

# ESURFMAR Report to DBCP

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# ESURFMAR



- ✓ E-SURFMAR is an optional programme of the ground based EUMETNET Composite Observing System ([EUCOS](#))



- ✓ EUMETNET is the Conference of European National Meteorological Services (22 WMO members in 2007)
- ✓ Météo-France is the EUMETNET member responsible for E-SURFMAR

# E-SURFMAR Programme

## Main Objectives



EUMETNET meets  
22 European Meteorological Services.

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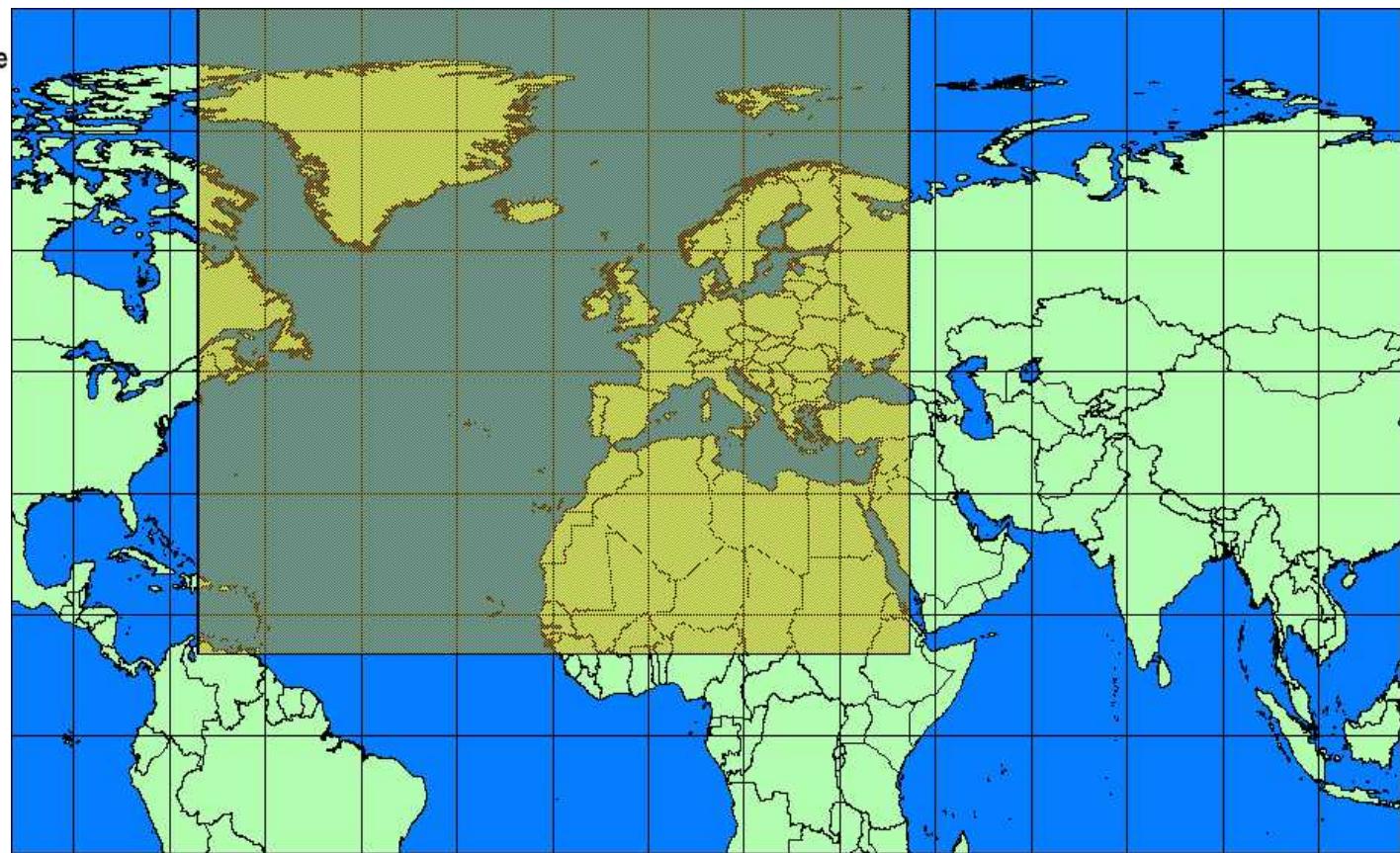
17 out of them are participating in E-SURFMAR

- ✓ To co-ordinate, optimise and progressively integrate the activities for surface marine observations within the EUCOS Operational framework
- ✓ Main EUCOS aim : to optimise the ground observing system to improve Numerical Weather Prediction (NWP) over Europe
- ✓ First stage 2003-2006  
New phase 2007-2011

# E-SURFMAR Area



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# Data buoys management



- E-SURFMAR is responsible for the European meteorological data buoys
- A DB Programme Manager is appointed
- A DB Technical Advisory Group has been established

## Meetings:

January (Geneva) and May 2005 (Hamburg)

June 2006 (Galway)

May 2007 (Larnaka)

- E-SURFMAR is an action group of the DBCP

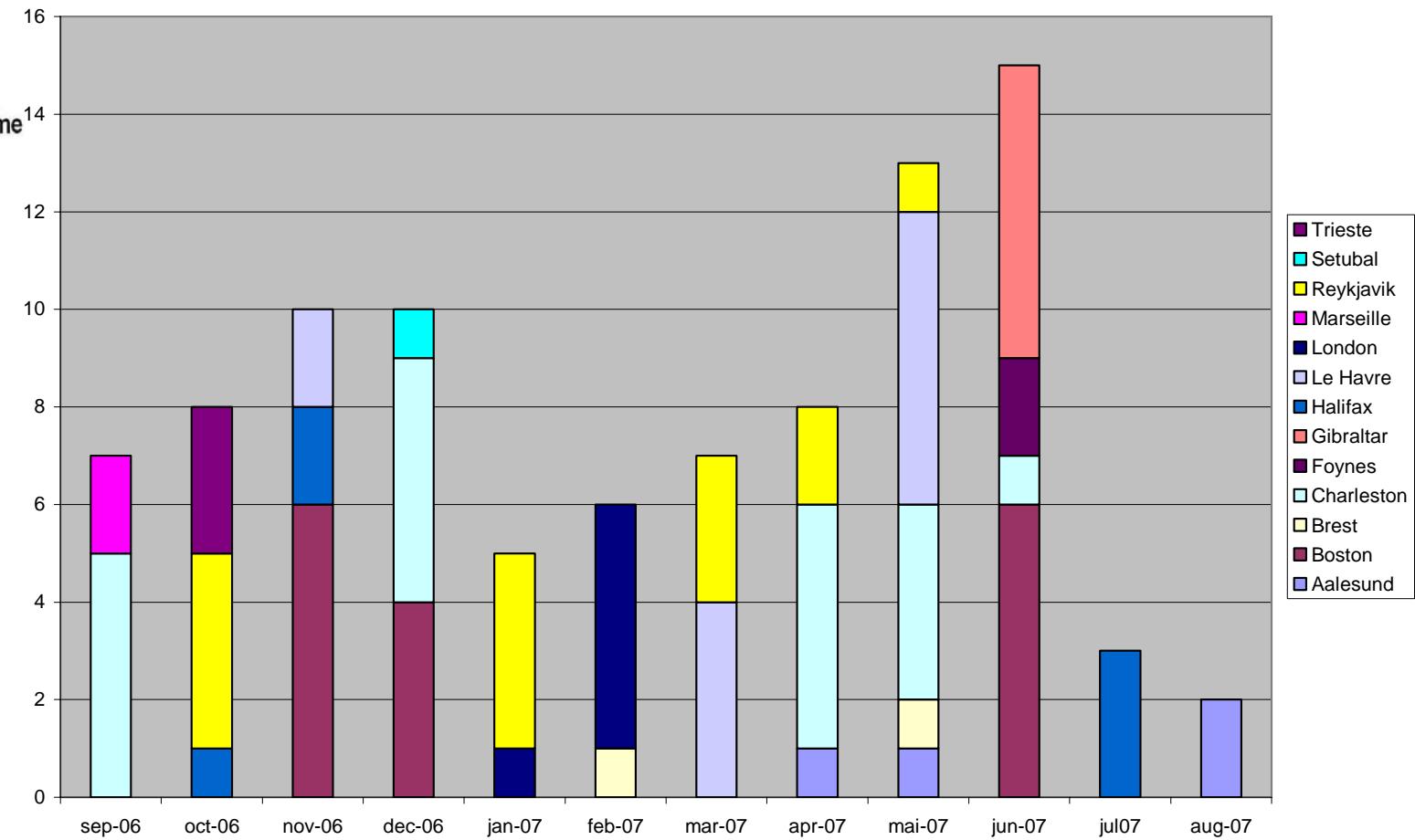
# DATA BUOYS



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# Drifting Buoys deployed (Sept06 – Aug07) (94)

