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## Acidity (pH) of subantarctic waters east of New Zealand (1998–2014)

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Description	Ocean acidification, measured by the reduction in sea water pH, is mainly caused by oceans absorbing and storing carbon dioxide from the atmosphere. Ocean acidification affects marine species in various ways. The growth and survival rates of some shell-building species are affected because they struggle to build their shells. The behaviour and physiology of some fish is also affected. This could influence marine ecosystems and commercial, customary, and recreational fishing or harvesting. This dataset relates to the "Ocean acidification" measure on the Environmental Indicators, Te taiao Aotearoa website.
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