

Space Weather Highlights
22 January - 28 January 2018

SWPC PRF 2213
29 January 2018

Solar activity was at very low levels. The largest event of the period was a B9 flare from plage Region 2696 (S13, L=123). No Earth-directed CMEs were observed.

No proton events were observed at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit was at normal levels on 22-25 Jan and moderate levels from 26-28 Jan. A maximum flux of 348 pfu was observed at 27/2010 UTC.

Geomagnetic field activity was at predominately quiet to unsettled levels with an isolated active interval observed late on 24 Jan. Quiet to unsettled periods were observed on 22 Jan and 24-26 Jan due to a pair of weak negative polarity CH HSS. Quiet levels were observed on 23 Jan and 27- 28 Jan.

Space Weather Outlook
29 January - 24 February 2018

Solar activity is expected to be at very low levels throughout the outlook period.

No proton events are expected at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit is expected to be at normal to moderate levels throughout the outlook period.

Geomagnetic field activity is expected to be at quiet to unsettled levels on 29-31 Jan, 04-05 Feb, 09-11 Feb, 15-18 Feb and 20-22 Feb, with isolated active periods likely on 10 Feb. This activity is due to influence from recurrent CH HSSs. Mostly quiet conditions are expected for the remainder of the outlook period.



Daily Solar Data

| Date | Radio | Sun | Sunspot | X-ray | | | Flares | | | | | | | |
|------------|--------|------|--------------------------|------------|---|---|--------|---|---|---------|---|---|---|---|
| | Flux | spot | Area | Background | | | X-ray | | | Optical | | | | |
| | 10.7cm | No. | (10 ⁻⁶ hemi.) | Flux | | | C | M | X | S | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| 22 January | 70 | 0 | 0 | A2.7 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 23 January | 71 | 0 | 0 | A2.7 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 24 January | 70 | 0 | 0 | A2.5 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 25 January | 70 | 0 | 0 | A2.3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 26 January | 70 | 0 | 0 | A2.4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 27 January | 69 | 0 | 0 | A2.3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 28 January | 69 | 0 | 0 | A2.1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

Daily Particle Data

| Date | Proton Fluence (protons/cm ² -day -sr) | | | Electron Fluence (electrons/cm ² -day -sr) | | |
|------------|--|---------|----------|--|-------|--------|
| | >1 MeV | >10 MeV | >100 MeV | >0.6 MeV | >2MeV | >4 MeV |
| | | | | | | |
| 22 January | 6.6e+05 | 1.8e+04 | 3.7e+03 | 8.8e+06 | | |
| 23 January | 4.5e+05 | 1.6e+04 | 3.6e+03 | 4.2e+07 | | |
| 24 January | 8.9e+05 | 1.6e+04 | 3.6e+03 | 3.8e+07 | | |
| 25 January | 6.3e+05 | 1.6e+04 | 3.5e+03 | 2.0e+06 | | |
| 26 January | 3.8e+05 | 1.6e+04 | 3.4e+03 | 5.3e+06 | | |
| 27 January | 3.4e+05 | 1.6e+04 | 3.4e+03 | 7.1e+06 | | |
| 28 January | 3.6e+05 | 1.6e+04 | 3.5e+03 | 7.7e+06 | | |

Daily Geomagnetic Data

| Date | Middle Latitude Fredericksburg | | High Latitude College | | Estimated Planetary | |
|------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------|--------------------------|-----------------|------------------------|-----------------|
| | A | K-indices | A | K-indices | A | K-indices |
| | | | | | | |
| 22 January | 8 | 2-2-2-2-2-2-3-2 | 9 | 1-2-3-3-3-1-2-2 | 12 | 3-3-2-2-1-2-3-3 |
| 23 January | 3 | 2-1-0-1-1-1-1-0 | 4 | 1-1-1-2-3-0-0-0 | 4 | 2-2-1-1-1-1-0-0 |
| 24 January | 6 | 0-1-1-1-2-3-1-3 | 13 | 0-0-0-1-5-5-1-1 | 9 | 0-1-0-1-3-3-1-4 |
| 25 January | 9 | 3-3-2-2-1-2-2-2 | 11 | 2-1-2-3-2-4-3-1 | 10 | 3-3-2-2-1-3-2-2 |
| 26 January | 7 | 3-2-3-1-1-2-1-1 | 5 | 2-2-3-2-0-0-0-1 | 8 | 3-2-3-1-0-1-2-2 |
| 27 January | 5 | 2-2-1-2-1-1-1-1 | 7 | 2-1-1-3-3-1-1-1 | 6 | 3-2-1-2-1-1-2-1 |
| 28 January | 2 | 1-1-0-0-1-1-1-1 | 5 | 1-0-0-3-3-2-1-0 | 5 | 1-1-0-1-2-1-1-2 |

