

New Brighton Directional Waverider Buoy

Location			
OS	331389 E 394507 N		
WGS84	Latitude: 53° 26.57' N Longitude: 03° 02.06' W		
Instrument type			
Datawell Directional Waverider Mk III			
Water depth	~5m CD	Buoy in situ off New Brighton. Photo courtesy of Fugro GB Marine Limited	Location of buoy (Google mapping, image ©2016 TerraMetrics)

Data Quality

Recovery rate (%)	Sample interval
30	30 minutes

Monthly Averages - 2016

All times are GMT

Month	H _s (m)	T _p (s)	T _z (s)	Dir. (°)	SST (°C)	Bimodal seas (%)	No. of days
January	0.29	4.4	3.3	184	6.9	0	31
February	0.29	4.2	3.3	190	6.4	0	29
March	0.21	4.1	3.1	188	6.6	0	30
April	0.21	3.9	3.1	180	8.9	0	20

Monthly Averages - All Years (June 2014 – December 2016)

Month	H _s (m)	T _p (s)	T _z (s)	Dir. (°)	SST (°C)	Bimodal seas (%)
January	0.34	4.5	3.4	175	6.3	0
February	0.27	4.1	3.2	183	5.4	0
March	0.24	4.1	3.2	176	6.5	0
April	0.20	4.1	3.0	176	9.2	0
May	0.29	3.9	3.1	196	11.8	0
June	0.23	3.7	3.0	196	15.0	0
July	0.25	3.8	3.1	189	17.0	0
August	0.25	3.9	3.1	185	16.9	0
September	0.20	4.0	3.0	175	15.9	0
October	0.19	4.2	3.2	176	13.4	0
November	0.31	4.2	3.3	183	10.2	0
December	0.34	4.4	3.4	188	8.1	0

Storm Analysis

Date/Time	H _s (m)	T _p (s)	T _z (s)	Dir. (°)	Water level elevation* (OD)	Tidal stage (hours re. HW)	Tidal range (m)	Tidal surge* (m)	Max. surge* (m)
06-Apr-2016 22:00	1.57	7.7	5.5	350	4.75	HW	8.54	0.28	0.64
08-Feb-2016 10:00	1.56	6.7	4.3	1	4.72	HW -1	7.79	0.65	0.93
27-Jan-2016 13:00	1.56	6.3	5.2	347	4.91	HW	7.81	0.63	0.73

* Tidal information is obtained from the National Network gauge at Liverpool. The surge shown is the residual at the time of the highest H_s. The maximum tidal surge is the largest surge during the storm event.

Annual Statistics

Year	Annual H _s exceedance** (m)						Annual Maximum H _s	
	0.05%	0.5%	1%	2%	5%	10%	Date	A _{max} (m)
2014	-	1.51	1.31	1.11	0.84	0.61	24-Dec-2014 13:00	1.93
2015	1.63	1.27	1.12	0.97	0.75	0.57	29-Nov-2015 15:00	1.97
2016	1.56	1.28	1.20	1.04	0.79	0.54	06-Apr-2016 22:00	1.57

** i.e. 5 % of the H_s values measured in 2014 exceeded 0.84 m

Distribution plots

The distribution of wave parameters are shown in the accompanying graphs/tables of:

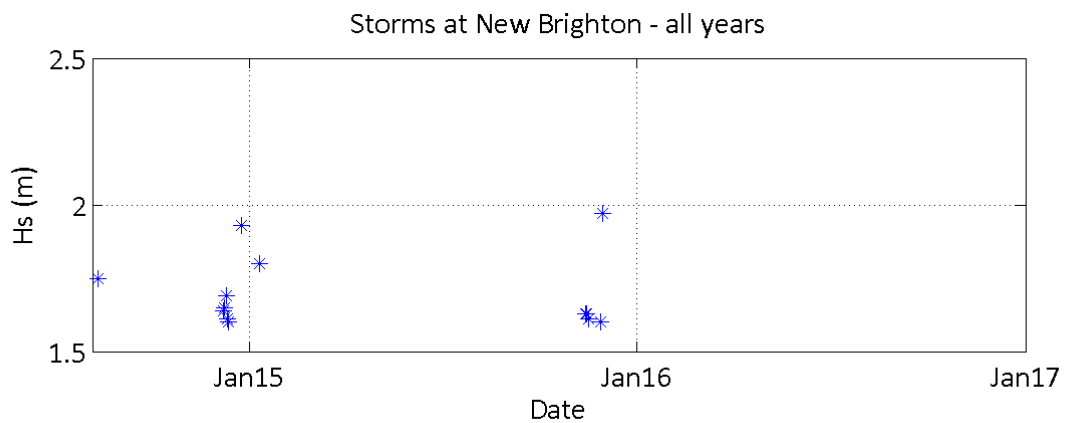
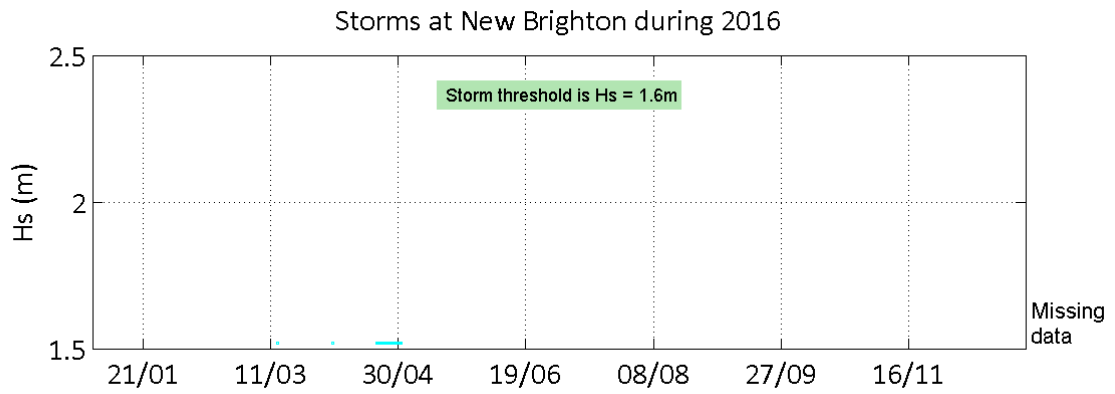
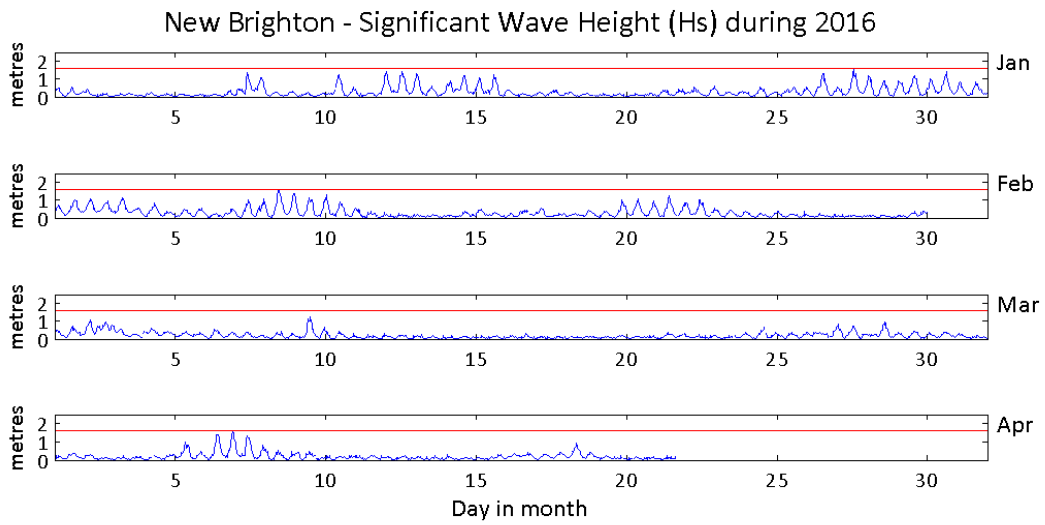
- Annual time series of H_s (red line is 1.6m storm threshold)
- Incidence of storm waves for 2016. Storm events are defined using the Peaks-over-Threshold method. The highest H_s of each storm event is shown
- Wave height exceedance each year since deployment
- Percentage of occurrence of H_s, T_p, T_z and Direction for 2016
- Joint distribution of all parameters for all measured data, given as percentage of occurrence
- Wave rose (percentage of occurrence of direction vs. H_s) for all measured data

