

Quiz – glaciers

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1. How long does it take for a glacier to form?
 - 5-10 days
 - Hundreds to thousands of years
 - A couple of hours
 - 10-20 years

2. What are the two groups glaciers can be divided into?
 - Land glaciers and astronomical ice sheets
 - Freshwater and saltwater glaciers
 - Alpine glaciers & continental ice sheets
 - White & blue glaciers

3. Glaciers move very slowly. True or False?
 - True
 - False

4. How many glaciers were counted in the first New Zealand glacier inventory?
 - 31
 - 144
 - 314
 - 3144

5. Which of these is **NOT** a tool scientists use to study glaciers?
 - Photos
 - Tractors
 - Maps
 - Thermal images

6. How much ice volume have glaciers in the Southern Alps lost over the last 40 years?
 - About 3%
 - About 13%
 - More than 30%
 - More than 60%

Correct answers

1. Hundreds to thousands of years
2. Alpine glaciers & continental ice sheets
3. True
4. 3144
5. Tractors
6. More than 30%