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**tectono-eustasy** (tec'-ton-o-eu'-sta-sy). Worldwide change of sea level produced by a change in the capacity of the ocean basins owing to plate tectonic motions, e.g. sea-floor spreading, subduction. Term introduced by Fairbridge (1961, p.111). Cf: *glacio-eustasy; sedimento-eustasy.* Syn: *diastrophic eustatism; tectono-eustatism.* 

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