

## **Climate Change and the MoonGoddess**

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### **Abstract**

Climate change is happening at a rapid rate, despite the denials of Flat Earthers. This includes the 2016 US Republican presidential with some laughing it off as a hoax. 2015 was recorded as the warmest year ever since records were kept. This year, 2016, March was the hottest on record. These changes are introducing different venues. The territory of insect vectors that carry parasites is enlarging. A number of rare spiders, including one never seen before in Northern Ireland, have been found in an area of bog, wetland and natural woodland. Climate change causing high temperatures in France is accelerating wine grape maturation. A 2003 heat-wave led to the earliest wine grape harvest ever recorded in France. The grapes were picked a full month ahead of time, but unfortunately produced wines that were mediocre in taste. Great Barrier Reef bleaching is made 175 times likelier by human-caused climate change, say scientists. Such coral bleaching could be normal in 18 years, according to preliminary findings by leading climate and coral reef scientists. The effects of human-induced climate change that scientists have predicted in the past are now observable: powerful heat waves, lost sea ice and higher sea levels.

China and the United States, the world's top producers of greenhouse gas emissions, pledged to formally adopt the Paris deal to slow global warming, raising the prospects of enforcement much faster than anticipated. China and the United States together account for 38 per cent of global emissions. Experts say worldwide temperatures will continue to increase over the next few decades as a result of greenhouse-gas production — with potentially catastrophic consequences. Most leading scientific organizations have issued public statements saying climate-warming trends have been the result of human activity: the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change, the National Academy of Sciences, the American Association for the Advancement of Science and many others. Studies in numerous peer-reviewed scientific journals show that 97 percent of active climate scientists endorse this position.

However, to go back in time, an exploration of that ancient Chinese legend, the MoonGoddess and the Jade Rabbit will be examined in relation to climate change.