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Data since the 1940s shows that the heat content of the oceans has been increasing. Waters closest to the surface have warmed significantly over the past two decades.

Note: Shallower ocean warming describes depths between 0 and 700 meters. Deeper ocean warming is between 700 and 2,000 meters.

By The New York Times | Source: Lijing Cheng et al., Institute of Atmospheric Physics, Beijing

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What could disappear?

Back Bay, the South End and the airport are permanently submerged. What’s left of downtown is an island.
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Personal choices to reduce your contribution to climate change

* Cumulative emissions from descendents; decreases substantially if national emissions decrease.

Average values for developed countries, based on current emissions.

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- Hang dry clothes  
- Recycle  
- Wash clothes in cold water  
- Replace typical car with hybrid  
- Eat a plant based diet

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**High Impact**  
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Annual climate savings (tCO₂e)