion
- Affects Climate
- **Stratospheric Trend Analysis** can play an important part
- Current understanding is insufficient for making predictions

Outline of Presented Material

- Simple picture of Stratosphere
- Measurement based approach
 - Tracer Data-to-Transport Quantification
- Trend Analysis Example of Predictability
 - Ozone Depletion
- Role of Climate Change
 - Driver and Feedback Mechanisms
- A way forward

Simple Stratosphere



• Learned

- Measured Mean Age of Air is NOT a measure of Brewer Dobson Circulation
 - * Coupled BDC + Mixing
- But BDC, Mixing and more, can be de-convolved and measured by
 - * Adding Stratospheric Halocarbon Measurements
 - * Applying Photolytic Loss estimates (exponentially increasing with altitude)

Transport Quantified from past measurements of Simple Photolytic + Age Tracers.

- From Measurements of N₂O, CFC-12, CFC-113, CFC-11, halon-1211, SF₆ and CO₂

- Mean Age of Stratospheric Air (altitude)
 - Vertical Ascent (altitude) in Tropics (or BDC)
 - Entrainment (altitude) of Mid-latitude air into Tropics
 - Stratospheric Lifetime of Halocarbons, N₂O, and SF₆
- Age Distributions

- Vortex Dynamics:
 - Vortex Formation -> vertical descent and mixing (measure of Mesospheric Flux)
 - Vortex Isolation -> necessary to de-convolve transport from loss in Ozone Studies
- Stratosphere <-> Troposphere Exchange
- Propagating Surface gases to the Tropical Tropopause Layer (entry to the stratosphere)
 - Tropical Convection, Hemispheric Exchange ...

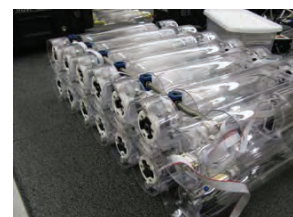


Focused Process Oriented Studies



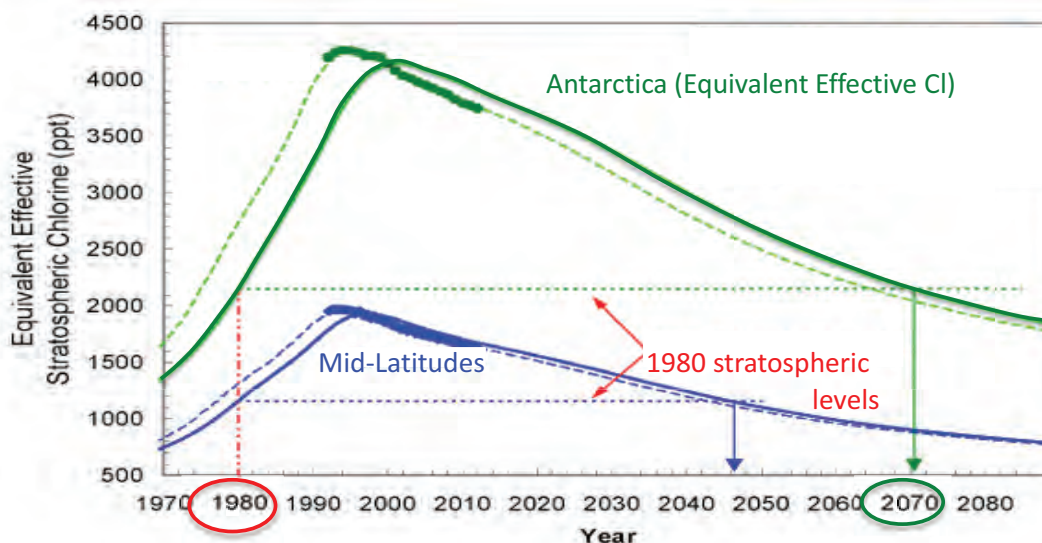
- Mission Driven
-> Snap Shot in Time

- * Difficult to derive trends from process oriented studies
-> Cost prohibitive !



Trend Analysis Example: Ozone Depleting Gas Index. (talk by Steve Montzka)


- Uses **Age of Air** estimates of Brewer Dobson Circulation and Mixing
 - To Propagate **measured surface values** of Halocarbons into the Stratosphere
 - To Partition these **Halocarbons** into reactive **Cl + Br** that destroy ozone
- Propagate **Loading Trend** forward in time to estimate
 - When Stratospheric **Cl + Br** loading will be the same as in 1980
 - When Ozone will **recover** (around year 2070)



- Models predict increasing Brewer Dobson Circulation due to Climate Change
- Lifetime of Halocarbons may get shorter
 - Surface trends may be modified
- Partitioning into reactive halogens will change
- Age of Stratospheric Air may change
 - > Lag times between surface trend and Stratosphere may change.
- Ozone Chemistry and Vortex have strong dependencies on Temperature
 - > Relationship between Ozone hole and Ozone Depleting Gas Index?
- Bottom line Ozone recovery estimate may shift from 2070
- Need a monitor of Trends in Stratospheric Circulation !