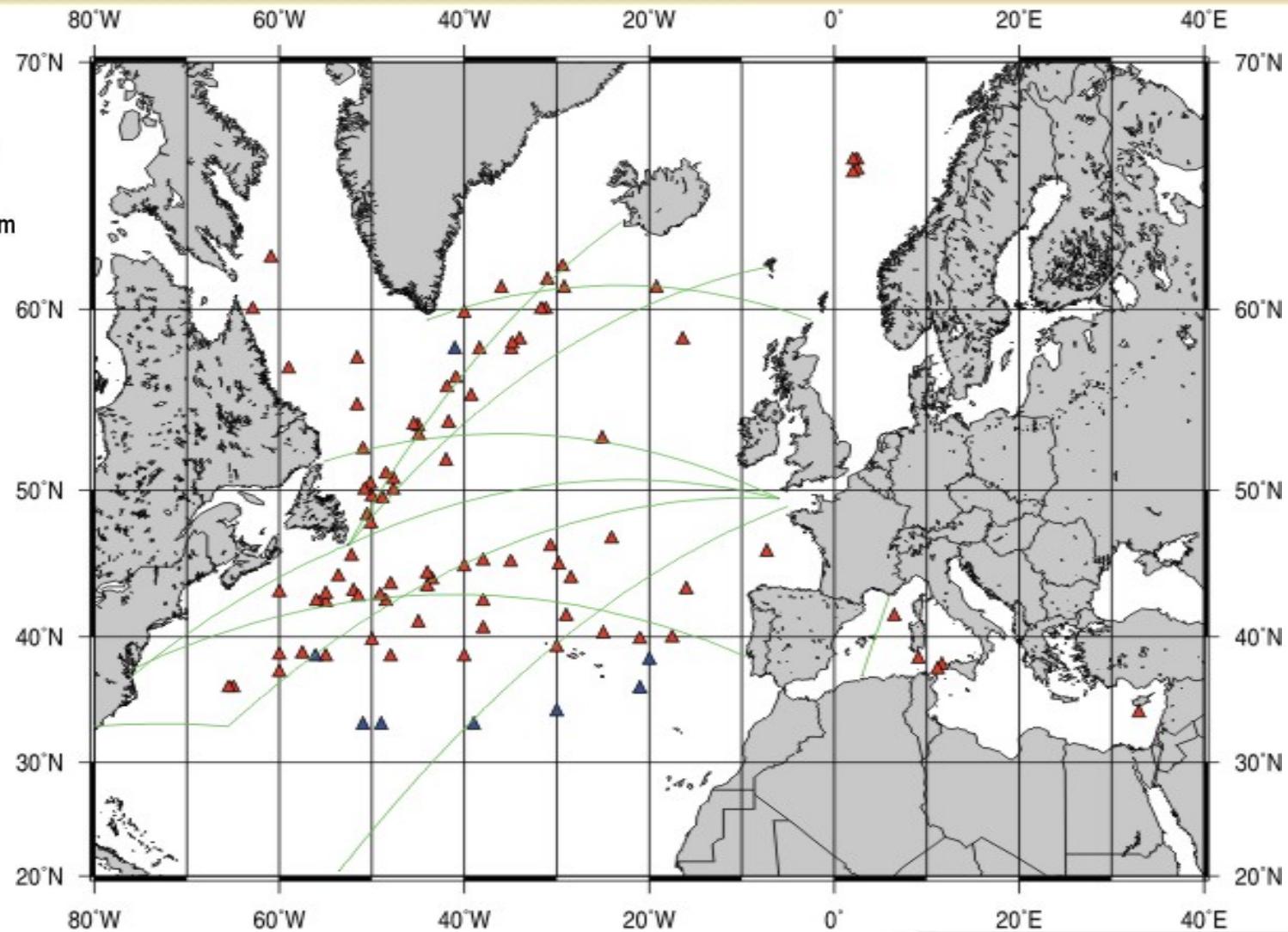


# Deployment routes



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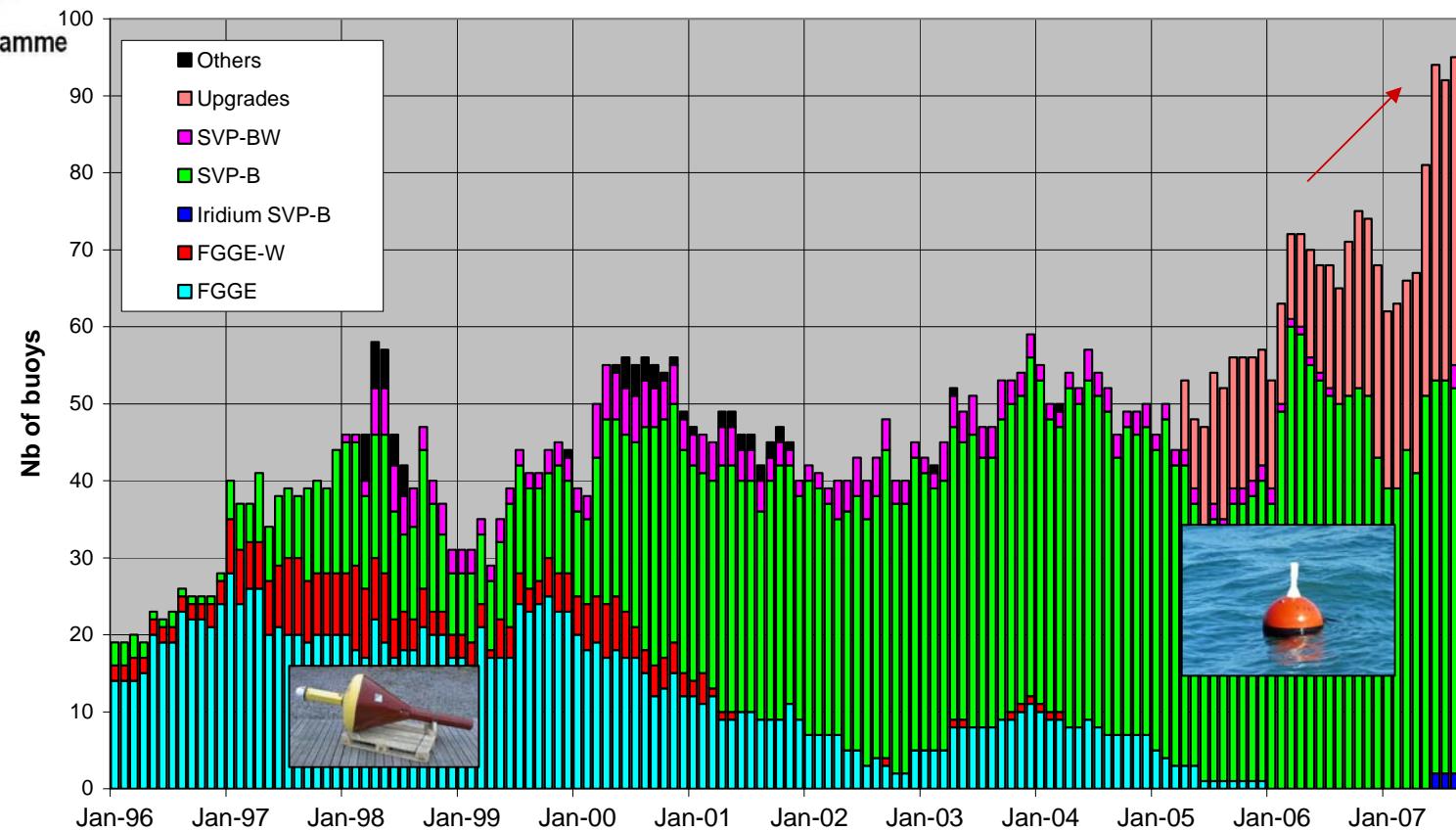
Early failure in  
blue



# Operating drifting buoys



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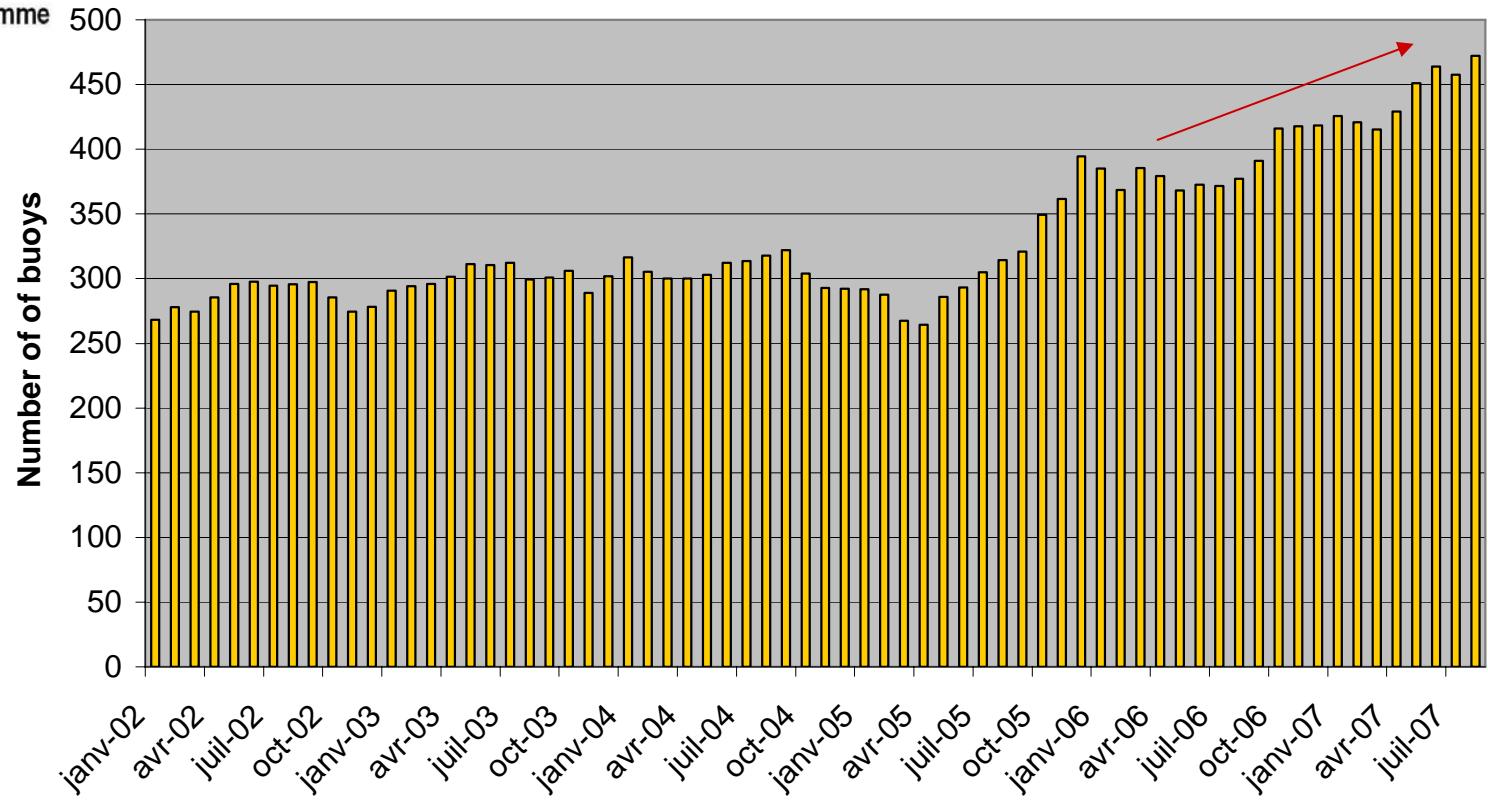


# Drifting buoys (AP - world)



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Barometer drifting buoys - Data availability  
Average number of operational buoys



# Network status



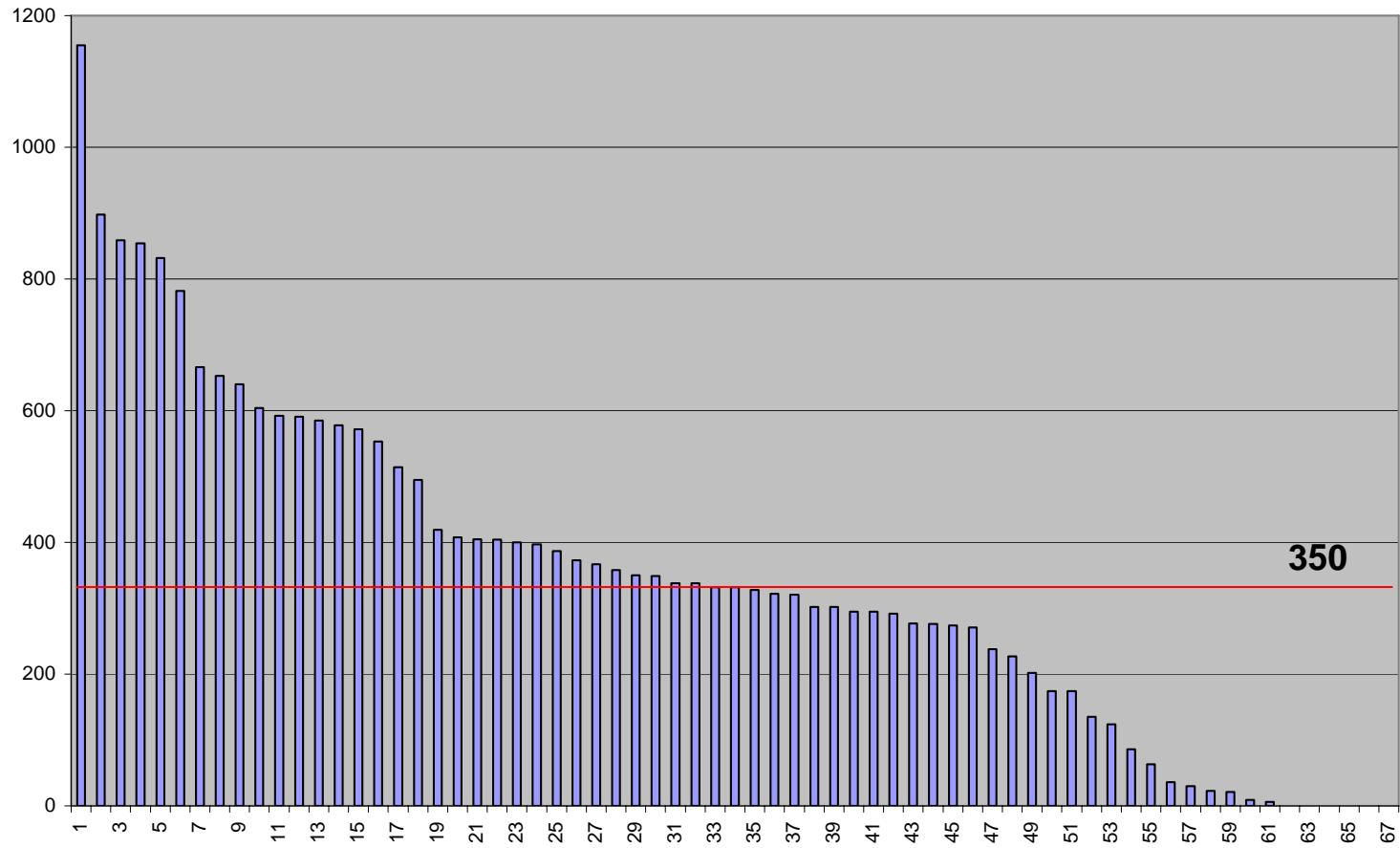
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August 2007

## LEGEND

- △ EUCOS drifting buoys
- Other drifting buoys
- ▲ ● Air Pressure
- ▲ ● AP + Wind
- ◆ Other moored buoys
- Seawatch/Wavescan buoys
- Other moored buoys

