

Space Weather Highlights
13 December - 19 December 2021

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20 December 2021

Solar activity ranged from very low to moderate levels throughout the week. Very low activity levels (B-class flares) were observed on 13 Dec, with low levels (C-class flares) observed on 14-16, 18-19 Dec. Moderate solar activity was observed on 17 Dec due to an M1/1f flare at 17/0051 UTC from Region 2911 (N19, L=273, class/area=Cao/80 on 17 Dec), which was the largest event of the period. In addition to the single M-class flare, Region 2911 along with Regions 2907 (S19, L=315, class/area=Dki/310 on 18 Dec) and 2909 (S21, L=285, class/area=Dso/210 on 17 Dec) were prolific C-class flare producers throughout the week. A number of CMEs were observed off the SE quadrant throughout the week, but no obvious transient solar wind signatures were observed.

No proton events were observed at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit reached high levels on 13 Dec, with normal to moderate levels observed over 14-19 Dec.

Geomagnetic field activity reached G1 (Minor) geomagnetic storm levels on 19 Dec due to what was thought to be CIR effects preceding negative polarity CH HSS influence. Quiet to unsettled conditions were observed on 13 and 15-16 Dec and quiet conditions were observed throughout the remainder of the week.

Space Weather Outlook
20 December - 15 January 2022

Solar activity is expected to very low to low throughout the outlook period, with a slight chance for isolated R1-R2 (Minor-Moderate) radio blackout conditions.

No proton events are expected at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit is expected to reach high levels on 22-24 Dec and 29 Dec-01 Jan. Normal to moderate flux levels are expected to prevail throughout the remainder of the outlook period.

Geomagnetic field activity is expected to reach G1 (Minor) geomagnetic storm levels early on 20 Dec due to what is thought to be the effects of a CIR preceding negative polarity CH HSS influence. Active conditions are expected on 21-22, and 28 Dec due to the anticipated influences of multiple recurrent CH HSSs. Quiet or quiet to unsettled conditions are expected to prevail throughout the remainder of the forecast period.



Daily Solar Data

Date	Radio Flux 10.7cm	Sun spot No.	Sunspot Area (10 ⁻⁶ hemi.)	X-ray Background Flux	Flares								
					X-ray			Optical					
					C	M	X	S	1	2	3	4	
13 December	81	40	40	A4.8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
14 December	89	40	110	B2.1	4	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	0
15 December	103	79	830	B5.0	8	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	0
16 December	118	127	650	B4.9	8	0	0	4	0	1	0	0	0
17 December	121	119	920	B5.3	9	1	0	8	1	0	0	0	0
18 December	121	117	900	B4.7	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
19 December	115	109	740	B4.0	4	0	0	2	1	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	>2MeV	
	13 December	1.5e+06	4.5e+04	2.9e+06
14 December	5.9e+05	4.4e+04	1.5e+06	
15 December	1.9e+06	4.4e+04	2.0e+06	
16 December	3.4e+05	4.4e+04	2.0e+06	
17 December	7.8e+04	4.5e+04	1.8e+06	
18 December	1.9e+05	4.5e+04	2.8e+06	
19 December	3.0e+06	4.5e+04	5.1e+06	

Daily Geomagnetic Data

Date	Middle Latitude Fredericksburg		High Latitude College		Estimated Planetary	
	A	K-indices	A	K-indices	A	K-indices
	13 December	6	1-2-3-2-1-1-1-1	4	0-1-3-2-1-0-0-0	6
14 December	4	1-1-2-1-2-1-1-1	5	0-0-3-2-3-0-0-0	5	1-1-2-1-1-1-1-1
15 December	8	1-2-2-3-2-2-2-2	14	0-1-4-4-4-3-2-1	9	1-2-2-3-2-3-2-2
16 December	5	1-2-2-2-1-1-1-1	9	1-2-3-4-2-1-1-1	8	2-3-3-2-1-1-2-2
17 December	2	1-1-0-0-1-1-1-0	1	0-0-1-1-0-0-0-0	3	2-1-1-0-1-1-0-0
18 December	2	0-1-0-0-1-1-1-1	3	0-0-1-3-1-1-0-1	4	1-1-0-1-1-1-2-1
19 December	8	0-0-0-0-2-3-3-4	10	0-0-0-1-2-3-4-4	2	0-0-0-0-2-4-4-5

