

ISC 2015: Mission and Rebuild of the Bulletin

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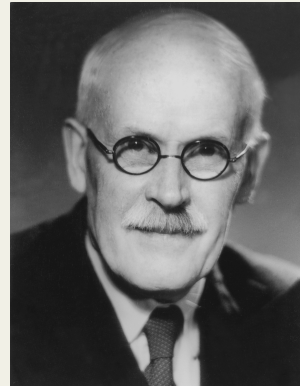
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ISC Products and Services in 2015

1. **Station Registry** (*with USGS*)
2. **ISC Bulletin** (including the **EHB**)
3. Reference Event (**GT**) List (*with IASPEI*)
4. **ISC-GEM** Catalogue
5. **Event Bibliography**
6. **Seismological Contacts**



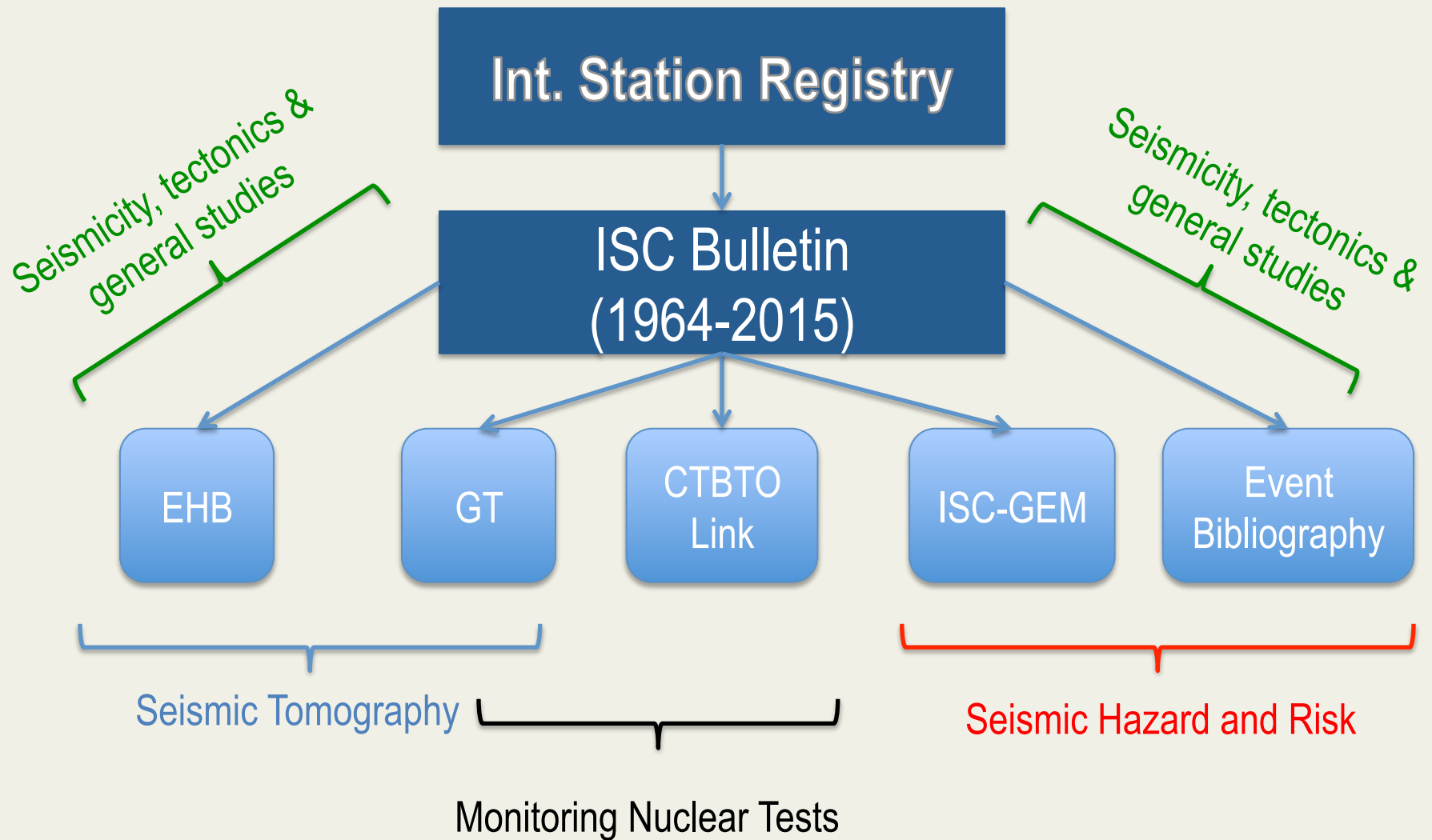
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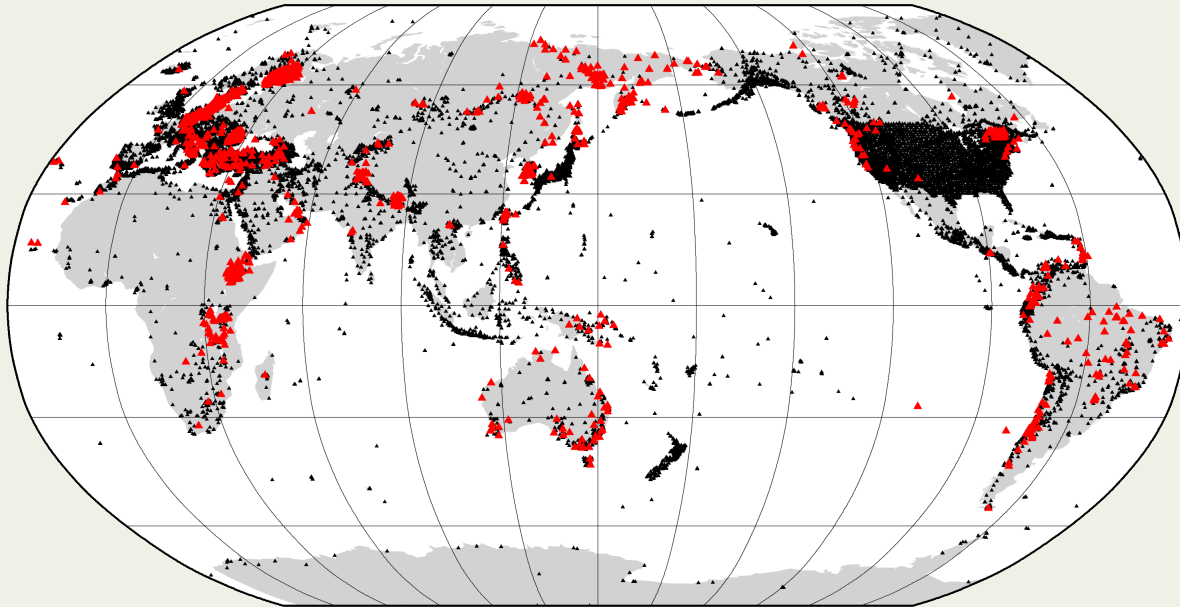
- ✓ not real time
- ✓ aimed at quality, not a speed of delivery
- ✓ long-term
- ✓ continuous
- ✓ most complete
- ✓ open to all
- ✓ designed for use by researchers

The ISC Data Products



1: International Seismograph **Station Registry (IR)**

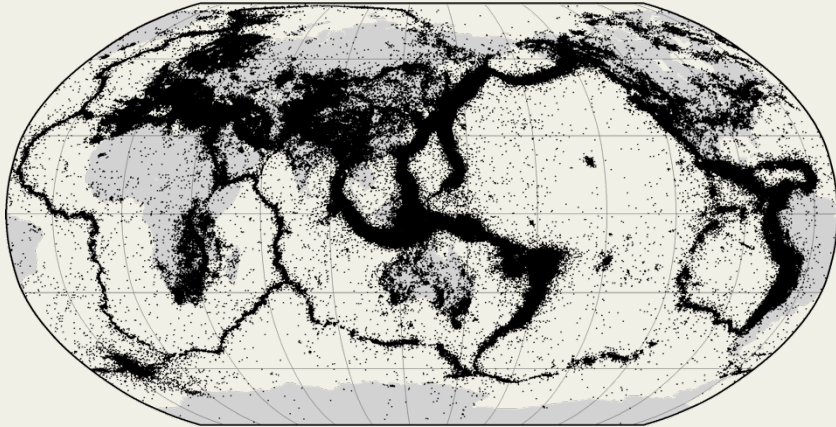
Since 1970s, the ISC maintains the Registry jointly with NEIC / USGS



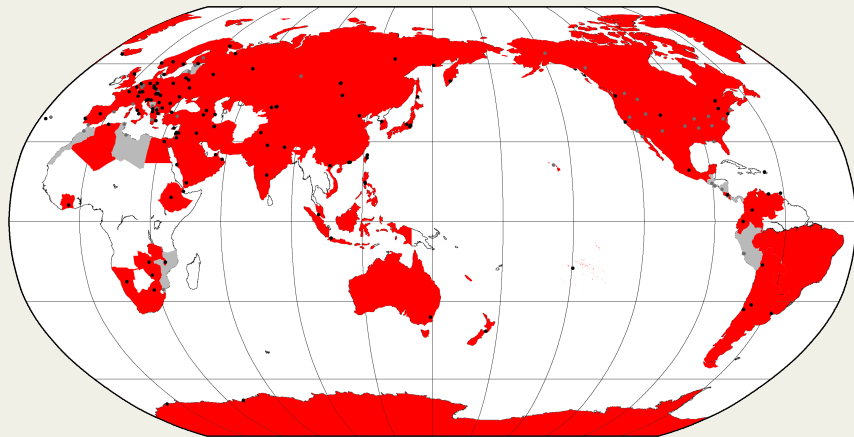
~21,000 stations, open or closed, are registered in the IR; parameters of ~1,700 of those (in red) were either registered or modified during 2014.