Changes in Stratospheric Circulation are a major Feedback on Climate Change.

Climate Models require accurate description of Stratospheric Circulation:

Stratosphere: O₃
H₂O ~ 30% of ΔT
Tropopause Height
QBO
Sudden Stratospheric Warming: }  Surface Temperature

Troposphere: Storm track shift (toward the equator)
Storm intensity ("Storminess")
-> Corresponding Water distribution shifts
Lower Pressure across the Atlantic and Pacific at surface

Solomon et. al 2010, 3 decades of H₂O change responsible for ~ 30% of surface ΔT

Scaife et. at. 2011, Change in Stratospheric Winds induce change in Baroclinic Eddy Growth

Butchart et. al. 2011, Strong link between QBO and tropical upwelling and the Vortex

Gerber et. al. 2012, Overview on Impact of Stratospheric Dynamics and Variability again..

- **Stratospheric Transport** is not fixed ... changes on all these time scales

- **Seasonal** -> Hemispheric weather driven circulation ...
- **Inter-annual** -> QBO, El-Niño
- **Episodic** -> Sudden stratospheric warming, volcanic, ...
- **Climate change** -> Driven by tropospheric weather

- Changes on **all time scales** need to be understood to
 - Quantify **causal relationship** for each **relevant change**



- **Mission Driven, Focused Process Oriented Studies**
 - Important part of our future studies
 - **Cost prohibitive** for **climate time scales** with **seasonal coverage**



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Air Core, P. Tans U.S. patent 7,597,014

Pilot program funded by NOAA UAS

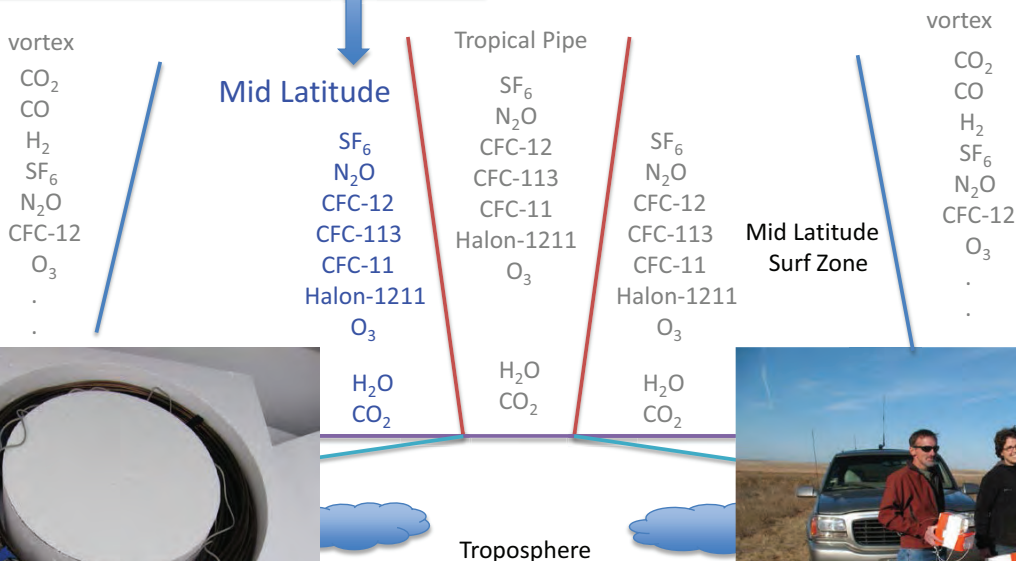
- Gas Chromatograph coupling to Air Core
- Balloon Flights out of Boulder (mid-latitude)
- Sky Wisp UAS flight

Affordable:

Air Core cost comparable to O₃ or H₂O Sonde < \$2,000

Appropriate for Long Term Monitoring:

One GC calibration errors common across data set



Photos: Anna Karion and Jack Higgs



Summary

- **Stratospheric Transport**
 - necessary for both Ozone and Climate Studies
- **Stratospheric Transport is not fixed ... changes on these time scales of**
 - Seasonal
 - Inter-annual
 - Episodic
 - Climate
- **Changes on all time scales need to be understood to**
 - Quantify causal relationship for each relevant change
- **Strat Transport is quantifiable using a specific set of trace gas measurements**
 - 20 years of mission oriented airborne studies learning how to quantify transport
 - Each represents a process quantified at a point in time
 - Difficult to do trend analysis with the current data sets
- **Pilot Air-Core program Coupled to Gas Chromatograph**
 - Cost effective and technically sound
 - Potential for
 - Latitudinal coverage
 - Seasonal coverage
 - Long Term coverage

NOAA's Ozone-Depleting Gas Index

Guiding recovery of the ozone layer

Steve Montzka

Guiding ozone recovery at GMD:

A) Tracking tropospheric changes of ozone-depleting substances and substitute gas concentrations

