

## **Data Access on PolarWatch**

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### PolarWatch Make Data Accessible

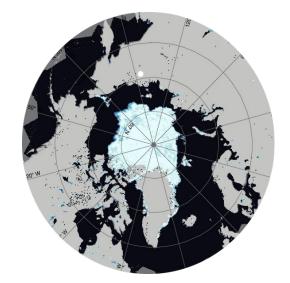
As the Polar Node of NOAA CoastWatch Program

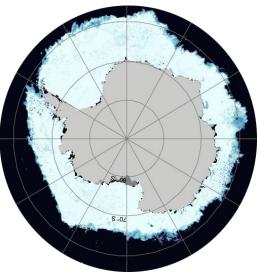
#### PolarWatch focuses on

- Data products in high latitudes

   (i.e. remote sensing data, model output)
- Sea ice data products (i.e. sea ice concentration, sea ice thickness, ..)
- Polar projections
   (polar stereographic projection, The Equal-Area Scalable Earth (EASE) Grids)

Images on the left: Blended sea ice concentration data at 1 km resolution for the Arctic (top) and Antarctic (bottom). Source: PolarWatch.noaa.gov







### PolarWatch: How to Find and Access Data

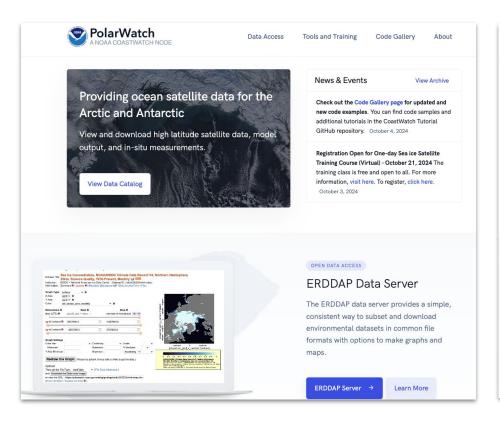
- Polarwatch ERDDAP Data Server
  - Web Interface, API

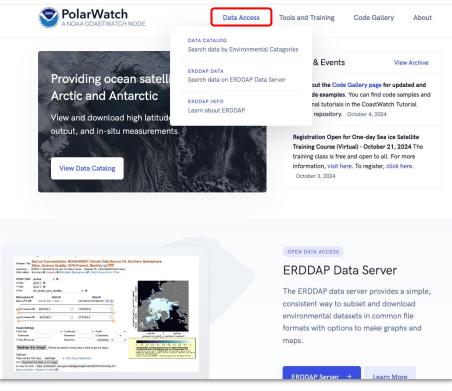
- PolarWatch Catalog
  - List of dataset organized by topics
  - Preview and Download Data

- Contact PolarWatch
  - https://polarwatch.noaa.gov/about/contact/



### PolarWatch Website



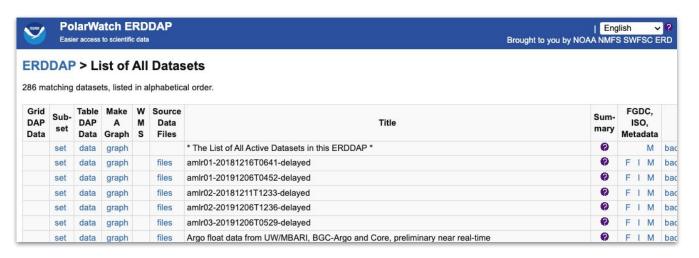


Menu: Data Access
ERDDAP Data
Data Catalog

https://polarwatch.noaa.gov



### PolarWatch ERDDAP



- Web Interface to View, Search, Subset,
   Preview, Download Data
- API for data request (with a query string) for commonly used programs like Python, R, Matlab
- Many code examples in Coastwatch tutorials

