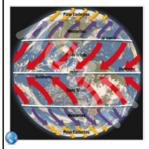
	Wind Notes
Wind	 caused by differences in air pressure caused by the unequal heating of earth's atmosphere air moves from an area of high pressure to an area of low pressure measured using an anemometer (speed) and wind vane (direction) Wind chill factor- increased cooling a wind can cause

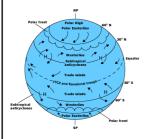
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Global Winds



- caused by the unequal heating of the Earth's surface
- occur over a larger area
- they are giant convection currents created by temperature differences
- warm air rises (high pressure) near equator, cool air sinks (low pressure) near poles creating winds
- Coriolis effect- the way Earth's rotation makes the winds curve; without it, winds would blow in a straight line from equator to poles

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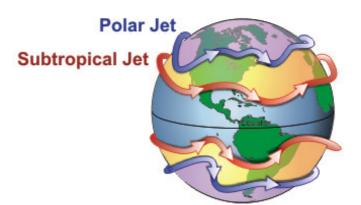


- Doldrums (equator)
- -calm area where warm air rises
- Trade Winds (equator to 30* latitude N and S)
 -Blow east to west in tropical regions and
- move warm air
 - Move hurricanes to the U.S.
- Horse latitudes (near 30* latitude N and S)
 - calm areas of sinking air
- Prevailing Westerlies (30*- 60* latitude N and S)
- -Blow west to east in temperate regions and moves weather systems across the US
- Polar Easterlies (60* latitude N and S to poles)
 -Blow cold air east to west, away from poles

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Jet Stream

- located between the troposphere and stratosphere
- moves weather patterns across the U.S. from west to east
- the polar jet stream brings cold air down from poles



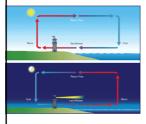
Ocean Surface Currents

- circulate warm and cold ocean waters in convection patterns and influence the weather and climates of the land masses nearby
- Two types
- -The Gulf Stream influences the eastern Atlantic shoreline of the United States by bringing warm, moist air.
- -The cold California current influences its western Pacific shoreline by bringing cold, moist air.



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Local Winds



- caused by unequal heating of Earth's surface within a small area
- Land Breeze
 - Blows from land to the water
 - Occur at night because water is warmer than land
 - warm air rises over water and cooler air from land moves beneath warm air
- Sea Breeze
 - -Blows from the water to land
 - -Occur during the day because the land warms faster than the water
 - warm air rises over land and cooler air from water moves beneath warm air