- GMD's Global and North-American sampling networks
- Characterizing atmospheric responses

B) Deriving stratospheric changes in reactive halogen

- Gauging progress in the decline back to pre-1980 levels

C) Communicating results to a broader audience

- the Ozone Depleting Gas Index
- Informing Parties to the Montreal Protocol through WMO Scientific Assessments of Ozone Depletion

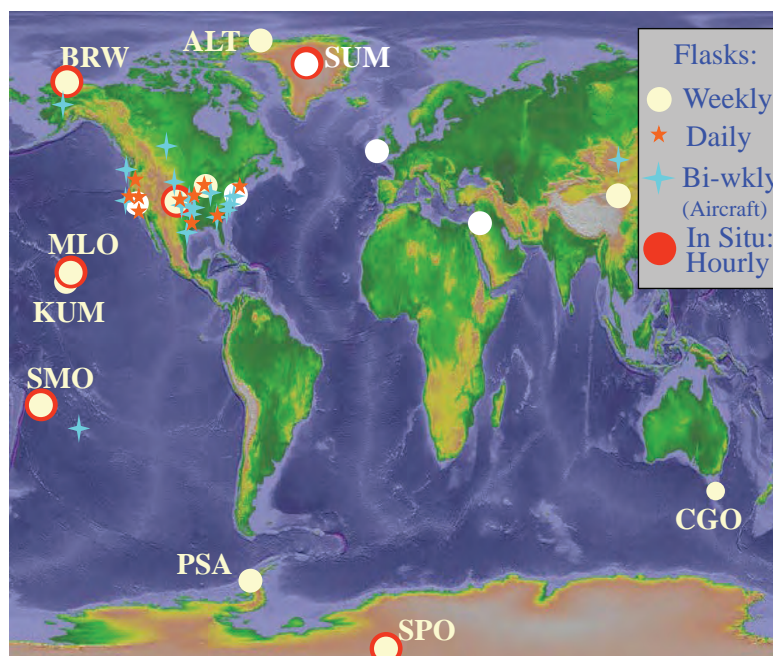
D) Advancing scientific understanding

- Improving knowledge of sources, sinks, and sensitivities



A) Tracking tropospheric changes

- GMD measures all major ozone-depleting substances*
 - At sites across the globe:

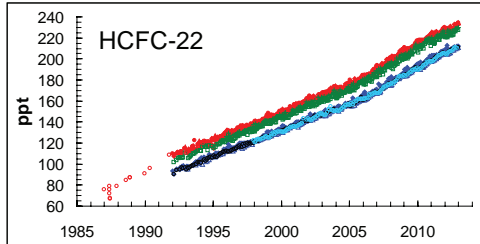
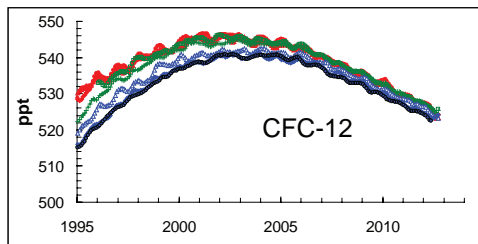


- Approximately 30 chemicals are measured regularly
- With multiple methods (weekly flasks and hourly in-situ instruments; and mass spectrometry and electron capture detection)
- Data records are up to 35-yr long

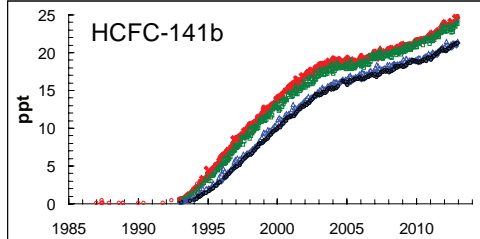
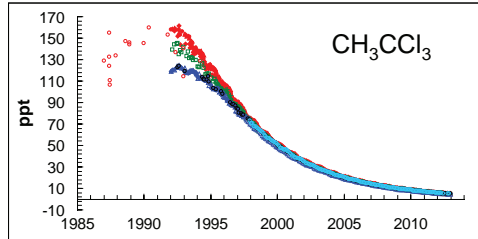
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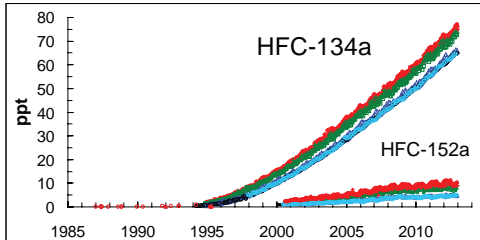
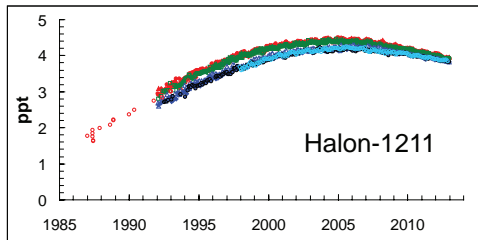
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Chemicals controlled by the Montreal Protocol



and significant substitutes (HFCs)