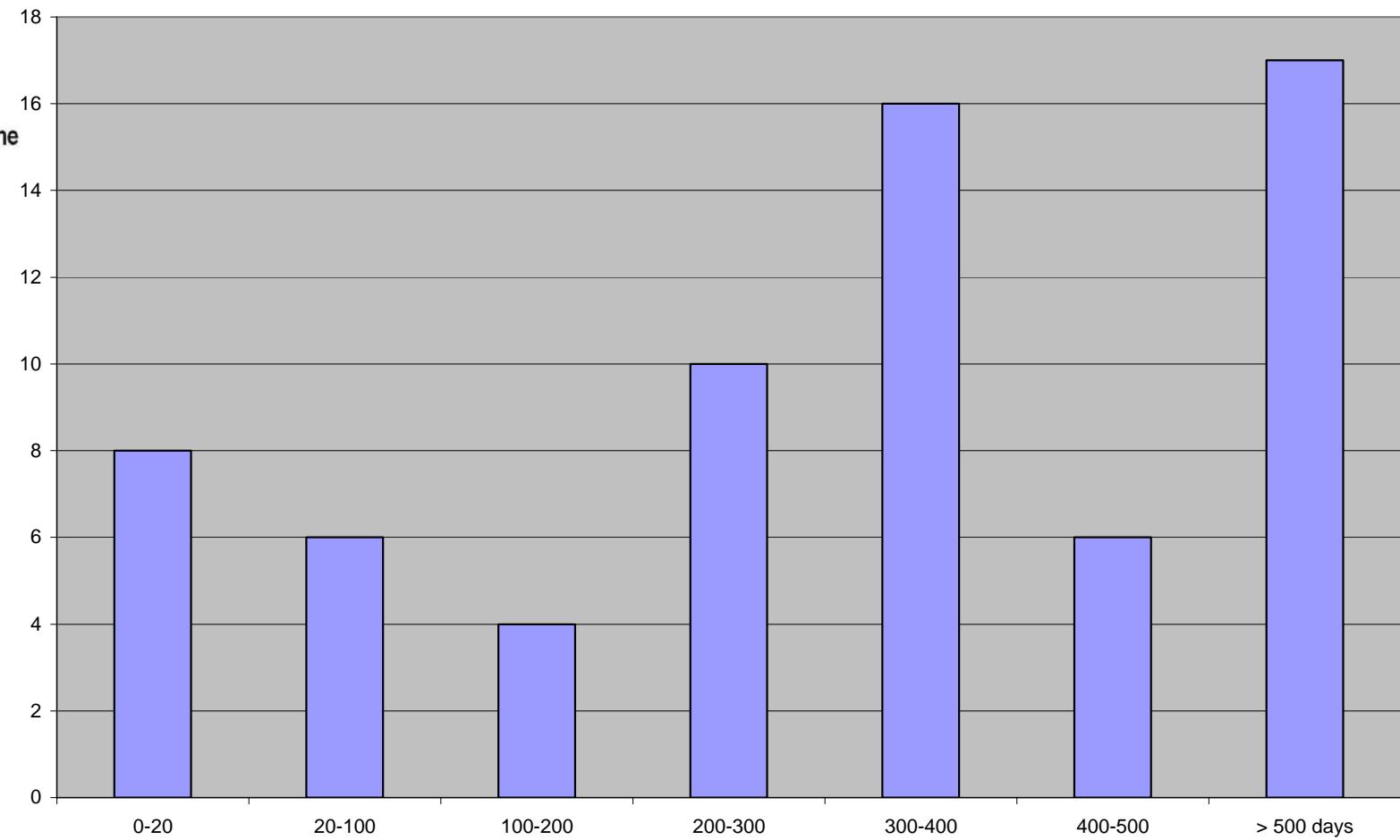
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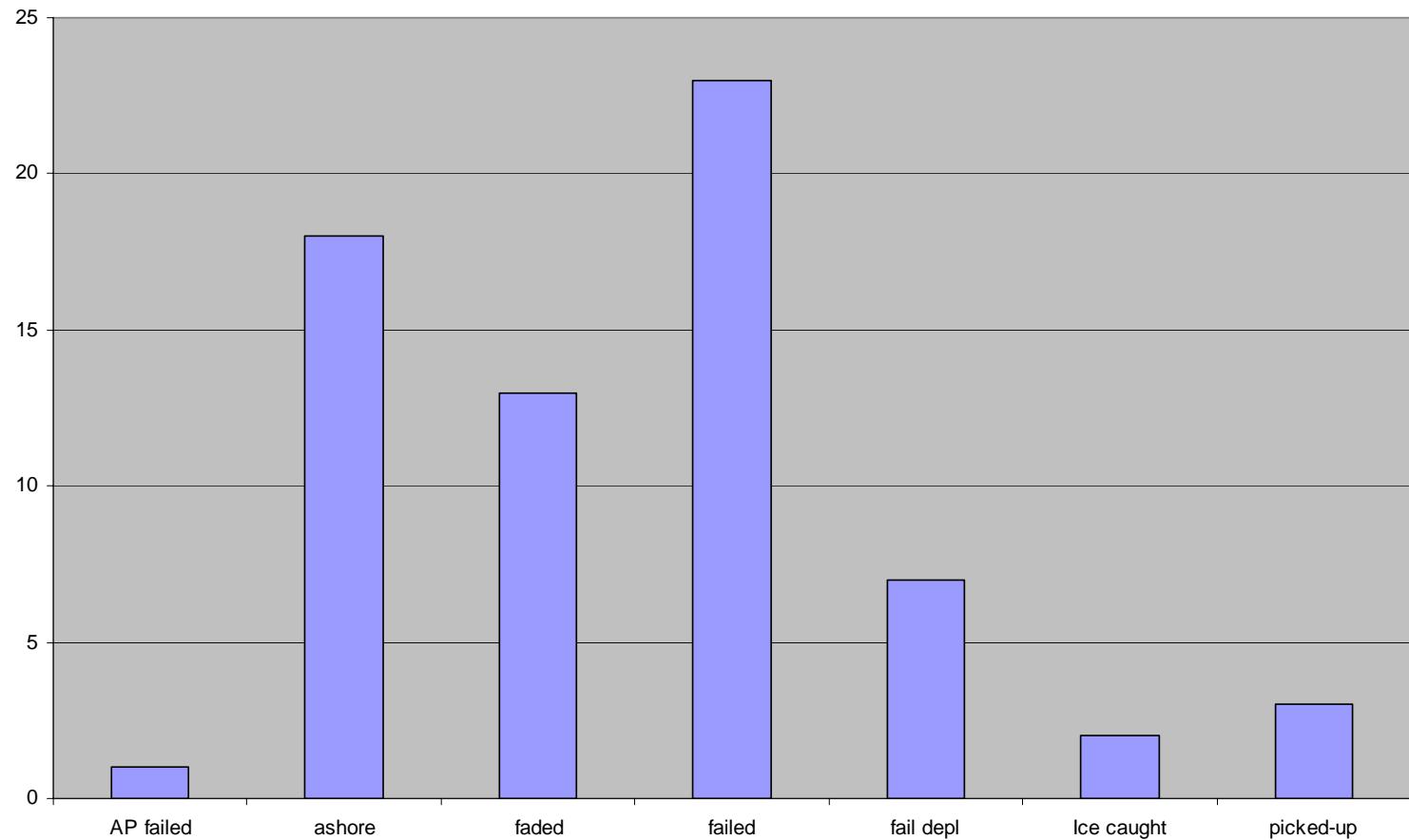
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# Causes of failures (67 buoys)



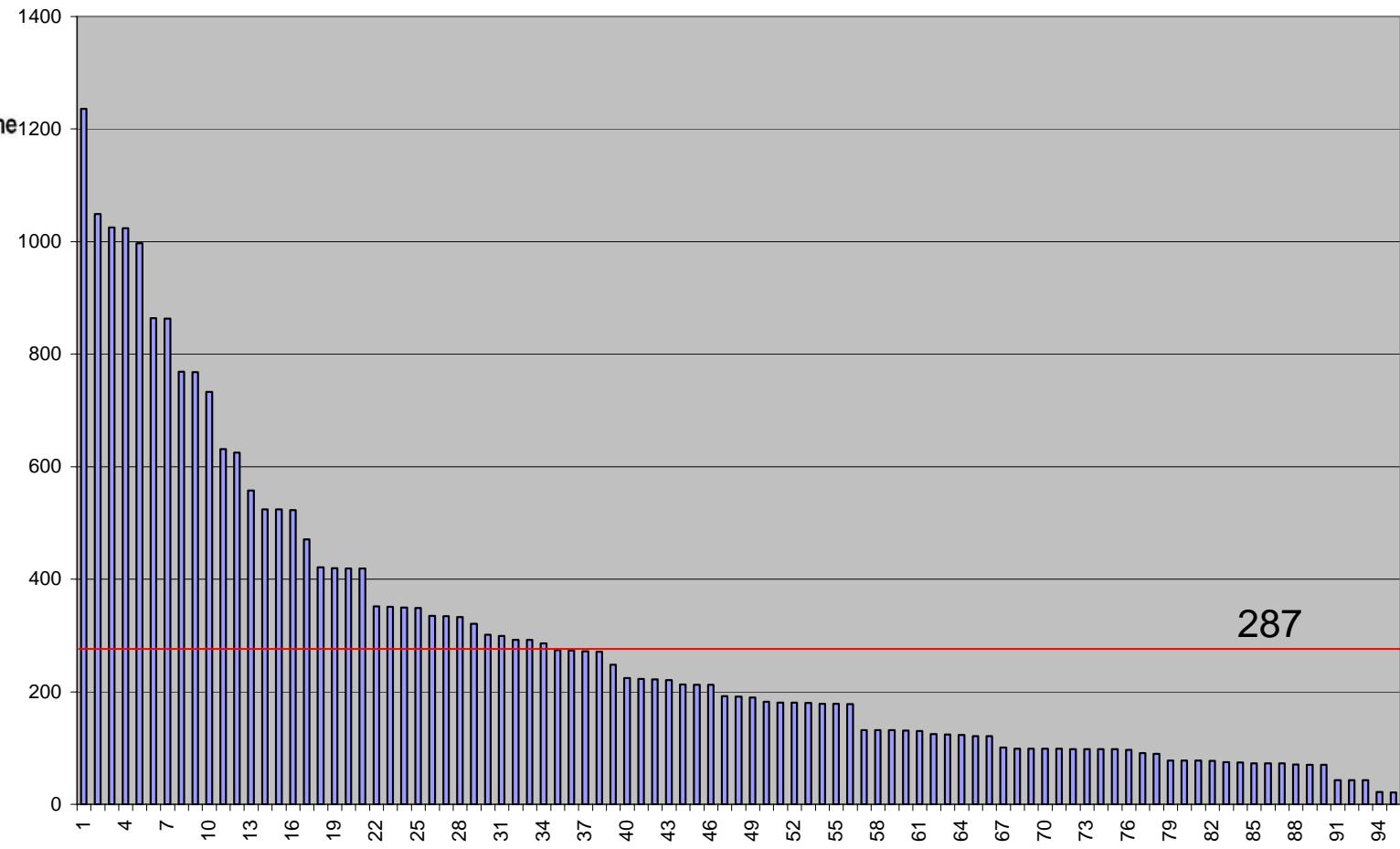
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# Age of the network (95 buoys)



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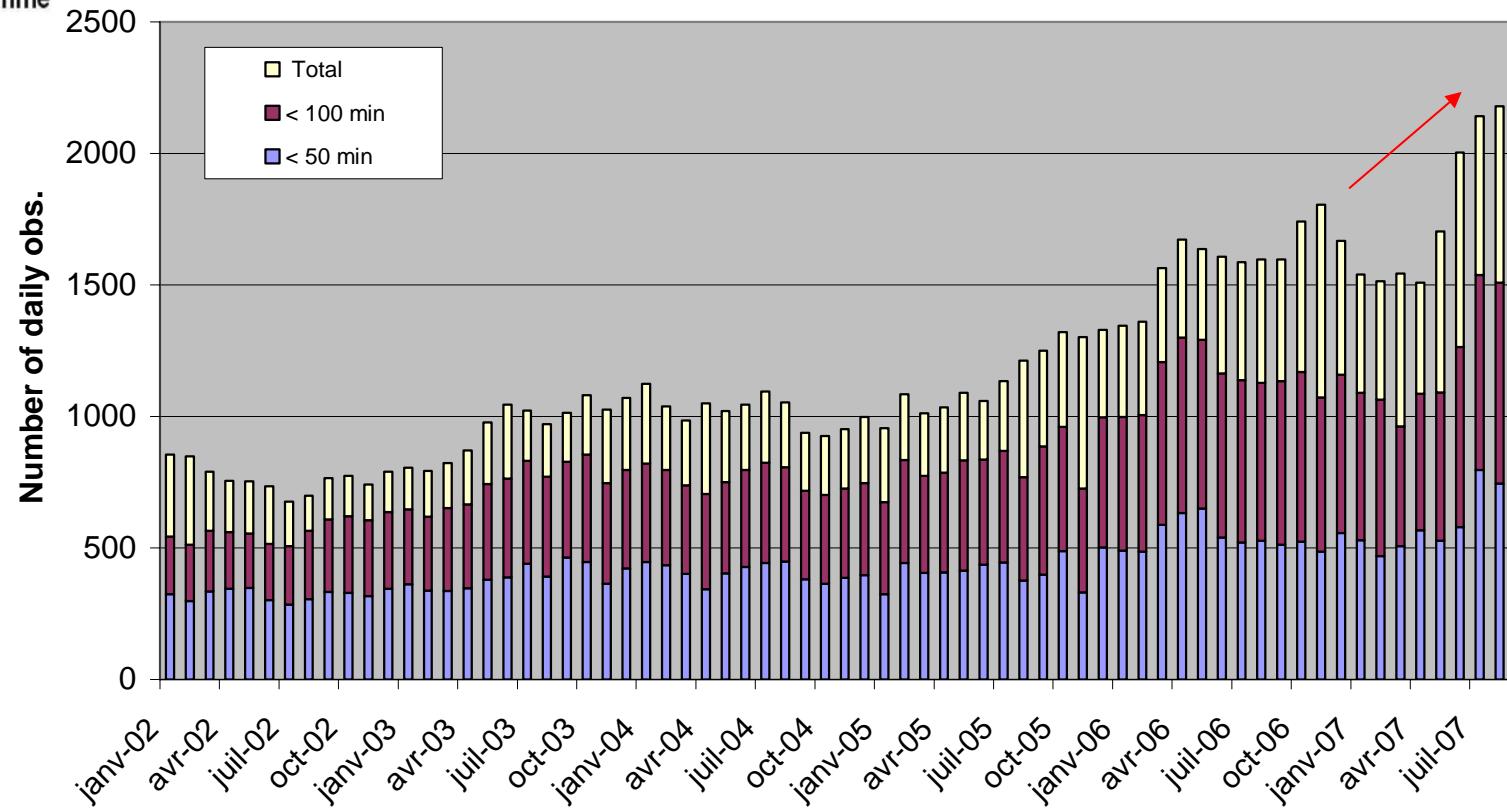


# DB Number of observations



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EGOS then EUCOS drifting buoys - Data availability  
Average number of hourly observations per day