The IR station codes are used in various types of seismological research as well as for waveform storage and distribution by IRIS DMC, EIDA and other data centres

2: ISC Bulletin (1964-2015)



*5.7 M events, 1.8 M of them reviewed,
141M seismic arrivals, 94M in reviewed*

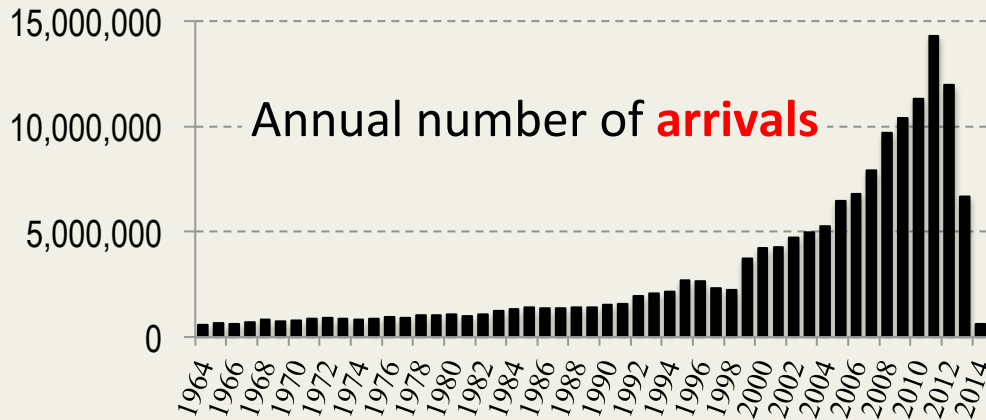
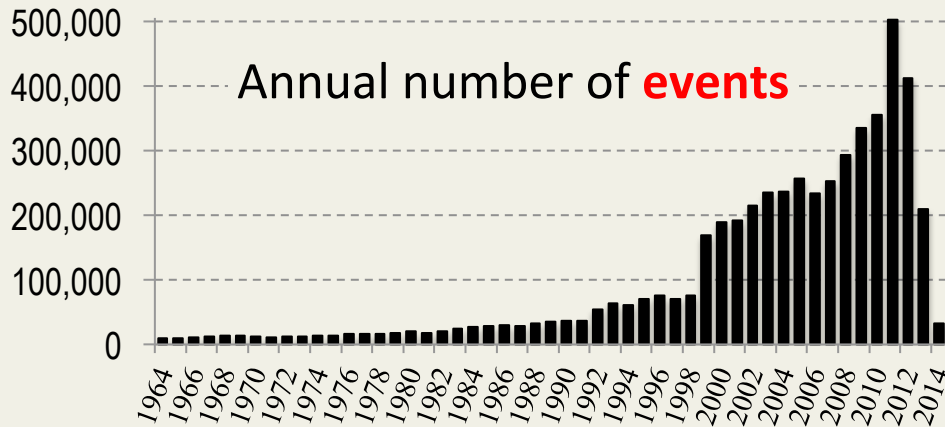


137 agency-contributors

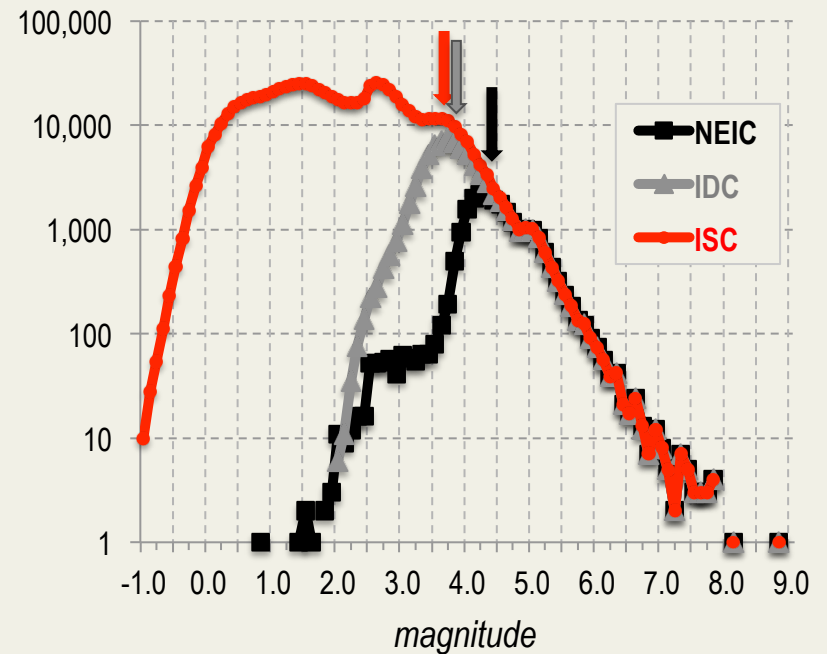
- The definitive and most complete long-term record of global earthquake information
- Contains major source parameters of ~5.7 million seismic events: natural and anthropogenic
- ~137 agencies report bulletin data to be included into the ISC Bulletin.
- Individual agency bulletins in different formats are parsed, checked, merged per natural event, event parameters re-calculated, reviewed and made available in standard formats.

2: ISC Bulletin

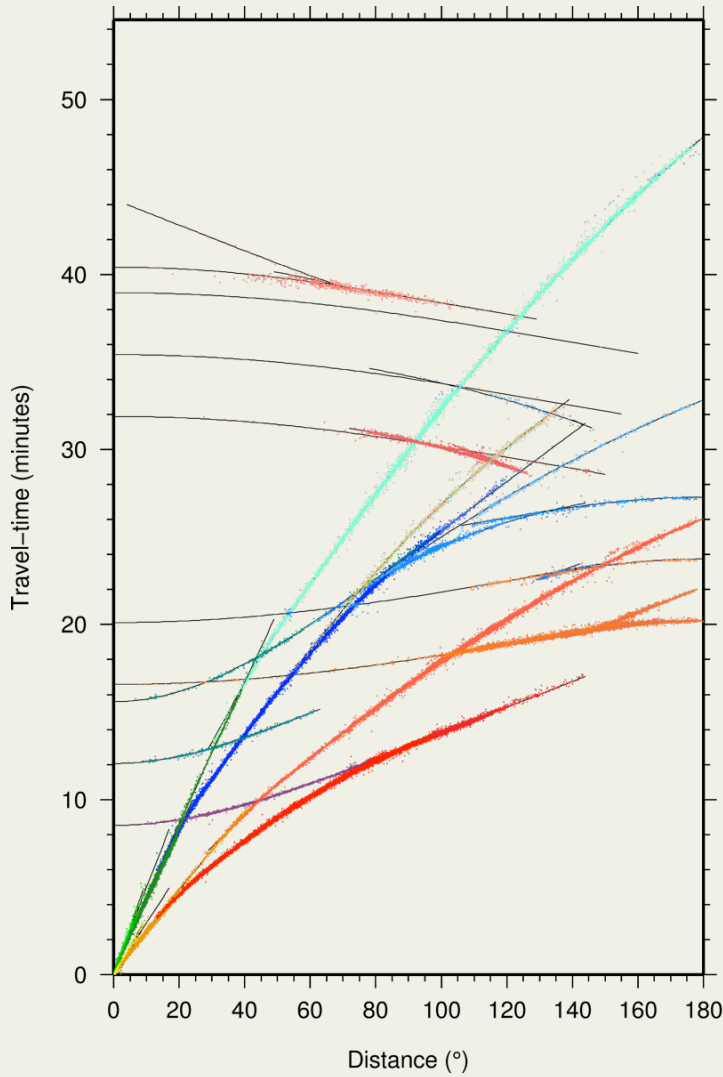
Growth of event & phase data volume continues



Worldwide, the ISC Bulletin is more complete than either of NEIC or IDC



2: ISC Bulletin

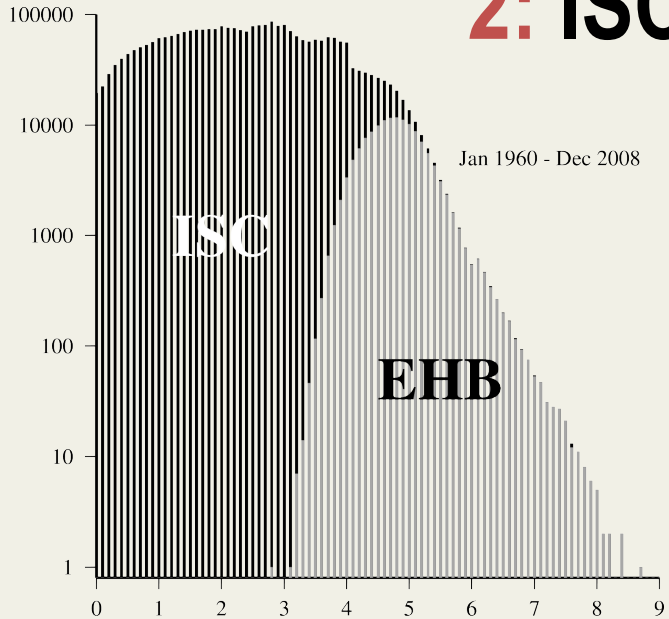


ISC Bulletin (M > 5.5, Depth ≤ 20): **330** events
68 ak135 phases, **470898** residuals
2009/01/01 to 2011/09/30