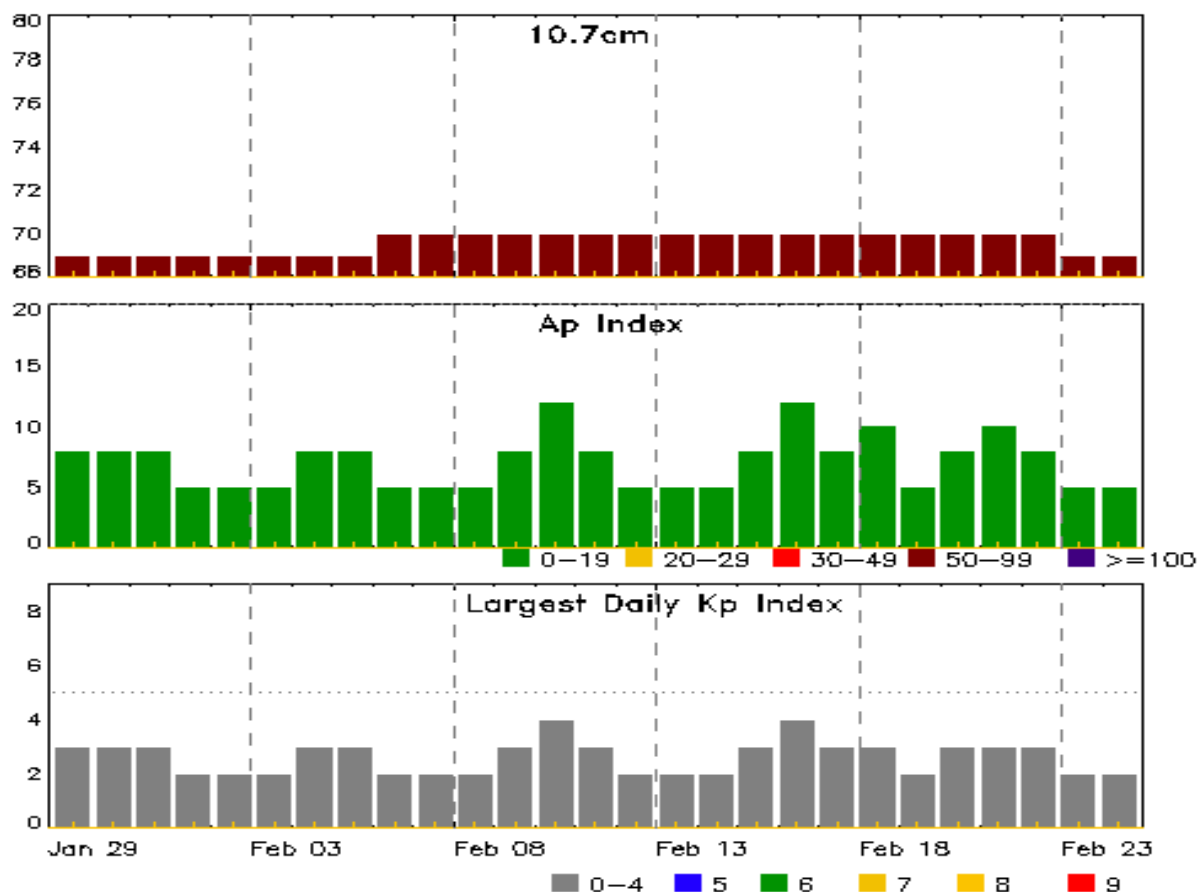


Alerts and Warnings Issued

| Date & Time of Issue UTC | Type of Alert or Warning | Date & Time of Event UTC |
|---|---|---|
| 22 Jan 2002 | WARNING: Geomagnetic K = 4 | 22/2005 - 23/0300 |
| 23 Jan 1847 | ALERT: Electron 2MeV Integral Flux \geq 1000pfu | 23/1830 |
| 24 Jan 2204 | WARNING: Geomagnetic K = 4 | 24/2205 - 25/0600 |
| 25 Jan 0215 | ALERT: Geomagnetic K = 4 | 24/2359 |
| 26 Jan 0151 | WARNING: Geomagnetic K = 4 | 26/0150 - 0900 |