Northern Hemisphere: **red & green**
Southern Hemisphere: **blue**

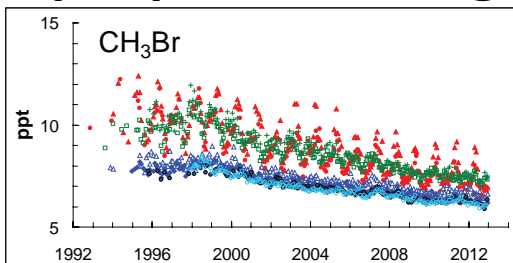
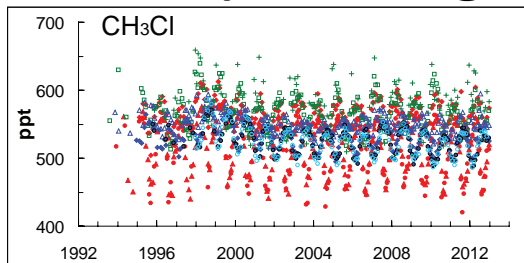
Recent work diagnosing emission magnitudes, distributions, and lifetimes: Montzka *et al.*, 2009; Miller *et al.*, 2012; Saikawa *et al.*, 2012; Rigby *et al.*, 2013.

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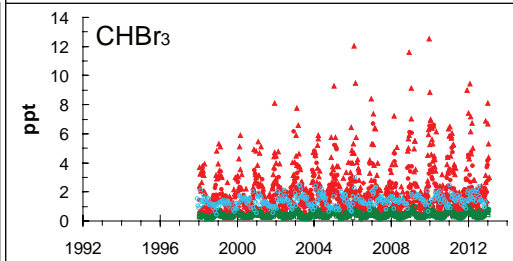
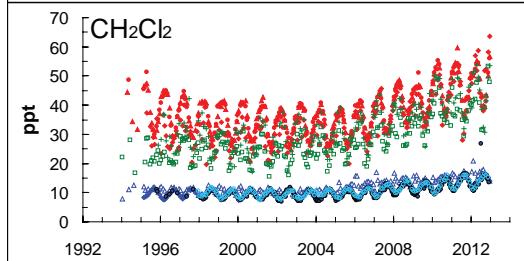
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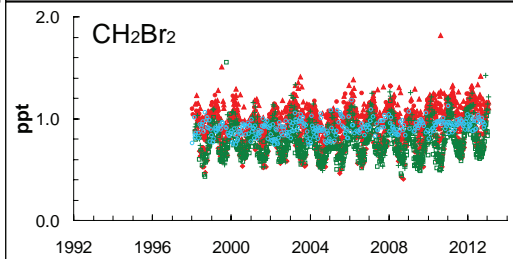
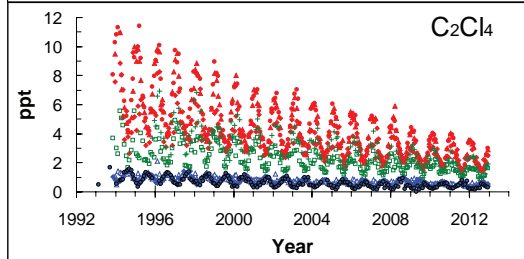
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We also accurately track halogenated chemicals having both **natural** and **anthropogenic** sources—



