

Extent of Sea Ice (millions of square kilometers)

Arctic sea ice extent estimates from the NSIDC Sea Ice Index, http://nsidc.org/data/seaice_index/
 Archive data available as tab-delimited text files via ftp from: <ftp://sidads.colorado.edu/DATASETS/NOAA/G02135/>
 Values are in units of millions of square kilometers; blank field denotes no data for that month

Year	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
1979	15.54	16.31	16.45	15.46	14.06	12.60	10.47	8.15	7.20	9.39	11.16	13.54
1980	14.96	15.98	16.13	15.49	14.04	12.33	10.39	8.04	7.85	9.46	11.69	13.72
1981	15.03	15.65	15.61	15.12	13.90	12.57	10.62	7.86	7.25	9.19	11.17	13.74
1982	15.26	16.06	16.15	15.57	14.17	12.70	10.75	8.26	7.45	9.98	11.91	13.83
1983	15.10	16.02	16.10	15.30	13.54	12.36	10.91	8.36	7.52	9.64	11.64	13.44
1984	14.61	15.32	15.62	15.15	13.68	12.20	10.15	7.87	7.17	8.84	11.29	13.18
1985	14.86	15.67	16.06	15.34	14.23	12.40	10.09	7.46	6.93	8.88	11.39	13.19
1986	15.02	15.89	16.08	15.15	13.52	12.11	10.47	8.01	7.54	9.89	11.78	13.40
1987	15.20	16.11	15.95	15.33	13.81	12.57	9.98	7.69	7.48	9.29	11.52	
1988		15.61	16.13	15.21	13.69	12.03	10.04	7.90	7.49	9.47	11.69	13.78
1989	15.12	15.56	15.52	14.44	12.98	12.32	10.38	7.92	7.04	9.52	11.50	13.47
1990	14.95	15.56	15.88	14.68	13.30	11.69	9.62	6.82	6.24	9.35	11.31	13.27
1991	14.46	15.26	15.50	14.93	13.51	12.24	9.68	7.40	6.55	9.16	11.12	13.17
1992	14.72	15.50	15.47	14.70	13.25	12.15	10.61	7.86	7.55	9.60	11.87	13.46
1993	15.08	15.73	15.88	15.18	13.54	12.00	9.66	7.29	6.50	9.18	11.73	13.52
1994	14.82	15.61	15.58	14.95	13.73	12.11	10.22	7.61	7.18	9.48	11.30	13.53
1995	14.62	15.24	15.32	14.59	13.04	11.56	9.15	6.68	6.13	8.94	10.97	12.98
1996	14.21	15.17	15.13	14.22	13.06	12.11	10.36	8.17	7.88	9.39	10.56	13.14
1997	14.47	15.52	15.58	14.59	13.32	11.91	9.59	7.30	6.74	8.76	10.91	13.29
1998	14.81	15.77	15.66	14.89	13.80	11.86	9.62	7.49	6.56	8.85	10.75	13.26
1999	14.47	15.37	15.40	15.13	13.86	12.11	9.59	7.38	6.24	9.10	10.99	12.88
2000	14.41	15.18	15.27	14.63	13.18	11.72	9.75	7.21	6.32	8.92	10.54	12.81
2001	14.31	15.27	15.61	14.86	13.72	11.69	9.22	7.47	6.75	8.59	10.92	12.84
2002	14.45	15.36	15.44	14.37	13.12	11.70	9.49	6.53	5.96	8.81	10.78	12.82
2003	14.46	15.25	15.49	14.57	13.00	11.77	9.46	6.85	6.15	8.65	10.29	12.82
2004	14.03	14.93	15.05	14.11	12.58	11.52	9.60	6.83	6.05	8.48	10.65	12.72
2005	13.66	14.36	14.74	14.07	12.99	11.30	8.93	6.30	5.57	8.45	10.47	12.47
2006	13.60	14.42	14.43	13.97	12.62	11.06	8.67	6.52	5.92	8.33	9.84	12.27
2007	13.77	14.53	14.65	13.87	12.89	11.50	8.13	5.36	4.30	6.77	10.05	12.39
2008	14.05	15.01	15.22	14.42	13.19	11.37	8.99	6.05	4.73	8.42	10.62	12.52
2009	14.08	14.85	15.14	14.57	13.40	11.47	8.80	6.28	5.39	7.52	10.27	12.51
2010	13.80	14.59	15.11	14.70	13.11	10.83	8.36	6.01	4.93	7.71	9.88	12.02
2011	13.55	14.36	14.56	14.15	12.79	11.01	7.92	5.52	4.61	7.10	10.01	12.38
2012	13.73	14.56	15.21	14.73	13.13	10.97	7.94	4.72	3.61			