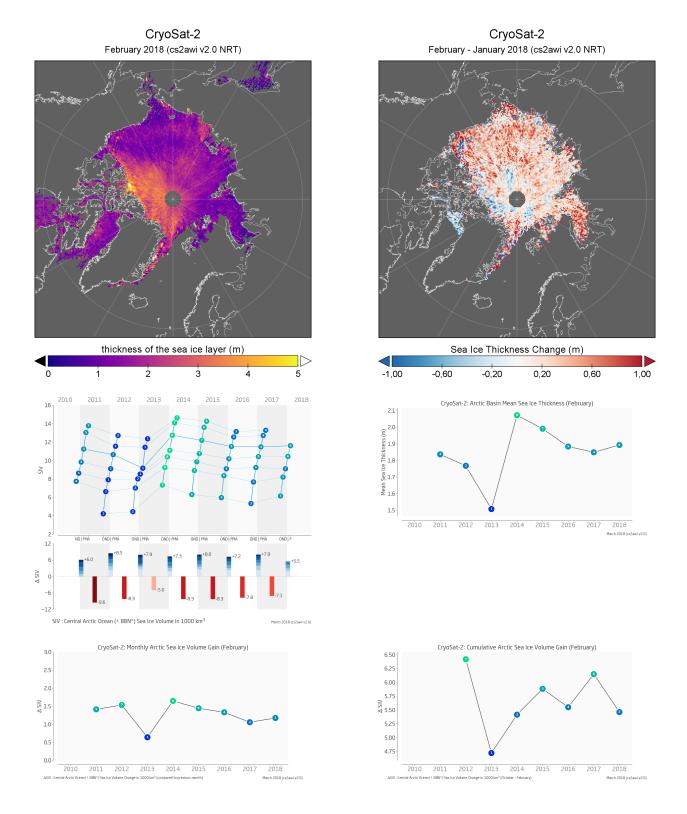
CryoSat-2: Arctic Update (March 2018)

Arctic sea ice thickness information has been updated with NRT data for February 2018 and reprocessed data for January 2018. Daily, weekly and monthly products are available here: Reprocessed, Near-real time



Short Facts

• February sea ice volume in the central Arctic was 6th lowest / 3rd highest in 8 years of CryoSat-2 observations: 11.61 • 10³ km³

- o highest: 12.75 10³ km³ in Feb 2014
- o lowest: 9.17 10³ km³ in Feb 2013
- o average: 11.32 10³ km³
- February mean sea ice thickness in the central Arctic was 6th lowest / 3rd highest in 8 years of CryoSat-2 observations: 1.89 m
 - highest: 2.07 m in Feb 2014
 - o lowest: 1.51 m in Feb 2013 (potential retrieval anomaly, under investigation)
 - o average: 1.85 m
- Monthly sea ice volume gain (January through February) was 3rd lowest / 6th highest in 8 years of CryoSat-2 observations: +1.17 10³ km³
 - highest: +1.64 10³ km³ in Feb 2014 (potential retrieval anomaly, under investigation)
 - o lowest: +0.64 10³ km³ in Feb 2013 (potential retrieval anomaly, under investigation)
 - o average: +1.28 10³ km³
- Cummulative sea ice volume gain (October through February) was 3rd lowest / 6th highest in 8 years of CryoSat-2 observations: +5.46 10³ km3
 - o highest: +6.42 10³ km³ in Feb 2012
 - o lowest: +4.72 10³ km³ in Fev 2013 (potential retrieval anomaly, under investigation)
 - o average: +5.66 10³ km³