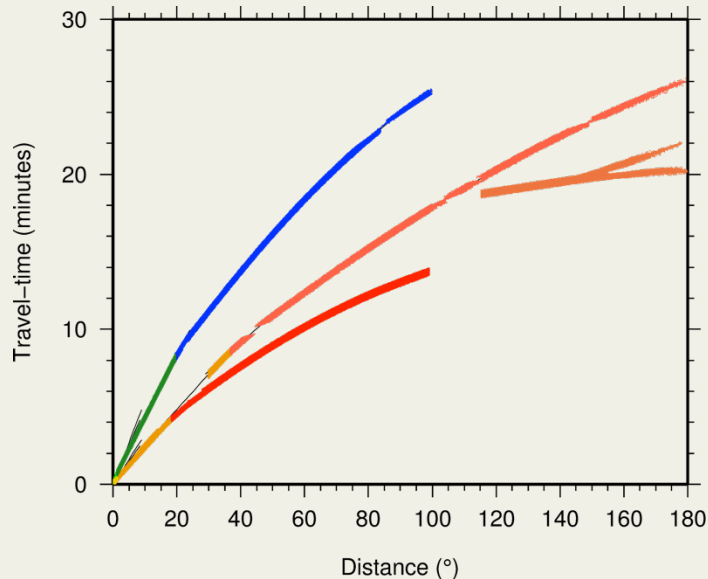
- Pg (751)
- Pb (657), PbPb (1)
- Pn (28955), PnPn (554)
- PnS (393)
- Sg (634)
- Sb (622), SbSb (1)
- Sn (5311), SnSn (524)
- SPn (37)
- pPn (1)
- P (295700)
- PP (11776)
- PS (670)
- S (16555)
- SS (6737), SP (418)
- pwP (2), pP (3116), pS (8), pPdif (6)
- sP (2473), sS (931), sPdif (4), sSdif (3)
- PcP (3313), PcS (183)
- Pdif (11141)
- ScP (753), ScS (662)
- Sdif (261)
- PKPab (7830), PKPbc (10024), PKPdf (45002)
- PKSab (3), PKSbc (24), PKSdf (439)
- PKiKP (6172)
- PPab (24), PPbc (18), PPdf (786)
- PKKPab (558), PKKPbc (1976), PKKPdf (440)
- SKPab (71), SKPbc (245), SKPdf (26)
- SKSac (2019), SKSdf (489), SKiKP (274)
- SSac (22)
- SKKPab (2), SKKPbc (123), SKKPdf (2)
- SKKSac (584), SKKSdf (23)
- pPKPab (47), pPKPbc (12), pPKPdf (425), pPKiKP (31)
- sPKPab (8), sPKPbc (3), sPKPdf (25), sPKiKP (12)

The ISC Bulletin contains arrival times of many different types of seismic waves, including those predicted by the ak135 velocity model

2: ISC Bulletin: **EHB** (1960-2008)



The EHB dataset is a groomed subset of the ISC Bulletin with well recorded seismic events relocated using (*Engdahl et al, 1998*) technique

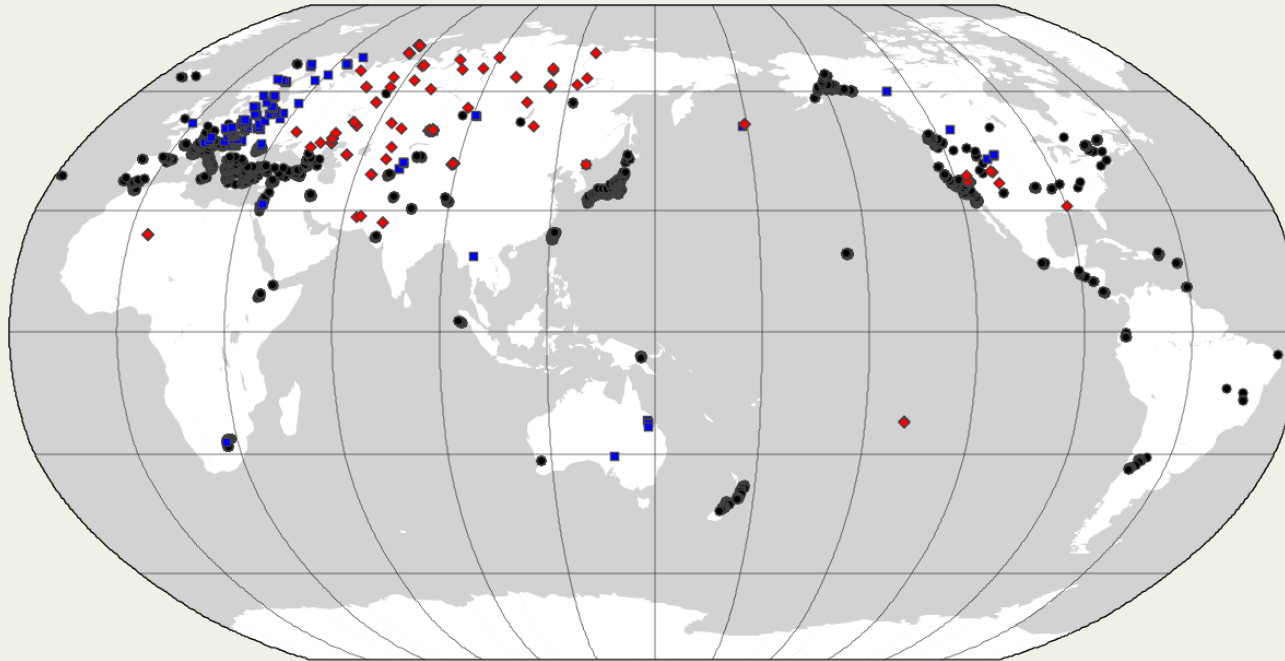


EHB Bulletin (Depth ≤ 20): **37262** events
16 ak135 phases, **6780078** residuals
1960/01/01 to 2008/12/31

- Pg (31922)
- Pb (9959)
- Pn (851574), PnPn (12998)
- Sg (17265)
- Sb (9118)
- Sn (203515)
- P (4236435)
- PP (109526)
- S (273235)
- pwP (100553), pP (133404)
- sP (79647)
- PKPab (77791), PKPbc (165270), PKPdf (467866)

The EHB contains arrival times of the most prominent and well reported types of seismic waves

3: IASPEI Reference Event List, **GT** (1959-2012)