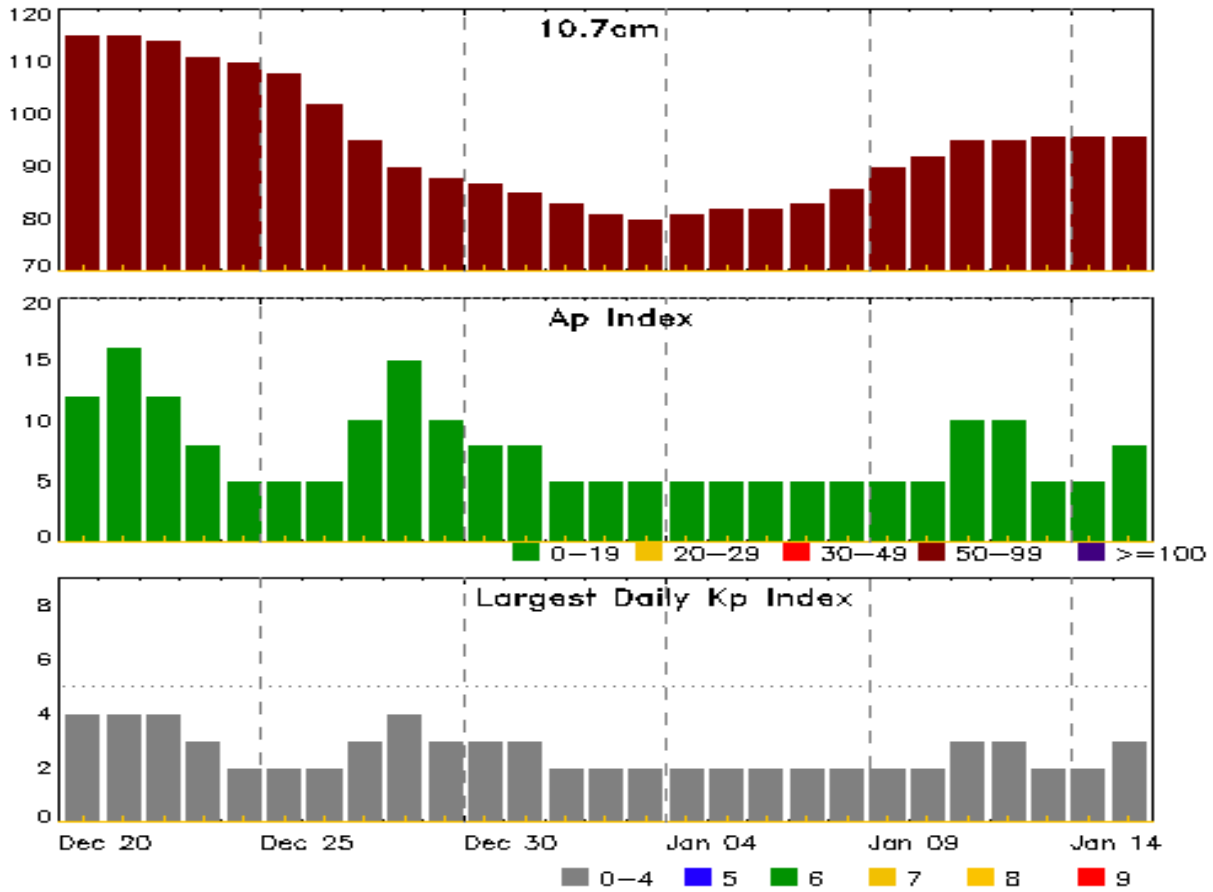


Alerts and Warnings Issued

Date & Time of Issue UTC	Type of Alert or Warning	Date & Time of Event UTC
16 Dec 0442	ALERT: Type II Radio Emission	16/0352
16 Dec 0443	ALERT: Type IV Radio Emission	16/0355
19 Dec 1749	WARNING: Geomagnetic K = 4	19/1748 - 20/0600
19 Dec 1801	ALERT: Geomagnetic K = 4	19/1759
19 Dec 2223	WARNING: Geomagnetic K = 5	19/2222 - 20/0600
19 Dec 2230	ALERT: Geomagnetic K = 5	19/2229



