

Explore

the air we breathe.

Discover

how changes in the atmosphere affect the planet, its wildlife, and its people.

What we call the atmosphere has five main layers:

exosphere 640 to 64,000 km (400 to 40,000 mi)

thermosphere 80 to 640 km (50 to 400 mi)

mesosphere 50 to 80 km (31 to 50 mi)

stratosphere 16 to 50 km (10 to 31 mi)

troposphere up to 16 km (10 mi)

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