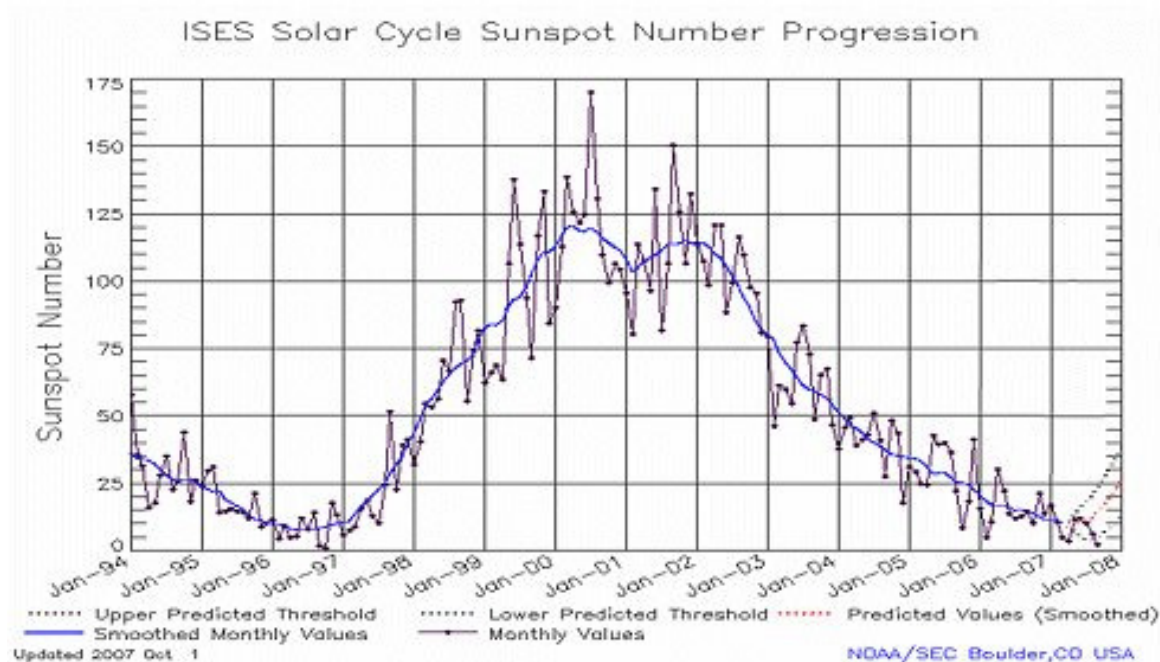


## WHAT'S THE SUN GOT TO DO WITH IT?

14 December 2007: latest news direct from NASA:

[http://science.nasa.gov/headlines/y2007/14dec\\_excitement.htm?list1065474](http://science.nasa.gov/headlines/y2007/14dec_excitement.htm?list1065474)



Read the whole article via the link above, but the current solar minimum is nearly one year old already and solar cycle 24 could be starting any time soon and that cycle might be a big one, meaning: **heat!** So, after an expected colder period from now on for a couple of years, it'll get warmer again. Watch the green terrorists hijack the next solar cycle and force their carbon taxes on us.

### YOU HEARD IT HERE FIRST!

From: [http://www.iceagenow.com/Could\\_Low\\_Solar\\_Activity\\_Trigger\\_an\\_Ice\\_Age.htm](http://www.iceagenow.com/Could_Low_Solar_Activity_Trigger_an_Ice_Age.htm)

#### Could Low Solar Activity Trigger an Ice Age?

**That's what I think the headline should have read.  
Instead it said "Ray of hope: Can the sun save us from global warming?"**

5 Dec 07 - After a period of very high sunspot activity in the 20th century, our sun has suddenly gone exceptionally quiet, says astronomer Dr. David Whitehouse.

We're at the end of one sunspot cycle, and though astronomers keep waiting for the sunspots to return marking the start of cycle 24, there's no sign of that returning anytime soon.

Sunspots - dark blotches of magnetic turbulence on the Sun's surface - come and go in a roughly 11-year cycle. Every 11 years there's usually a sunspot maximum followed by a minimum. But in May 2006 this slowed to a record low. "It's off the bottom of the charts," said NASA scientist David Hathaway. "This has important repercussions for future solar activity." What's more, it's not the only indicator that the Sun is up to something."

