## Space Weather Highlights

## 17-23 May 1999

Solar activity ranged from low to moderate levels. Activity was at moderate levels on 17 May with an optically uncorrelated M2 at 17/0455UT and a M1 at 17/2202UT. The remainder of the period was at low levels with numerous C-class flares. The most impressive of these was a long duration C2 flare at 21/1949UT which was also optically uncorrelated. LASCO/SOHO images showed a partial-halo CME event during this period which may have been associated with Region (N36, L=098, class/area Hkx/360) on 22 May.

Real-time solar wind data were available from the Advanced Composition Explorer (ACE) spacecraft for most of the period. Early in the period solar wind velocity rose from 325 to $720 \mathrm{~km} / \mathrm{sec}$, densities increased to $65 \mathrm{p} / \mathrm{cc}$ and IMF Bz was between plus and minus 20 nT . Velocities and density remained elevated until 19 May and then decreased to background levels for the remainder of the period. This activity was likely related to a shock preceding coronal hole influences.
There were no significant proton enhancements detected at geo-synchronous altitudes.
The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geo-synchronous altitude reached moderate to high levels during 21-23 May.

The geomagnetic field was disturbed during 18 May with active levels at middle latitudes and minor to major storm levels at high latitudes. The disturbance was related to recurrent coronal hole effects. A 45 nT sudden impulse was observed on 18 May at 18/0058UT (as measured by the Boulder USGS magnetometer). On 23 May quiet to active levels were observed at middle latitudes with minor storm levels observed at high latitudes. The disturbance may have been due to the CME observed on 21 May.

## Space Weather Outlook 26 May - 21 June 1999

Solar activity is expected to range from low to moderate levels. There is also a fair chance for an isolated major flare during the first half of June with the anticipated return of old active Region 8534 (S17, L=223) and Region 8541 (N22, L=192).

No significant proton flux enhancements are expected at geo-synchronous altitude.
The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geo-synchronous altitude is expected to be at normal to moderate levels.

Geomagnetic field activity is expected to be at unsettled to active levels around 14 June due to coronal hole effects. Quiet to unsettled conditions are expected during the rest of the period, barring any Earthdirected coronal mass ejection.

Daily Solar Data

| Date | Radio <br> Flux <br> 10.7 cm | Sun $\begin{array}{c}\text { Sunspot } \\ \text { spot } \\ \text { Area } \\ \text { No. }\end{array}{ }^{\left(10^{-6}\right.}$ hemi. $)$ |  | X-ray <br> Background | Flares |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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|  |  |  |  | X-ray Flux | Optical |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | C | M | X | S | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| 17 May | 145 | 148 | 1190 |  | B7.7 | 12 | 2 | 0 | 6 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 18 May | 141 | 129 | 970 |  | B6.9 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 19 May | 142 | 120 | 630 | B6.8 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 20 May | 143 | 121 | 780 | B4.8 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 11 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 21 May | 140 | 128 | 1160 | B5.1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 9 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 22 May | 140 | 121 | 1050 | B8.5 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 23 May | 141 | 104 | 750 | B5.0 | 9 | 0 | 0 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

Daily Particle Data

| Date | Proton Fluence(protons/cm ${ }^{2}$-day-sr) |  |  | Electron Fluence(electrons $/ \mathrm{cm}^{2}$-day-sr) |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $>1 \mathrm{MeV}$ | $>10 \mathrm{MeV}$ | $>100 \mathrm{MeV}$ | >. 6 MeV | $>2 \mathrm{MeV}$ | $>4 \mathrm{MeV}$ |
| 17 May | $1.1 \mathrm{E}+5$ | $1.4 \mathrm{E}+4$ | $3.1 \mathrm{E}+3$ |  | $3.7 \mathrm{E}+6$ |  |
| 18 May | $9.8 \mathrm{E}+4$ | 1.4E+4 | $3.4 \mathrm{E}+3$ |  | $2.6 \mathrm{E}+5$ |  |
| 19 May | 1.4E+5 | $1.5 \mathrm{E}+4$ | $3.2 \mathrm{E}+3$ |  | $4.1 \mathrm{E}+6$ |  |
| 20 May | $1.6 \mathrm{E}+5$ | $1.5 \mathrm{E}+4$ | $3.1 \mathrm{E}+3$ |  | $2.8 \mathrm{E}+7$ |  |
| 21 May | $1.2 \mathrm{E}+5$ | 1.4E+4 | $3.2 \mathrm{E}+3$ |  | $5.1 \mathrm{E}+7$ |  |
| 22 May | $1.3 \mathrm{E}+5$ | 1.4E+4 | $3.0 \mathrm{E}+3$ |  | $5.4 \mathrm{E}+7$ |  |
| 23 May | $1.4 \mathrm{E}+5$ | $1.3 \mathrm{E}+4$ | $3.0 \mathrm{E}+3$ |  | $1.1 \mathrm{E}+7$ |  |

