# Imagine...

Knowing and forecasting air quality like we know and forecast the weather



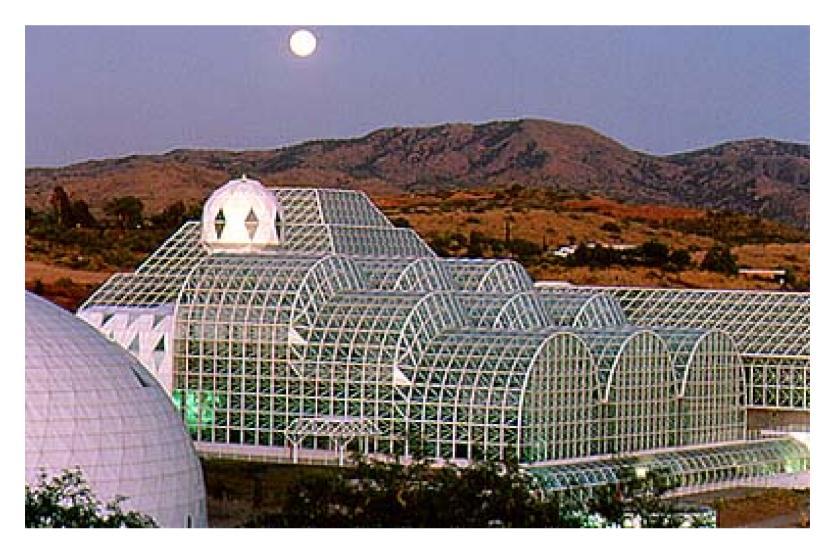
Earth as seen from lunar orbit, Apollo 8, December 24, 1968. NASA.



Earth as seen by Apollo 17, December 7, 1972. NASA.

## Visions of "Spaceship Earth"

- Adlai Stevenson, Farewell Address to the UN, 1965
- Ken Boulding, essay, 1965
- Buckminster Fuller, "Operating Manual for Spaceship Earth", 1969
- Paul Ehrlich popping rivets from a plane, 1981



Biosphere 2, 30 miles north of Tucson, Arizona, initial mission 1991.

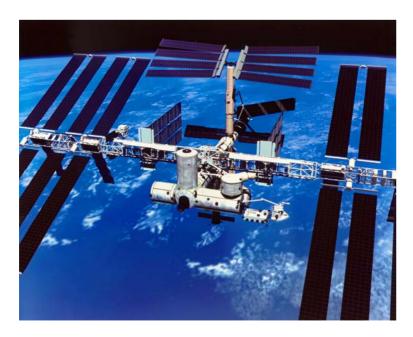


The International Space Station, NASA

#### Monitoring – how many sensors?



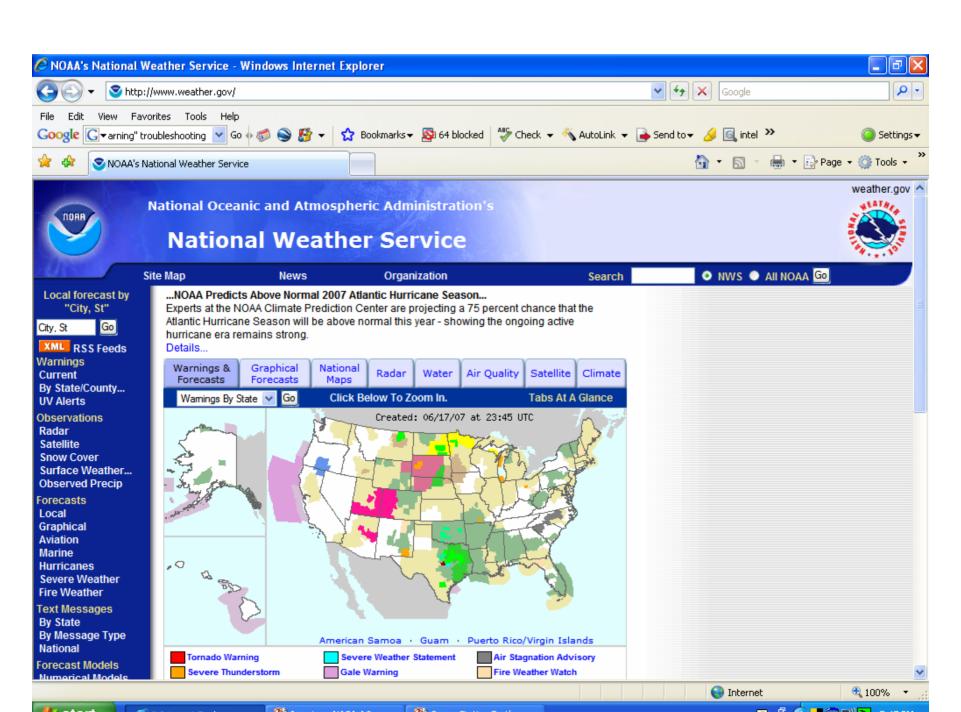
Biosphere 2 – over 750



Shuttle Atlantis – over 1000

iss – over 2000

Genes – Thousands on a chip



# Monitoring air quality like we monitor the weather

- Current observations
  - In situ
  - Satellite (OMI NO2 Doppler radar for NO2)
- Forecasts
  - What do the models say?
- Create a portfolio of products analogous to Weather.gov



### EnviroFlash product excerpt

**Air Quality Forecast: [Washington DC Metro area]** 

Sunday, June 17

**Ozone - Moderate - YELLOW (100 AQI)** 

Particle Pollution(2.5 microns) - Moderate - YELLOW (60 AQI)

Monday, June 18

**Ozone - Unhealthy for Sensitive Groups - ORANGE (120 AQI)** 

Particle Pollution(2.5 microns) - Moderate - YELLOW (76 AQI)

Tuesday, June 19

**Ozone - Unhealthy for Sensitive Groups - ORANGE** 

Particle Pollution(2.5 microns) - Moderate - YELLOW

Wednesday, June 20

**Ozone - Moderate - YELLOW** 

Particle Pollution(2.5 microns) - Moderate - YELLOW