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
20 Dec	115	12	4	03 Jan	80	5	2
21	115	16	4	04	81	5	2
22	114	12	4	05	82	5	2
23	111	8	3	06	82	5	2
24	110	5	2	07	83	5	2
25	108	5	2	08	86	5	2
26	102	5	2	09	90	5	2
27	95	10	3	10	92	5	2
28	90	15	4	11	95	10	3
29	88	10	3	12	95	10	3
30	87	8	3	13	96	5	2
31	85	8	3	14	96	5	2
01 Jan	83	5	2	15	96	8	3
02	81	5	2				



Energetic Events

Date	Time			X-ray	Optical Information			Peak		Sweep Freq		
	Begin	Max	Half Max	Class	Integ Flux	Imp/ Brtns	Location Lat CMD	Rgn #	Radio Flux 245	Radio Flux 2695	Intensity II	Intensity IV
17 Dec	0039	0051	0056	M1.2	0.005	1F	N20E70		2911			

Flare List

Date	Time			X-ray Class	Imp/ Brtns	Location Lat CMD	Rgn #
	Begin	Max	End				
13 Dec	0617	0625	0632	B1.4			
13 Dec	1624	1637	1644	B2.8			2907
13 Dec	1731	1738	1745	B1.8			2907
13 Dec	1912	1923	1930	B3.0			2907
13 Dec	2058	2110	2111	B3.6			2907
13 Dec	2333	2342	2350	B2.0			
14 Dec	0151	0203	0217	B2.3			
14 Dec	0540	0548	0552	B2.5			2906
14 Dec	0635	0642	0651	B4.8	SF	S36E37	2906
14 Dec	0748	0755	0759	B3.5	SF	S36E37	2906
14 Dec	0816	0826	0836	C1.4			2907
14 Dec	0923	0924	0926		SF	S29E31	2906
14 Dec	1008	1018	1022	B4.1			2906
14 Dec	1037	1043	1047	B3.9			2906
14 Dec	1100	1109	1115	B2.3			2906
14 Dec	1129	1138	1146	B4.1	SF	S30E30	2906
14 Dec	1216	1218	1223	B3.4			2906
14 Dec	1253	1300	1309	B3.1			2906
14 Dec	1349	1406	1420	B6.3			2907
14 Dec	1452	1500	1511	B4.6			2907
14 Dec	1523	1530	1539	B7.8			2906
14 Dec	1539	1545	1551	B7.5			2907
14 Dec	1551	1603	1620	C1.1			2907
14 Dec	1635	1649	1656	C1.3			2907
14 Dec	1819	1830	1839	B5.8			2906
14 Dec	2023	2033	2043	C3.0			2907
14 Dec	2155	2206	2212	C1.6			2906
14 Dec	2312	2325	2344	C6.0	SF	S21E45	2907
15 Dec	0121	0122	0123		SF	S22E73	2907
15 Dec	0136	0146	0155	C2.1			2907



