

Meteorology and sea surface temperature (MET) 1 minute data from eight R/V Oceanus cruises in the Gulf of Maine and Georges Bank area during 1998 (GB project)

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» [U.S. GLOBEC Georges Bank](#) (GB)

Program

» [U.S. GLOBal ocean ECosystems dynamics](#) (U.S. GLOBEC)

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Abstract

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Coverage

Spatial Extent: N:43.8375 E:-65.2285 S:39.6182 W:-71.0428

Temporal Extent: 1998-02-07 - 1998-12-14

Dataset Description

Continuous along track meteorology and sea surface data, 1 minute values, 1998

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Additional

[data processing notes](#) are available.

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Processing Notes

1. Concatenate daily 1 minute files into one file for whole cruise
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From: Richard E. Payne, April 27, 1998

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Methods & Sampling

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Edo depth error correction: replace bad value with previous value.

OC333 - Raw water depth included for first time but data were useless.

Cruise Exp Spds Dirs AT RH BP SST SWR Prec SSC SSAL
OC333 GLOBEC Good Good Good Good Good Good Good Good Noisy VNoisy

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Data Files

File
emet_W1_1998.csv (Comma Separated Values (.csv), 16.86 MB) MD5:b760bd1c1f4982943f03d781fd9746ba Primary data file for dataset ID 2317

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Parameters

Parameter	Description	Units
cruiseid	cruise identifier	
year	year, GMT e.g. 1997.	
si	scientific investigator responsible for this cruise	
month_gmt	month of year, GMT e.g. 6 is June	
day_gmt	day of month, GMT	
time_gmt	time of day, GMT, 24 hour clock	hoursandminutes
lat	latitude, south is negative	decimaldegrees
lon	longitude, west is negative	decimaldegrees
depth_w	water depth	meters
depth_cs	Chirp Sonar water depth	meters
wind_speed_c	wind speed corrected for ship's motion	meters/second
wind_dir_c	wind direction, meteorologic convention, corrected for ship's motion	degrees
wind_speed_r	wind speed, relative to ship	meters/second
wind_dir_r	wind direction, relative to ship, meteorologic convention	degrees
temp_air	air temperature	degreesC
humidity	relative humidity	percent
press_bar	barometric pressure	millibars
precip_level	level in the precipitation gauge, total precipitation between two times is the difference in levels (+50 cm if the gauge self-siphoned)	centimeters
ed_sw	short wave downward irradiance	watts/meter ² /second
ed_lw	long wave downward irradiance	watts/meter ² /second
temp_ss1	sea surface temperature 1 meter below the surface	degreesC
temp_ss3	sea surface temperature 3 meters below the surface	degreesC
temp_ss5	sea surface temperature 5 meters below the surface	degreesC
cond_mM	sea surface conductivity	mmho/centimeter
sal_ss3	sea surface salinity, nominally measured at 3 meters	PSU
speed_trim	trimble GPS speed made good	meters/second
course	ship's course	degrees
course_trim	trimble GPS course made good	degrees
yday_gmt	Julian day, GMT e.g. 29.5 is January 29 at 1200 hours	decimalday
numb_records	number of records used to compute this value	

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Instruments

Dataset-specific Instrument Name	Thermosalinograph
Generic Instrument Name	Thermosalinograph
Dataset-specific Description	Thermosalinograph used to obtain a continuous record of sea surface temperature and salinity.
Generic Instrument Description	A thermosalinograph (TSG) is used to obtain a continuous record of sea surface temperature and salinity. On many research vessels the TSG is integrated into the ship's underway seawater sampling system and reported with the underway or alongtrack data.