Twenty-seven Day Outlook



| Date | Radio Flux 10.7cm | Planetary A Index | Largest Kp Index | Date | Radio Flux 10.7cm | Planetary A Index | Largest Kp Index |
|--------|----------------------|----------------------|---------------------|--------|----------------------|----------------------|---------------------|
| 29 Jan | 69 | 8 | 3 | 12 Feb | 70 | 5 | 2 |
| 30 | 69 | 8 | 3 | 13 | 70 | 5 | 2 |
| 31 | 69 | 8 | 3 | 14 | 70 | 5 | 2 |
| 01 Feb | 69 | 5 | 2 | 15 | 70 | 8 | 3 |
| 02 | 69 | 5 | 2 | 16 | 70 | 12 | 4 |
| 03 | 69 | 5 | 2 | 17 | 70 | 8 | 3 |
| 04 | 69 | 8 | 3 | 18 | 70 | 10 | 3 |
| 05 | 69 | 8 | 3 | 19 | 70 | 5 | 2 |
| 06 | 70 | 5 | 2 | 20 | 70 | 8 | 3 |
| 07 | 70 | 5 | 2 | 21 | 70 | 10 | 3 |
| 08 | 70 | 5 | 2 | 22 | 70 | 8 | 3 |
| 09 | 70 | 8 | 3 | 23 | 69 | 5 | 2 |
| 10 | 70 | 12 | 4 | 24 | 69 | 5 | 2 |
| 11 | 70 | 8 | 3 | | | | |

Energetic Events

| Date | Time | | | X-ray | | Optical Information | | | Peak | | Sweep Freq | |
|------|-------|-----|------|-------|------|---------------------|----------|-----|------------|------|------------|----|
| | Begin | Max | Half | Class | Flux | Imp/ | Location | Rgn | Radio Flux | | Intensity | |
| | | | Max | | | Brtns | | | 245 | 2695 | II | IV |

No Events Observed

Flare List

| Date | Time | | | X-ray | Imp/ | Location | Rgn |
|--------|-------|------|------|-------|------|----------|------|
| | Begin | Max | End | | | | |
| 22 Jan | 0237 | 0257 | 0320 | B9.5 | SF | S13W58 | 2696 |



Region Summary

| Location | | Sunspot Characteristics | | | | | | Flares | | | | | | | |
|-------------|---------|-------------------------|------------------------|---------|-------|-------|-------|--------|---|---|---------|---|---|---|---|
| Date | Lat CMD | Helio | Area | Extent | Spot | Spot | Mag | X-ray | | | Optical | | | | |
| | | Lon | 10 ⁻⁶ hemi. | (helio) | Class | Count | Class | C | M | X | S | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Region 2696 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 15 Jan | S11E25 | 123 | 20 | 2 | Bxo | 2 | B | | | | | | | | |
| 16 Jan | S13E12 | 123 | 30 | 2 | Cro | 3 | B | | | | | | | | |
| 17 Jan | S13W02 | 124 | 20 | 2 | Bxo | 2 | B | | | | | | | | |
| 18 Jan | S12W15 | 124 | 10 | 2 | Bxo | 2 | B | | | | 2 | | | | |
| 19 Jan | S12W29 | 124 | 10 | 1 | Axx | 1 | A | | | | | | | | |
| 20 Jan | S12W42 | 125 | plage | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 21 Jan | S12W55 | 125 | plage | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 22 Jan | S12W69 | 125 | plage | | | | | | | | 1 | | | | |
| 23 Jan | S12W83 | 126 | plage | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 24 Jan | S12W97 | 127 | plage | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

Crossed West Limb.