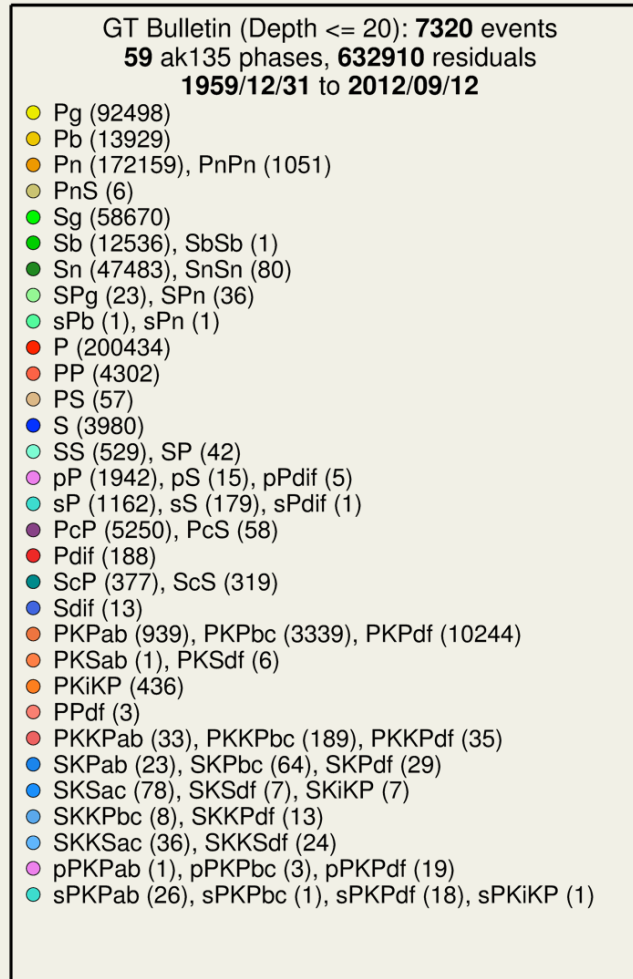
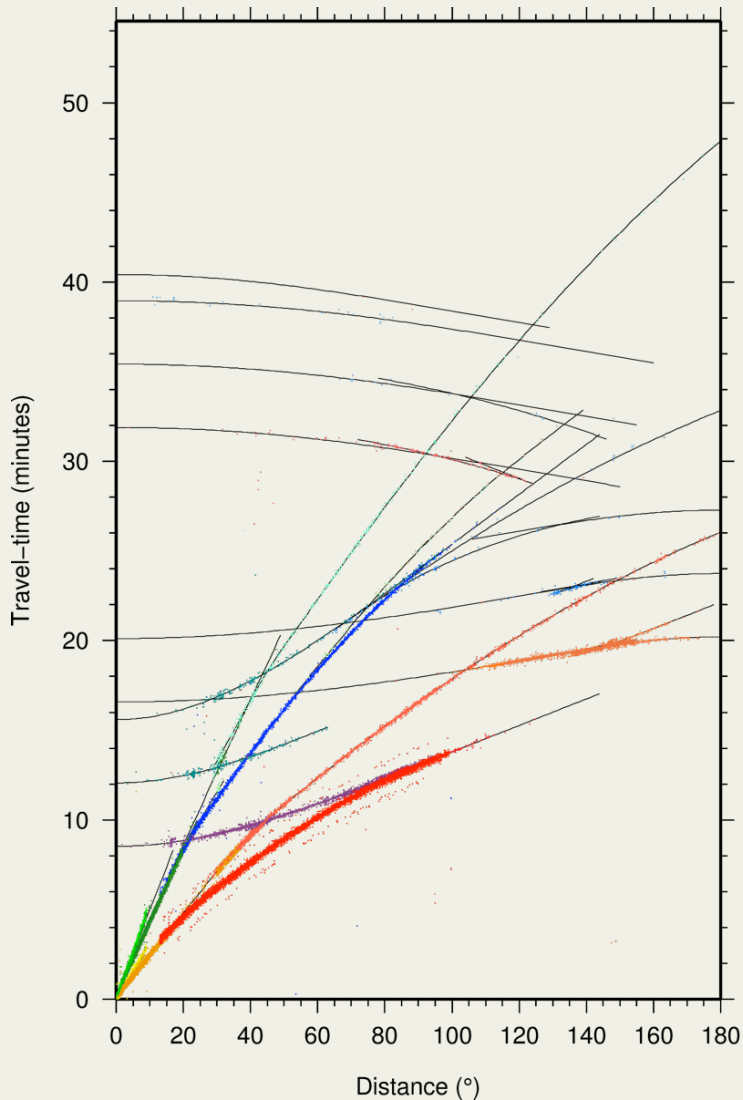


• natural(7283) ■ chemical(261) ◆ nuclear(1029)

8,573 GT(0-10)
events with locations
known with 95%
confidence level:
✓ natural
✓ anthropogenic
accompanied by
~870,000
associated seismic
arrivals

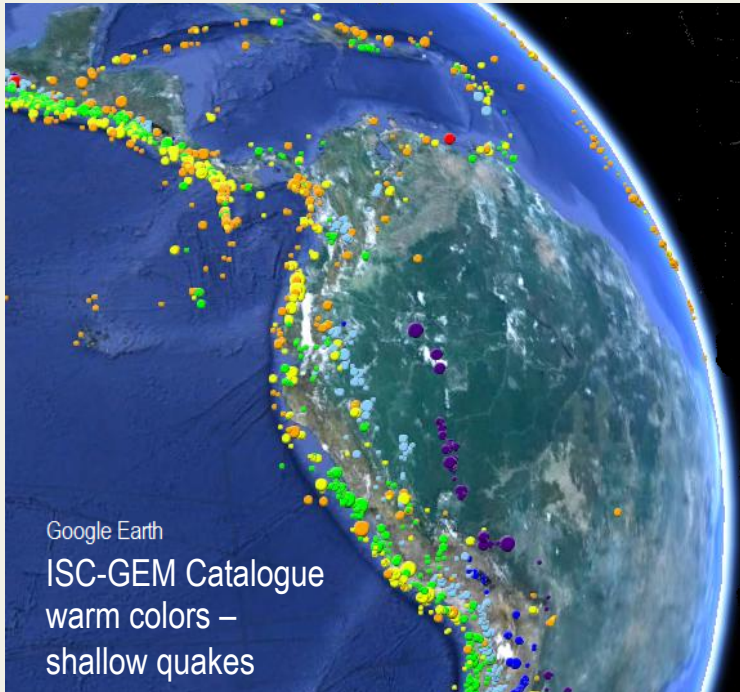
The list is maintained by the ISC under the supervision of IASPEI

3: IASPEI Reference Event List, GT



~870,000
seismic arrivals

4: ISC-GEM Catalogue (1900-2011)



1900-1917: $M_W \geq 7.5$ worldwide + smaller shallow events in stable continental areas

1918-1949: $M_W \geq 6\frac{1}{4}$

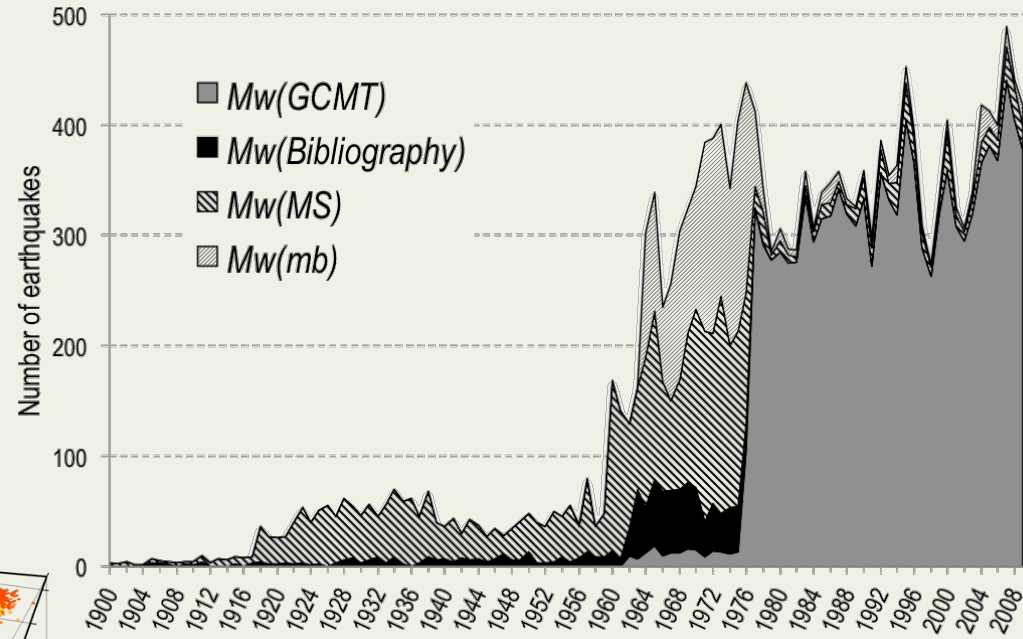
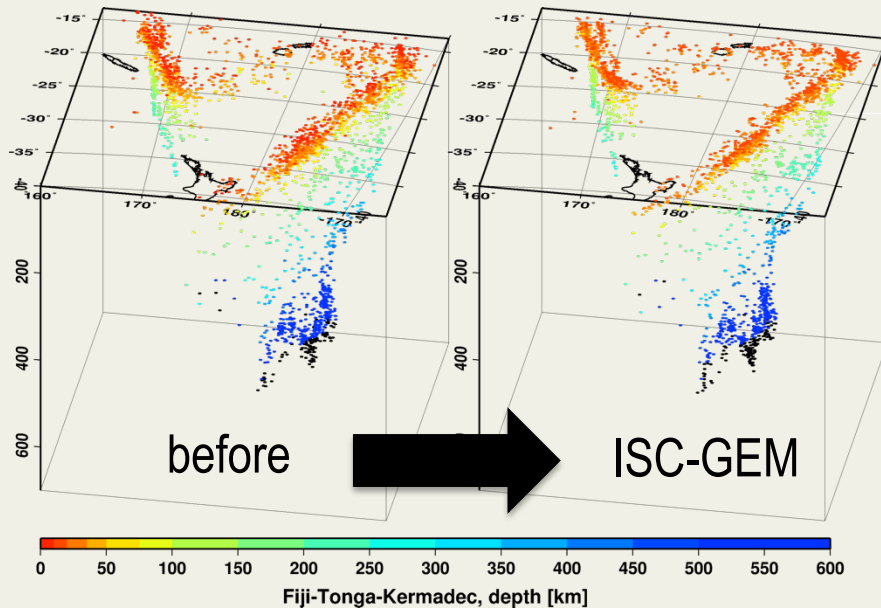
1950-2009: $M_W \geq 5.5$

The ISC-GEM Global Instrumental Earthquake Catalogue is built for the purpose of seismic hazard and risk assessment:

- ~24,000 homogeneous hypocentre locations and M_W estimates
- with the estimates of uncertainty
- covering 110 years period
- prepared using uniform location and magnitude determination techniques,
- using original seisogram measurements

4: ISC-GEM Catalogue, Homogeneity

All magnitudes are expressed in M_W scale with uncertainties
(Di Giacomo et al., 2015)