Daily Geomagnetic Data

| Date | Middle Latitude |  | High Latitude |  | Estimated |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Fredericksburg |  | College |  | Planetary |  |
|  | A | K-indices |  |  | A | K-indices |
| 17 May | 1 | 0-0-0-1-0-1-1-0 | 5 | 0-0-0-4-2-1-1-0 | 5 | 1-1-1-2-1-2-2-2 |
| 18 May | 21 | 4-4-3-3-4-3-4-3 | 32 | 3-4-5-4-6-4-3-3 | 23 | 3-4-5-4-4-4-4-3 |
| 19 May | 8 | 3-2-1-1-2-2-2-3 | 15 | 4-2-1-1-3-5-2-2 | 10 | 3-3-2-1-2-2-3-3 |
| 20 May | 4 | 1-2-1-1-1-1-1-2 | 14 | 3-3-2-5-2-1-2-2 | 10 | 2-3-2-3-3-2-1-3 |
| 21 May | 5 | 2-2-1-1-2-1-1-2 | 9 | 3-3-1-0-1-2-1-4 | 7 | 3-3-1-1-2-3-2-2 |
| 22 May | 3 | 0-1-1-0-2-1-1-1 | * | 1-*-1-0-2-1-0-3 | 5 | 1-1-1-0-2-2-2-2 |
| 23 May | 8 | 2-1-2-3-3-2-2-1 | 15 | 2-1-1-5-5-1-2-0 | 10 | 3-2-2-4-4-2-2-1 |

Alerts and Warnings Issued


23 May 1506


| Date | Radio Flux <br> 10.7 cm | Planetary <br> A Index | Largest <br> Kp Index | Date | Radio Flux <br> 10.7 cm | Planetary <br> A Index | Largest <br> Kp Index |
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| 26 May | 145 | 12 | 3 | 09 | 160 | 10 | 3 |
| 27 | 150 | 10 | 3 | 10 | 160 | 10 | 3 |
| 28 | 150 | 10 | 3 | 11 | 150 | 8 | 3 |
| 29 | 150 | 10 | 3 | 12 | 150 | 8 | 3 |
| 30 | 155 | 10 | 3 | 13 | 145 | 10 | 3 |
| 31 | 155 | 8 | 3 | 14 | 145 | 20 | 4 |
| 01 Jun | 160 | 8 | 3 | 15 | 145 | 12 | 3 |
| 02 | 160 | 10 | 3 | 16 | 140 | 10 | 3 |
| 03 | 160 | 10 | 3 | 17 | 140 | 8 | 3 |
| 04 | 170 | 8 | 3 | 18 | 140 | 8 | 3 |
| 05 | 170 | 8 | 3 | 19 | 135 | 10 | 3 |
| 06 | 170 | 8 | 3 | 20 | 135 | 10 | 3 |
| 07 | 175 | 8 | 3 | 21 | 130 | 12 | 3 |
| 08 | 175 | 10 | 3 |  |  |  |  |

Energetic Events

| Date | Time (UT) |  |  | X-ray |  | Optical Information |  |  | Peak Radio Flux |  | Sweep Freq Intensity |  |
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|  |  |  | 1/2 |  | Integ | Imp/ | Location | Rgn |  |  |  |  |
|  | Begin | Max | Max | Class | Flux | Brtns | Lat CMD | \# | 245 | 2695 | II | IV |
| 17 May | 0449 | 0455 | 0500 | M2.3 | . 008 |  |  |  | 70 | 69 |  |  |
| 17 May | 2150 | 2202 | 2212 | M1.0 | . 009 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