Absolute heliographic longitude: 124

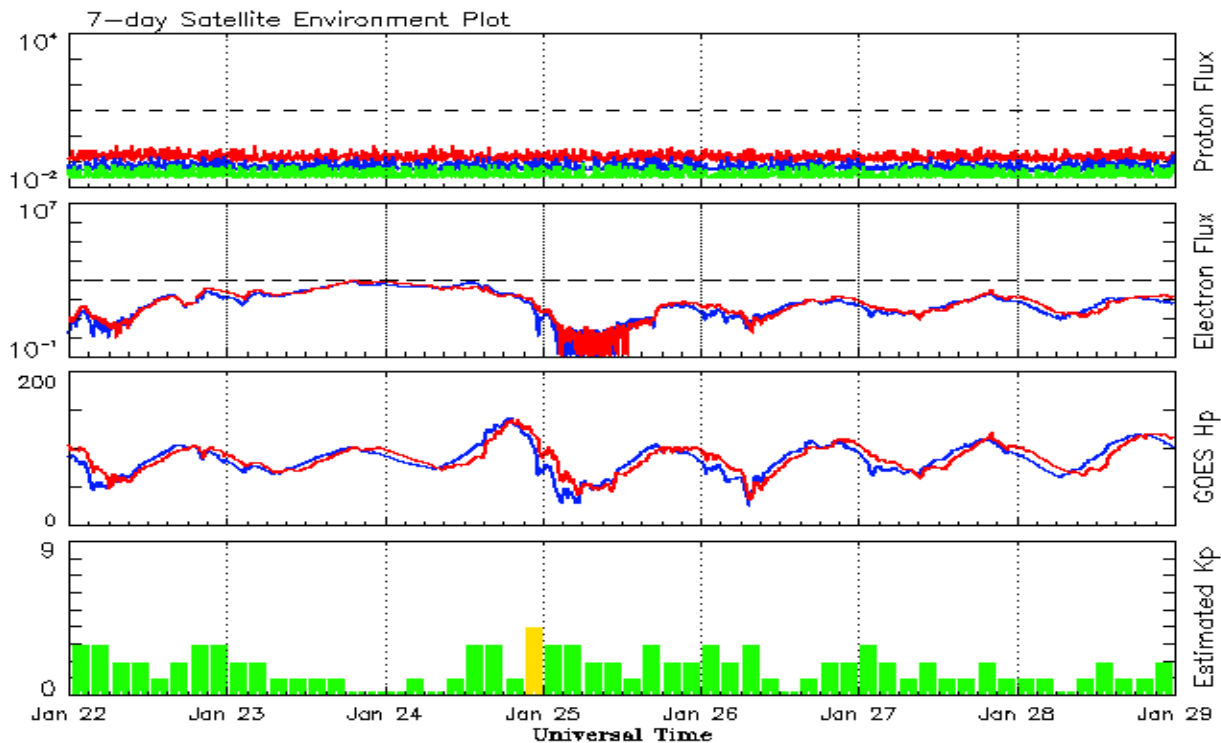


Recent Solar Indices (preliminary)
Observed monthly mean values

| Month | Sunspot Numbers | | | | | Radio Flux | | Geomagnetic | |
|-------------|-----------------|------|--------|---------------|------|------------|--------|-------------|--------|
| | Observed values | | Ratio | Smooth values | | Penticton | Smooth | Planetary | Smooth |
| | SEC | RI | RI/SEC | SEC | RI | 10.7 cm | Value | Ap | Value |
| 2016 | | | | | | | | | |
| January | 50.4 | 34.2 | 0.67 | 51.4 | 32.6 | 103.5 | 99.9 | 10 | 12.3 |
| February | 56.0 | 33.8 | 0.61 | 49.6 | 31.5 | 103.5 | 98.1 | 10 | 12.0 |
| March | 40.9 | 32.5 | 0.80 | 47.7 | 30.2 | 91.6 | 96.6 | 11 | 11.8 |
| April | 39.2 | 22.7 | 0.58 | 45.0 | 28.7 | 93.4 | 95.3 | 10 | 11.8 |
| May | 48.9 | 30.9 | 0.64 | 42.1 | 26.9 | 93.1 | 93.2 | 12 | 11.7 |
| June | 19.3 | 12.3 | 0.65 | 39.0 | 24.9 | 81.9 | 90.4 | 9 | 11.4 |
| July | 36.8 | 19.4 | 0.53 | 36.5 | 23.1 | 85.9 | 87.7 | 10 | 11.2 |
| August | 50.4 | 30.1 | 0.60 | 34.2 | 21.6 | 85.0 | 85.5 | 10 | 11.2 |
| September | 37.4 | 26.8 | 0.72 | 32.1 | 19.9 | 87.8 | 83.7 | 16 | 11.3 |
