

Good news, bad news and very bad news about the environment in 2018

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Good news

1. 27.8%

This is the rate of electricity that the UK solar system has created every day in the summer heat wave of 2018.

2018 is the fourth consecutive year in Europe in general and the UK in particular must experience terrible heat waves, even at some times during the day the asphalt must melt.



But those heat waves also helped create a record 'clean' electricity. This shows that the solar system in the UK is becoming more and more efficient.

2. 9.5%

Within the past decade, the world poverty rate has decreased by 9.5%.

Poverty is in fact quite a relative concept. Compared to a person living in Africa, a person living in the United States may have a higher income but the price here is higher, making the person's quality of life lower.



Bad news

3. 64,946 .

Psychologically affected by the anti-vaccine movement initiated by an extremist unit, the number of measles cases in Europe during the period of 11/2017 - 11/2018 has increased to 64,946 .

4. 6.4%

The percentage of female CEOs in the list of FTSE 250 companies in 2018 was 6.4%, down 20% from the previous year.

FTSE 250 is a market capitalization index listed on the stock exchange.



The news is very bad

5. 90.5%

90.5% is the proportion of plastic waste that has never been recycled, equivalent to about 6.3 billion tons of plastic waste, 1000 times the mass of the Great Pyramid of Giza.

One of the most painful problems of the past year is plastic garbage. Although people tried to recycle plastic trash, those activities were not effective. 79% of what people emit is buried or discharged into the environment, nearly 12% is put into incinerators.



Plastic waste appears everywhere, spreading from the Arctic to the Caribbean, from whale belly to white bear. The alarming thing is that in human food itself, there is also plastic, there is also waste.

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