Flare List

| Date | Time |  |  |  | Optical |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { Rgn } \\ \# \end{gathered}$ |
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|  |  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { X-ray } \\ & \text { Class. } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \overline{\text { Imp / }} \\ & \text { Brtns } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Location } \\ & \text { Lat CMD } \end{aligned}$ |  |
| 17 May | 0020 | 0025 | 0034 | C9.7 | SF | S16W79 | 8534 |
|  | 0253 | 0258 | 0302 | C1.6 |  |  |  |
|  | 0339 | 0345 | 0349 | C3.9 |  |  |  |
|  | 0404 | 0407 | 0410 | C1.2 |  |  |  |
|  | 0449 | 0455 | 0500 | M2.3 |  |  |  |
|  | 0617 | 0620 | 0624 | C1.4 |  |  |  |
|  | 0702 | 0705 | 0708 | B9.0 |  |  |  |
|  | 0749 | 0753 | 0755 | C2.0 |  |  |  |
|  | 0819 | 0822 | 0824 | C1.0 |  |  |  |
|  | 0905 | 0907 | 0909 | C5.3 | SF | S16W86 | 8534 |
|  | 1306 | 1307 | 1319 |  | SF | N21W43 | 8541 |
|  | 1318 | 1319 | 1320 | C1.6 |  |  | 8541 |
|  | 1437 | 1437 | 1442 |  | SF | N35E44 | 8545 |
|  | 1703 | 1706 | 1731 | C6.2 | 1F | N20W49 | 8541 |
|  | 1758 | 1801 | 1803 | C5.6 | SF | S16W91 | 8534 |
|  | 2004 | 2015 | 2032 | C1.6 | SF | N22W54 | 8541 |
|  | 2150 | 2202 | 2212 | M1.0 |  |  |  |
| 18 May | 0114 | 0134 | 0159 | C3.3 |  |  |  |
|  | 0311 | 0323 | 0331 | C9.0 |  |  |  |
|  | 0359 | 0400 | 0418 |  | SF | N19W52 | 8541 |
|  | 0543 | 0544 | 0554 |  | SF | S28W72 | 8540 |
|  | 0654 | 0655 | 0716 |  | SF | N39E35 | 8545 |
|  | 0718 | 0718 | 0730 | C2.1 | SF | N19W57 | 8541 |
|  | 1043 | 1130 | 1151 | C3.9 |  |  |  |
|  | 1954 | 1954 | 2005 |  | SF | N38E31 | 8545 |
| 19 May | 1345 | 1349 | 1354 | C1.1 |  |  |  |
|  | 1446 | 1448 | 1451 |  | SF | N20W70 | 8541 |
|  | 1841 | 1852 | 1907 | C1.2 |  |  |  |
|  | 1957 | 2003 | 2019 | C1.2 |  |  |  |
|  | 2319 | 2323 | 2327 | C1.0 |  |  |  |
| 20 May | 0502 | 0508 | 0513 | C2.3 |  |  |  |
|  | 0856 | 0901 | 0906 | C2.1 |  |  |  |
|  | B1120 | U1120 | A1126 |  | SF | N37E04 | 8545 |
|  | 1207 | 1212 | 1217 |  | SF | N24W61 | 8549 |
|  | 1556 | 1559 | 1601 | B8.1 |  |  |  |
|  | 1622 | 1622 | 1637 |  | SF | N23W63 | 8549 |
|  | 1710 | 1711 | 1718 |  | SF | N24W63 | 8549 |

Flare List-continued

| Date | Time |  |  |  | Optical |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { Rgn } \\ \# \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ |
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|  |  |  |  | X-ray | Imp / | Location |  |
|  | Begin | Max | End | Class. | Brtns | Lat CMD |  |
| 20 May | 1725 | 1731 | 1737 | C1.6 |  |  |  |
|  | 1754 | 1755 | 1758 |  | SF | N24W63 | 8549 |
|  | 2029 | 2031 | 2033 |  | SF | N26W64 | 8549 |
|  | 2124 | 2125 | 2131 |  | SF | N27W65 | 8549 |
|  | 2224 | 2224 | 2228 |  | SF | N27W65 | 8549 |
|  | 2240 | 2241 | 2244 |  | SF | N26W66 | 8549 |
|  | 2256 | 2257 | 2301 |  | SF | N26W66 | 8549 |
|  | 2331 | 2331 | 2338 |  | SF | N27W67 | 8549 |
| 21 May | 0456 | 0500 | 0502 | B8.7 |  |  |  |
|  | 0507 | 0508 | 0512 |  | SF | N24W70 | 8549 |
|  | 0746 | 0747 | 0801 |  | SF | N27W68 | 8549 |
|  | 0941 | 0942 | 0944 |  | SF | N24W68 | 8549 |
|  | 1107 | 1107 | 1120 |  | SF | N26W71 | 8549 |
|  | B1240 | U1241 | 1300 | B7.9 | SF | N26W75 | 8549 |
|  | 1426 | 1431 | 1438 |  | SF | N27W68 | 8549 |
|  | 1649 | U1649 | A1651 |  | SF | N25W69 | 8549 |
|  | 1712 | 1949 | 2141 | C2.4 |  |  |  |
|  | 1814 | 1815 | 1818 |  | SN | N26W72 | 8549 |
|  | 2316 | 2317 | 2321 |  | SF | S13E55 | 8550 |
| 22 May | 0318 | 0318 | 0322 |  | SF | S14E53 | 8550 |
|  | 0647 | 0652 | 0656 | C1.4 |  |  |  |
|  | 0743 | 0744 | 0753 |  | SF | S19W40 | 8544 |
|  | 1912 | 1912 | 1919 |  | SF | N40W19 | 8545 |
| 23 May | 0238 | 0243 | 0246 | C1.0 |  |  |  |
|  | 0317 | 0317 | 0323 |  | SF | N41W25 | 8545 |
|  | 0456 | 0459 | 0501 | C1.8 |  |  |  |
|  | 0558 | 0602 | 0604 | C1.2 |  |  |  |
|  | 0738 | 0739 | 0758 |  | SF | N40W27 | 8545 |
|  | 0801 | 0805 | 0822 | C1.3 | SF | N36W27 | 8545 |
|  | B1030 | 1040 | 1107 | C1.8 | SF | N30E40 | 8551 |
|  | 1408 | 1412 | 1422 | C1.3 | SF | S15E29 | 8550 |
|  | 1427 | 1438 | 1513 | C3.4 | SF | N30E38 | 8551 |
|  | 1728 | 1731 | 1733 | C1.9 |  |  |  |
|  | 2140 | 2143 | 2146 | B9.3 |  |  |  |
|  | 2304 | 2312 | 2325 | C1.1 |  |  |  |

