

This directory contains the new NODC QuikSCAT wind project data and climatologies. The NODC QuikSCAT wind project improves upon existing QuikSCAT Level 3 products available from NASA JPL (<http://podaac.jpl.nasa.gov>) by objectively analyzing near shore pixels and adding explicit sea and ice masks. Documentation regarding methodologies, references, and acknowledgements can be found in the document [NODC_QuikSCAT_Documentation.pdf](#). Preliminary validation of the data set can be found in [AGU2004_poster_ADBarton.pdf](#).

In the Climatologies directory are annual, seasonal, monthly, and weekly wind speed, u wind, and v wind climatologies for ascending, descending, and composite pass data. In the Weekly_TimeSeries directory, the raw weekly, objectively analyzed wind data for 1999-2004 are found.

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