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Deployments

OC317

Website	https://www.bco-dmo.org/deployment/57451
Platform	R/V Oceanus
Start Date	1998-02-06
End Date	1998-02-19
Description	<p>broad-scale</p> <p>Methods & Sampling The sea surface temperature as measured by the hull sensor is not shown since the sea surface temperature as measured via the engine inlet (field name is temp_ss1) is more accurate.</p> <p>Processing Description Concatenate daily 1 minute files into one file for whole cruise Edit file for obvious bad data, i.e., missing data, garbage characters, etc. Run program which reformats data. Output parameters: Year day, lat, long, Speed made good, course made good, gyro 1 & 2, Edo speed, Edo indicator, port wind speed, starboard ws, port wind azimuth, starboard waz, air temp, relative humidity, barometric pressure, sea surface temp @5m & 1m depth, Edo depth, Chirp sonar depth. Put plots of all parameters on screen and look for obvious single bad points. Edit in basic concatenated file. Except I have not edited depths. Iterate steps 2-4 until no more obvious bad points. Run second program which computes true wind speed and direction from speed and course made good, gyros, larger of port or starboard ws and accompanying wind azimuth. Outputs are year day, lat lon, speed and course made good, gyro, relative ws and direction, true ws and direction, air temp, relative humidity, barometric pressure, short- and long-wave radiation, 5m and 1m sea surface temps, Edo depth, Chirp sonar depth, Edo speed, Edo indicator. Check plots of true wind speed and direction to make sure they look ok. Run vector averaging program which produces 60 minute series. The program uses 60 consecutive records and does not check for missing records. I have not carried depths since hourly averages do not seem useful nor Edo speeds since they seem pretty generally useless. Output parameters are: Year day, lat, long, true wind speed and direction, air temp, relative humidity, barometric pressure, short- and long-wave radiation, sea surface temp @ 5m & 1m. Edo depth error correction: replace bad value with previous value. Cruise Exp Spds Dirs AT RH BP SST SWR Prec SSC SSAL OC317 GLOBEC Good Good Good Good Good VNoisy Good Bad Useless</p>

OC319

Website	https://www.bco-dmo.org/deployment/57452
Platform	R/V Oceanus
Report	http://globec.whoi.edu/globec-dir/reports/oc319/oc319new/oc319rpt.8april98.htm
Start Date	1998-03-15
End Date	1998-03-27
Description	<p>broad-scale</p> <p>Methods & Sampling The sea surface temperature as measured by the hull sensor is not shown since the sea surface temperature as measured via the engine inlet (field name is temp_ss1) is more accurate.</p> <p>Processing Description Concatenate daily 1 minute files into one file for whole cruise Edit file for obvious bad data, i.e., missing data, garbage characters, etc. Run program which reformats data. Output parameters: Year day, lat, long, Speed made good, course made good, gyro 1 & 2, Edo speed, Edo indicator, port wind speed, starboard ws, port wind azimuth, starboard waz, air temp, relative humidity, barometric pressure, sea surface temp @5m & 1m depth, Edo depth, Chirp sonar depth. Put plots of all parameters on screen and look for obvious single bad points. Edit in basic concatenated file. Except I have not edited depths. Iterate steps 2-4 until no more obvious bad points. Run second program which computes true wind speed and direction from speed and course made good, gyros, larger of port or starboard ws and accompanying wind azimuth. Outputs are year day, lat lon, speed and course made good, gyro, relative ws and direction, true ws and direction, air temp, relative humidity, barometric pressure, short- and long-wave radiation, 5m and 1m sea surface temps, Edo depth, Chirp sonar depth, Edo speed, Edo indicator. Check plots of true wind speed and direction to make sure they look ok. Run vector averaging program which produces 60 minute series. The program uses 60 consecutive records and does not check for missing records. I have not carried depths since hourly averages do not seem useful nor Edo speeds since they seem pretty generally useless. Output parameters are: Year day, lat, long, true wind speed and direction, air temp, relative humidity, barometric pressure, short- and long-wave radiation, sea surface temp @ 5m & 1m. Edo depth error correction: replace bad value with previous value. Cruise Exp Spds Dirs AT RH BP SST SWR Prec SSC SSAL OC319 GLOBEC Good Good Good Good Good Good Good Good Noisy</p>

OC321

Website	https://www.bco-dmo.org/deployment/57453
Platform	R/V Oceanus
Start Date	1998-04-06
End Date	1998-04-11
Description	<p>long term mooring</p> <p>Methods & Sampling The sea surface temperature as measured by the hull sensor is not shown since the sea surface temperature as measured via the engine inlet (field name is temp_ss1) is more accurate.</p> <p>Processing Description Concatenate daily 1 minute files into one file for whole cruise Edit file for obvious bad data, i.e., missing data, garbage characters, etc. Run program which reformats data. Output parameters: Year day, lat, long, Speed made good, course made good, gyro 1 & 2, Edo speed, Edo indicator, port wind speed, starboard ws, port wind azimuth, starboard waz, air temp, relative humidity, barometric pressure, sea surface temp @5m & 1m depth, Edo depth, Chirp sonar depth. Put plots of all parameters on screen and look for obvious single bad points. Edit in basic concatenated file. Except I have not edited depths. Iterate steps 2-4 until no more obvious bad points. Run second program which computes true wind speed and direction from speed and course made good, gyros, larger of port or starboard ws and accompanying wind azimuth. Outputs are year day, lat lon, speed and course made good, gyro, relative ws and direction, true ws and direction, air temp, relative humidity, barometric pressure, short- and long-wave radiation, 5m and 1m sea surface temps, Edo depth, Chirp sonar depth, Edo speed, Edo indicator. Check plots of true wind speed and direction to make sure they look ok. Run vector averaging program which produces 60 minute series. The program uses 60 consecutive records and does not check for missing records. I have not carried depths since hourly averages do not seem useful nor Edo speeds since they seem pretty generally useless. Output parameters are: Year day, lat, long, true wind speed and direction, air temp, relative humidity, barometric pressure, short- and long-wave radiation, sea surface temp @ 5m & 1m. Edo depth error correction: replace bad value with previous value.</p>