(Storchak et al., 2015)

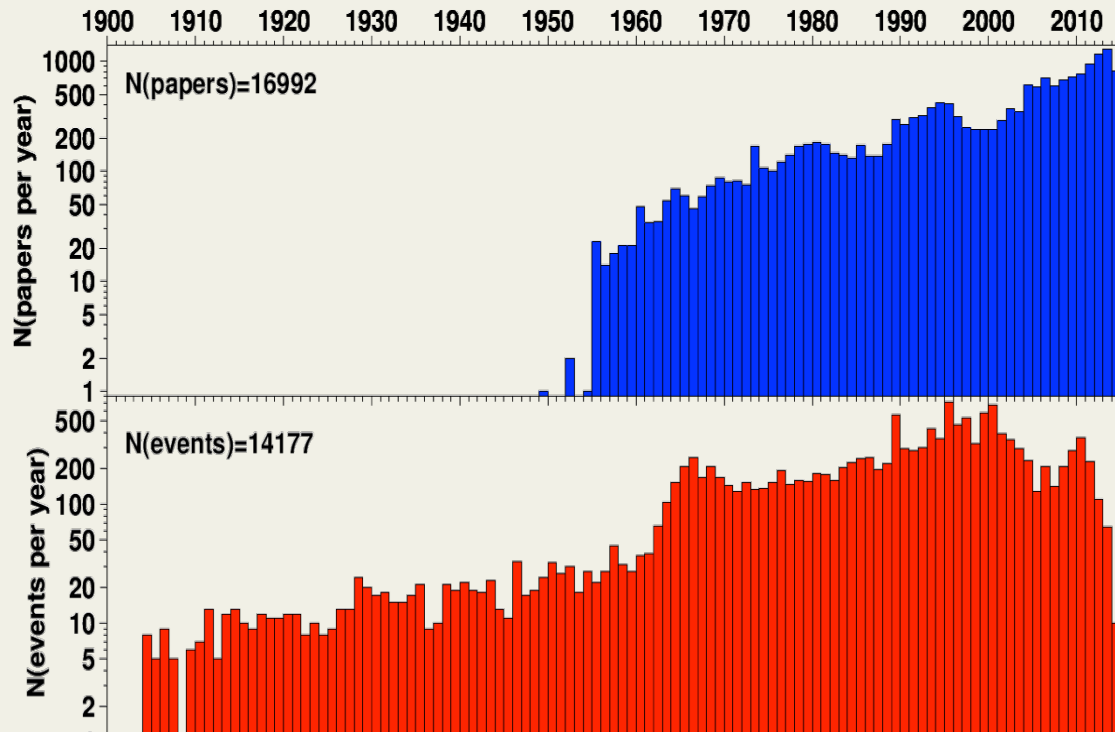
All hypocentres recomputed using a combination of **EHB** and **ISC** location techniques

5: ISC Event Bibliography (1904-2014)

- An interactive web-search for references to scientific articles related to seismic events in a particular region and period of occurrence/publication;
- includes articles in many fields of Geosciences;

ISC Event Agency	Origin time	Lat	Lon	Depth	Magnitude	Articles_total
13761066	ISC 2009-09-12 09:41:21	42.59	43.43	13.6	M _s (ISC) = 3.8	1
<p>Matcharashvili, T., Chelidze, T., Javakhishvili, Z., Zhukova, N., Jorjashvili, N., and Shengelia, I., 2013. Discrimination between stochastic dynamics patterns of ambient noises (Case study for Oni seismic station), <i>Acta Geophys.</i>, 61, 6, 1659-1676, DOI: 10.2478/s11600-013-0141-1</p>						
13684754	ISC 2009-09-07 22:41:37	42.58	43.45	14.6	M _w (GCMT) = 6.0	2
<p>Matcharashvili, T., Chelidze, T., Javakhishvili, Z., Jorjashvili, N., and Zhukova, N., 2012. Scaling features of ambient noise at different levels of local seismic activity: A case study for the Oni seismic station, <i>Acta Geophys.</i>, 60, 3, 809-832, DOI: 10.2478/s11600-012-0006-z</p>						
<p>Matcharashvili, T., Chelidze, T., Javakhishvili, Z., Zhukova, N., Jorjashvili, N., and Shengelia, I., 2013. Discrimination between stochastic dynamics patterns of ambient noises (Case study for Oni seismic station), <i>Acta Geophys.</i>, 61, 6, 1659-1676, DOI: 10.2478/s11600-013-0141-1</p>						
3004606	ISC 2002-04-25 17:41:22	41.76	44.82	10.0	mb(ISC) = 4.7	1
<p>Javakhishvili, Z., Godoladze, T., Elashvili, M., Mukhadze, T., and Timchenko, I., 2004. The Tbilisi earthquake of April 25, 2002 in the context of the seismic hazard of the Tbilisi urban area, <i>Bull. Geof. Teor. Appl.</i>, 45, 3, 169-185.</p>						
1439567	ISC 1999-01-14 22:45:16	41.29	44.04	17.4	mb(ISC) = 4.7	1
<p>Bondár, I., Bergman, E., Engdahl, E.R., Kohl, B., Kung, Y.-L., and McLaughlin, K., 2008. A hybrid multiple event location technique to obtain ground truth event locations, <i>Geophys. J. Int.</i>, 175, 1, 185-201, DOI: 10.1111/j.1365-246X.2008.03867.x</p>						
1205885	ISC 1998-09-20 19:47:21	42.45	46.31	46.4	mb(ISC) = 3.4	2
<p>Bondár, I., Engdahl, E.R., Yang, X., Ghalib, H.A.A., Hofstetter, A., Kirichenko, V., Wagner, R., Gupta, I., Ekström, G., Bergman, E., Israelsson, H., and McLaughlin, K., 2004. Collection of a Reference Event Set for Regional and Teleseismic Location Calibration, <i>Bull. seism. Soc. Am.</i>, 94, 4, 1528-1545, DOI: 10.1785/012003128</p>						

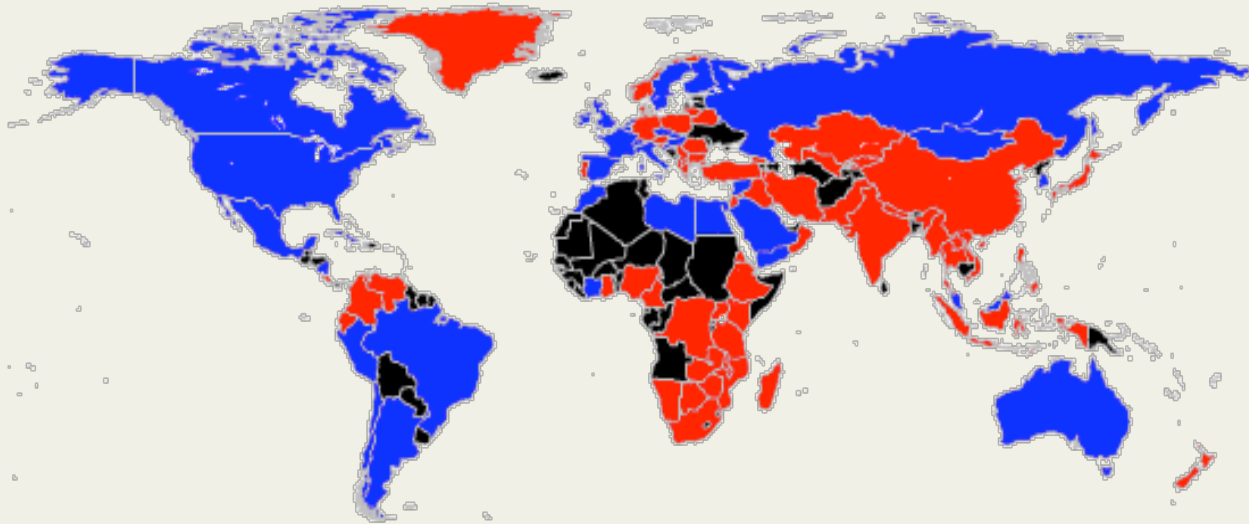
5: ISC Event Bibliography (1904-2015)



(Di Giacomo et al., 2014)

- ~17,000 scientific articles related to ~14,000 events in ~500 journal titles;
- articles published in the last ~60 years and
- related to seismic events occurred in the last ~110 years;
- a few events in the first half of the 20th century;
- includes earthquakes and anthropogenic events.