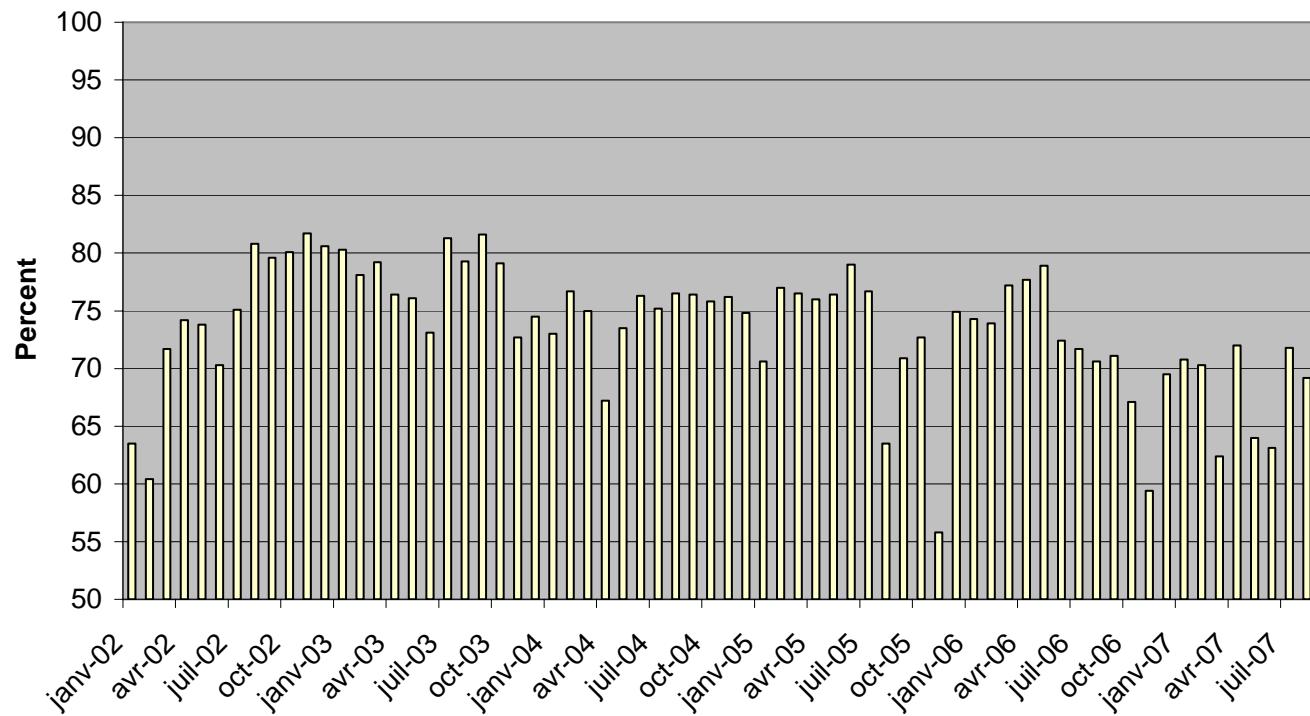


# DB Data timeliness



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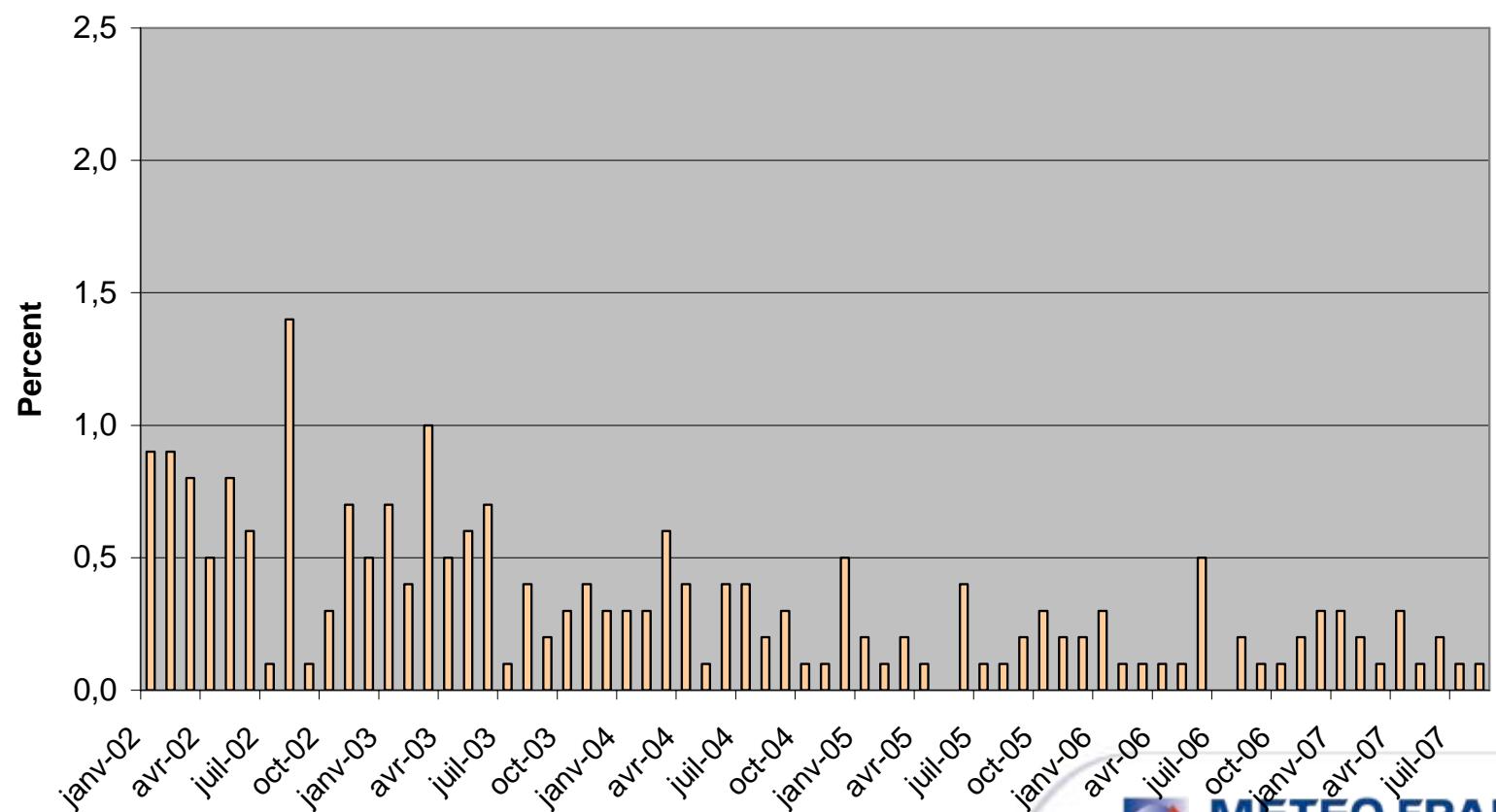
**EGOS then EUCOS drifting buoys - Data timeliness**  
**Percentage of data arrived within 100 minutes**



# DB Data Quality



**EGOS then EUCOS drifting buoys - Data quality  
Gross Errors of differences with the French model outputs**

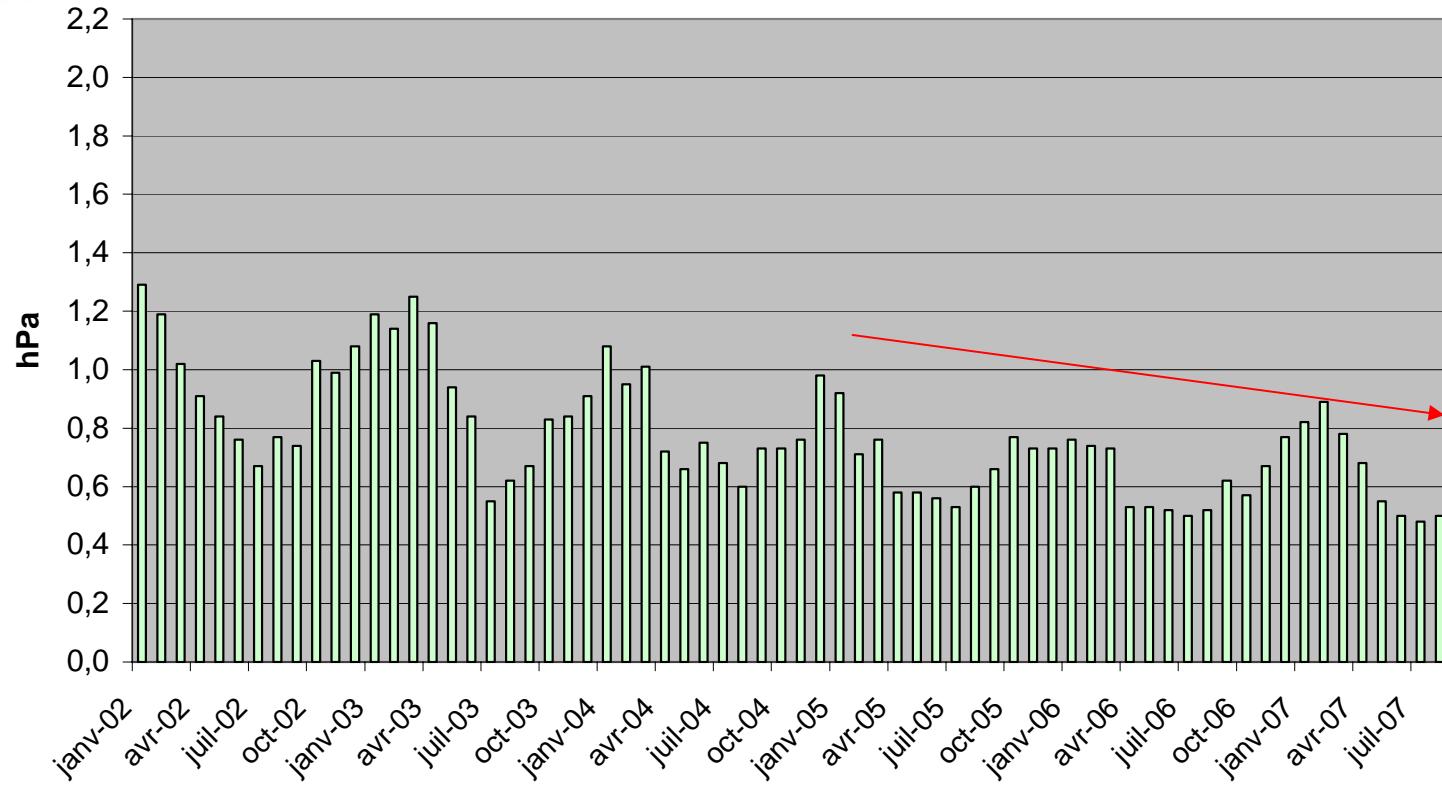


# DB RMS



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RMS of differences with the French model outputs



# Day to day monitoring

<http://www.meteo.shom.fr/qctools/>



Surface Marine Programme

The screenshot shows a web browser window with the URL <http://www.meteo.shom.fr/qctools/> in the address bar. The page title is "Buoy QC Tools". On the left, there is a logo for "Data Buoy Cooperation Panel" (DBCP) and "WMO - IOC". On the right, there is a "METEO FRANCE" logo. Below the title, a message reads: "Some tools are available here to make buoy data quality controls easier. Please, take care of the results and check different source of information before taking any action." To the left, a sidebar lists several links: "Buoy QC statistics", "Data and QC plots", "Location on charts", "Nearest other buoys", "List of buoys reporting dubious AP values", and "Drifting buoys ashore". To the right, corresponding descriptions are provided for each link.

**Buoy QC statistics**  
Monthly statistics of comparisons with model outputs are regularly gathered from different PMOCs. A query form allows to retrieve those you need.

**Data and QC plots**  
Recent buoy data (past two weeks) and results of comparison with Meteo-France model outputs can be seen on graphs. Files are daily updated.

**Location on charts**  
You wish to know whether your buoy is ashore ? Fill up the form with its WMO id or its position and display the chart.

**Nearest other buoys**  
The data of your buoy are doubtful ? Check the data of its neighbours.

**List of buoys reporting dubious AP values**  
Automatically issued every day, a list of buoys having reported dubious AP values over the past two weeks. Links allow to carefully check data and positions.

**Drifting buoys ashore**  
Automatically issued from GTS data received at Meteo-France, a list of buoys reporting a fixed position over the 10 last days, is issued. These buoys are supposed drifting because of their WMO id characteristics. "SST" values are generally no more measured at sea and air pressure can be biased due to a possible elevation above the sea level.