OC322

Website	https://www.bco-dmo.org/deployment/57454
Platform	R/V Oceanus
Report	http://globec.whoi.edu/globec-dir/reports/oc322/oc322.html
Start Date	1998-04-15
End Date	1998-04-27
Description	<p>broad-scale</p> <p>Methods & Sampling The sea surface temperature as measured by the hull sensor is not shown since the sea surface temperature as measured via the engine inlet (field name is temp_ss1) is more accurate.</p> <p>Processing Description Concatenate daily 1 minute files into one file for whole cruise Edit file for obvious bad data, i.e., missing data, garbage characters, etc. Run program which reformats data. Output parameters: Year day, lat, long, Speed made good, course made good, gyro 1 & 2, Edo speed, Edo indicator, port wind speed, starboard ws, port wind azimuth, starboard waz, air temp, relative humidity, barometric pressure, sea surface temp @5m & 1m depth, Edo depth, Chirp sonar depth. Put plots of all parameters on screen and look for obvious single bad points. Edit in basic concatenated file. Except I have not edited depths. Iterate steps 2-4 until no more obvious bad points. Run second program which computes true wind speed and direction from speed and course made good, gyros, larger of port or starboard ws and accompanying wind azimuth. Outputs are year day, lat lon, speed and course made good, gyro, relative ws and direction, true ws and direction, air temp, relative humidity, barometric pressure, short- and long-wave radiation, 5m and 1m sea surface temps, Edo depth, Chirp sonar depth, Edo speed, Edo indicator. Check plots of true wind speed and direction to make sure they look ok. Run vector averaging program which produces 60 minute series. The program uses 60 consecutive records and does not check for missing records. I have not carried depths since hourly averages do not seem useful nor Edo speeds since they seem pretty generally useless. Output parameters are: Year day, lat, long, true wind speed and direction, air temp, relative humidity, barometric pressure, short- and long-wave radiation, sea surface temp @ 5m & 1m. Edo depth error correction: replace bad value with previous value. Cruise Exp Spds Dirs AT RH BP SST SWR Prec SSC SSAL OC332 GLOBEC Good Good Good Good Good Noisy Good Good VNoisy VNoisy</p>

OC331

Website	https://www.bco-dmo.org/deployment/57455
Platform	R/V Oceanus
Report	http://globec.who.edu/globec-dir/reports/oc331/OC331.pdf
Start Date	1998-10-04
End Date	1998-10-13
Description	<p>long term mooring turn-around</p> <p>Methods & Sampling The sea surface temperature as measured by the hull sensor is not shown since the sea surface temperature as measured via the engine inlet (field name is temp_ss1) is more accurate.</p> <p>Processing Description Concatenate daily 1 minute files into one file for whole cruise Edit file for obvious bad data, i.e., missing data, garbage characters, etc. Run program which reformats data. Output parameters: Year day, lat, long, Speed made good, course made good, gyro 1 & 2, Edo speed, Edo indicator, port wind speed, starboard ws, port wind azimuth, starboard waz, air temp, relative humidity, barometric pressure, sea surface temp @5m & 1m depth, Edo depth, Chirp sonar depth. Put plots of all parameters on screen and look for obvious single bad points. Edit in basic concatenated file. Except I have not edited depths. Iterate steps 2-4 until no more obvious bad points. Run second program which computes true wind speed and direction from speed and course made good, gyros, larger of port or starboard ws and accompanying wind azimuth. Outputs are year day, lat lon, speed and course made good, gyro, relative ws and direction, true ws and direction, air temp, relative humidity, barometric pressure, short- and long-wave radiation, 5m and 1m sea surface temps, Edo depth, Chirp sonar depth, Edo speed, Edo indicator. Check plots of true wind speed and direction to make sure they look ok. Run vector averaging program which produces 60 minute series. The program uses 60 consecutive records and does not check for missing records. I have not carried depths since hourly averages do not seem useful nor Edo speeds since they seem pretty generally useless. Output parameters are: Year day, lat, long, true wind speed and direction, air temp, relative humidity, barometric pressure, short- and long-wave radiation, sea surface temp @ 5m & 1m. Edo depth error correction: replace bad value with previous value. OC331 - Went into port for 1 day in middle. Anemometer was turned on 1 day after it left port again. OC331 GLOBEC Good Good Good Good Good Noisy Good Good Noisy Noisy</p>