Region Summary

| Location |  | Sunspot Characteristics |  |  |  |  | Flares |  |  |  |  |
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|  | Helio | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Area } \\ & \left(10^{-6} \text { hemi }\right) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Extent } \\ & \text { (helio) } \end{aligned}$ | SpotClass | Spot Count | Mag Class | X-ray | Optical |  |  |  |
| Date ( ${ }^{\text {Lat }}{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{CMD}$ ) | Lon |  |  |  |  |  | C M X | S | 12 | 3 | 4 |
| Region 8533 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 05 May N05E74 | 223 | 0050 | 04 | CAO | 003 | B |  |  |  |  |  |
| 06 May N03E60 | 224 | 0060 | 07 | CAO | 004 | B |  | 1 |  |  |  |
| 07 May N03E46 | 225 | 0030 | 06 | CSO | 005 | B |  |  |  |  |  |
| 08 May N04E34 | 224 | 0040 | 05 | CSO | 005 | B |  |  |  |  |  |
| 09 May N04E20 | 225 | 0010 | 06 | BXO | 004 | B |  |  |  |  |  |
| 10 May N04E05 | 225 | 0000 | 03 | BXO | 002 | B |  |  |  |  |  |
| 11 May N03W05 | 222 | 0020 | 06 | BXO | 006 | B |  |  |  |  |  |
| 12 May N03W18 | 222 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 13 May N03W31 | 222 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 14 May N03W44 | 222 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15 May N03W57 | 222 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 16 May N03W70 | 222 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 17 May N03W83 | 222 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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Crossed West Limb.
Absolute heliographic longitude: 225
Region 8534

| 05 May S18E74 | 223 | 0030 | 01 | HAX | 001 | A |  |  |  |
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| 06 May S18E60 | 224 | 0040 | 04 | CAO | 003 | B | 1 |  | 1 |
| 07 May S18E47 | 224 | 0040 | 02 | HSX | 001 | A |  |  |  |
| 08 May S17E35 | 223 | 0060 | 04 | CSO | 004 | B |  |  |  |
| 09 May S18E21 | 224 | 0040 | 03 | CSO | 004 | B |  |  |  |
| 10 May S18E08 | 222 | 0030 | 05 | CSO | 004 | B |  |  |  |
| 11 May S18W06 | 223 | 0050 | 04 | CAO | 011 | B |  |  |  |
| 12 May S18W19 | 223 | 0090 | 05 | DAI | 014 | B | 1 |  | 1 |
| 13 May S17W33 | 224 | 0080 | 07 | DAO | 011 | B |  | 1 |  |
| 14 May S17W47 | 225 | 0090 | 06 | DAO | 010 | B |  | 1 |  |
| 15 May S17W60 | 225 | 0090 | 07 | DAO | 006 | B |  |  |  |
| 16 May S16W77 | 228 | 0050 | 02 | HAX | 001 | A | 2 | 2 | 3 |

Crossed West Limb.
Absolute heliographic longitude: 223

Region Summary-continued

| Location |  | Sunspot Characteristics |  |  |  |  | Flares |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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|  | Helio | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Area } \\ & \left(10^{-6}\right. \text { hemi) } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Extent } \\ & \text { (helio) } \end{aligned}$ | SpotClass | SpotCount | Mag Class | $\overline{\text { X-ray }}$ |  | Optical |  |  |  |  |
| Date ( ${ }^{\circ} \mathrm{Lat}{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{CMD}$ ) | Lon |  |  |  |  |  | C | M X | S | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| Region 8535 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 06 May N20E67 | 217 | 0160 | 03 | HAX | 001 | A |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 07 May N21E54 | 217 | 0260 | 04 | CHO | 003 | B |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 08 May N22E42 | 216 | 0300 | 05 | DHO | 004 | B |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 09 May N21E30 | 215 | 0330 | 09 | DKO | 007 | B |  |  | 1 |  |  |  |  |
| 10 May N21E16 | 214 | 0310 | 06 | CKO | 008 | B |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 11 May N21E06 | 211 | 0320 | 12 | CKO | 010 | B |  |  | 2 |  |  |  |  |
| 12 May N22W09 | 213 | 0270 | 10 | CKO | 011 | B |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 13 May N22W23 | 214 | 0370 | 06 | CKO | 009 | BG |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 14 May N21W36 | 214 | 0330 | 06 | CKO | 009 | B |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15 May N22W49 | 214 | 0370 | 06 | CKO | 007 | B |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 16 May N22W62 | 213 | 0340 | 05 | HKX | 002 | A |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 17 May N22W76 | 214 | 0320 | 06 | DKC | 002 | A |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 18 May N22W88 | 213 | 0210 | 07 | HSX | 002 | A |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 |  | 0 |

