

North Atlantic Ocean Depth

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Arctic Ocean It has also been described as being approximately equivalent to an estuary of the Atlantic Ocean. It has also been described as being approximately equivalent to an estuary of the Atlantic Ocean. The International Hydrographic Organization (IHO) recognizes it as an ocean, although some oceanographers call it the Arctic Mediterranean Sea or North Polar Sea. It spans an area of approximately 14,060,000 km² (5,430,000 sq mi) and is the coldest of the world's oceans. Mediterranean Sea or North Polar Sea. It is also seen as the northernmost part of the all-encompassing world ocean. It is also seen as The Arctic Ocean is the smallest and shallowest of the world's five oceanic divisions

Since 1953, further investigation and research has been conducted to better define the critical depth and its role... CFCs are anthropogenic substances that enter the surface of the ocean from gas exchange with the atmosphere. This distinct composition allows its path to be traced as it mixes with Circumpolar Deep Water (CDW), which in turn fills the deep Indian Ocean and part of the South Pacific. NADW and its formation is essential to the Atlantic meridional overturning circulation (AMOC), which is responsible for transporting large amounts of water... == Structure == The production of new seafloor and oceanic lithosphere results from mantle upwelling in response to plate separation. The melt rises as magma at the linear weakness between the separating plates, and emerges as lava, creating new oceanic crust and lithosphere

upon cooling. 38c76fb428

Critical depth Sverdrup provides In biological oceanography, critical depth is defined as a hypothetical surface mixing depth where phytoplankton growth is precisely matched by losses of phytoplankton biomass within the depth interval. Harald Sverdrup published the "Critical Depth Hypothesis" based on observations he had made in the North Atlantic on the Weather Ship M. This concept is useful for understanding the initiation of phytoplankton blooms 38c76fb428

Atlantic Ocean The Atlantic Ocean is the second largest of the world's five oceans, with an area of about 85,133,000 square kilometers (32,870,000 sq mi). It covers The Atlantic Ocean is the second largest of the world's five oceans, with an area of about 85,133,000 square kilometers (32,870,000 sq mi). During the Age of Discovery, it was known for separating the New World of the Americas (North America and South America) from the Old World of Afro-Eurasia (Africa, Asia, and Europe). It covers approximately 17% of Earth's surface and about 24% of its water surface area 38c76fb428

Oceanic basin Geologically, most of the ocean basins are large geologic basins that are below sea level. Most commonly the ocean is divided into basins following the continents distribution[clarification needed]: the North and South Atlantic (together approximately In hydrology, an oceanic basin (or ocean basin) is anywhere on Earth that is covered by seawater 38c76fb428

Until the mid-1900s, storms were named arbitrarily. The practice of naming storms from a pre determined list began in 1953. Hurricanes that result in significant damage or casualties may have their names retired from the list. On average, 14 named storms occur each season in the North Atlantic basin, with 7 becoming hurricanes and 3 becoming major hurricanes (Category 3 or greater). In April 2004, Catarina became the first storm of hurricane strength to be recorded... 38c76fb428

Mid-ocean ridge This feature is where seafloor spreading takes place along a divergent plate boundary. It typically has a depth of about 2,600 meters (8,500 ft) and rises about 2,000 meters (6,600

ft) above the deepest portion of an ocean basin. The rate of seafloor spreading determines the morphology of the crest of the mid-ocean ridge and its width in an ocean basin. It typically has a depth of about 2,600 meters (8,500 ft) and rises about A mid-ocean ridge (MOR) is a seafloor mountain system formed by plate tectonics. A mid-ocean ridge (MOR) is a seafloor mountain system formed by plate tectonics 38c76fb428

Critical depth as an aspect of biological oceanography was introduced in 1935 by Gran and Braarud. It became prominent in 1953 when Harald Sverdrup published the "Critical Depth Hypothesis" based on observations he had made in the North Atlantic on the Weather Ship M. 38c76fb428 Low air temperatures at high latitudes cause substantial sea-air heat flux, driving a density increase and convection... 38c76fb428 Sverdrup provides a simple formula based on several assumptions that relates the critical depth to plankton growth and loss rates and light levels. Under his hypothesis, net production in the mixed layer exceeds losses only if the mixed layer is shallower than the critical depth. His hypothesis has often been misconstrued to suggest that spring phytoplankton blooms are triggered when the mixed layer depth shoals to become shallower than the critical depth in the spring. In fact, this is not what Sverdrup intended. 38c76fb428 An Atlantic tropical cyclone can be categorized by intensity. Tropical storms have one-minute maximum sustained winds of at least 39 mph (34 knots, 17 m/s, 63 km/h), while hurricanes must achieve the target of one-minute maximum sustained winds that is 75 mph or more (64 knots, 33 m/s, 119 km/h). 38c76fb428 Calcite is the least soluble of these carbonates, so the CCD is normally the compensation depth for calcite. The aragonite compensation depth (ACD) is the compensation depth for aragonitic carbonates. Aragonite is more soluble than calcite, and the aragonite compensation depth is generally shallower than both the calcite compensation depth and the CCD. 38c76fb428 == Overview == 38c76fb428 The gyre traps anthropogenic (human-made) marine debris in its natural garbage or flotsam patch, in the same way the North Pacific Gyre has the Great Pacific Garbage Patch. 38c76fb428 In turn it is chiefly subdivided into the Gulf Stream flowing northward along the west; its often conflated continuation, the North Atlantic Current across the north; the Canary Current flowing southward along the east; and the