...of those shown here, only CH₃Br is controlled by the Montreal Protocol



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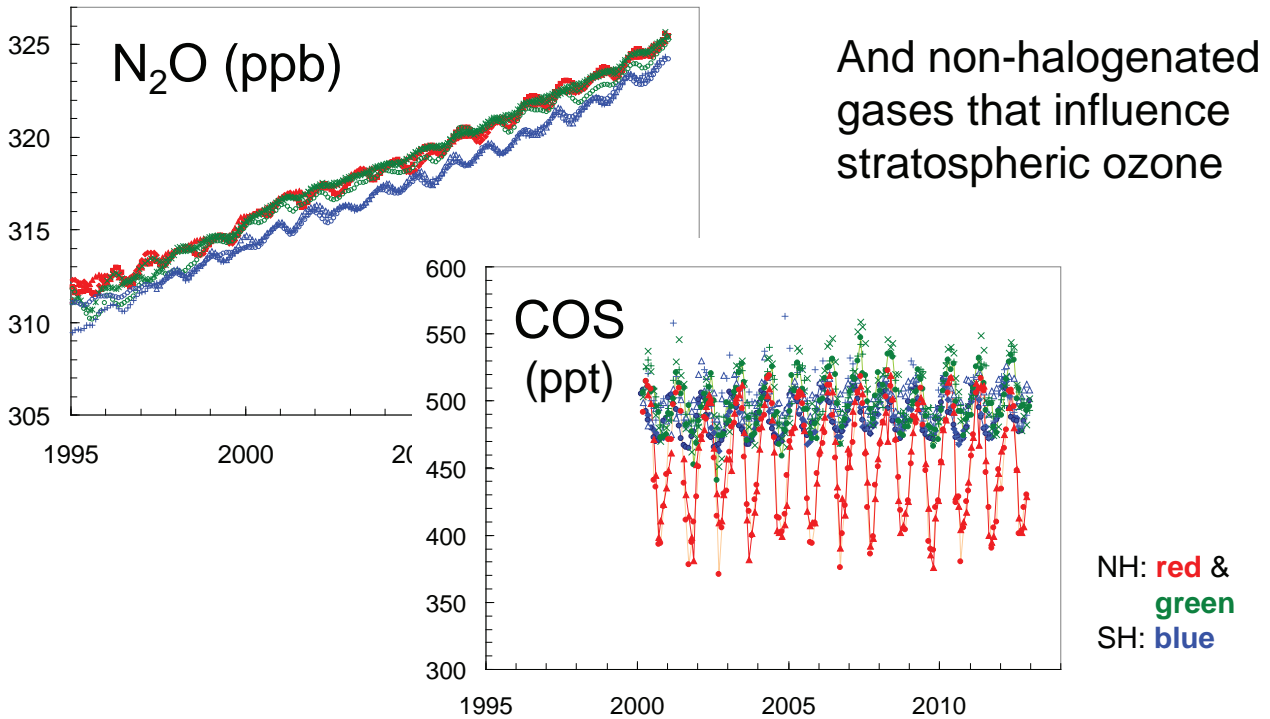
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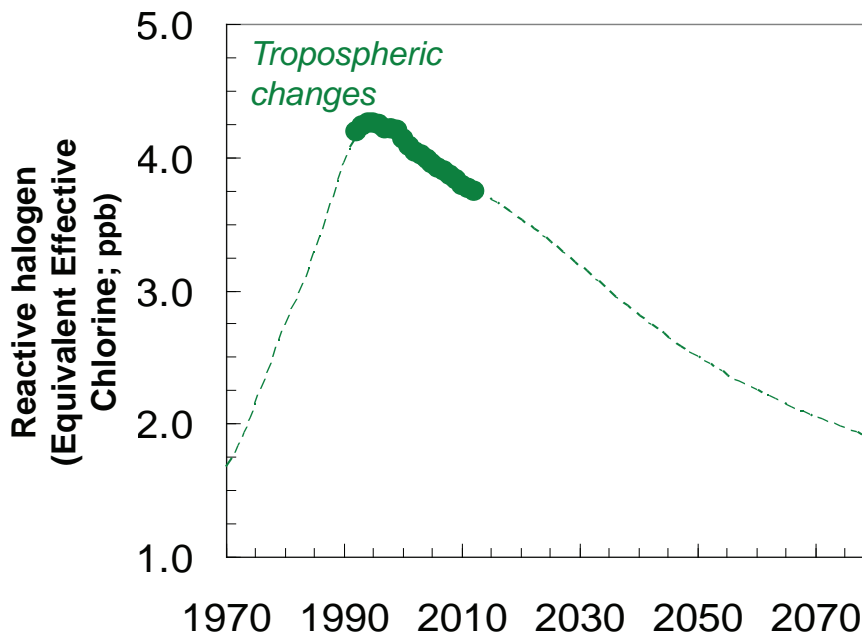


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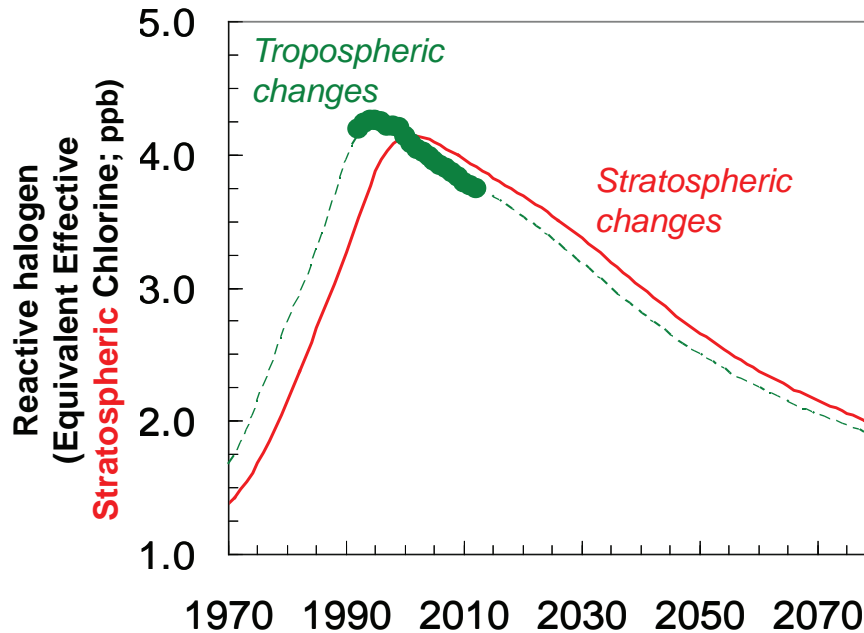