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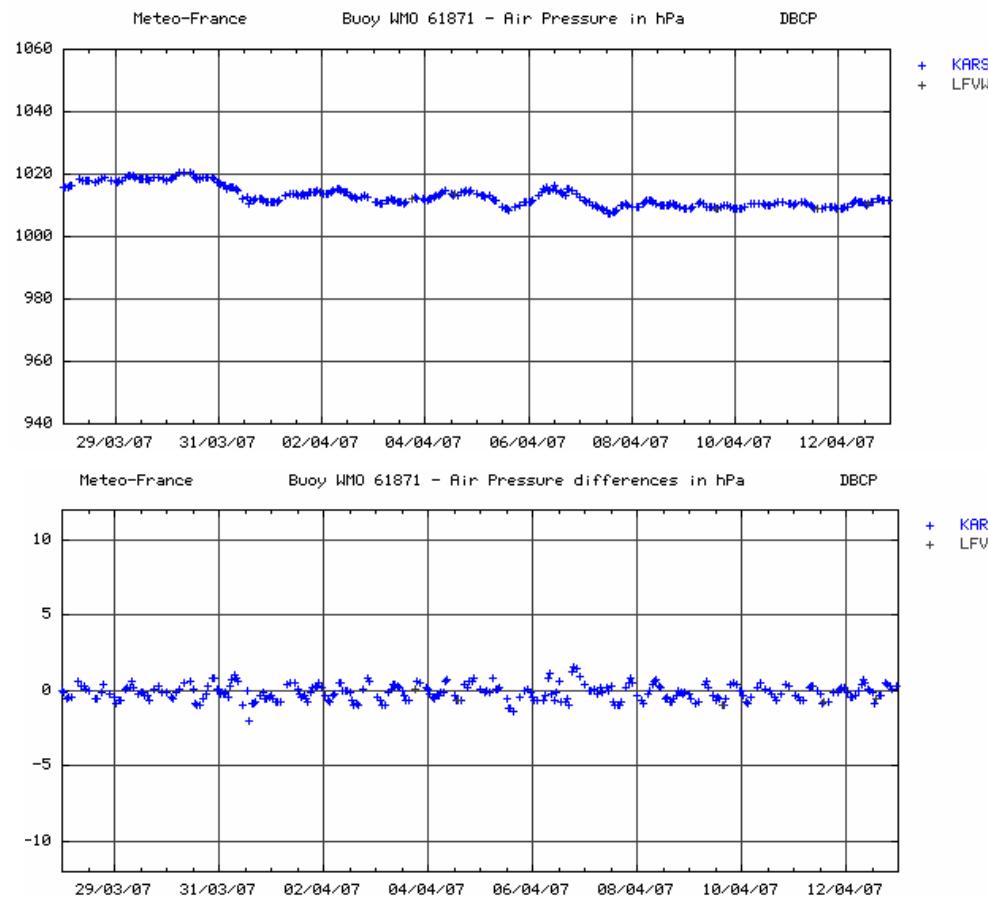
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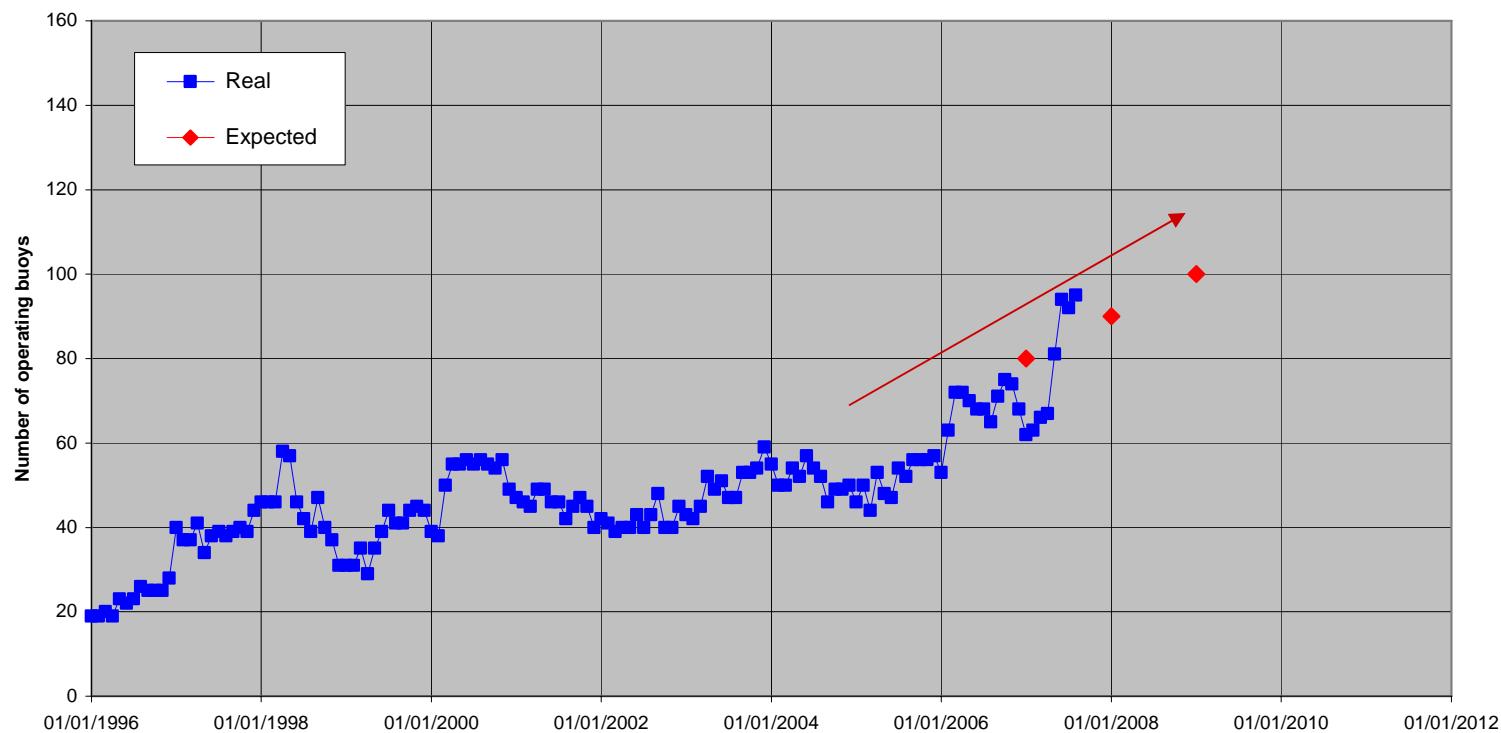
# Future



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## Number of drifting buoys operated by EGOS then E-SURFMAR in the North Atlantic and in the Mediterranean Sea

Expectations carried out in 2006 according to  
the 2006' budget and planned budgets for 2007 and 2008



# Participation to IPY



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- Approved by the 26th EUMETNET Council (Oct. 2005) and PB-OBS12 (March 2006)

- funds from COSNA (~118 k€)
- 58% of this budget for ice buoys

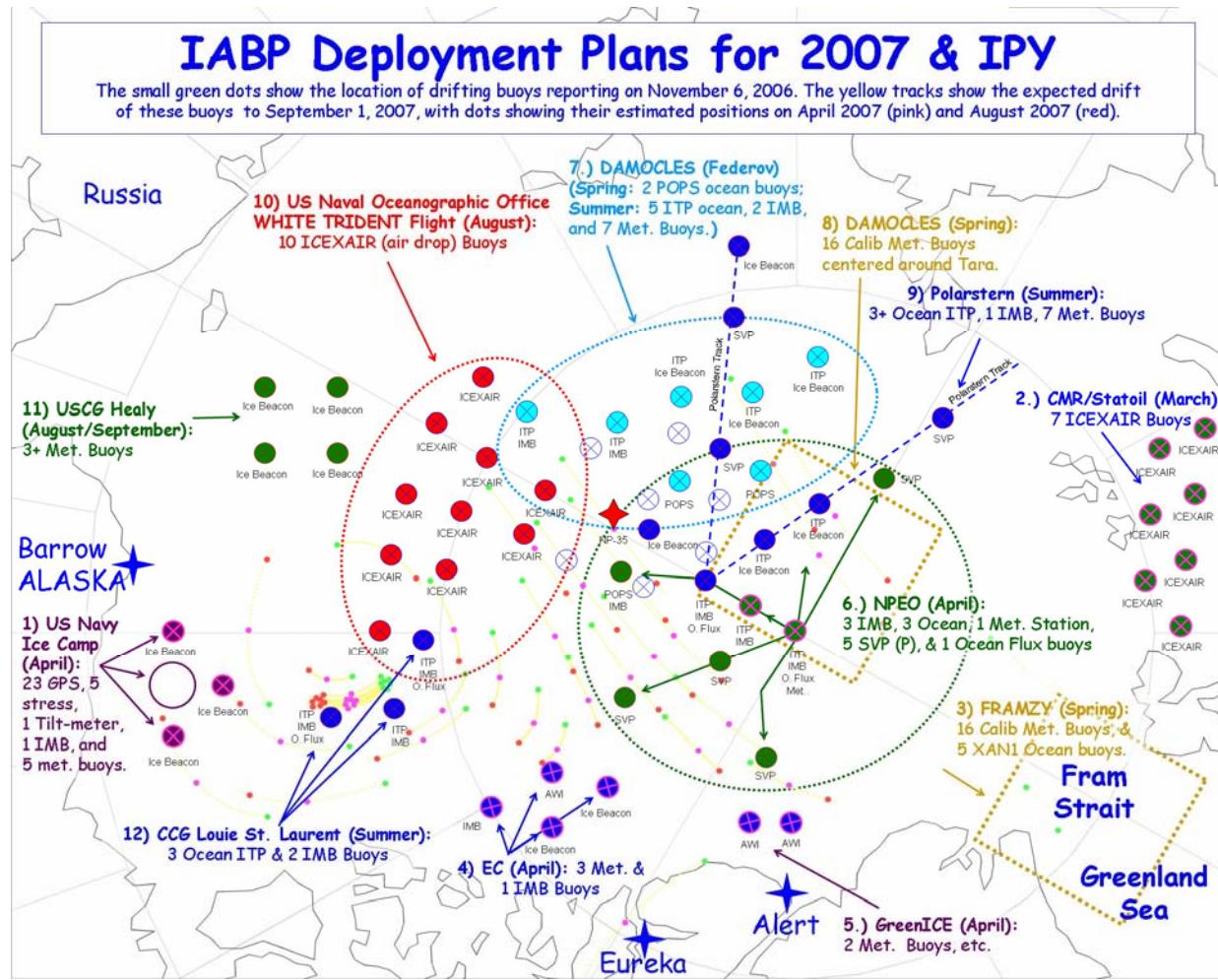
- Contribution through IABP

- 2 IcexAir in 2006,
- 3 ICEB buoys in 2007
- 4 SVP-B (2 Argos – 2 Iridium) in 2007

# IPY- Deployment Plans for 2007



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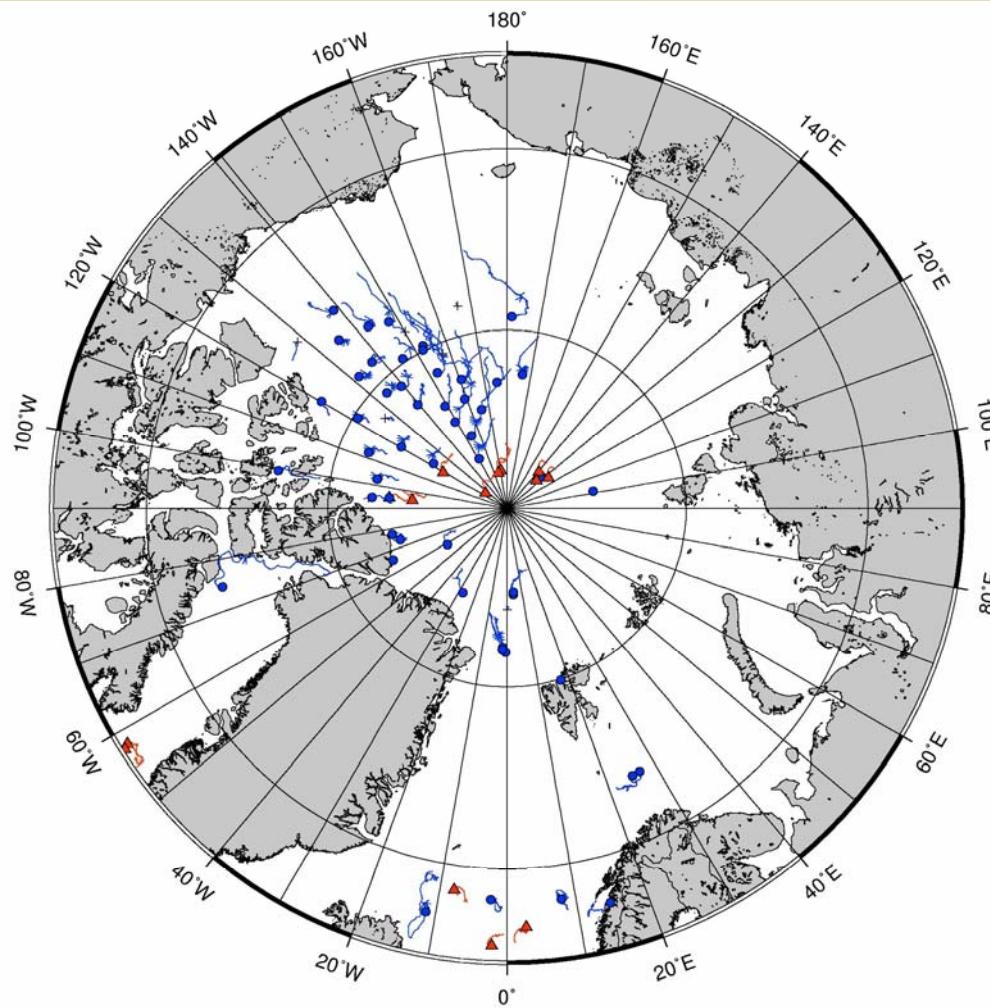


