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EARTH Magazine: Humans are influencing some extreme weather events, but not all

Alexandria, VA – It has often been said that individual weather events cannot be attributed to global climate change, but recent advances in the science of attribution are challenging that notion. A recent report from 18 different research teams that analyzed 12 extreme weather events in 2012 suggests that climate change was a contributing factor in about half of them.

Find out how geoscientists reached these conclusions and how the experts are using statistical analyses to predict the likelihood of extreme weather events in the January issue of EARTH Magazine (<http://bit.ly/1m9849N>). Buy the full issue to read more stories about the planet, including how a meteorite could have brought organics to early Earth, how models can predict arsenic levels in China, and how minerals are named at www.earthmagazine.org.

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