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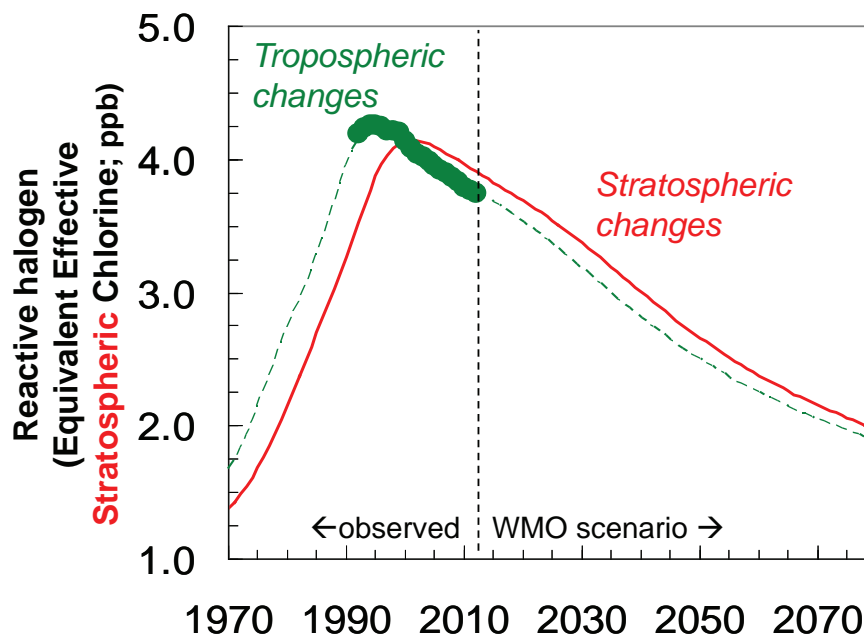
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→ stratospheric degradation rates

2) Stratospheric concentrations can be estimated with additional consideration of
→ mixing processes



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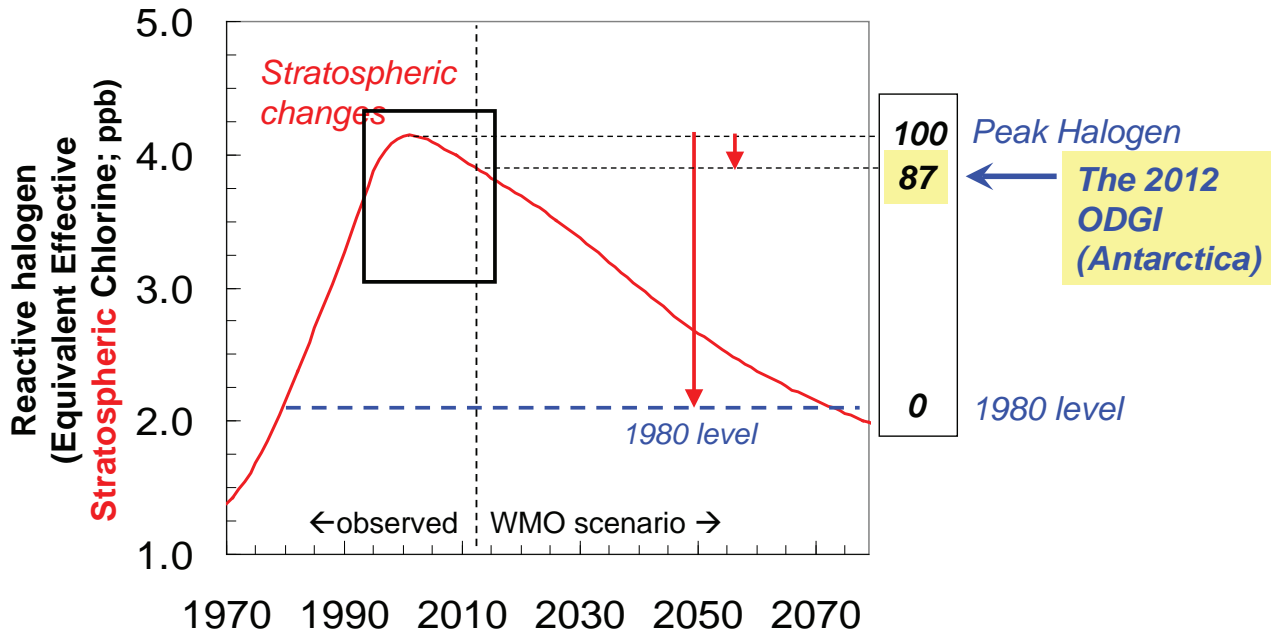
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- Gauging our progress towards ozone recovery