OC332

Website	https://www.bco-dmo.org/deployment/57456
Platform	R/V Oceanus
Report	http://globec.who.edu/globec-dir/reports/oc332/oc332rpt.html
Start Date	1998-10-19
End Date	1998-10-30
Description	<p>process</p> <p>Methods & Sampling The sea surface temperature as measured by the hull sensor is not shown since the sea surface temperature as measured via the engine inlet (field name is temp_ss1) is more accurate.</p> <p>Processing Description Concatenate daily 1 minute files into one file for whole cruise Edit file for obvious bad data, i.e., missing data, garbage characters, etc. Run program which reformats data. Output parameters: Year day, lat, long, Speed made good, course made good, gyro 1 & 2, Edo speed, Edo indicator, port wind speed, starboard ws, port wind azimuth, starboard waz, air temp, relative humidity, barometric pressure, sea surface temp @5m & 1m depth, Edo depth, Chirp sonar depth. Put plots of all parameters on screen and look for obvious single bad points. Edit in basic concatenated file. Except I have not edited depths. Iterate steps 2-4 until no more obvious bad points. Run second program which computes true wind speed and direction from speed and course made good, gyros, larger of port or starboard ws and accompanying wind azimuth. Outputs are year day, lat lon, speed and course made good, gyro, relative ws and direction, true ws and direction, air temp, relative humidity, barometric pressure, short- and long-wave radiation, 5m and 1m sea surface temps, Edo depth, Chirp sonar depth, Edo speed, Edo indicator. Check plots of true wind speed and direction to make sure they look ok. Run vector averaging program which produces 60 minute series. The program uses 60 consecutive records and does not check for missing records. I have not carried depths since hourly averages do not seem useful nor Edo speeds since they seem pretty generally useless. Output parameters are: Year day, lat, long, true wind speed and direction, air temp, relative humidity, barometric pressure, short- and long-wave radiation, sea surface temp @ 5m & 1m. Edo depth error correction: replace bad value with previous value. Cruise Exp Spds Dirs AT RH BP SST SWR Prec SSC SSAL OC332 GLOBEC Good Good Good Good Good Noisy Good Good VNoisy VNoisy</p>

OC333

Website	https://www.bco-dmo.org/deployment/57457
Platform	R/V Oceanus
Report	http://globec.who.edu/globec-dir/reports/oc333/crurptoc333.html
Start Date	1998-11-15
End Date	1998-11-21
Description	<p>long term mooring</p> <p>Methods & Sampling The sea surface temperature as measured by the hull sensor is not shown since the sea surface temperature as measured via the engine inlet (field name is temp_ss1) is more accurate.</p> <p>Processing Description Concatenate daily 1 minute files into one file for whole cruise Edit file for obvious bad data, i.e., missing data, garbage characters, etc. Run program which reformats data. Output parameters: Year day, lat, long, Speed made good, course made good, gyro 1 & 2, Edo speed, Edo indicator, port wind speed, starboard ws, port wind azimuth, starboard waz, air temp, relative humidity, barometric pressure, sea surface temp @5m & 1m depth, Edo depth, Chirp sonar depth. Put plots of all parameters on screen and look for obvious single bad points. Edit in basic concatenated file. Except I have not edited depths. Iterate steps 2-4 until no more obvious bad points. Run second program which computes true wind speed and direction from speed and course made good, gyros, larger of port or starboard ws and accompanying wind azimuth. Outputs are year day, lat lon, speed and course made good, gyro, relative ws and direction, true ws and direction, air temp, relative humidity, barometric pressure, short- and long-wave radiation, 5m and 1m sea surface temps, Edo depth, Chirp sonar depth, Edo speed, Edo indicator. Check plots of true wind speed and direction to make sure they look ok. Run vector averaging program which produces 60 minute series. The program uses 60 consecutive records and does not check for missing records. I have not carried depths since hourly averages do not seem useful nor Edo speeds since they seem pretty generally useless. Output parameters are: Year day, lat, long, true wind speed and direction, air temp, relative humidity, barometric pressure, short- and long-wave radiation, sea surface temp @ 5m & 1m. Edo depth error correction: replace bad value with previous value. OC333 - Raw water depth included for first time but data were useless. Cruise Exp Spds Dirs AT RH BP SST SWR Prec SSC SSAL OC333 GLOBEC Good Good Good Good Good Good Good Good Noisy VNoisy</p>

