

July 'absolutely' Earth's hottest month recorded

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NASA data reveal the Earth's temperature reached its highest point in 136 years of record-keeping during July.

"July 2016 was absolutely the hottest month since the instrumental records began," tweeted Gavin Schmidt, who directs NASA's Goddard Institute for Space Studies, which is responsible for temperature measurements.

It was the 10th-straight month of record-breaking temperatures in NASA's analysis, a substantial 0.18 degrees (0.1 Celsius) warmer than the previous hottest July in 2011.

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