Flare List

Date	Time			X-ray Class	Optical		Rgn #
	Begin	Max	End		Imp/ Brtns	Location Lat CMD	
15 Dec	0257	0304	0309	C2.8			2907
15 Dec	0338	0346	0351	C1.9			2907
15 Dec	0407	0421	0432	C4.5	SF	S21E45	2907
15 Dec	0448	0454	0458	C2.8			2907
15 Dec	0548	0558	0608	C1.6			2907
15 Dec	0838	0852	0905	C1.5			2907
15 Dec	1004	1010	1013	C8.1	SF	S21E44	2907
15 Dec	1050	1051	1111		SF	S21E46	2907
15 Dec	1208	1217	1226	C2.6	SF	S20E45	2907
15 Dec	1409	1413	1421	C1.5			2907
15 Dec	1427	1434	1438	C4.4			2907
15 Dec	1716	1723	1732	B7.4			2907
16 Dec	0313	0319	0324	B7.6			2909
16 Dec	0326	0334	0341	C1.4			2909
16 Dec	0344	0354	0404	C1.3			2909
16 Dec	0506	0521	0536	C1.5			2907
16 Dec	0745	0748	0752	B9.3			
16 Dec	0919	0928	0937	B9.1			
16 Dec	1247	1247	1250		SF	N19E76	
16 Dec	1330	U1334	A1358	C2.0	2F	N14E63	2911
16 Dec	1519	1527	1531	C3.3			2909
16 Dec	1636	1643	1647	B7.8			2911
16 Dec	1958	1959	A2010	C2.3	SF	N19E76	2911
16 Dec	2029	2044	2106	C2.9			2911
16 Dec	2335	2339	2343	C3.0	SF	S23E61	2909
16 Dec	2346	2347	2353		SF	N20E71	2911
17 Dec	0021	0021	0022		SF	S21E44	2908
17 Dec	0039	0051	0056	M1.2	1F	N20E70	2911
17 Dec	0203	0214	0220		SF	N20E70	2911
17 Dec	0325	0331	0341	C1.5	SF	N19E69	2911
17 Dec	0401	0408	0412	C1.2			2911
17 Dec	0450	0458	0503	C1.3	SF	N19E67	2911
17 Dec	0506	0510	0515	C1.4			2911
17 Dec	0618	0625	0630	C1.3	SF	N19E66	2911
17 Dec	0706	0707	0712		SF	N19E66	2911
17 Dec	0842	0842	0904		SF	S24E39	2908
17 Dec	1255	1312	1325	C2.3	SF	S22E50	2909
17 Dec	1408	1412	1418	B9.8			2907



Flare List

Date	Time			X-ray Class	Optical		Rgn #
	Begin	Max	End		Imp/ Brtns	Location Lat CMD	
17 Dec	1422	1430	1439	C1.0			2907
17 Dec	1739	1753	1808	C1.5			2911
17 Dec	2031	2035	2045	B8.1			2908
17 Dec	2222	2230	2236	C1.3			
18 Dec	0102	0110	0115	B9.2			
18 Dec	0140	0154	0212	C1.1			2909
18 Dec	1117	1124	1130	B9.0			2807
18 Dec	1727	1801	1836	C6.3			2807
19 Dec	1034	1042	1047	B6.3			2907
19 Dec	1151	1159	1203	C1.5	SF	S25W02	2907
19 Dec	1426	1429	1433	B9.1			2907
19 Dec	1615	1623	1627	C1.8	SF	S23W03	2907
19 Dec	1904	1916	1928	C1.8			2907
19 Dec	2059	2112	2127	C3.7			2907
19 Dec	2108	2112	2118		1F	S20W09	2907



Region Summary

Date	Location		Sunspot Characteristics				Flares								
	Lat	CMD	Helio Lon	Area 10 ⁶ hemi.	Extent (helio)	Spot Class	Spot Count	Mag Class	X-ray			Optical			
									C	M	X	S	1	2	3

Region 2904

04 Dec	S26E54	84	10	1	Axx	1	A										
05 Dec	S27E45	80	30	4	Bxo	3	B										
06 Dec	S27E29	81	10	4	Bxo	4	B					1					
07 Dec	S26E16	81	10	2	Bxo	3	B										
08 Dec	S26E03	83	plage														
09 Dec	S26W11	83	plage														
10 Dec	S26W25	84	plage														
11 Dec	S26W39	85	plage														
12 Dec	S26W53	86	plage														
13 Dec	S26W65	85	plage														
14 Dec	S26W79	86	plage														
									0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0

