A Big Earth Data Platform for Three Poles

**2002-2017 Global AMSR-E/2 Near-surface Freeze/Thaw state (0.05°)**

1、Description

The freeze/thaw status of the near-surface soil is the water-ice phase transition that occurred at the top soil layer. It is an important indicator as a giant on-off “switch” of the land surface processes including water, energy, and carbon exchanges between the land surface and atmosphere. The freeze/thaw status is an essential variable for understanding how the ecosystem responds to and affects global changes. This dataset is based on the AMSR-E, AMSR2 passive microwave brightness temperature data and MODIS optical remote sensing data. The freeze-thaw discriminant function algorithm and downscaling algorithm are used to generate the global near-surface soil freeze-thaw status with a spatial resolution of grids at 0.05° from 2002 to 2017. The dataset can be used for the analysis of the spatial distribution and trend changes of global freeze-thaw cycles, such as the freeze/thaw onset dates and duration. It provides data support for understanding the interaction mechanism between the land surface freeze-thaw cycle and the land-atmosphere exchanges under the context of global changes.

2、Keywords

Theme：Cryosphere remote sensing products,Surface Freeze-thaw Cycle/state Remote Sensing,Freeze thawing,Frozen Ground  
Discipline：Cryosphere  
Places：Global scale  
Time：2002-2017

3、Data details

1.Scale：None

2.Projection：

3.Filesize：2959.0MB

4.Data format：None

4、Space scope

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| --- | --- | --- |
| - | north：90.0 | - |
| west：-180.0 | - | east：180.0 |
| - | south：-90.0 | - |

5、Time frame:2002-06-19 08:00:00+00:00--2017-12-31 08:00:00+00:00

6、Reference method

References to data:

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