| October | 30.0 | 20.0 | 0.67 | 31.1 | 18.9 | 86.1 | 82.5 | 16 | 11.6 |
| November | 22.4 | 12.8 | 0.57 | 29.4 | 17.9 | 78.7 | 81.1 | 10 | 11.6 |
| December | 17.6 | 11.1 | 0.64 | 28.1 | 17.1 | 75.1 | 80.0 | 10 | 11.4 |
| 2017 | | | | | | | | | |
| January | 28.1 | 15.7 | 0.55 | 27.3 | 16.7 | 77.4 | 79.4 | 10 | 11.3 |
| February | 22.0 | 15.8 | 0.71 | 25.5 | 15.9 | 76.9 | 78.7 | 10 | 11.3 |
| March | 25.4 | 10.6 | 0.42 | 24.6 | 15.4 | 74.6 | 78.6 | 15 | 11.5 |
| April | 30.4 | 19.4 | 0.64 | 24.3 | 14.9 | 80.9 | 78.4 | 13 | 11.5 |
| May | 18.1 | 11.3 | 0.62 | 23.1 | 14.0 | 73.5 | 77.7 | 9 | 11.3 |
| June | 18.0 | 11.5 | 0.64 | 22.0 | 13.3 | 74.8 | 77.3 | 7 | 11.3 |
| July | 18.8 | 10.7 | 0.59 | | | 77.7 | | 9 | |
| August | 25.0 | 19.6 | 0.80 | | | 77.9 | | 12 | |
| September | 42.2 | 26.2 | 0.62 | | | 92.0 | | 19 | |
| October | 16.0 | 7.9 | 0.49 | | | 76.4 | | 11 | |
| November | 7.7 | 3.4 | 0.44 | | | 72.1 | | 11 | |
| December | 7.6 | 4.9 | 0.64 | | | 71.5 | | 8 | |

Note: Values are final except for the most recent 6 months which are considered preliminary.
Cycle 24 started in Dec 2008 with an RI=1.7.





*Weekly Geosynchronous Satellite Environment Summary
Week Beginning 22 January 2018*