***My concern is that this decline in activity could be a precursor to the next ice age, because during the Maunder Minimum, when sunspots were rare during the 17<sup>th</sup> century, the earth endured the "Little Ice Age."***

Studies show that by the end of the 20th century the Sun's activity may have been the highest in more than 8,000 years, with the Sun's magnetic field almost doubling in the past century.

***That's where the so-called "global warming" came from.***

But in the past ten years or so the Sun's activity started declining. Cycle 24 was supposed to arrive a year ago. Then NOAA changed its forecast to March 2007. Now they've upped it to March 2008. The longer it takes, the weaker Cycle 24 it is likely to be. Such behavior is usually followed by cooler temperatures on Earth.

Some members of the Russian Academy of Sciences say we may be at the start of a period like that seen between 1790 and 1820, a minor decline in solar activity called the Dalton Minimum. They estimate that the Sun's reduced activity may cause a global temperature drop of 1.5C by 2020. This is larger than most sensible predictions of man-made global warming over this period.

***I fear that the decline will be far greater than that. The next beat of the Little Ice Age cycle is due. The next beat of the 11,500-year ice-age cycle is due. And the next beat of the 105,000-year ice-age cycle is due. In other words, we're due for the BIG one.***

See entire article:

[http://news.independent.co.uk/sci\\_tech/article3223603.ece](http://news.independent.co.uk/sci_tech/article3223603.ece)

At the end of the above article, Dr. Whitehouse lists the solar minimums and maximums going back 1000 years

**Modern Solar Minimum**

(2000-?)

**Modern Climate Optimum**

(1890-2000) - the world is getting warmer. Concentrations of greenhouse gas increase. Solar activity increases.

**Dalton Solar Minimum**

(1790-1820) - global temperatures lower than average.

**Maunder Solar Minimum**

(1645-1715) - coincident with the 'Little Ice Age'.

**Spörer Solar Minimum**

(1420-1530) - discovered by the analysis of radioactive carbon in tree rings that correlate with solar activity - colder weather. Greenland settlements abandoned.

**Wolf Solar Minimum**

(1280-1340) - climate deterioration begins. Life gets harder in Greenland.

**Medieval Solar Maximum**

(1075-1240) - coincides with Medieval Warm Period. Vikings from Norway and Iceland found settlements in Greenland and North America.

**Oort Solar Minimum**

(1010-1050) - temperature on Earth colder than average.

There seem to have been 18 sunspot minima periods in the last 8,000 years; studies indicate that the Sun currently spends up to a quarter of its time in these minima.

<http://www.solarcycle24.com/>

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From: [http://www.iceagenow.com/Astrophysicist\\_denies\\_global\\_warming.htm](http://www.iceagenow.com/Astrophysicist_denies_global_warming.htm)

2 Feb 07 - Astrophysicist Nir Shariv, a prolific researcher and one of Israel's top young scientists, no longer accepts the logic of man-made global warming. "Like many others, I was personally sure that CO2 is the bad culprit in the story of global warming. But after carefully digging into the evidence, I realized that

things are far more complicated than the story sold to us by many climate scientists or the stories regurgitated by the media.

Dr. Shariv describes the logic that led him -- and most everyone else -- to conclude that SUVs, coal plants and other things man-made cause global warming.

**Step One** Scientists for decades have postulated that increases in carbon dioxide and other gases could lead to a greenhouse effect.

**Step Two** As if on cue, the temperature rose over the course of the 20th century while greenhouse gases proliferated due to human activities.

**Step Three** No other mechanism explains the warming. Without another candidate, greenhouses gases necessarily became the cause.

Dr. Shariv's digging led him to the surprising discovery that there is no concrete evidence -- only speculation -- that man-made greenhouse gases cause global warming. Even research from the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change is bereft of anything here inspiring confidence.

"Solar activity can explain a large part of the 20th-century global warming," he states.

The sun's strong role indicates that greenhouse gases can't have much of an influence on the climate - nor will cutbacks in future CO2 emissions will matter much in terms of the climate.

Even doubling the amount of CO2 by 2100, "will not dramatically increase the global temperature," Dr. Shaviv states.

His conclusion: "I am quite sure Kyoto is not the right way to go."

See complete article by Lawrence Solomon, National Post

<http://www.canada.com/nationalpost/story.html?id=156df7e6-d490-41c9-8b1f-106fef8763c6&k=0>