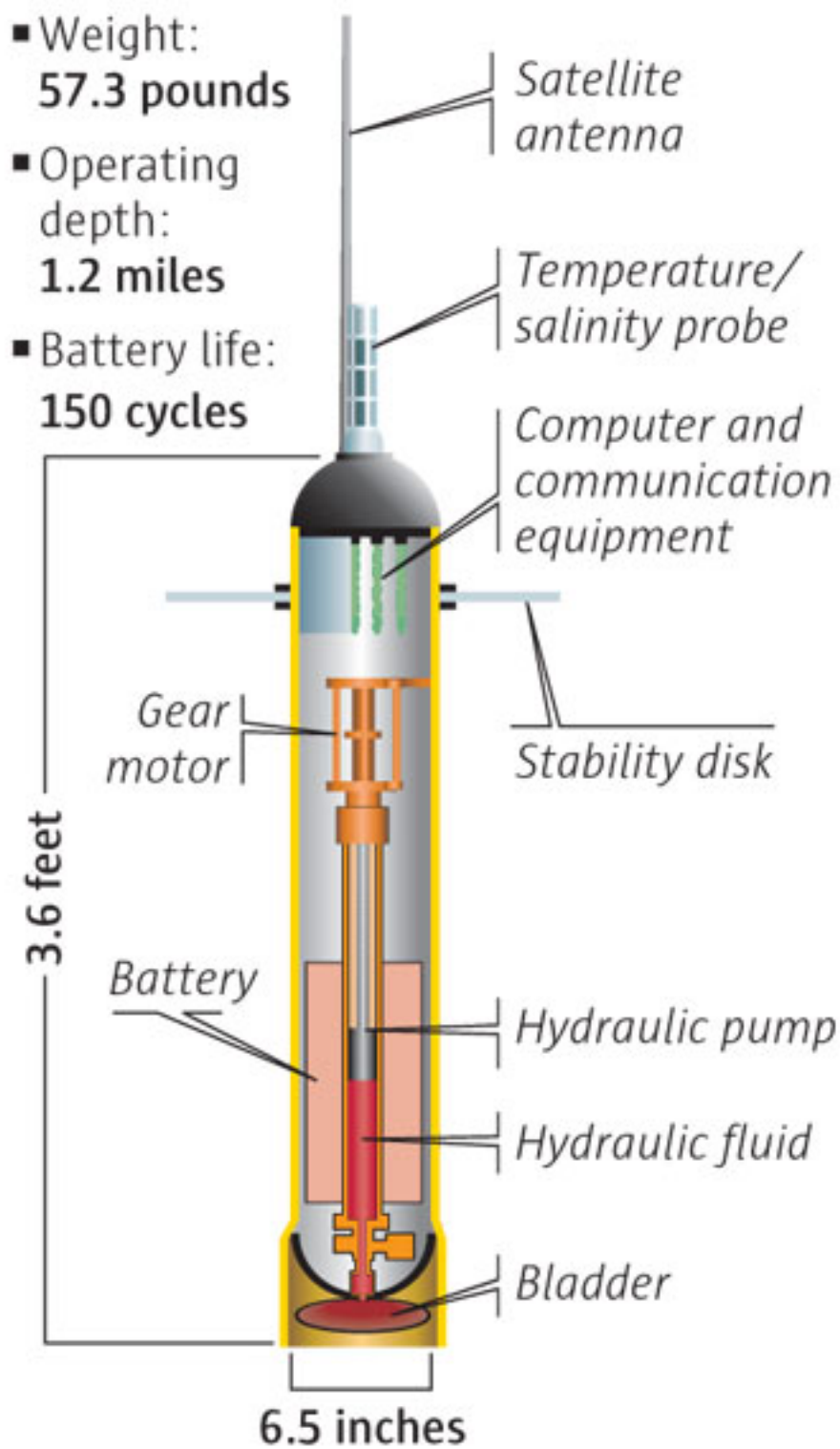


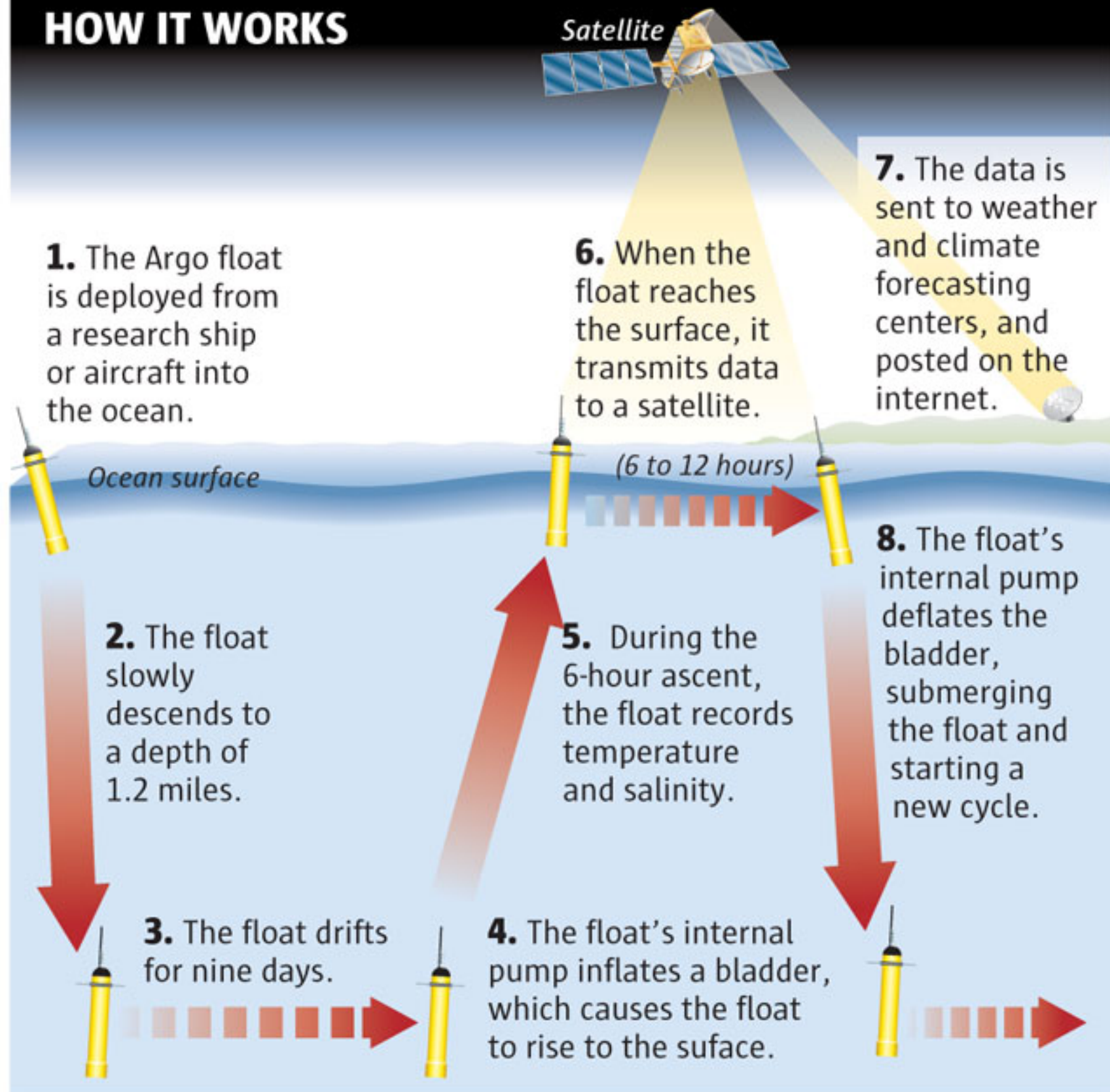
Robot buoys take the oceans' pulse

Scientists at the UW and elsewhere have deployed a flotilla of over 3,000 autonomous buoys that measure ocean temperature, salinity and currents and are helping reveal how climate change is playing out around the globe.