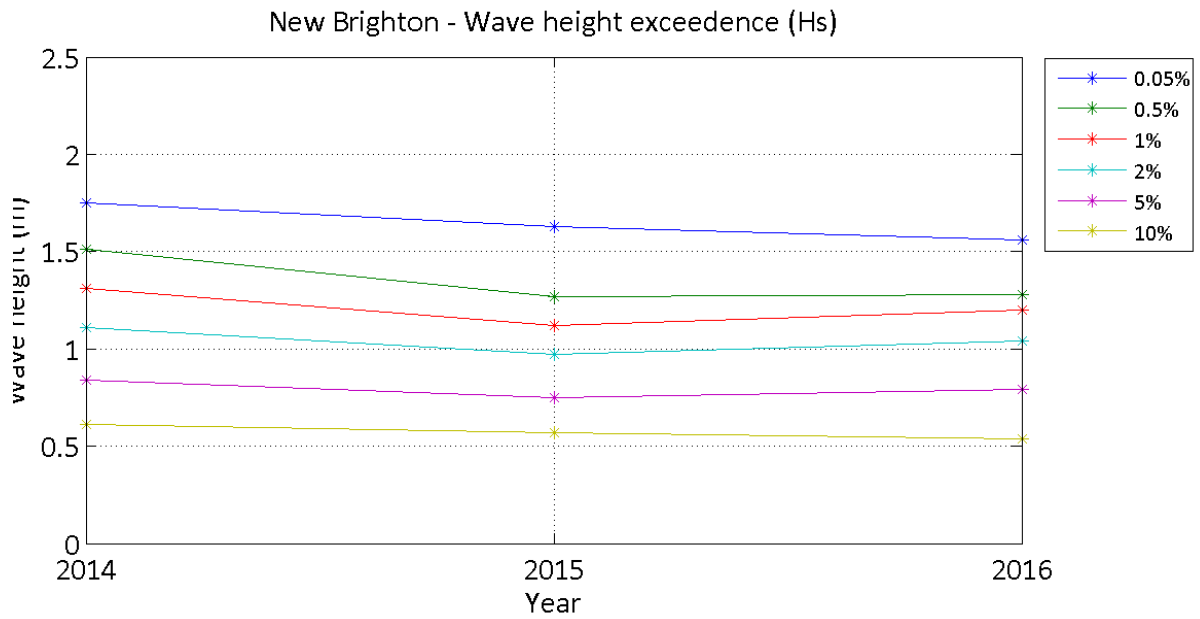
General

The wave buoy at New Brighton, owned by Sefton Council, was deployed on 06 August 2014, at which time the magnetic declination at the site was 2.31° west, changing by 0.18° east per year. There is a notable tidal signature to significant wave heights at this location, given the water depth of the buoy (~5m CD) and the spring tidal range (~8.4m). The buoy was decommissioned on 21 April 2016.

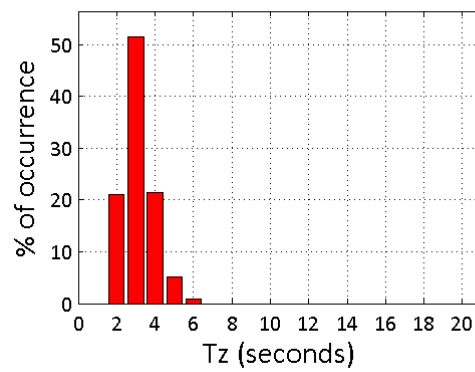
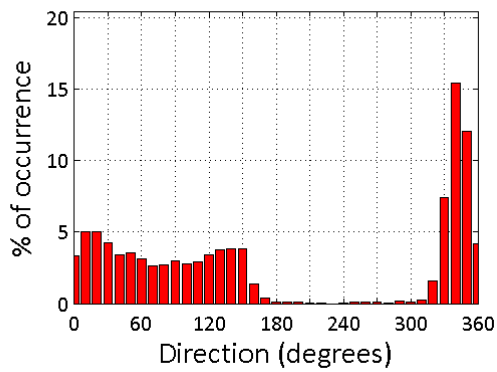
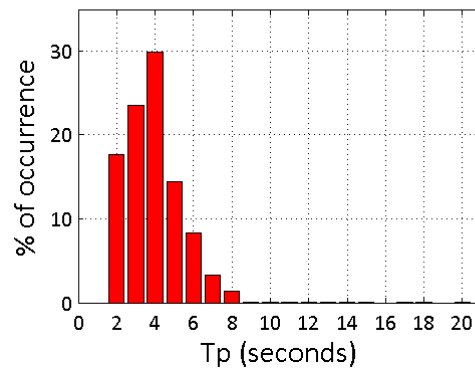
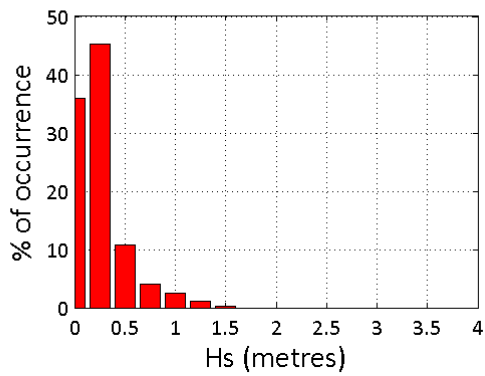
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New Brighton 2014 to 2016 - Joint distribution (% of occurrence)