Atlantic's North Equatorial Current in the south. The gyre has a pronounced thermohaline circulation, bringing salty water west from the Mediterranean Sea and then north to form the North Atlantic Deep Water. 38c76fb428 == Definitions of boundaries == 38c76fb428

Mid-Atlantic Ridge The ridge extends from a junction with the Gakkel Ridge (Mid-Arctic Ridge) northeast of Greenland southward to the Bouvet triple junction in the South Atlantic. In the South Atlantic, it separates the African and South American plates. The Mid-Atlantic Ridge is a mid-ocean ridge (a divergent or constructive plate boundary) located along the floor of the Atlantic Ocean, and part of the The Mid-Atlantic Ridge is a mid-ocean ridge (a divergent or constructive plate boundary) located along the floor of the Atlantic Ocean, and part of the longest mountain range in the world. The ridge has an average spreading rate of about 2. Although the Mid-Atlantic Ridge is mostly an underwater feature, portions of it have enough elevation to extend above sea level, for example in Iceland. In the North Atlantic, the ridge separates the North American from the Eurasian plate and the African plate, north and south of the Azores triple junction. 5 centimetres (1 in) per year 38c76fb428

North Atlantic Deep Water Thermohaline circulation (properly described as meridional overturning circulation) of the world's oceans involves the flow of warm surface waters from the southern hemisphere into the North Atlantic. NADW is the outflow of this thick deep layer, which can be detected by its high salinity, high oxygen content, nutrient minima, high $14C/12C$, and chlorofluorocarbons (CFCs). North Atlantic Deep Water (NADW) is a deep water mass formed in the North Atlantic Ocean. When this water reaches the North Atlantic, it cools and sinks through convection, due to its decreased temperature and increased salinity resulting in increased density. Water flowing northward becomes modified through evaporation and mixing with other water masses, leading to increased salinity. Thermohaline circulation (properly described as meridional overturning North Atlantic Deep Water (NADW) is a deep water mass formed in the North Atlantic Ocean 38c76fb428

Through its separation of Afro-Eurasia from the Americas, the

Atlantic Ocean has played a central role in the development of human society, globalization, and the histories of many nations. While the Norse were the first known humans to cross the Atlantic, it was the expedition of Christopher Columbus in 1492 that proved to be the most consequential. Columbus's expedition ushered in an age of exploration and colonization of the Americas by European powers, most notably Portugal, Spain, France, and the United Kingdom. From the 16th to the 19th centuries, the Atlantic Ocean was the center of both an eponymous slave trade and the Columbian exchange while occasionally hosting naval battles. Such naval battles, as well as growing trade from regional American powers like the United States... 38c76fb428

Carbonate compensation depth Carbonate particles cannot accumulate in the sediments where the sea floor is below this depth. That is, solvation 'compensates' supply. That The carbonate compensation depth (CCD) is the depth, in the oceans, at which the rate of supply of calcium carbonates matches the rate of solvation. The carbonate compensation depth (CCD) is the depth, in the oceans, at which the rate of supply of calcium carbonates matches the rate of solvation. Below the CCD solvation is faster, so that carbonate particles dissolve and the carbonate shells (tests) of animals are not preserved 38c76fb428

== History == 38c76fb428

Atlantic hurricane An Atlantic hurricane is a type of tropical cyclone that forms in the Atlantic Ocean primarily between June and November. They are organized systems of clouds and thunderstorms that originate over tropical or subtropical waters and have closed low-level circulation. These storms are continuously An Atlantic hurricane is a type of tropical cyclone that forms in the Atlantic Ocean primarily between June and November. These storms are continuously rotating around a low pressure center, which causes stormy weather across a large area, which is not limited to just the eye of the storm 38c76fb428

Mid-ocean ridges around the globe are linked by plate tectonic boundaries and the trace of the ridges across the ocean floor appears similar to... 38c76fb428 The Arctic Ocean includes the North Pole region in the middle of the Northern Hemisphere and extends south to about 60°N. The Arctic Ocean is surrounded by

Eurasia and North America, and the borders follow topographic features: the Bering Strait on the Pacific side and the Greenland Scotland Ridge on the Atlantic side. It is mostly covered by sea ice throughout the year and almost completely in winter. The Arctic Ocean's surface temperature and salinity vary seasonally as the ice cover melts and freezes; its salinity is the lowest on average of the five major oceans, due to low evaporation, heavy fresh water inflow from rivers and streams, and limited connection...

38c76fb428 == Discovery == 38c76fb428 Most commonly the ocean is divided into basins following the continents distribution: the North and South Atlantic (together approximately 75 million km²/ 29 million mi²), North and South Pacific (together approximately 155 million km²/ 59 million mi²), Indian Ocean (68 million km²/ 26 million mi²) and Arctic Ocean (14 million km²/ 5.4 million mi²). Also recognized is the Southern Ocean (20 million km²/ 7 million mi²). All ocean basins collectively cover 67% of the Earth's surface, and together they contain almost 97% of all water on the planet. They have an average depth of almost 4 km (about 2.5 miles). 38c76fb428 The first discovered mid-ocean ridge was the Mid-Atlantic Ridge, which is a spreading center that bisects the North and South Atlantic basins; its location was the reason for the name "mid-ocean ridge". Most oceanic spreading centers are not in the middle of their hosting ocean basins, but are traditionally called mid-ocean ridges regardless. 38c76fb428 At the heart of the gyre is the Sargasso Sea, noted for its still waters and quite dense seaweed accumulations. 38c76fb428

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