Crossed West Limb.
Absolute heliographic longitude: 211
Region 8539
$\begin{array}{lllllllll}07 \\ \text { May N13E45 } & 226 & 0030 & 08 & \text { BXO } & 006 & \text { B } & 2 & 6\end{array}$
08 May N14E31 2270050
09 May N14E16 2290020
11 May N13W12 $2290010 \quad 04$ BXO 002 B
12 May N13W25 229
13 May N13W38 229
14 May N13W51 229
15 May N13W64 229
16 May N13W77 229
$21 \begin{array}{lllllll}2 & 6 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0\end{array}$
Died on Disk.
Absolute heliographic longitude: 227

Region Summary-continued

| Location |  |  | Sunspot Characteristics |  |  |  |  | Flares |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Date |  | Helio | Area | Extent | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Spot } \\ & \text { Class } \end{aligned}$ | Spot Count | Mag Class | X-ray |  |  | Oprical |  |  |  |
|  | $\left({ }^{\circ} \mathrm{Lat}{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{CMD}\right.$ ) | Lon | ( $10^{-6} \mathrm{hemi}$ ) | (helio) |  |  |  |  | C M | S | 123 |  |  |  |
| Region 8540 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 07 M | ay S28E70 | 201 | 0060 | 09 | CSO | 003 | B |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 08 M | ay S28E59 | 199 | 0140 | 11 | EAO | 005 | B |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 09 M | ay S28E46 | 199 | 0080 | 10 | DSO | 009 | B |  |  | 2 |  |  |  |  |
| 10 M | ay S27E33 | 197 | 0100 | 10 | DSO | 010 | B | 1 |  | 1 |  |  |  |  |
| 11 M | May S26E19 | 198 | 0050 | 12 | BXO | 013 | B |  |  | 1 |  |  |  |  |
| 12 M | May S27E08 | 196 | 0040 | 13 | CRO | 012 | B |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 13 M | ay S27W05 | 196 | 0020 | 12 | BXO | 006 | B |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 14 M | ay S25W22 | 200 | 0010 | 05 | BXO | 005 | B | 1 |  | 1 |  |  |  |  |
| 15 M | ay S25W33 | 198 | 0000 | 05 | BXO | 002 | B |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 16 M | ay S31W38 | 189 | 0000 | 00 | AXX | 001 | A |  |  | 1 |  |  |  |  |
| 17 M | ay S31W51 | 189 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 18 M | ay S31W64 | 189 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 1 |  |  |  |  |
| 19 M | ay S29W76 | 188 | 0000 | 00 | AXX | 001 | A |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 20 May S29W89 188 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 200 | 7 | 0 |  |  | 0 |
| Crossed West Limb. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Absolute heliographic longitude: 196 Region 8541 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 08 | May N22E67 | 191 | 0130 | 11 | ESO | 009 | B | 2 | 1 | 3 | 1 |  |  |  |
| 09 M | May N22E53 | 192 | 0190 | 12 | EAI | 020 | B |  | 1 | 10 | 1 |  |  |  |
| 10 M | May N22E38 | 192 | 0230 | 14 | EAI | 024 | B | 4 |  | 6 |  |  |  |  |
| 11 M | May N22E25 | 192 | 0170 | 13 | FAC | 023 | B | 3 |  | 5 | 1 |  |  |  |
| 12 M | May N21E13 | 191 | 0130 | 14 | ESO | 022 | B |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 13 | May N21W01 | 192 | 0090 | 14 | ESO | 018 | B |  |  | 2 |  |  |  |  |
| 14 M | May N21W14 | 192 | 0080 | 12 | ESO | 015 | B |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15 M | May N21W26 | 191 | 0100 | 14 | ESO | 027 | B |  |  | 3 |  |  |  |  |
| 16 M | May N20W39 | 190 | 0130 | 11 | EAO | 019 | B |  | 1 | 1 |  |  |  |  |
| 17 M | May N21W53 | 191 | 0230 | 12 | EAO | 015 | B | 3 |  | 2 | 1 |  |  |  |
| 18 M | May N20W65 | 190 | 0180 | 09 | DAO | 011 | B | 1 |  | 2 |  |  |  |  |
| 19 M | May N21W78 | 190 | 0090 | 08 | DAO | 005 | B |  |  | 1 |  |  |  |  |
| 20 May N21W91 190 |  |  | 0000 | 00 |  | 000 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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Absolute heliographic longitude: 192

Region Summary-continued

|  | Location |  | Sunspot Characteristics |  |  |  |  | Flares |  |  |  |  |  |
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|  |  | Helio | Area | Extent | Spot | Spot | Mag |  | X-ray |  |  | Ptic |  |
| Date | $\left({ }^{\circ}\right.$ Lat $\left.{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{CMD}\right)$ | Lon | ( $10^{-6}$ hemi) | (helio) | Class | Count | Class | C | M X | S | 1 | 2 | 34 |