# IPY (Sept 2007 – GTS)



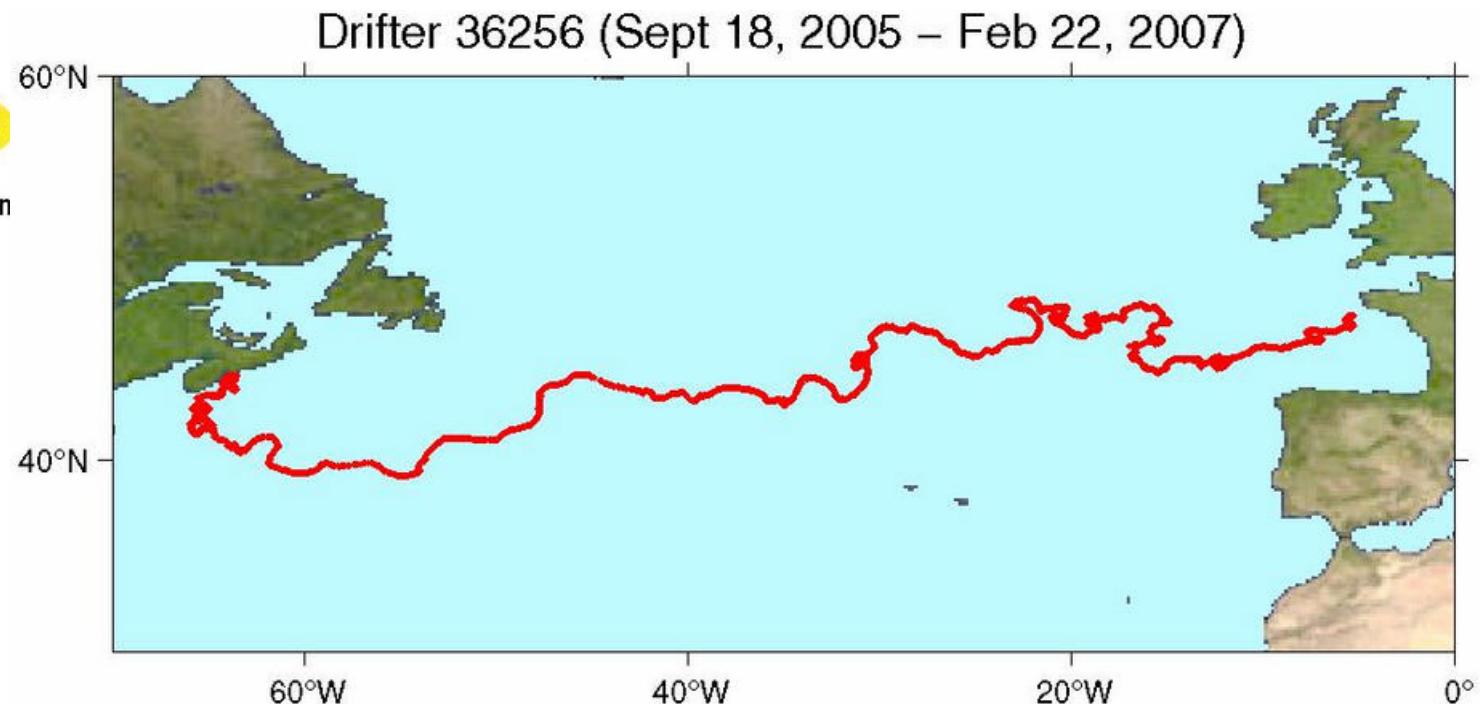
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Triangle =  
ESURFMAR drifters



September 2007 - Drifting buoy trajectories in IPY

# Buoy « 1250 » (Halifax – Brest)



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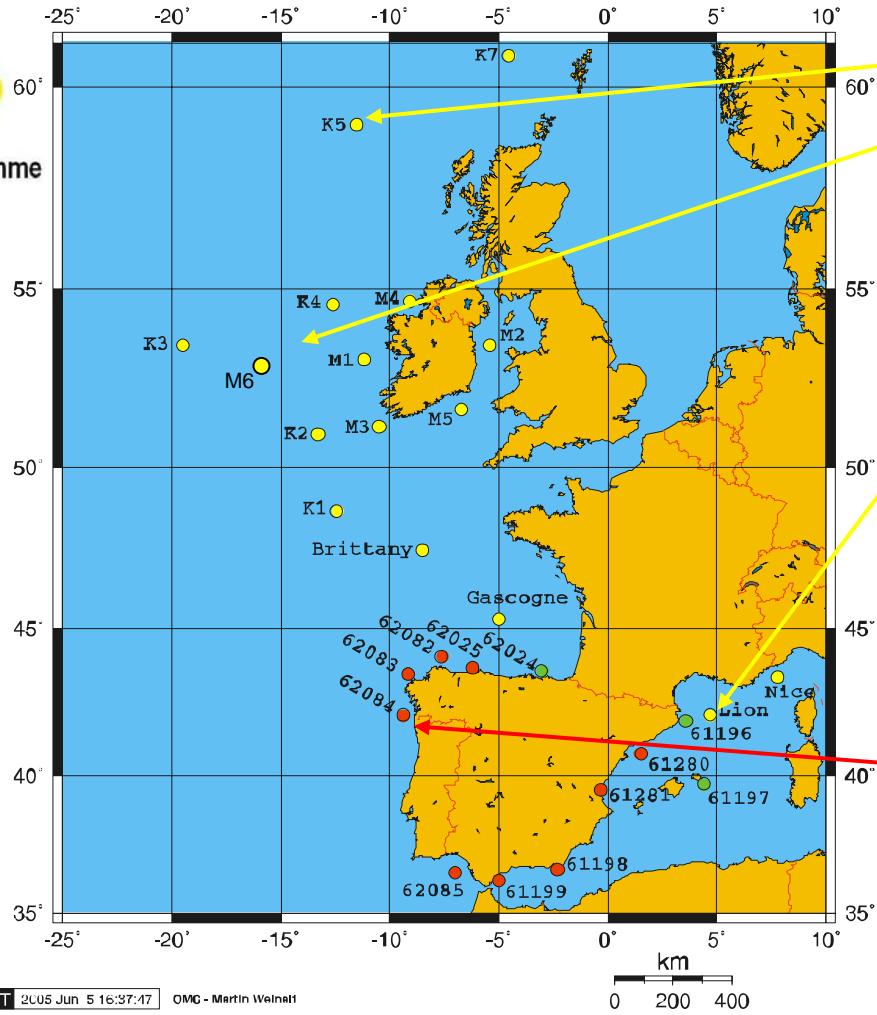
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# Moored buoys



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# E-SURFMAR Moored buoys



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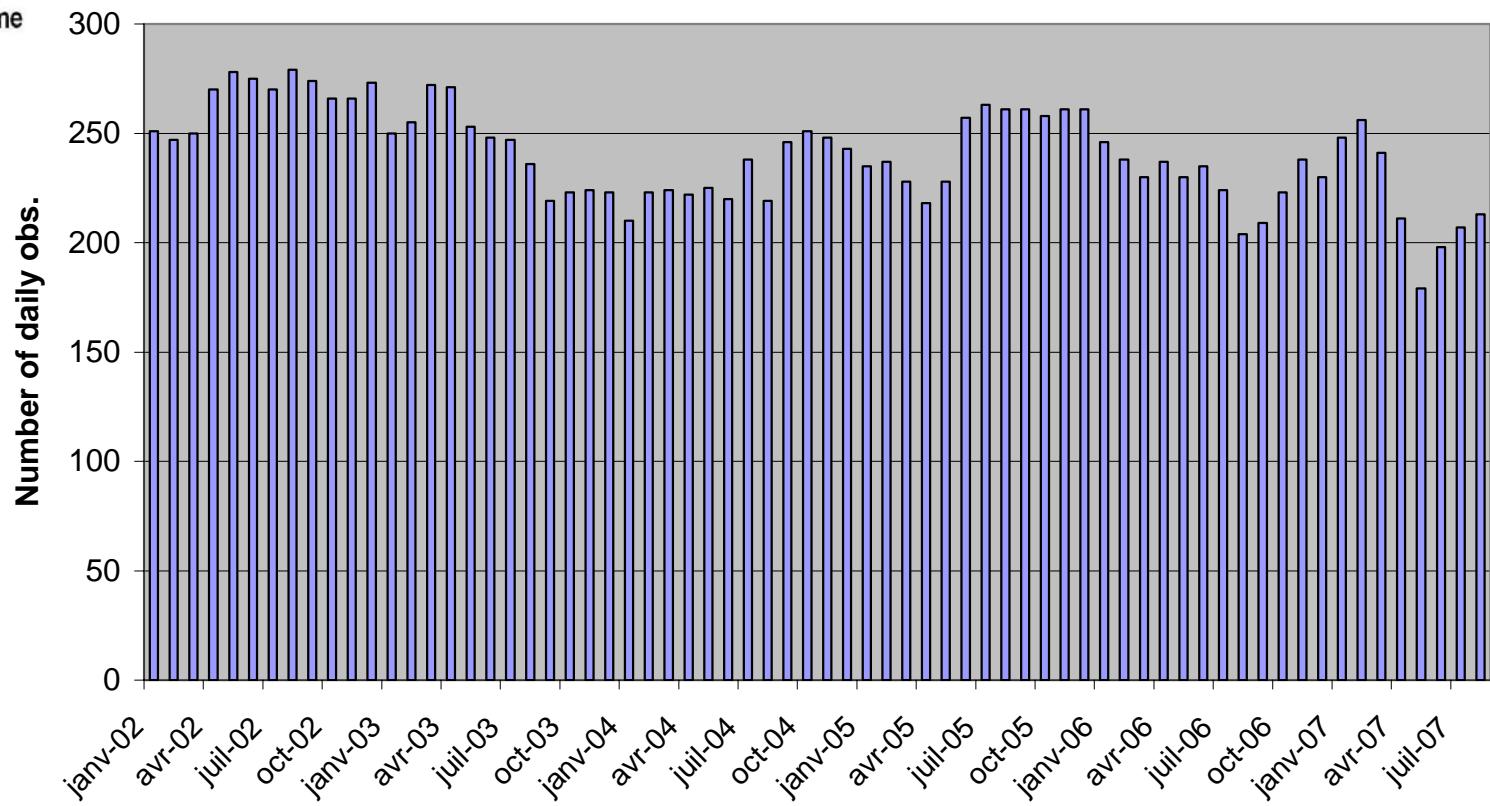
WMO	Name	Type	Country	GTS reports	Remarks
64045	K5	K-pattern	UK	FM-13 SHIP	Re-deployed by 2006/08/21. Will provide directional spectra through Iridium 4 times a day.
62095	M6	K-pattern	Ireland	FM-13 SHIP	Deployed by 25th of September Replace M1 as EUCOS buoy.
62084	Cabo Silleiro	SeaWatch	Spain	FM-96 BUFR (non-standard template)	The only buoy currently reporting required directional wave spectra.
61002	Lion	K-pattern	France	FM-13 SHIP FM-65 WAVEOB	Provide omnidirectional wave spectra

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Twelve former EUCOS moored buoys - Data availability  
Average number of hourly observations per day