6: Seismological Contacts

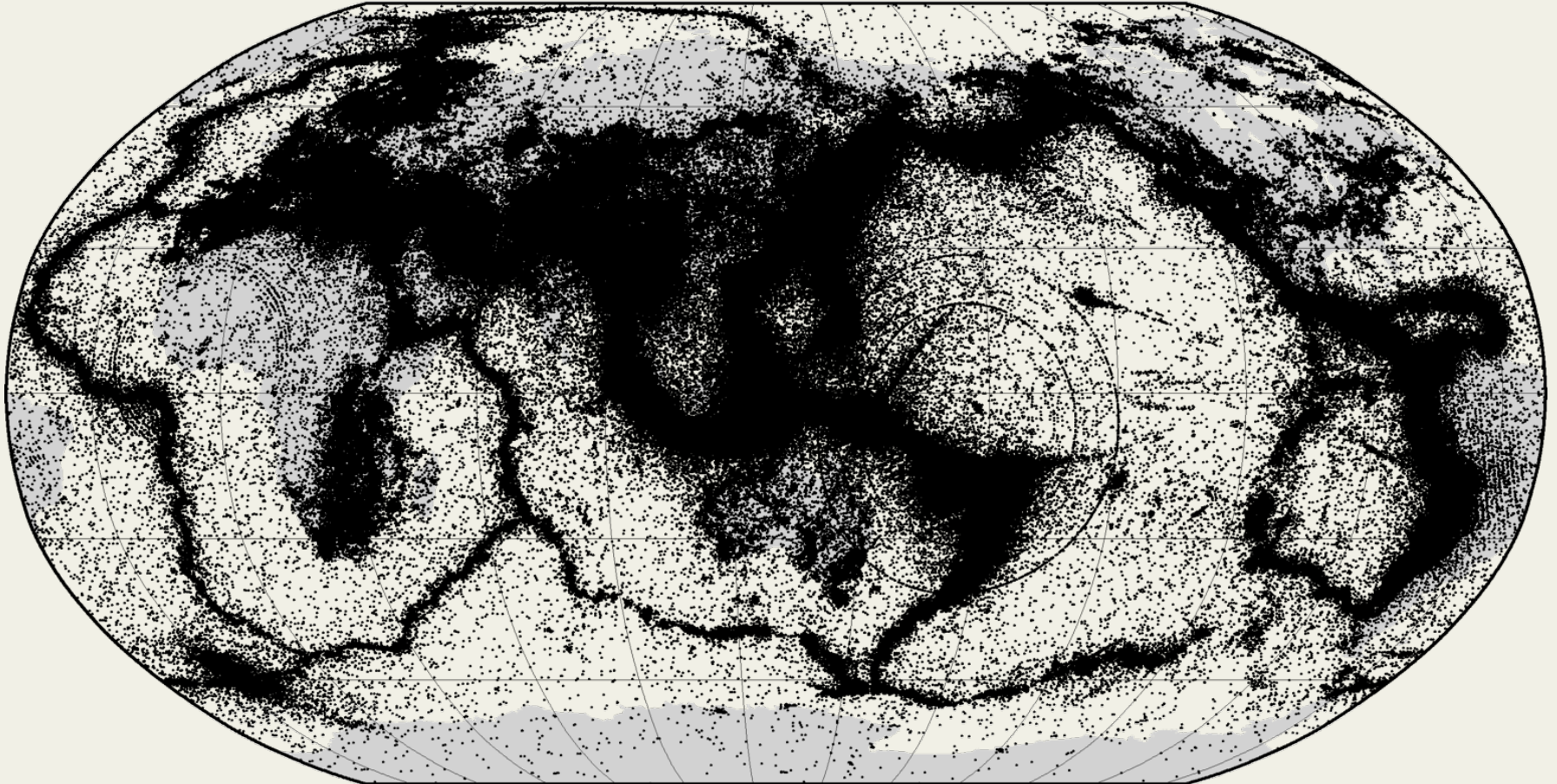


RED – institutes and individual members of staff are willing to share information and serve as a local point of contact.

BLUE – geophysical organisation(s) known, no specific individuals.

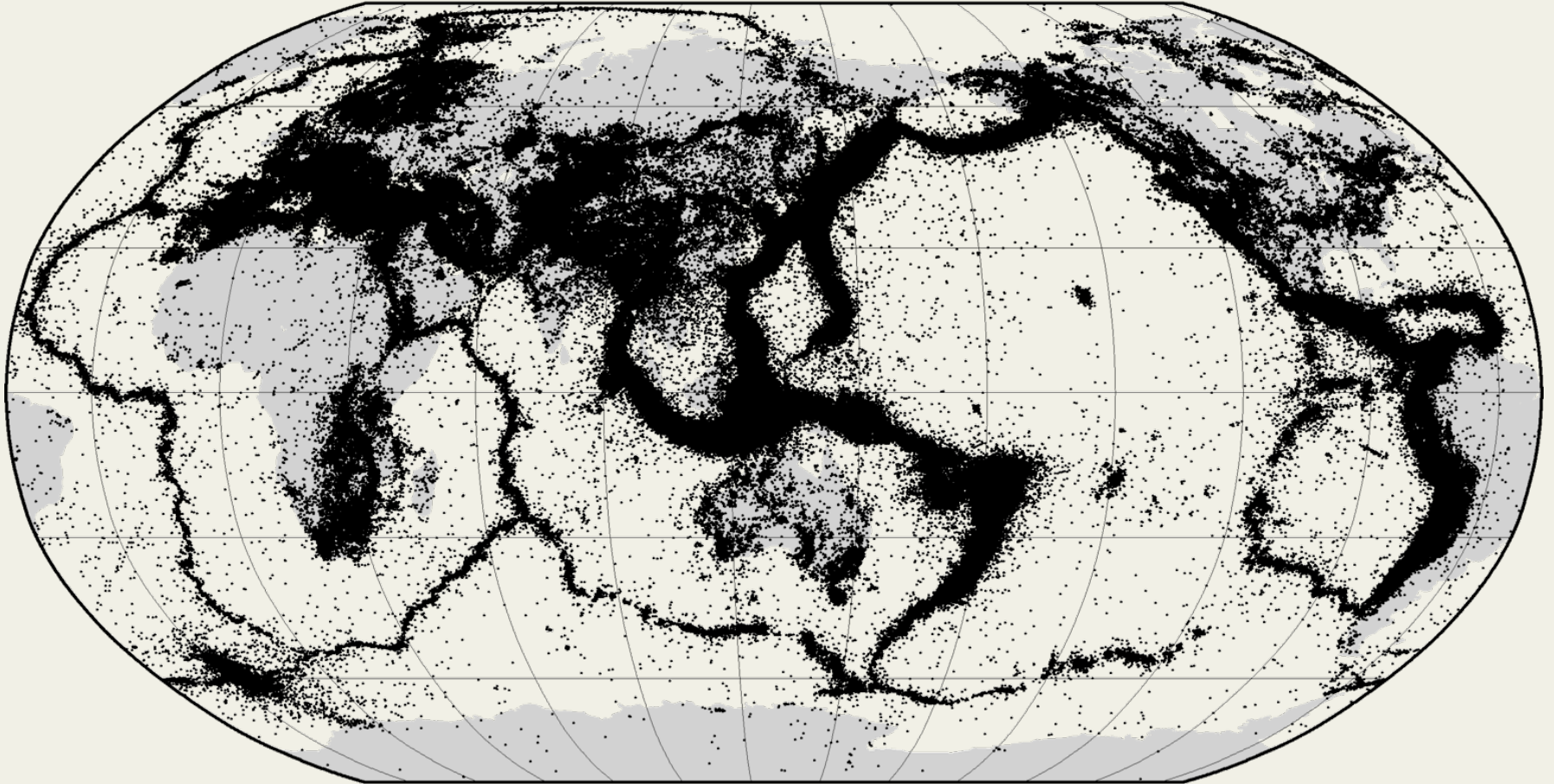
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All hypocentres reported to the ISC



