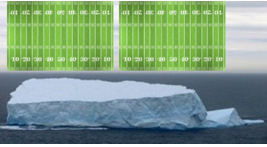


## Icebergs near New Zealand?

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I saw this last week, and I thought it was pretty wild. I added the football fields to the picture to help reference the size of these huge chunks of ice. Apparently, hundreds of icebergs have floated away from Antarctica, and made the 2,400+ mile journey to be within just a couple hundred miles of New Zealand. And some of them measure more than 650 feet across. Scientist Neal Young said that all of these icebergs came from a much larger piece that broke off of Antarctica; which was probably 11+ square miles in size. Yikes! That can't be a good.

But this isn't exactly an unheard of occurrence. In 2006, large numbers of icebergs floated near New Zealand. But those were the first sightings since 1931. I'm not going to go on a big global warming spcheel. Obviously we are doing things to the Earth that are not good. Our polluting is not only increases air & water temperatures, but is also hurting our air & water quality. We obviously need to take better care of our planet.

What really bugs the shit out of me though, is how "global warming" has become such a divisive topic. Again, like most things these days, there's no gray area. Either you think there's such thing as global warming & that we are hurting Earth. Or you don't, and vehemently deny it's existence. And of course it bleeds into all other social/political arenas. If you "believe" in global warming, then you are a pro-abortion, atheist, socialist, that hates America. Okay, maybe I'm exaggerating a bit. But I hope we can all agree that we could treat planet Earth better.

Also, I think we can all agree that we want Flight of the Conchords to write a song about these icebergs. Something about Australia throwing global snowballs at them. Sounds good to me.{loadposition mod\_53}