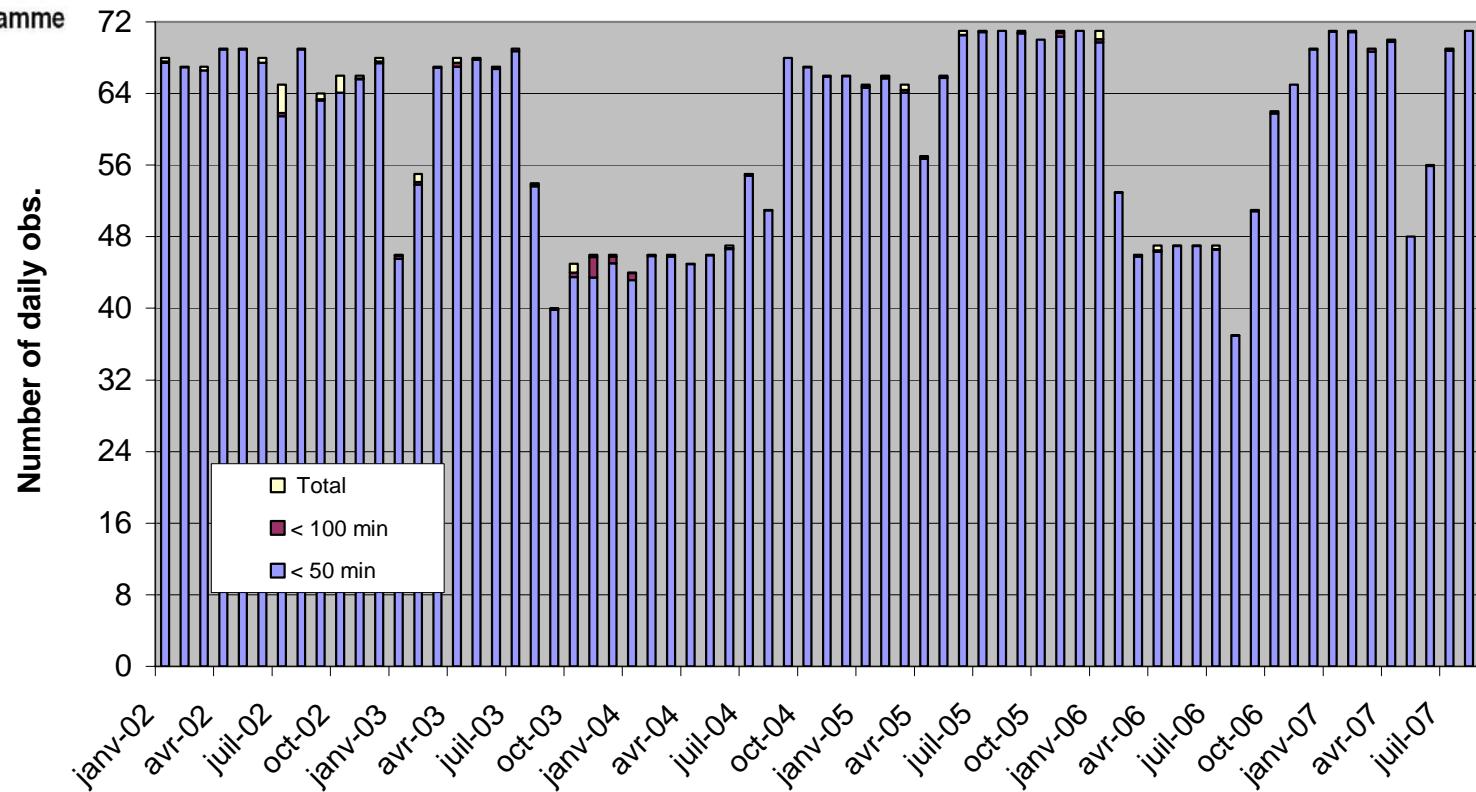


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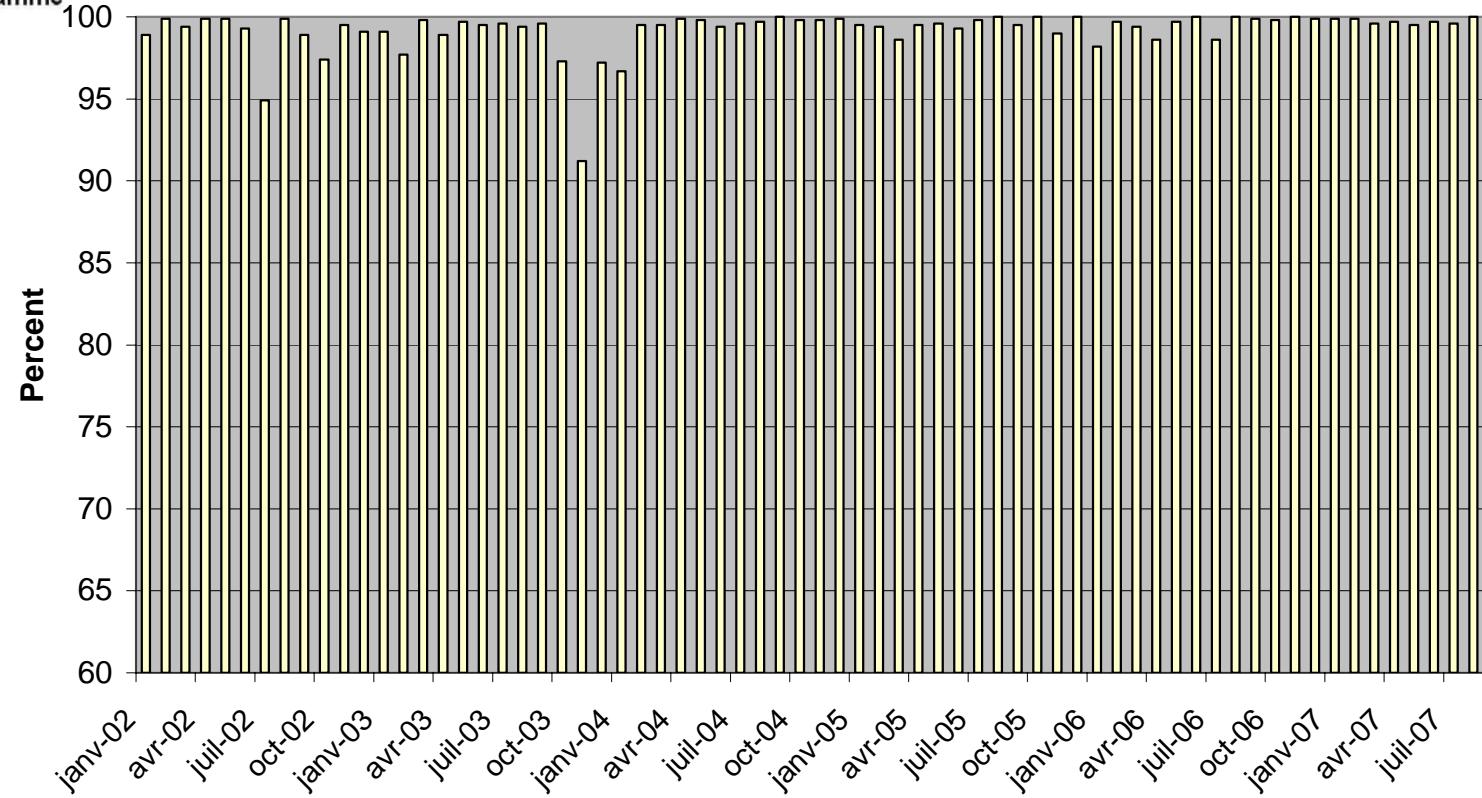


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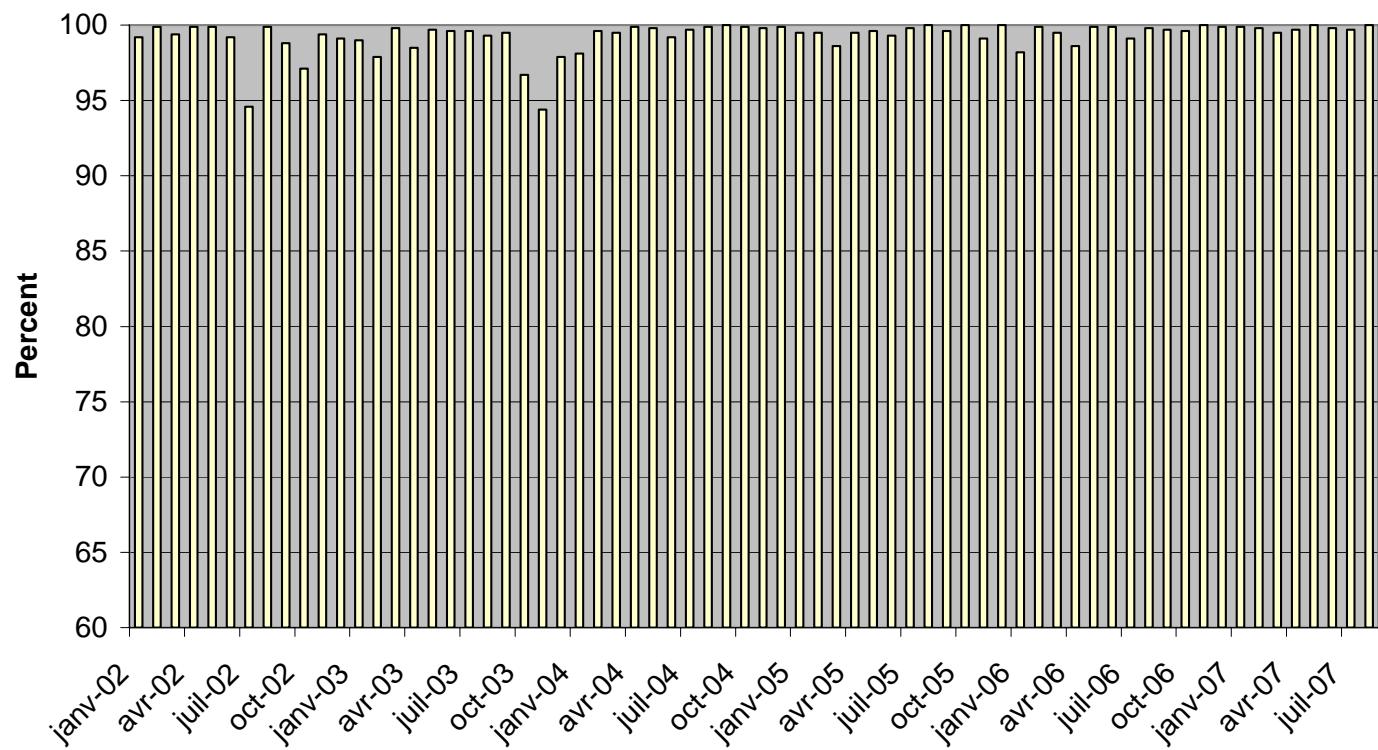
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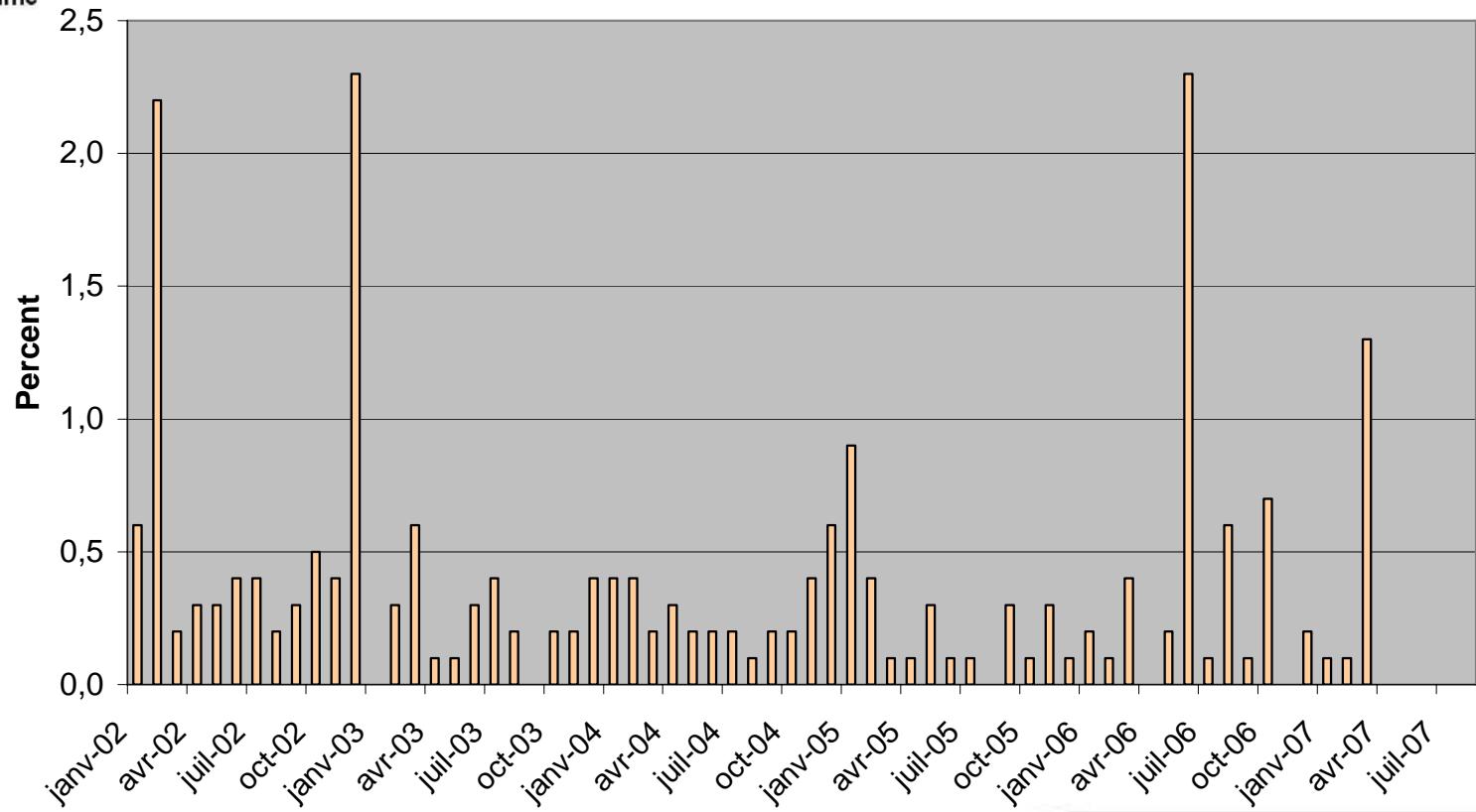