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Absolute heliographic longitude: 83

Region 2905

12 Dec	S11E44	349	30	2	Cro	2	B										
13 Dec	S11E31	349	20	4	Cro	3	B										
14 Dec	S11E16	351	10	1	Hrx	1	A										
15 Dec	S11E03	350	0	1	Axx	1	A										
16 Dec	S12W11	351	10	1	Axx	1	A										
17 Dec	S12W25	352	plage														
18 Dec	S12W39	353	plage														
19 Dec	S12W53	353	plage														
									0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

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Absolute heliographic longitude: 350

Region 2906

13 Dec	S29E38	343	10	2	Bxo	4	B										
14 Dec	S29E24	343	50	7	Cso	4	B	1				4					
15 Dec	S29E09	344	120	4	Dao	4	B										
16 Dec	S29W04	344	60	7	Cso	9	B										
17 Dec	S29W16	343	50	9	Cso	7	B										
18 Dec	S29W30	344	20	7	Cro	4	B										
19 Dec	S29W45	345	20	1	Hrx	1	A										
									1	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	0

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Absolute heliographic longitude: 344



Region Summary - continued

Date	Location		Sunspot Characteristics					Flares									
	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 2907																	
13 Dec	S21E60	320	10	4	Bxo	3	B										
14 Dec	S21E49	318	50	7	Dsc	5	BG	3				1					
15 Dec	S21E39	314	260	8	Dki	12	BG	8				5					
16 Dec	S20E26	314	180	10	Dai	23	BG	1									
17 Dec	S19E12	315	280	10	Dhi	19	BG	1									
18 Dec	S19W01	315	310	10	Dki	24	BG										
19 Dec	S21W14	314	250	10	Dki	15	BG	4				2	1				
								17	0	0		8	1	0	0	0	0

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Absolute heliographic longitude: 315

Region 2908

15 Dec	S21E58	295	300	6	Dko	6	B										
16 Dec	S20E43	297	210	8	Dao	10	B										
17 Dec	S20E30	297	270	9	Dki	18	BG					2					
18 Dec	S19E15	298	270	10	Dki	15	BG										
19 Dec	S21E02	298	240	12	Eai	13	B										
								0	0	0		2	0	0	0	0	0

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Absolute heliographic longitude: 298

Region 2909

15 Dec	S21E70	283	150	9	Dao	6	B										
16 Dec	S21E58	282	150	7	Dao	5	B	4				1					
17 Dec	S21E42	285	210	7	Dso	6	B	1				1					
18 Dec	S21E29	285	210	7	Dao	6	B	1									
19 Dec	S21E16	284	120	6	Cao	4	B										
								6	0	0		2	0	0	0	0	0

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Absolute heliographic longitude: 284

Region 2910

16 Dec	N13W16	356	20	5	Cro	6	B										
17 Dec	N14W28	355	30	4	Cro	5	B										
18 Dec	N12W44	356	10	3	Bxo	2	B										
19 Dec	N13W53	353	20	2	Hsx	2	A										
								0	0	0		0	0	0	0	0	0

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Absolute heliographic longitude: 356



Region Summary - continued

Date	Location		Sunspot Characteristics				Flares								
	Lat CMD	Lon	Heli 10 ⁻⁶ hemi.	Area	Extent (helio)	Spot Class	Spot Count	Mag Class	X-ray			Optical			
									C	M	X	S	1	2	3

Region 2911

16 Dec	N19E70	270	20	5	Cro	3	B	3				2					
17 Dec	N19E54	273	80	5	Cao	4	B	6	1			5	1				
18 Dec	N20E39	275	80	4	Cao	6	B										
19 Dec	N20E25	275	50	3	Hax	3	A										
								9	1	0	7	1	0	0	0		

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Region 2912

19 Dec	S12E64	236	40	1	Hsx	1	A										
								0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

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