Region 8542

| 12 May S19E58 | 146 | 0030 | 01 | HSX | 001 | A |
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| 13 May S19E44 | 147 | 0030 | 01 | HSX | 001 | A |
| 14 May S19E32 | 146 | 0070 | 02 | HSX | 001 | A |
| 15 May S19E18 | 147 | 0040 | 01 | HSX | 001 | A |
| 16 May S19E06 | 145 | 0030 | 02 | HSX | 001 | A |
| 17 May S19W06 | 144 | 0040 | 02 | HSX | 001 | A |
| 18 May S19W20 | 145 | 0030 | 01 | HSX | 001 | A |
| 19 May S18W32 | 144 | 0030 | 04 | CSO | 003 | B |
| 20 May S18W45 | 144 | 0030 | 01 | HSX | 001 | A |
| 21 May S18W59 | 144 | 0030 | 01 | HSX | 001 | A |
| 22 May S20W72 | 144 | 0030 | 01 | HSX | 001 | A |
| 23 May S20W85 | 144 | 0010 | 01 | AXX | 001 | A |

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Absolute heliographic longitude: 145
Region 8543
$\begin{array}{lllllll}\text { 13 May N06E45 } & 146 & 0000 & 00 & \text { AXX } & 001 & \text { A } \\ \text { 14 May N06E32 } & 146 & 0000 & 00 & & 000 & \\ \text { 15 May N06E16 } & 149 & 0000 & 01 & \text { AXX } & 002 & \text { A } \\ \text { 16 May N06E03 } & 148 & 0000 & 03 & \text { BXO } & 002 & \text { B } \\ \text { 17 May N06W11 } & 149 & 0000 & 00 & \text { BXO } & 002 & \text { B }\end{array}$
18 May N06W24 149
19 May N06W37 149
20 May N06W50 149
21 May N06W63 149
22 May N06W76 149
23 May N06W89 149

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| 13 May N06E45 | 146 | 0000 | 00 | AXX | 001 | A |  |  |  |  |  |
| 14 May N06E32 | 146 | 0000 | 00 |  | 000 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15 May N06E16 | 149 | 0000 | 01 | AXX | 002 | A |  |  |  |  |  |
| 16 May N06E03 | 148 | 0000 | 03 | BXO | 002 | B |  |  |  |  |  |
| 17 May N06W11 | 149 | 0000 | 00 | BXO | 002 | B |  |  |  |  |  |

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Absolute heliographic longitude: 148

Region Summary-continued

|  | Location |  | Sunspot Characteristics |  |  |  |  | Flares |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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|  |  | Helio | Area | Extent | Spot | Spot | Mag |  | -ray |  |  |  | ptic |  |  |
| Date | ( $\left.{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{Lat}{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{CMD}\right)$ | Lon | ( $10^{-6} \mathrm{hemi}$ ) | (helio) | Class | Count | Class | C | M | X | S | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |

Region 8544

| 14 May S20E60 | 118 | 0010 | 04 | BXO | 003 | B |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 15 May S21E48 | 117 | 0090 | 08 | DAO | 012 | B |
| 16 May S20E34 | 117 | 0160 | 10 | DAO | 015 | B |
| 17 May S20E20 | 118 | 0180 | 12 | EAO | 016 | B |
| 18 May S20E06 | 119 | 0150 | 12 | EAO | 019 | B |
| 19 May S19W07 | 119 | 0130 | 13 | EAO | 023 | B |
| 20 May S20W20 | 119 | 0140 | 14 | EAO | 028 | B |
| 21 May S19W35 | 120 | 0170 | 15 | EAI | 020 | B |
| 22 May S21W47 | 119 | 0190 | 15 | ESO | 014 | B |
| 23 May S22W59 | 118 | 0150 | 16 | FSO | 009 | B |

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Region 8545
$\left.\begin{array}{lllllllllllll}\text { 14 May N37E71 } & 107 & 0080 & 03 & \text { HSX } & 001 & \text { A } & & & & & & \\ \text { 15 May N36E62 } & 103 & 0230 & 03 & \text { HKX } & 001 & \text { A } & & & & & & \\ \text { 16 May N37E49 } & 102 & 0260 & 05 & \text { HKX } & 002 & \text { A } & & & & & \\ \text { 17 May N36E38 } & 100 & 0290 & 05 & \text { HKX } & 003 & \text { A } & & & 1 & & \\ \text { 18 May N37E25 } & 100 & 0340 & 03 & \text { HKX } & 001 & \text { A } & 1 & & 2 & & \\ \text { 19 May N38E13 } & 099 & 0350 & 05 & \text { CKO } & 006 & \text { B } & & & & & \\ \text { 20 May N36E01 } & 098 & 0320 & 06 & \text { CKO } & 005 & \text { B } & & & 1 & & & \\ \text { 21 May N36W10 } & 095 & 0350 & 06 & \text { CKO } & 006 & \text { B } & & & & & & \\ \text { 22 May N36W24 } & 096 & 0360 & 05 & \text { HKX } & 002 & \text { A } & & & 1 & & & \\ \text { 23 May N35W36 } & 095 & 0330 & 06 & \text { CAO } & 003 & \text { B } & 1 & & 3 & & & \\ & & & & & & & 2 & 0 & 0 & 8 & 0 & 0\end{array}\right)$

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Absolute heliographic longitude: 098
Region 8546

| 15 May S33W45 | 210 | 0000 | 02 | BXO | 002 | B |
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| 16 May S34W61 | 212 | 0030 | 04 | CSO | 003 | B |
| 17 May S32W73 | 211 | 0050 | 06 | DAO | 003 | B |
| 18 May S32W86 | 211 | 0030 | 06 | BXO | 002 | B |