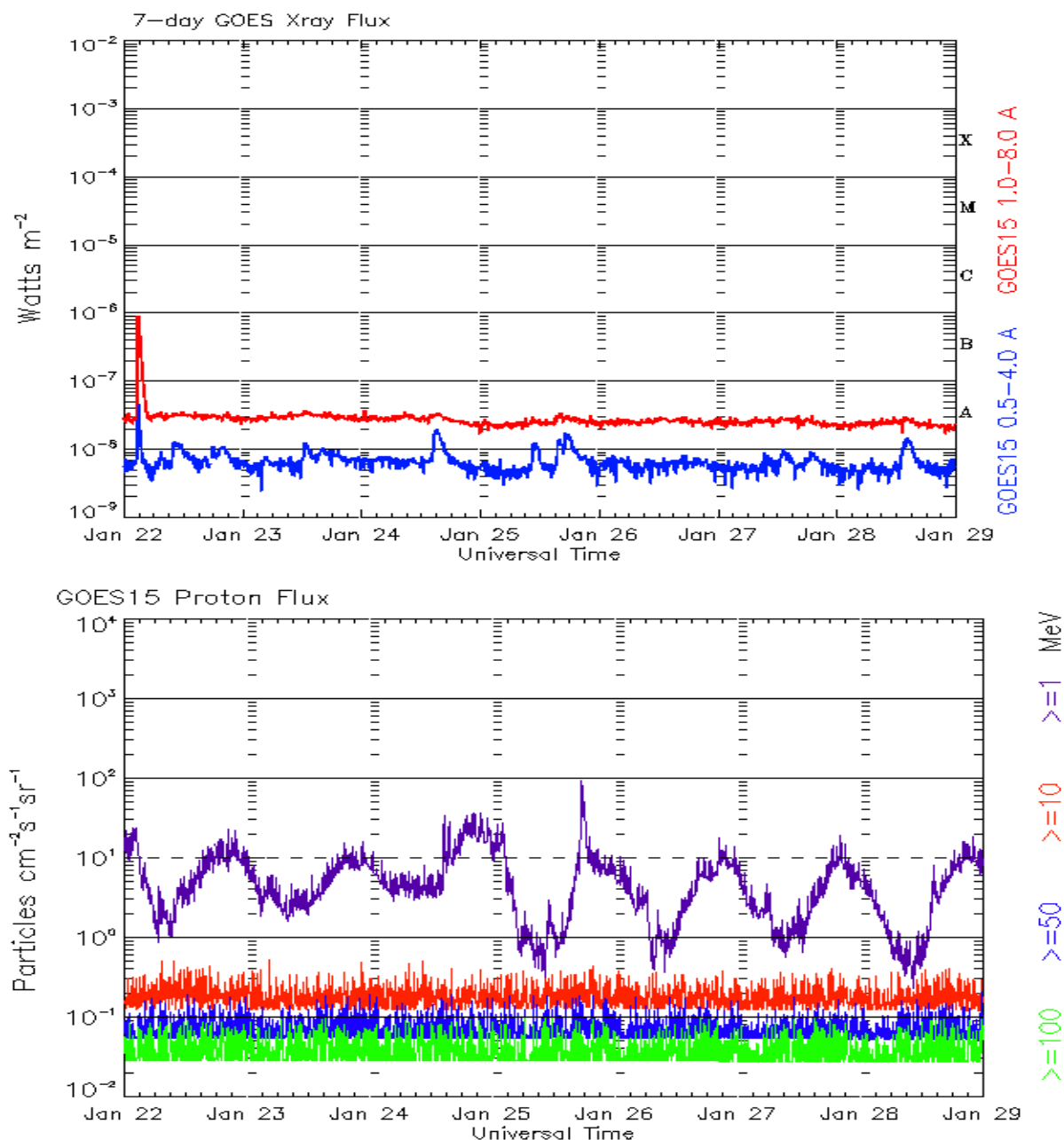
The proton flux plot contains the five-minute averaged integral proton flux (protons/cm²-sec -sr) as measured by the SWPC Primary GOES satellite, near West 75, for each of three energy thresholds: greater than 10, 50, and 100 MeV.

The electron flux plot contains the five-minute averaged integral electron flux (electrons/cm²-sec -sr) with energies greater than 2 MeV by the SWPC Primary GOES satellite.

The Hp plot contains the five minute averaged Hp magnetic field component in nanoteslas (nT) as by the SWPC Primary GOES satellite. The Hp component is parallel to the spin axis of the satellite, which is nearly parallel to the Earth's rotation axis.

The Estimated 3-hour Planetary Kp-index is derived at the NOAA Space Weather Prediction Center using data from the following ground-based magnetometers: Boulder, Colorado; Chambon la Foret, France; Fredericksburg, Virginia; Fresno, California; Hartland, UK; Newport, Washington; Sitka, Alaska. These data are made available thanks to the cooperative efforts between SWPC and data providers around the world, which currently includes the U.S. Geological Survey, the British Geological Survey, and the Institut de Physique du Globe de Paris.

The data included here are those now available in real time at the SWPC and are incomplete in that they do not include the full set of parameters and energy ranges known to cause satellite operating anomalies. The proton and electron fluxes and Kp are 'global' parameters that are applicable to a first order approximation over large areas. H parallel is subject to more localized phenomena and the measurements generally are applicable to within a few degrees of longitude of the measuring satellite.



*Weekly GOES Satellite X-ray and Proton Plots
Week Beginning 22 January 2018*

The x-ray plots contains five-minute averages x-ray flux (Watt/m^2) as measure by the SWPC primary GOES X-ray satellite, usually at West 105 longitude, in two wavelength bands, 0.05 - 0.4 and 0.1 - 0.8 nm. The letters A, B, C, M and X refer to x-ray event levels for the 0.1 - 0.8 nm band.

The proton plot contains the five-minute averaged integral flux units (pfu = protons/ cm^2 -sec -sr) as measured by the primary SWPC GOES Proton satellite for each of the energy thresholds: >1 , >10 , >30 , and >100 MeV. The P10 event threshold is 10 pfu at greater than 10 MeV.



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