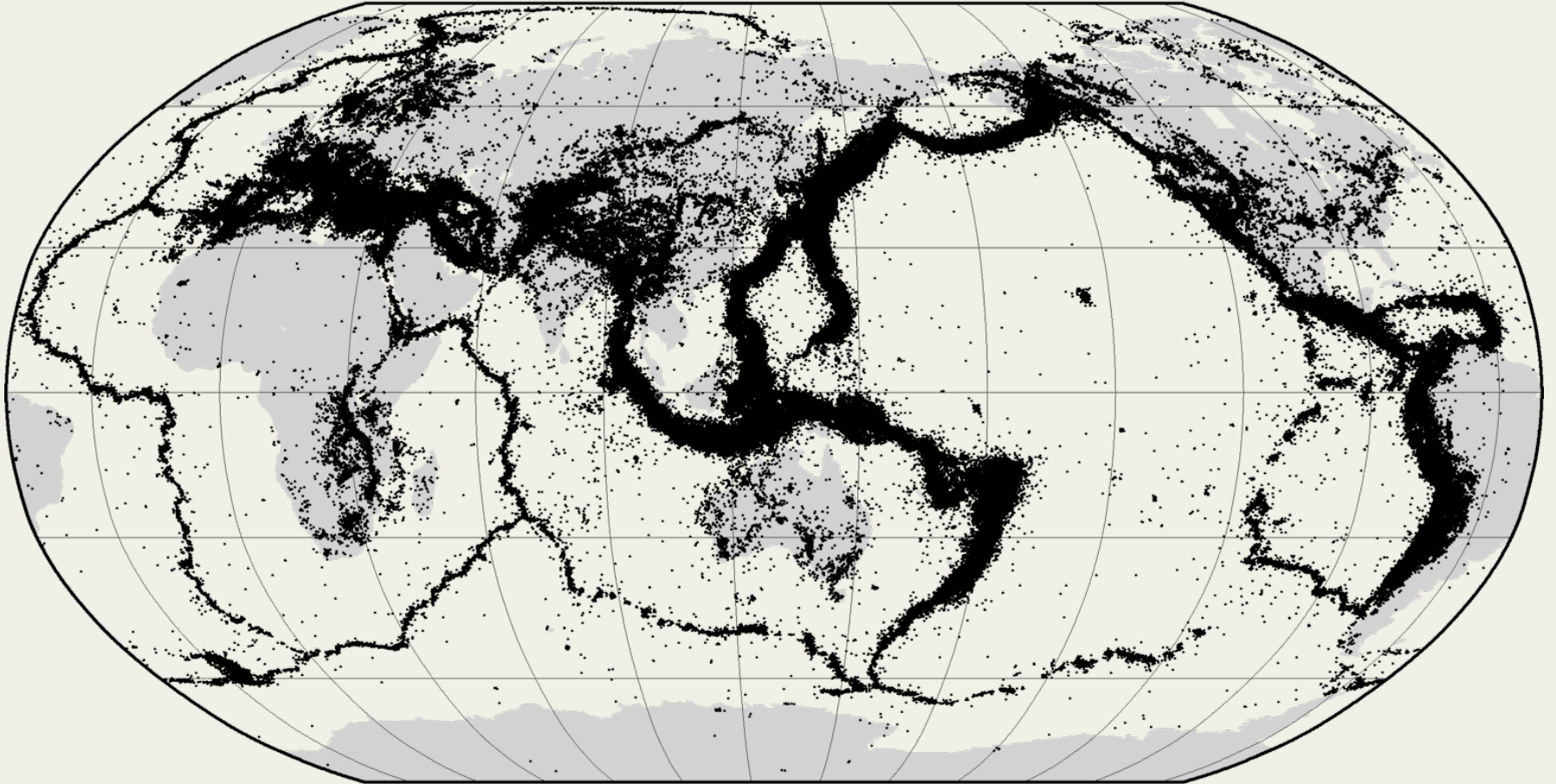
11 M hypocentre solutions

Events in ISC Bulletin, grouped (1904-2015)



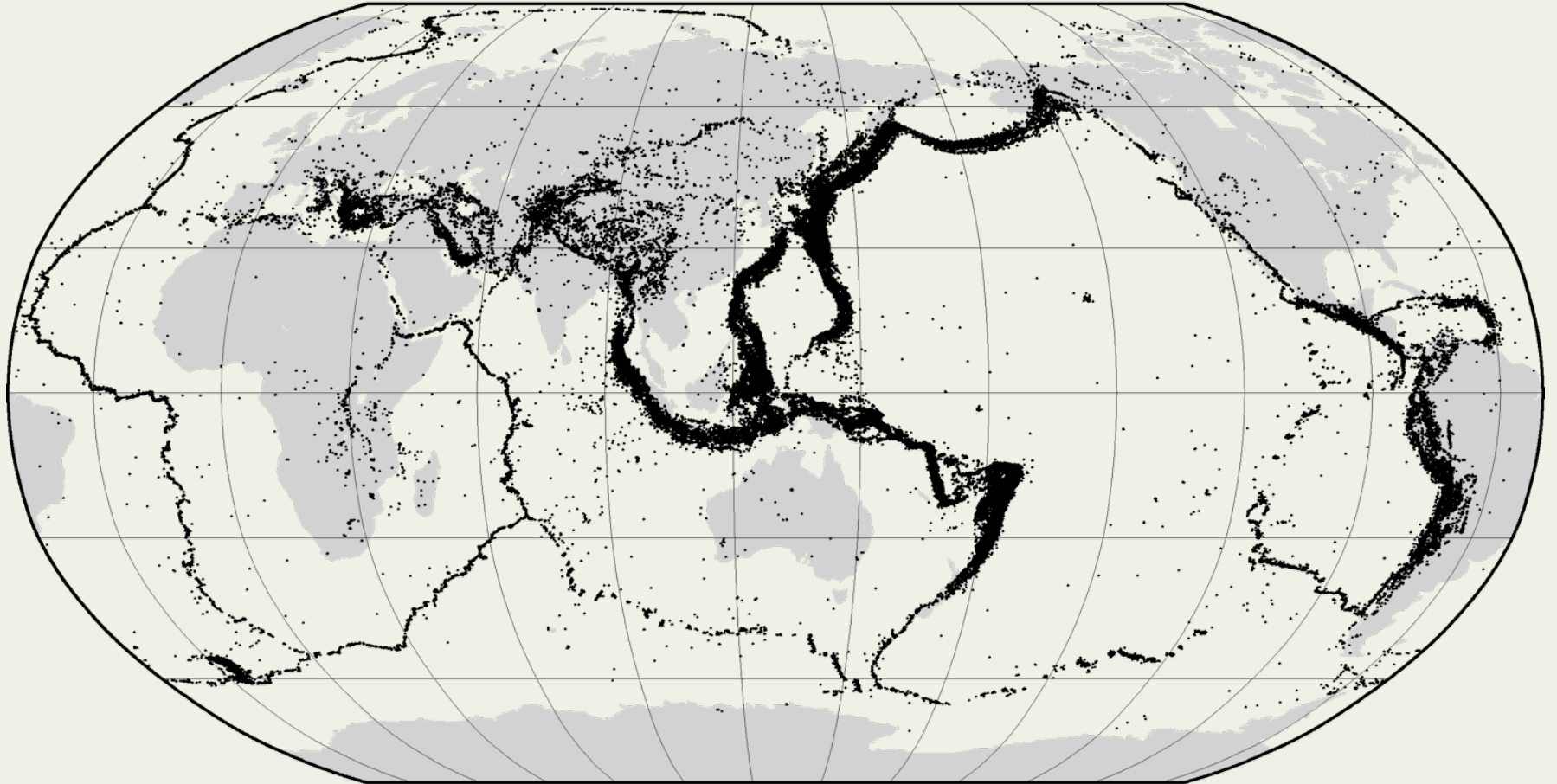
5.7 M events

Events **relocated by ISC** (1904-2012)



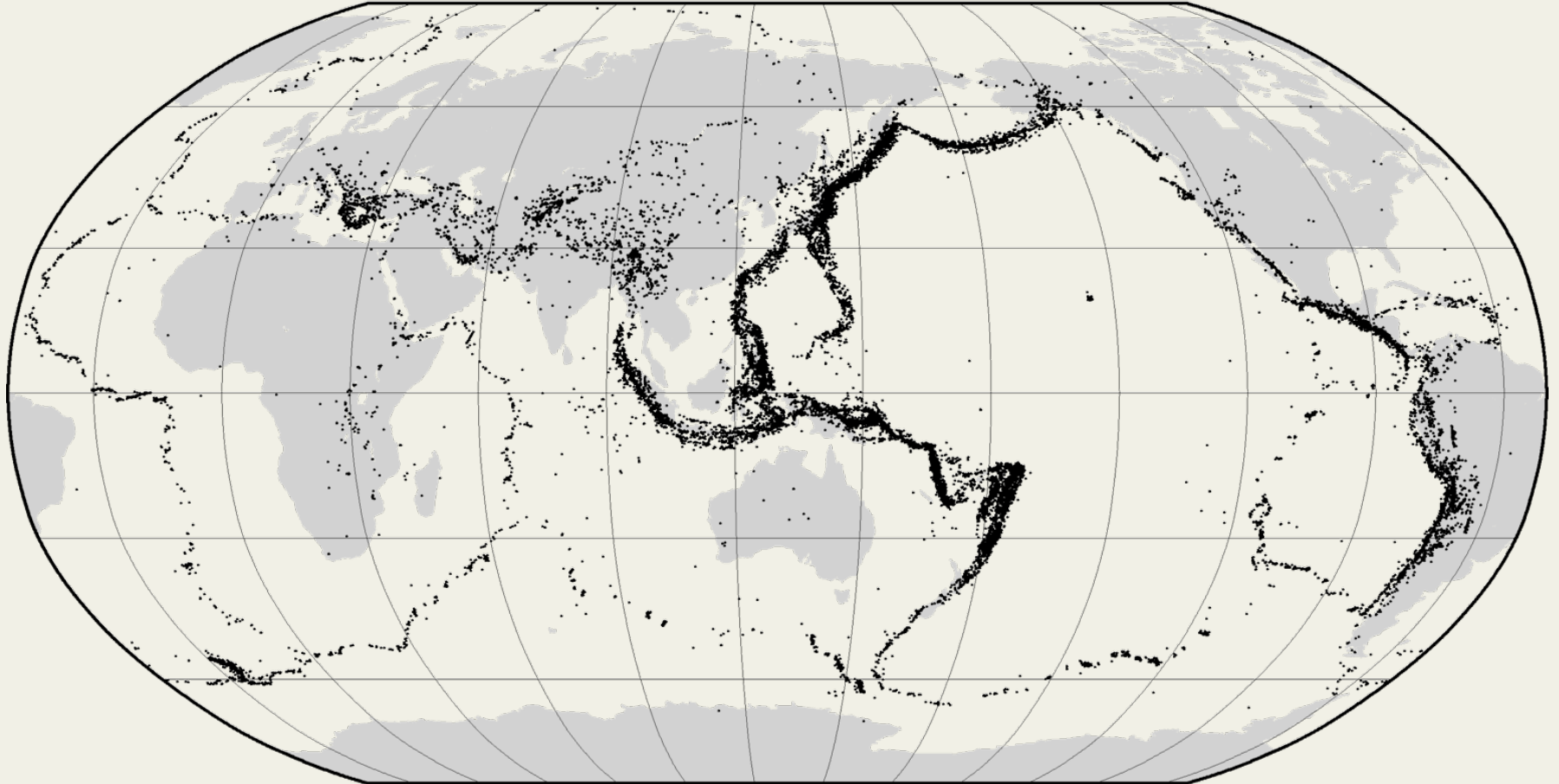
1.2 M events

EHB (1960-2008) (Engdahl *et al.*, 1998)



