

More myth about global warming

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Almost daily we read of Western experts telling Thailand to reduce carbon emissions to "fight global warming".

The UN tries to get countries to reduce carbon emissions to stop global warming. There are several problems here. According to data, CO₂ rise follows warming by 800 years. One volcanic eruption spews out more CO₂ than man has made since the Industrial Revolution began.

And, according to the data sets used last year, October 1 will mark the 18th year of "no significant warming trend in surface average temperature," according to Patrick Michaels, director of the Cato Institute's Centre for the Study of Science.

He says that, even if the current 18-year trend were to end, it would still take nearly 25 years for average global temperature figures to reflect the change.

So what happened to the views of the 97 per cent of scientists who we were told concur on man-made global warming?

Another little problem here: The original basis for the "97-per-cent scientists concur" claim was Margaret Zimmerman's paper. She sent some heavily loaded questions to 10,257 earth scientists. Of those, 3,146 thought it was important enough to reply, while the rest chucked it in the bin.

Zimmerman excluded all but 77 of the responses to the question "Do you think human activity is a significant contributing factor in changing mean global temperatures?" Of the remainder, 75 answered yes. Hence her "97 per cent" assertion, whereas it's actually 2.4 per cent.