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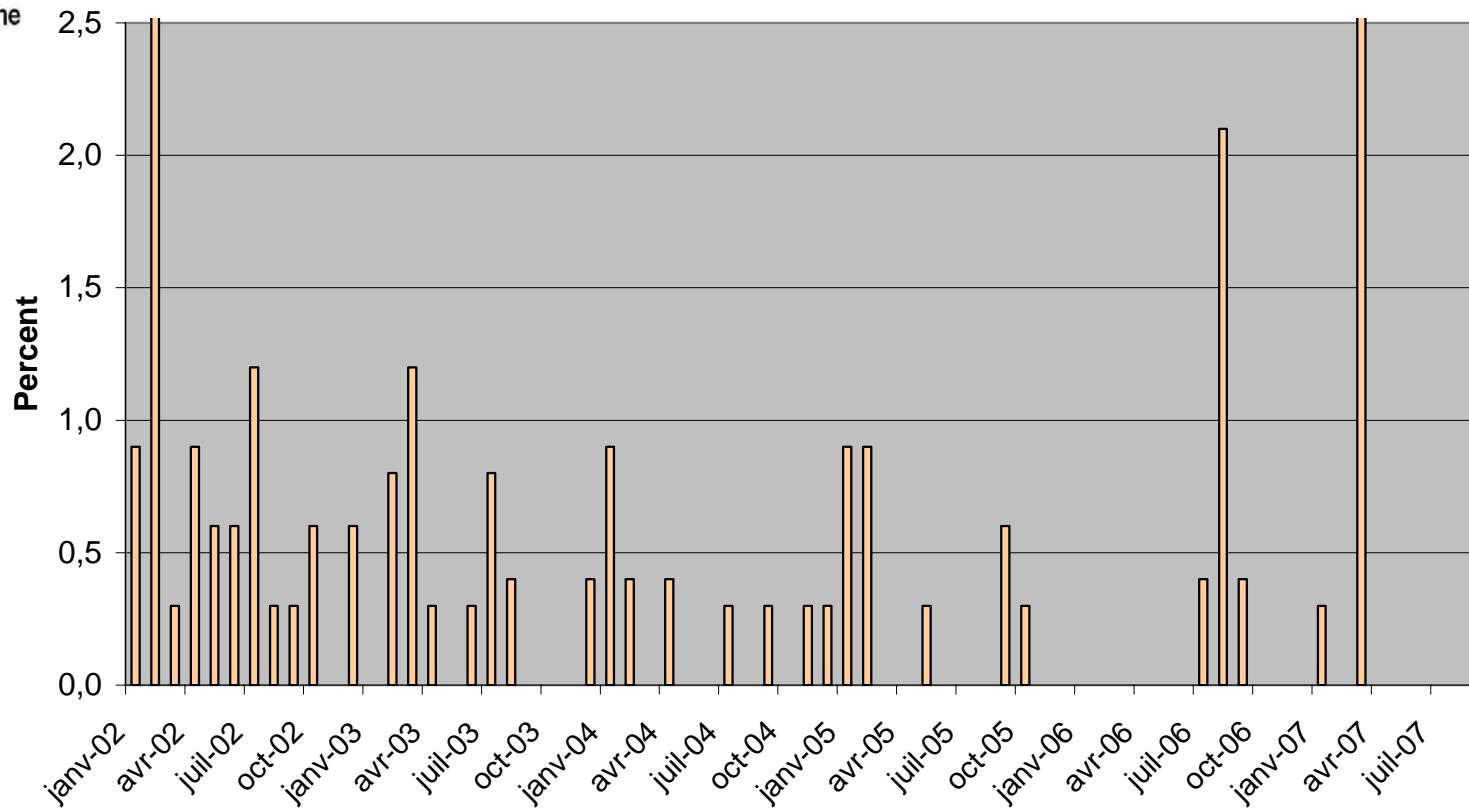


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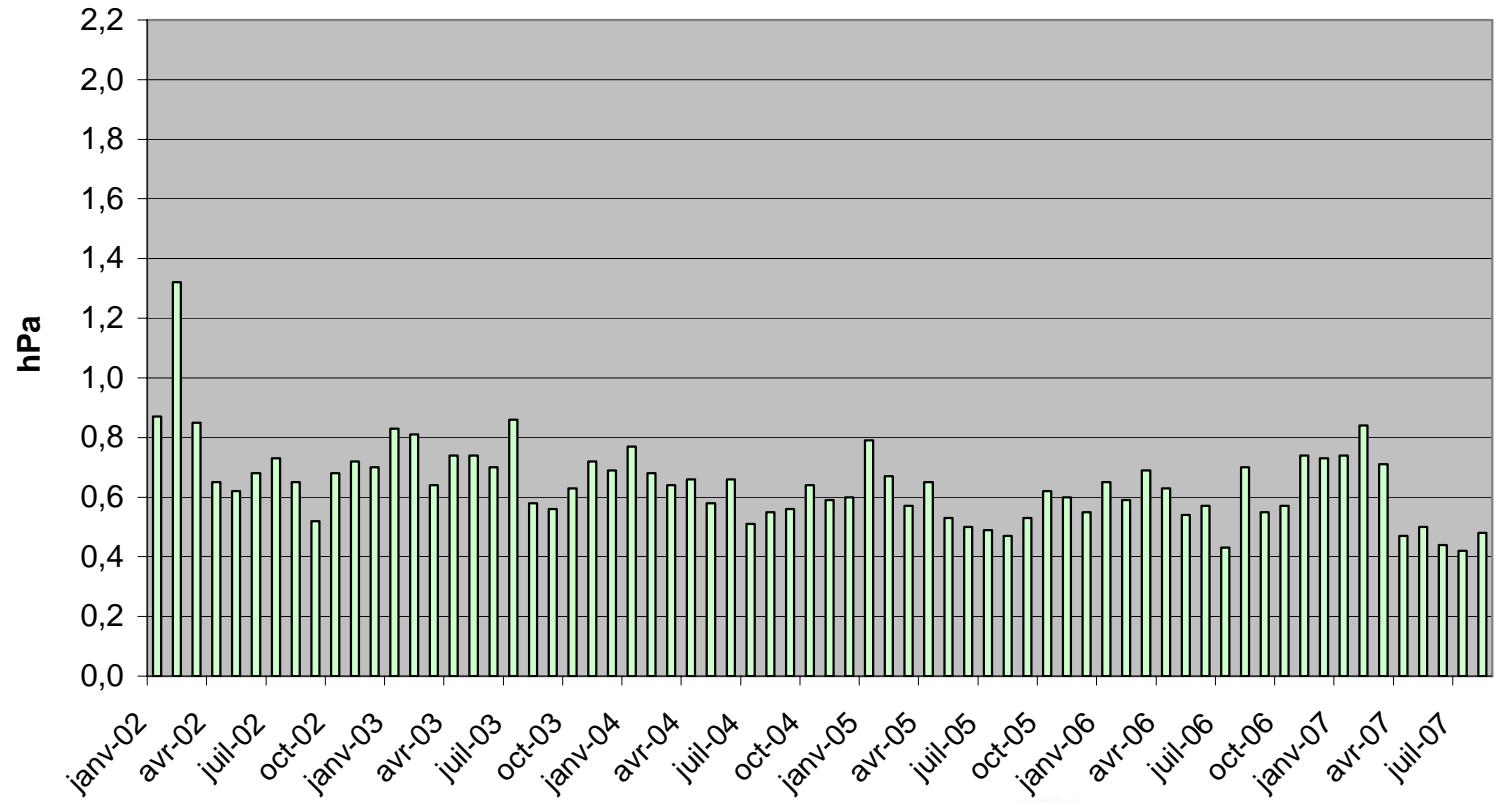


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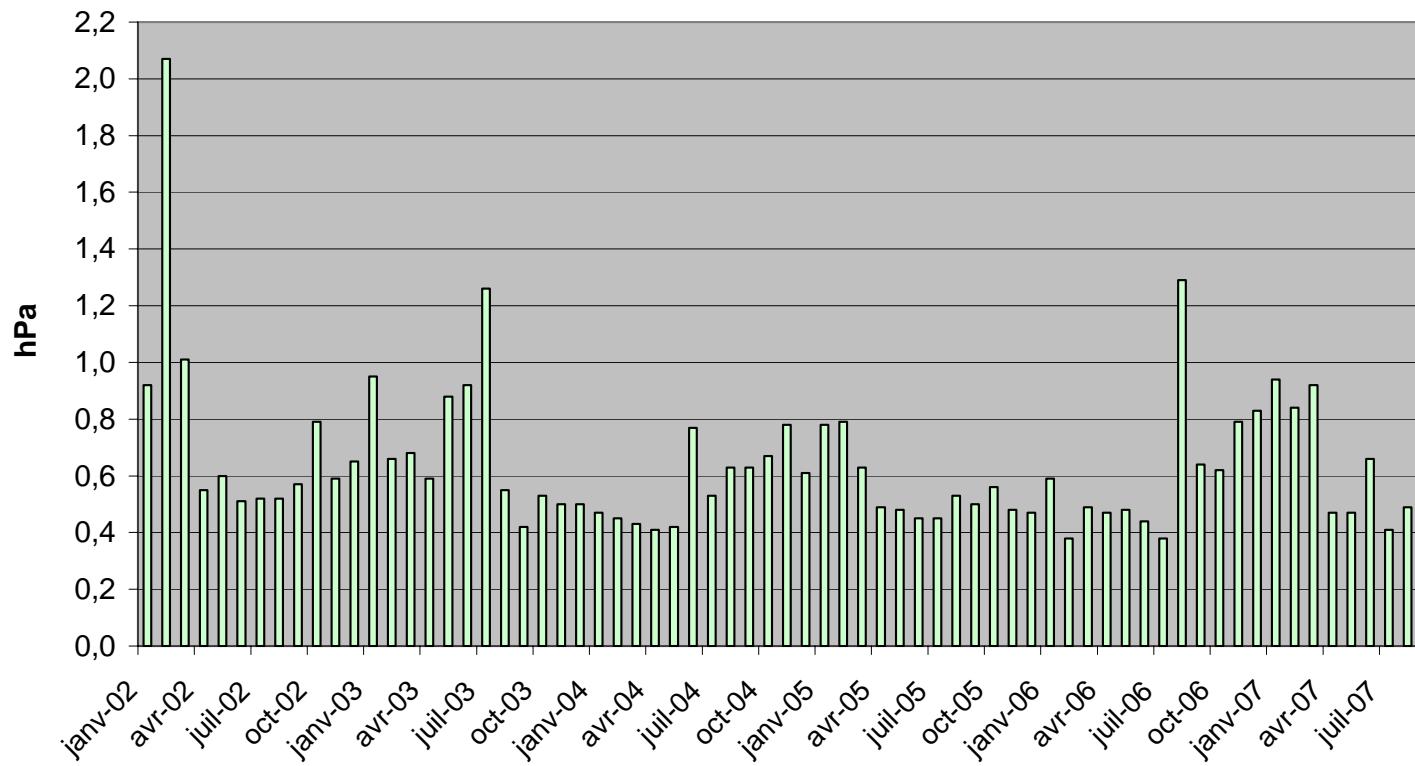
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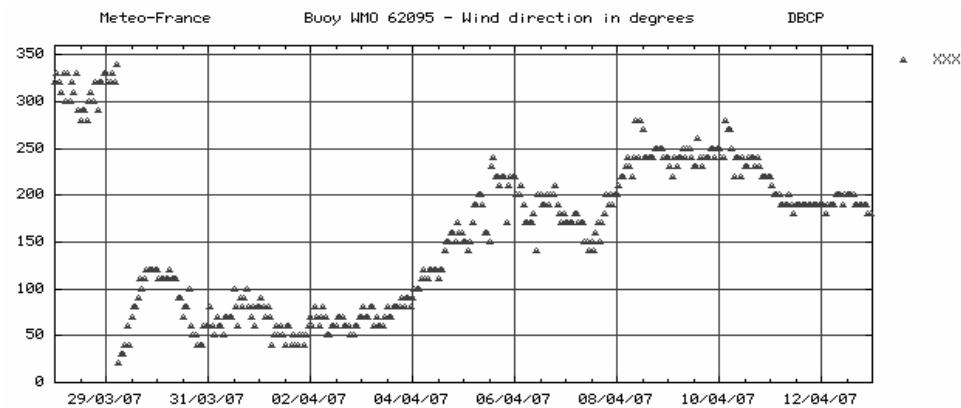
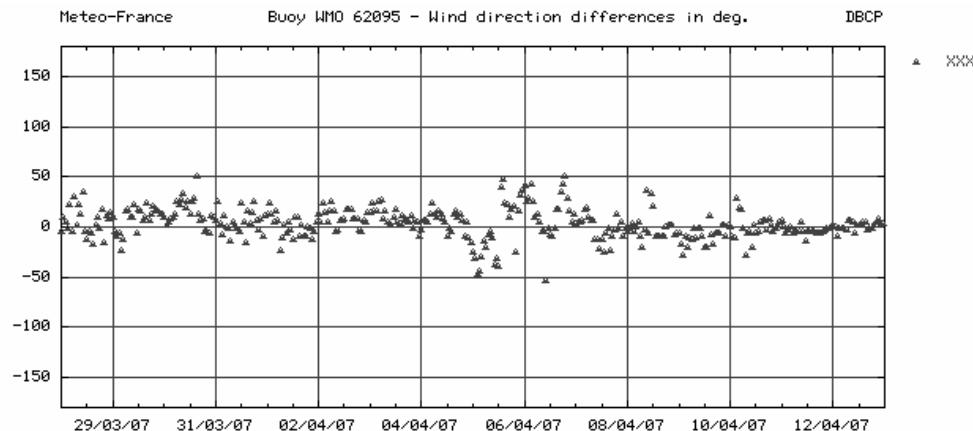
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# MB data quality control



# E-SURFMAR Programme Data Buoys Reporting

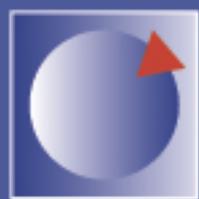


- ✓ Monthly report
- ✓ Annual report
- ✓ Working area of the E-SURFMAR website based on mediawiki, every participants to the programme can easily collaborate on its content

<http://esurfmar.meteo.fr/>

- ✓ A public website

<http://www.eucos.net>



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