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Absolute heliographic longitude: 210

Region Summary-continued

|  | Location |  | Sunspot Characteristics |  |  |  |  |  | Flares |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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|  |  | Helio | $\overline{\mathrm{Ar}}$ |  | Extent | Spot | Spot | Mag |  | X-ray |  |  |  | ptic |  |  |
| Date | ( ${ }^{\circ}$ Lat ${ }^{\circ} \mathrm{CMD}$ ) | Lon | (10-6 | hemi) | (helio) | Class | Count | Class | C | M | X | S | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |

Region 8547

| 15 May N22W15 | 180 | 0020 | 03 | BXO | 007 | B |
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| 16 May N21W30 | 181 | 0020 | 06 | CSO | 005 | B |
| 17 May N22W42 | 180 | 0010 | 01 | BXO | 002 | B |
| 18 May N24W53 | 178 | 0010 | 04 | BXO | 003 | B |
| 19 May N24W69 | 181 | 0010 | 05 | BXO | 004 | B |

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Region 8548

| 17 May S21E48 | 090 | 0010 | 00 | AXX | 001 | A |
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| 18 May S21E35 | 090 | 0020 | 05 | BXO | 010 | B |
| 19 May S19E23 | 089 | 0020 | 08 | CRO | 008 | B |
| 20 May S20E08 | 091 | 0050 | 09 | CSO | 016 | B |
| 21 May S20W06 | 091 | 0100 | 10 | DAO | 014 | B |
| 22 May S19W19 | 091 | 0110 | 09 | DAO | 016 | B |
| 23 May S20W30 | 089 | 0070 | 11 | CAO | 011 | B |

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Absolute heliographic longitude: 091
Region 8549

| 20 May N24W63 | 162 | 0120 | 07 | CAO | 007 | B |  |  | 10 |  |  |  |  |
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| 21 May N26W79 | 164 | 0230 | 10 | DAO | 007 | B |  |  | 8 |  |  |  |  |
| 22 May N25W85 | 157 | 0120 | 02 | HAX | 001 | A |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 23 May N25W98 | 157 | 0000 | 00 |  | 000 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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Absolute heliographic longitude: 162
Region 8550

| 20 May S14E70 | 029 | 0120 | 10 | CSO | 004 | B |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 21 May S14E55 | 030 | 0220 | 10 | DAO | 008 | B |  |  | 1 |  |  |  |
| 22 May S14E43 | 029 | 0190 | 11 | ESO | 014 | B |  |  |  | 1 |  |  |
| 23 May S13E30 | 029 | 0150 | 12 | EAO | 014 | B | 1 |  |  | 1 |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 1 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0

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Absolute heliographic longitude: 029

Region Summary-continued

|  | Location |  | Sunspot Characteristics |  |  |  |  |  | Flares |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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|  |  | Helio | $\overline{\mathrm{Ar}}$ |  | Extent | Spot | Spot | Mag |  | X-ray |  |  |  | ptic |  |  |
| Date | $\left({ }^{\circ} \mathrm{Lat}{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{CMD}\right)$ | Lon | $\left(10^{-6}\right.$ | hemi) | (helio) | Class | Count | Class | C | M | X | S | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |


| Region 8551 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 21 May N32E62 | 023 | 0060 | 04 | CSO | 002 | B |  |  |  |  |  |
| 22 May N33E50 | 022 | 0050 | 03 | CSO | 003 | B |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 23 May N32E36 | 023 | 0040 | 07 | CSO | 006 | B | 2 |  |  | 2 |  |
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Absolute heliographic longitude: 023