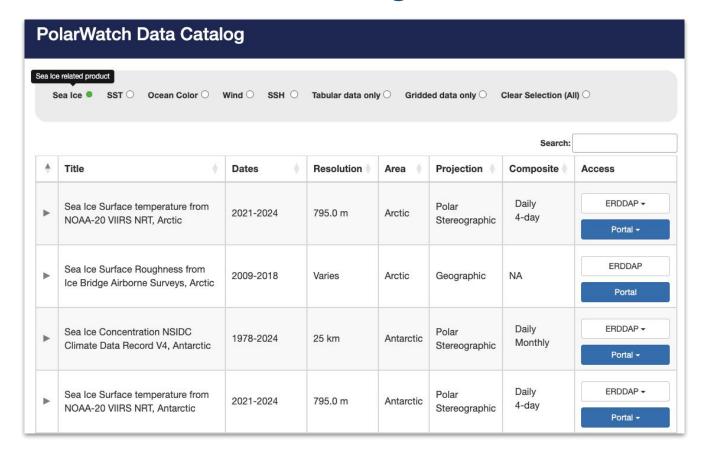
# #python

import xarray # Python package for large dataset
url = "https://polarwatch.noaa.gov/erddap/griddap/nesdis\_blendedsic\_nhem\_daily"
xarray.open\_dataset(erddap\_url) # Python package for large dataset

https://polarwatch.noaa.gov/erddap/



## PolarWatch Catalog/Portal



#### **PolarWatch Data Catalog**

#### Search, Preview, Access

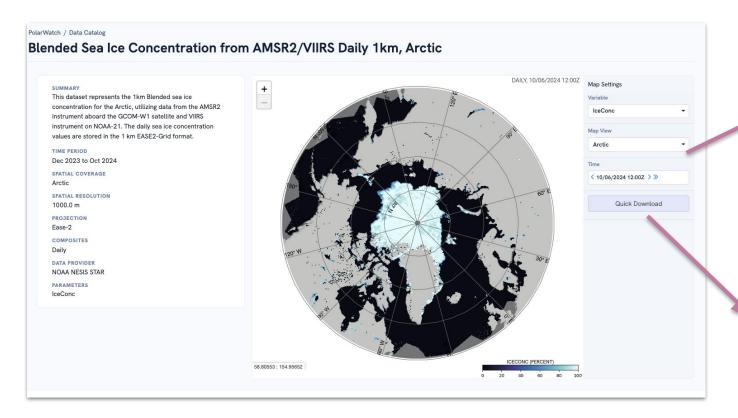
- User friendly data search by topic
- Options:
  - ERDDAP for data access
  - Portal for data preview

https://polarwatch.noaa.gov/catalog/list.php



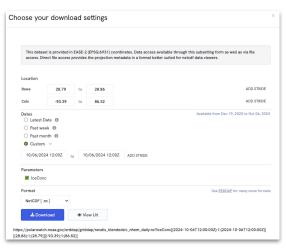
#### **Data Preview on Polar Projections**

- o global, arctic, antarctic map view available
- date selection
- data download



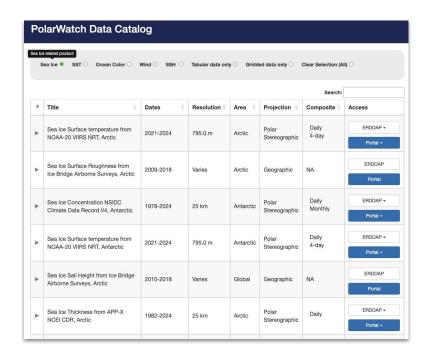
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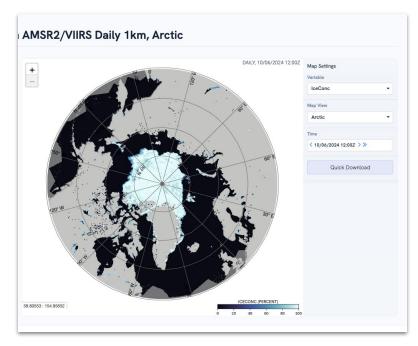


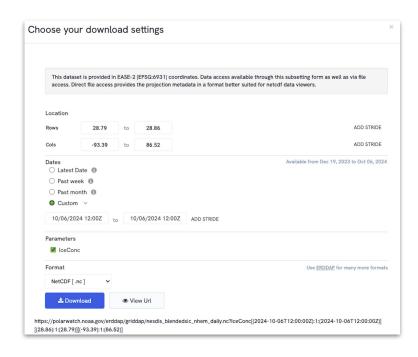




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**SEARCH DATA** 

PREVIEW DATA

**DOWNLOAD DATA** 



## PolarWatch Datalog/Portal Demo

### polarwatch.noaa.gov

- sea ice data products in the Arctic and Antarctic
  - data from our partners (NESDIS STAR, USNIC, NSIDC)
  - data holdings on PolarWatch
  - pointers to data holdings on CoastWatch Central
- sea ice remote sensing data in polar stereographic projections, EASE-2





## **More Data Questions, Contact Us**

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