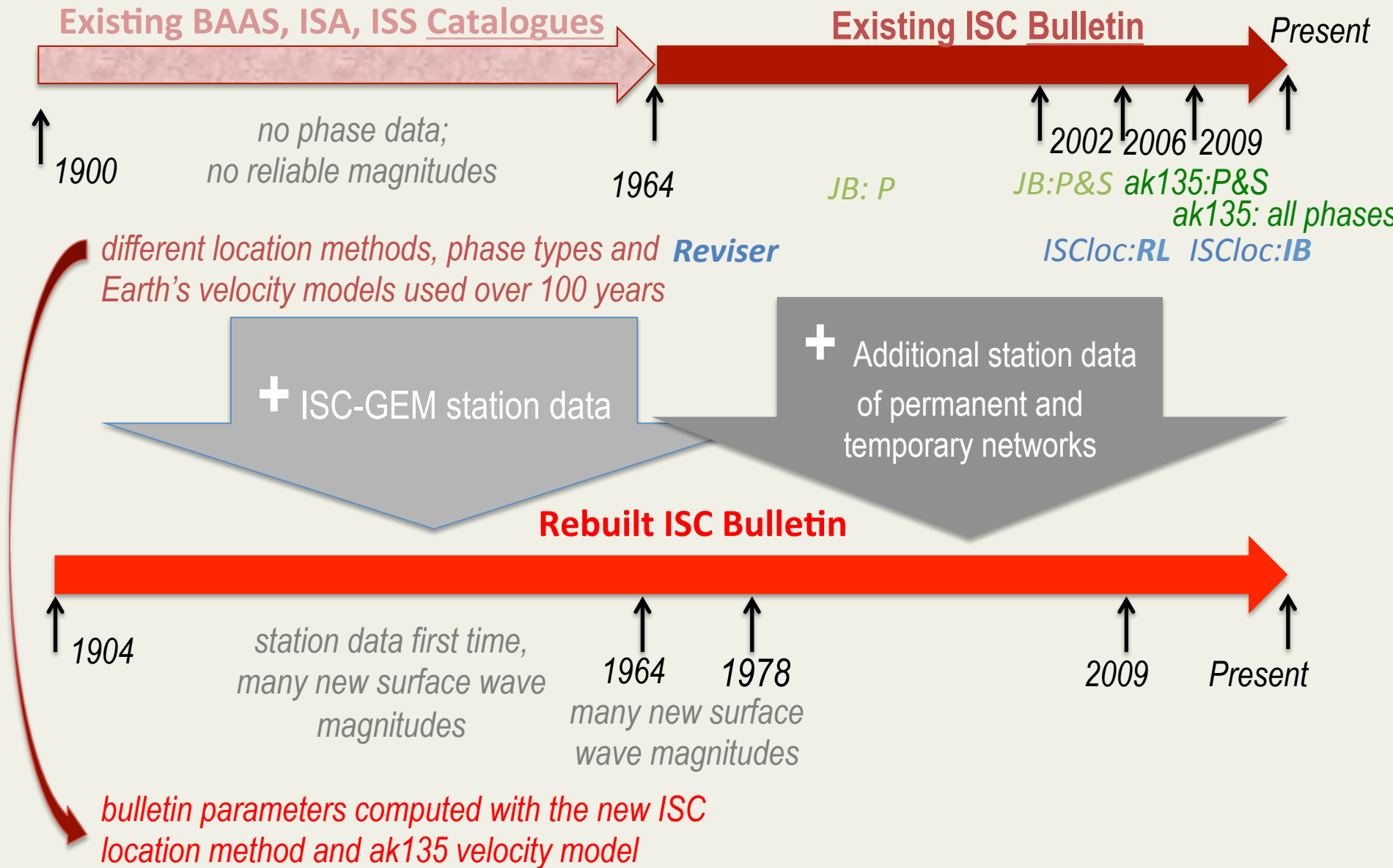
141 K events

ISC-GEM events, $M \geq 5.5$ (1904-2011)

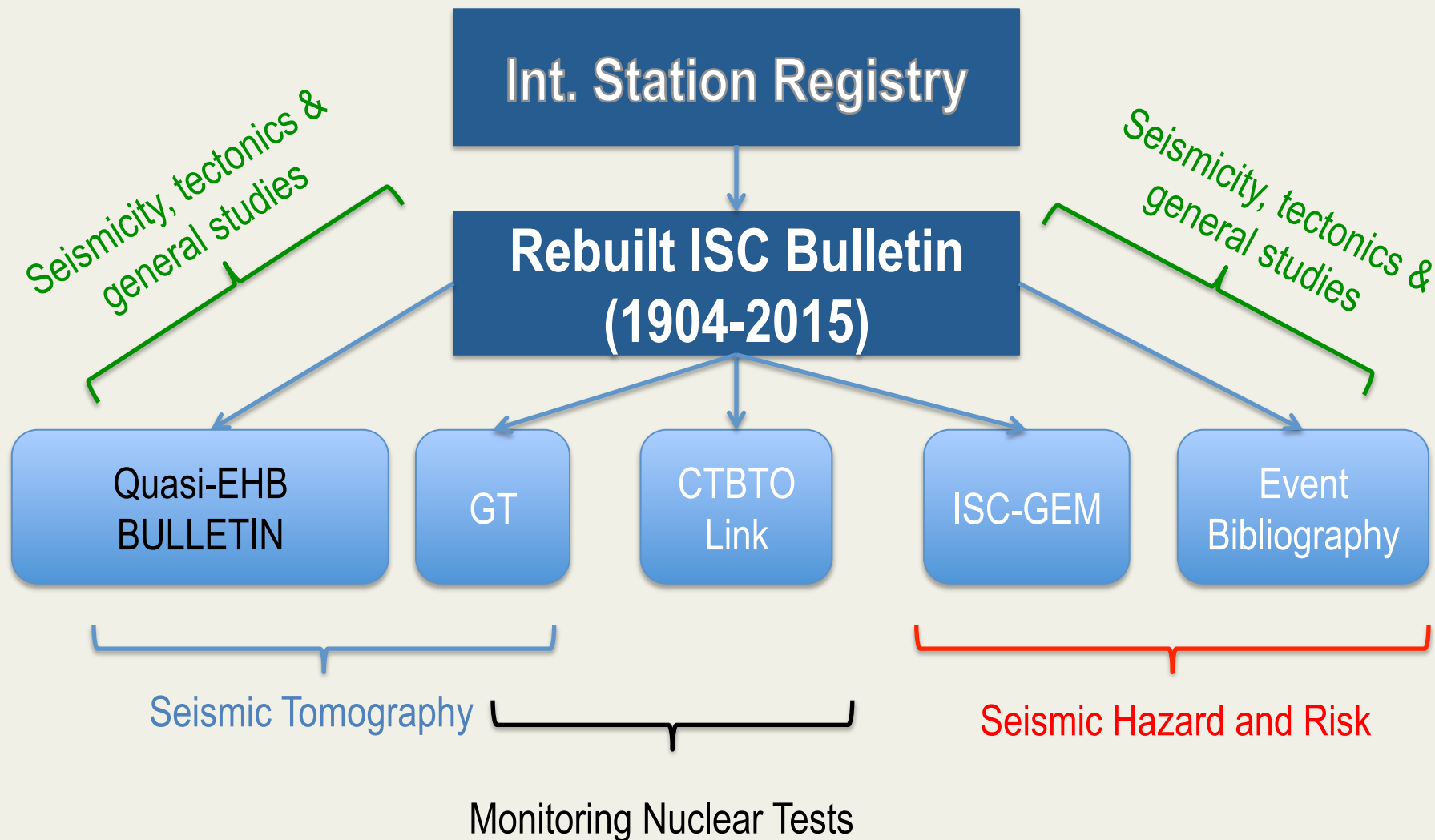


24 K events

ISC Bulletin Rebuild, ingredients



The Data Products expected at the end of Rebuild



Members and Supporters

63 Member-Institutions from **46** countries



Innovate UK



Summary

- The ISC continues with its unique **long-term international mission** collecting seismic parametric data from **137** agencies worldwide
- The ISC Products are openly available:
 - **Int. Station Registry** (1964-2015)
 - **ISC Bulletin** (1964-2015), including the **EHB** (1964-2008)
 - **GT** (1959-2012)
 - **ISC-GEM Catalogue** (1900-2011)
 - **ISC Event Bibliography** (1950-2015)
 - Seismological **Contacts**
- The ISC appreciates the financial support of its Members and Sponsors