| Recent Solar Indices (preliminary) of the observed monthly mean values |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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|  | Sunspot Numbers |  |  |  |  | Radio Flux |  | Geomagnetic |  |
|  | Observed | values | Ratio | Smooth | values | *Penticton | Smooth | Plane | Smooth |
| Month | SWO | RI | RI/SWO | SWO | RI | 10.7 cm | Value | Ap | Value |
| 1997 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| May | 28.6 | 18.5 | 0.65 | 26.4 | 18.3 | 74.6 | 78.4 | 08 | 08.6 |
| June | 22.1 | 12.7 | 0.57 | 29.0 | 20.3 | 71.7 | 80.1 | 07 | 08.6 |
| July | 17.0 | 10.4 | 0.61 | 32.4 | 22.6 | 71.1 | 81.8 | 06 | 08.5 |
| August | 36.7 | 24.4 | 0.66 | 35.9 | 25.0 | 79.0 | 83.4 | 07 | 08.3 |
| September | 52.8 | 51.3 | 0.88 | 40.5 | 28.3 | 96.2 | 85.7 | 10 | 08.4 |
| October | 33.6 | 22.8 | 0.68 | 45.4 | 31.8 | 84.9 | 88.6 | 11 | 08.6 |
| November | 53.5 | 39.0 | 0.73 | 49.3 | 35.0 | 99.5 | 91.3 | 11 | 09.0 |
| December | 57.9 | 41.2 | 0.71 | 54.2 | 39.0 | 98.8 | 94.2 | 05 | 09.5 |
| 1998 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| January | 51.8 | 31.9 | 0.62 | 60.6 | 43.7 | 93.4 | 97.5 | 08 | 09.9 |
| February | 54.4 | 40.3 | 0.74 | 67.4 | 48.8 | 93.4 | 101.7 | 08 | 10.5 |
| March | 81.8 | 54.8 | 0.67 | 73.3 | 53.4 | 109.1 | 105.8 | 13 | 11.1 |
| April | 73.6 | 53.4 | 0.73 | 77.7 | 56.5 | 108.3 | 109.1 | 10 | 11.3 |
| May | 74.3 | 56.3 | 0.76 | 81.4 | 59.3 | 106.7 | 112.4 | 18 | 11.6 |
| June | 93.6 | 70.7 | 0.76 | 85.9 | 62.4 | 108.4 | 116.2 | 10 | 11.9 |
| July | 98.3 | 66.2 | 0.67 | 90.3 | 65.4 | 114.0 | 120.3 | 11 | 12.2 |
| August | 118.6 | 91.7 | 0.77 |  |  | 136.0 |  | 18 | 12.4 |
| September | 119.0 | 92.9 | 0.78 |  |  | 138.4 |  | 14 | 12.5 |
| October | 77.0 | 55.6 | 0.72 |  |  | 121.9 |  | 13 |  |
| November | 99.5 | 73.6 | 0.74 |  |  | 140.2 |  | 16 |  |
| December | 120.8 | 81.6 | 0.68 |  |  | 150.1 |  | 08 |  |
| 1999 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| January | 94.3 | 62.4 | 0.66 |  |  | 142.6 |  | 10 |  |
| February | 93.4 | 66.1 | 0.70 |  |  | 142.0 |  | 11 |  |
| March | 100.5 | 69.1 | 0.70 |  |  | 126.3 |  | 13 |  |
| April | 92.9 | 63.9 | 0.69 |  |  | 117.3 |  | 12 |  |

NOTE: All smoothed values after January 1998 and monthly values after September 1998 are preliminary estimates.
The lowest smoothed sunspot indices number for Cycle 22, $\mathrm{RI}=8.0$, occurred in May 1996. The highest smoothed sunspot number for Cycle 22, RI=158.5, occurred July 1989. * After June 1991, the 10.7 cm radio flux data source is Penticton, B.C. Canada. Prior to that, it was Ottawa.


## Weekly Geosynchronous Satellite Environment Summary

Week Beginning 17 May 1999
Protons plot contains the five-minute averaged integral proton flux (protons/ $\mathrm{cm}^{2}$-sec-sr) as measured by GOES-8 (W75) for each of three energy thresholds: greater than 10,50 , and 100 MeV .
Electrons plot contains the five-minute averaged integral electron flux (electrons/ $\mathrm{cm}^{2}$-sec-sr) with energies greater than 2 MeV at GOES-8.

Hp plot contains the five minute averaged magnetic field H component in nanoteslas (nT) as measured by GOES8. The H component is parallel to the spin axis of the satellite, which is nearly parallel to the Earth's rotation axis.
$K p$ plot contains the estimated planetary 3 -hour K-index (derived by the USAF $55^{\text {th }}$ Space Weather Squadron) in real time from magnetometers at Meanook, Canada; Sitka, AK; Glenlea, Canada; St. Johns, Canada; Ottawa, Canada; Newport, WA; Fredericksburg, VA; Boulder, CO; Fresno, CA and Heartland, UK. These data are made available through cooperation from the Geological Survey of Canada (GSC) and the US Geological Survey. These may differ from the final Kp values derived from a more extensive network of magnetometers.

The data included here are those now available in real time at the SWO and are incomplete in that they do not include the full set of parameters and energy ranges known to cause satellite operating anomalies. The proton and electron fluxes and Kp are "global "parameters that are applicable to a first order approximation over large areas. Hparallel is subject to a more localized phenomena and the measurements generally are applicable to within a few degrees of longitude of the measuring satellite.

GOES X-RAY DATA


GOES PROTON FLUX


May 17 May 18 May 19 May 20 May 21 May 22 May 23 May 24

## Weekly GOES Satellite X-ray and Proton Plots

$X$-ray plot contains five minute averaged x-ray flux (watts $/ \mathrm{m}^{2}$ ) as measured by GOES 8 and 10 in two wavelength bands, . $05-.4$ and $.1-.8 \mathrm{~nm}$. The letters A, B, C, M and X refer to x-ray event levels for the $.1-.8 \mathrm{~nm}$ band.
Proton plot contains the five minute averaged integral proton flux (protons $/ \mathrm{cm}^{2}-\mathrm{sec}$-sr) as measured by GOES-8 (W75) for each of the energy thresholds: >1, >10, >30 and >100 MeV. P10 event threshold is 10 pfu (protons $/ \mathrm{cm}^{2}$-sec-sr) at greater than 10 MeV .