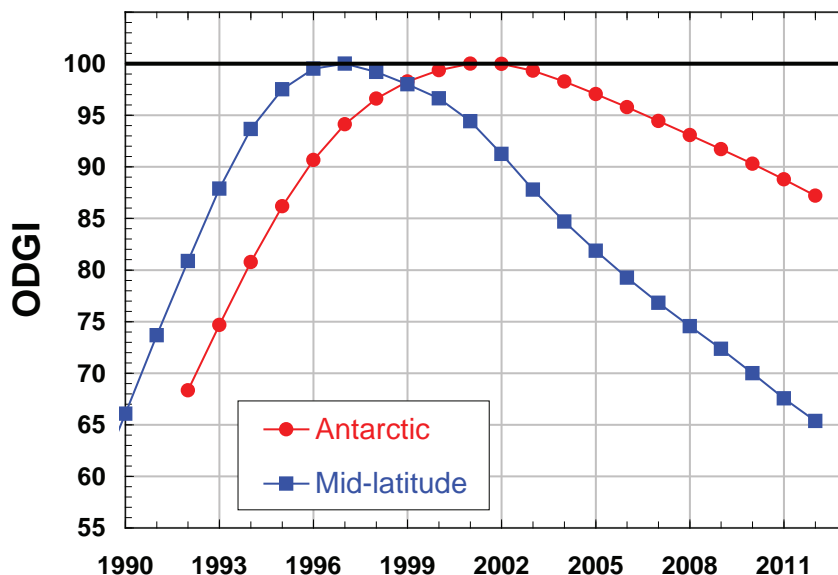
The Ozone Depleting Gas Index:



C) Communicating Results

- Gauging our progress towards ozone recovery

The Ozone Depleting Gas Index:



The ODGI is updated annually at <http://www.esrl.noaa.gov/gmd/aggi/>

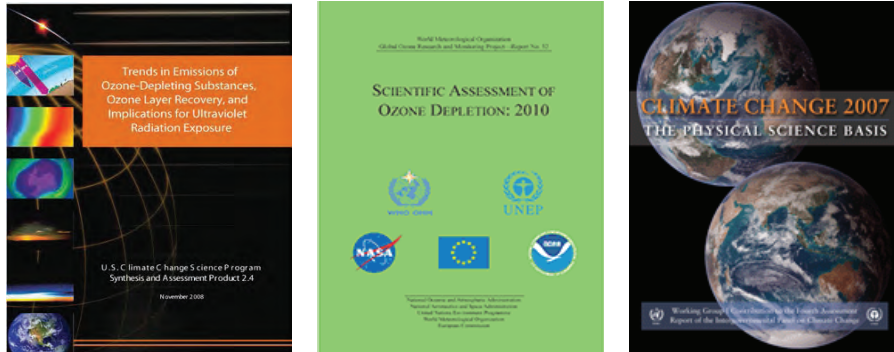
In 2012:

- Antarctic ODGI was 87
- Mid-latitude ODGI was 65



C) Communicating Results

- **Providing expertise** to national and international Assessments on Ozone and Climate:
 - **GMD scientists** have been lead authors, co-authors, contributing authors, and contributors to these Assessments
 - **GMD data** are prominent in these Assessments



Also:

- UNEP/TEAP Task force on emissions discrepancies report—Oct 2006
- SPARC Reevaluation of Lifetimes—in process, 2013



D) Advancing Scientific Understanding

- **On stratospheric processes**
 - Understanding stratospheric transport and loss processes
- **On tropospheric losses**
 - OH concentration and variability derived from CH_3CCl_3 data
- **On anthropogenic emissions**
 - Assessing global responses to international policy
 - Working towards quantifying continental-scale emissions (from US network, and with global modeling; with partners)
- **On gases not controlled by the Montreal Protocol**
 - Quantifying contributions from naturally-emitted chemicals (CH_3Cl , CH_2Br_2 , CHBr_3 , CH_3I , N_2O , and COS (carbonyl sulfide))



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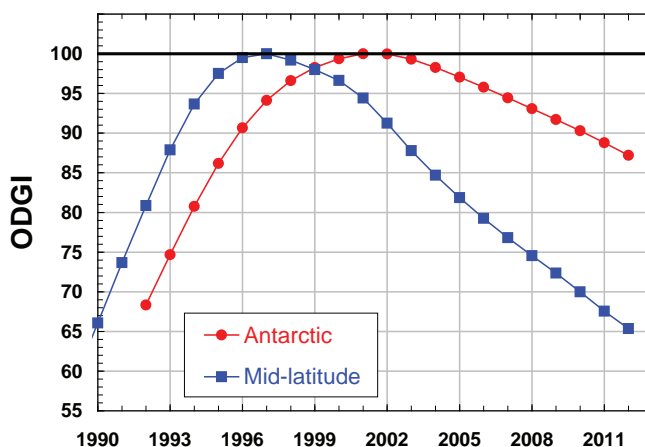
Regarding ozone-depleting substances, GMD is:

- **Tracking tropospheric changes** of ozone-depleting substances with global and North-American networks
- **Characterizing atmospheric responses** to international policy decisions and natural process variations
- **Guiding ozone layer recovery**
 - By annual updates of the Ozone Depleting Gas Index
 - By providing input to International Ozone Assessments
- **Advancing scientific understanding**
 - Improving knowledge of sources, sinks, and sensitivities of atmospheric changes to policy decisions



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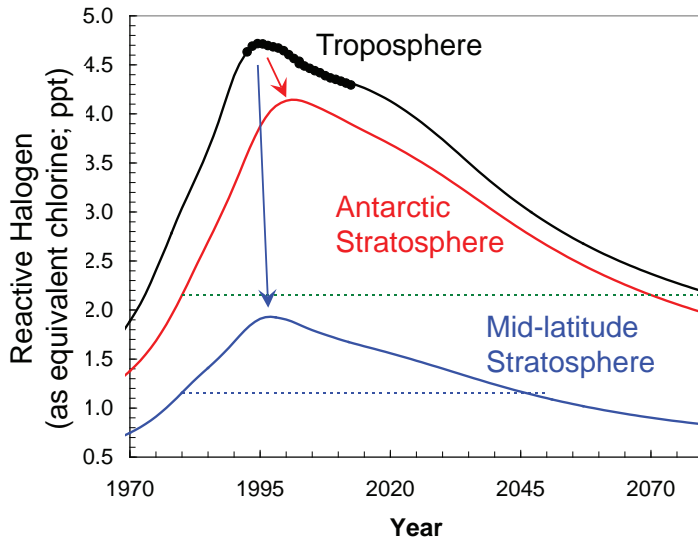
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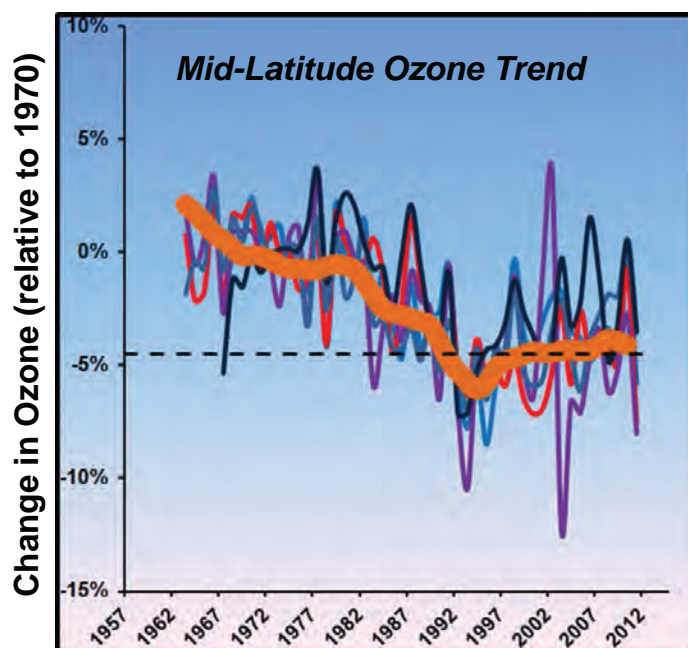
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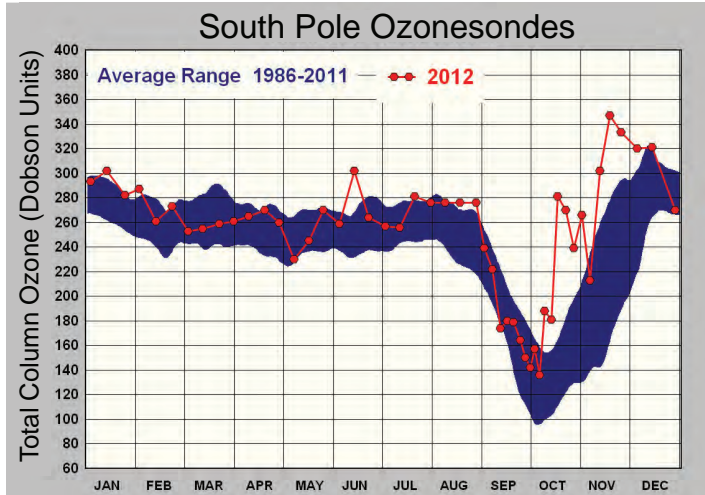
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...and for the ozone hole above Antarctica

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With a focus on:

- ***global-to-regional scale observations*** to assess global changes ***and*** influences from specific processes and regions (e.g., U.S.)
- ***Diagnosing observed changes*** to clarify the relative influence of policy decisions, other human behaviors, and natural processes
- ***To provide the highest-quality, policy-relevant science***

→ Guiding the recovery of the ozone layer by informing Parties to the Montreal Protocol on the progress of recovery...

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