

Reference: 02054804

Information Requests
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Freedom of Information request: Right to know request

Thank you for your request for information concerning the last broadcast investigation/breach relating to climate coverage.

We received this request on 31 July 2025. We have considered your request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Your request & our response

1.) *When was Ofcom's last broadcast investigation into*

1.1) *climate denial/misinformation?*

1.2) *accuracy and impartiality in relation to climate science / the climate more broadly?*

Please provide the date, channel, title and any other available information. And please provide this for both TV and radio separately.

2) *When did Ofcom last find a breach of broadcast standards relating to:*

2.1) *climate denial/misinformation?*

2.2) *accuracy and impartiality in relation to climate science / the climate more broadly?*

Please provide the date, channel, title and any other available information. And please provide this for both TV and radio separately.

Any further information relating to Ofcom's historical investigations / breaches relating to climate coverage would be appreciated as well.

We publish our investigations and breach findings in our bulletin here: [Broadcast and On Demand Bulletin - Ofcom](#).

There have been no recent investigations into these matters. The only investigations we hold on record are below:

- **Today, BBC Radio 4, 10 August 2017, 06:00**
[Broadcast and On Demand Bulletin Issue number 351](#)
- **The Great Global Warming Swindle, Channel 4, 8 March 2007, 21:00**
[Broadcast Bulletin Issue number 114](#)

We are unable to provide further details other than what is published in our Bulletins as this information is exempt from disclosure pursuant to section 44 of the FOI Act. Under section 393 of the Communications Act 2003 we are prohibited from disclosing information which relates to a business, or businesses, which we have obtained in the course of exercising our functions in relation to broadcast standards, unless we have the consent of that business or one of the statutory gateways under section 393(2) of the Communications Act 2003 is met, neither of which applies here. Section 44 is an absolute exemption and does not require a public interest test.

If you have any further queries, then please send them to information.requests@ofcom.org.uk – quoting the reference number above in any future communications.

Yours sincerely,

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Request an internal review

If you are unhappy with the response you have received to your request for information, or think that your request was refused without a reason valid under the law, you may ask for an internal review. If you do, it will be subject to an independent review within Ofcom. We will either uphold the original decision, or reverse or modify it.

If you would like to ask us to carry out an internal review, you should get in touch within two months of the date of this letter. There is no statutory deadline for us to complete our internal review, and the time it takes will depend on the complexity of the request. But we will try to complete the review within 20 working days (or no more than 40 working days in exceptional cases) and keep you informed of our progress. Please email the Information Requests team (information.requests@ofcom.org.uk) to request an internal review.

Taking it further

If you are unhappy with the outcome of our internal review, then you have the right to [complain to the Information Commissioner's Office](#).