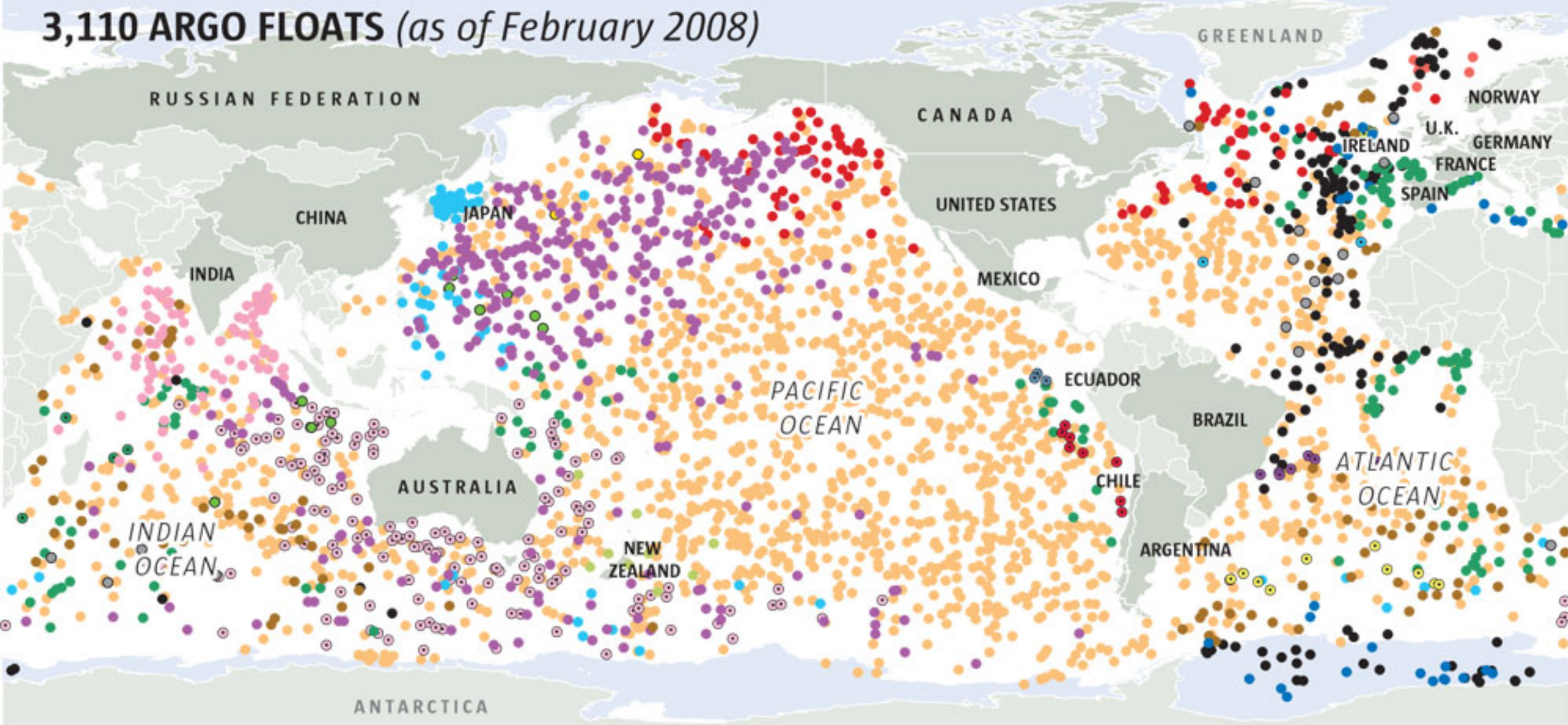
ARGO FLOAT



HOW IT WORKS



3,110 ARGO FLOATS (as of February 2008)



COUNTRY		(Number of Argo floats)	
U. S.	(1,746)	United Kingdom	(105)
Japan	(386)	South Korea	(101)
Australia	(158)	Canada	(100)
Germany	(152)	India	(90)
France	(150)	European Union	(36)
		Netherlands	(18)
		Argentina	(11)
		China	(11)
		Chile	(8)
		New Zealand	(9)
		Norway	(7)
		Brazil	(7)
		Ireland	(4)
		Mauritius	(4)
		Ecuador	(3)
		Russian Federation	(2)
		Spain	(2)

Sources: www.argo.ucsd.edu, <http://wo.jcommops.org/cgi-bin/WebObjects/Argo>