OC334

Website	https://www.bco-dmo.org/deployment/57458
Platform	R/V Oceanus
Report	http://globec.who.edu/globec-dir/reports/oc334/cruise-report.html
Start Date	1998-12-03
End Date	1998-12-13
Description	<p>process</p> <p>Methods & Sampling The sea surface temperature as measured by the hull sensor is not shown since the sea surface temperature as measured via the engine inlet (field name is temp_ss1) is more accurate.</p> <p>Processing Description Concatenate daily 1 minute files into one file for whole cruise Edit file for obvious bad data, i.e., missing data, garbage characters, etc. Run program which reformats data. Output parameters: Year day, lat, long, Speed made good, course made good, gyro 1 & 2, Edo speed, Edo indicator, port wind speed, starboard ws, port wind azimuth, starboard waz, air temp, relative humidity, barometric pressure, sea surface temp @5m & 1m depth, Edo depth, Chirp sonar depth. Put plots of all parameters on screen and look for obvious single bad points. Edit in basic concatenated file. Except I have not edited depths. Iterate steps 2-4 until no more obvious bad points. Run second program which computes true wind speed and direction from speed and course made good, gyros, larger of port or starboard ws and accompanying wind azimuth. Outputs are year day, lat lon, speed and course made good, gyro, relative ws and direction, true ws and direction, air temp, relative humidity, barometric pressure, short- and long-wave radiation, 5m and 1m sea surface temps, Edo depth, Chirp sonar depth, Edo speed, Edo indicator. Check plots of true wind speed and direction to make sure they look ok. Run vector averaging program which produces 60 minute series. The program uses 60 consecutive records and does not check for missing records. I have not carried depths since hourly averages do not seem useful nor Edo speeds since they seem pretty generally useless. Output parameters are: Year day, lat, long, true wind speed and direction, air temp, relative humidity, barometric pressure, short- and long-wave radiation, sea surface temp @ 5m & 1m. Edo depth error correction: replace bad value with previous value. Cruise Exp Spds Dirs AT RH BP SST SWR Prec SSC SSAL OC334 GLOBEC Good Good Good Good Good Good Good Good Noisy Noisy</p>

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Project Information

U.S. GLOBEC Georges Bank (GB)

Website: http://globec.who.edu/globec_program.html

Coverage: Georges Bank, Gulf of Maine, Northwest Atlantic Ocean

The U.S. GLOBEC [Georges Bank](#) Program is a large multi- disciplinary multi-year oceanographic effort. The proximate goal is to understand the population dynamics of key species on the Bank - Cod, [Haddock](#), and two species of zooplankton ([Calanus finmarchicus](#) and [Pseudocalanus](#)) - in terms of their coupling to the physical environment and in terms of their [predators and prey](#). The ultimate goal is to be able to predict changes in the distribution and abundance of these species as a result of changes in their physical and biotic environment as well as to anticipate how their populations might respond to climate change.

The effort is substantial, requiring broad-scale surveys of the entire Bank, and process studies which focus both on the links between the target species and their physical environment, and the determination of fundamental aspects of these species' life history (birth rates, growth rates, death rates, etc).

Equally important are the modelling efforts that are ongoing which seek to provide realistic predictions of the flow field and which utilize the life history information to produce an integrated view of the dynamics of the populations.

The U.S. GLOBEC Georges Bank [Executive Committee \(EXCO\)](#) provides program leadership and effective communication with the funding agencies.

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Program Information

U.S. GLOBAL ocean ECosystems dynamics (U.S. GLOBEC)

Website: <http://www.usglobec.org/>

Coverage: Global

U.S. GLOBEC (GLOBAL ocean ECosystems dynamics) is a research program organized by oceanographers and fisheries scientists to address the question of how global climate change may affect the abundance and production of animals in the sea.

The U.S. GLOBEC Program currently had major research efforts underway in the Georges Bank / Northwest Atlantic Region, and the Northeast Pacific (with components in the California Current and in the Coastal Gulf of Alaska). U.S. GLOBEC was a major contributor to International GLOBEC efforts in the Southern Ocean and Western Antarctic Peninsula (WAP).

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Funding

Funding Source	Award
National Science Foundation (NSF)	unknown GB NSF
National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA)	unknown GB NOAA

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