

# Surface Drifter Summary

*Program Aim – 1250 Active Drifters at all times*

Active SVP drifters reporting via the GTS (source JCOMMOPS)

	2006 Dec	2007 Dec	2008 Dec	2009 Dec	2010 Feb
Australia	27	33	25	26	26
Brazil	2	2	3	1	1
Canada	30	40	34	28	25
Europe	48	52	79	78	75
Finland	1				
France	15	30	27	17	12
Germany	4	7	1		
India	5	22	8	7	10
Italy	3			10	11
Japan	6	11	9	11	9
New Zealand	7	8	10	9	11
Norway	3	5	4	2	2
South Africa	9	4	2	1	1
South Korea	2	5	5	3	1
United Kingdom	10	11	13	15	12
United States	1182	1102	1175	1232	1277
Totals:	1354	1332	1395	1440	1473

Data held by the Global Drifter Center and RNODC-MEDS.

GDC 1279 1269 1149 1245 1268

MEDS 1340 1361 1380 1384(Nov)

[http://www.aoml.noaa.gov/phod/dac/dac\\_reports.html](http://www.aoml.noaa.gov/phod/dac/dac_reports.html)

[http://www.meds-sdmm.dfo-mpo.gc.ca/alphapro/rnodc/stats/stat\\_GLOB09.html](http://www.meds-sdmm.dfo-mpo.gc.ca/alphapro/rnodc/stats/stat_GLOB09.html)

MEDS also provides a combined summary of drifters and moorings (Platforms) reporting via the GTS at the site above.

Present status of the array according to GDC:

<http://www.aoml.noaa.gov/phod/graphics/dacdata/globpop.gif>

Bottom line is that the SVP surface drifter program has operated at a level near or greater than 1250 (the requirement) since 2005. Of the 1473 drifters reporting via the GTS in February 2010, 1336 reported SST, 632 air pressure, 4 wind, 7 waves and 4 SS/Temp.