

sentinel-2

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Mission Status

- The Sentinel-2 mission is performing global and systematic acquisitions with 5-day revisit.
- The Sentinel-2 acquisition plans are published at:
<https://sentinels.copernicus.eu/web/sentinel/missions/sentinel-2/acquisition-plans>
- The observation scenario has been executed with an average MSI sensing time per orbit of 19.7 minutes for Sentinel-2A and 20.1 minutes for Sentinel-2B.

- The routine production of Level-1C top-of-atmosphere products is available in all the Data Hubs.
- Level-2A operational production is available over Euro-Mediterranean region since 26 of March 2018. Level-2A products are available on the Copernicus Open Access Hub, the Copernicus Services Data Hub and the Collaborative Data Hub. More details are available on this [link](#).

- To date, a total of 176,381 users have self-registered on the Copernicus Open Access Hub.
- About 5.95 millions products are available for download, cumulating a total volume of 3.1 Petabytes. Overall, a total volume of 27.5 Petabytes has been downloaded by the user communities from the Copernicus Open Access Hub, the Copernicus Services Data Hub, the Collaborative Data Hub and the International Hub.

- The latest data quality information is available in two reports, one for [L1C products](#) and one for [L2A products](#).

- The Payload Data Ground Segment (PDGS) is operating nominally through its different operational services, i.e. Core Ground Stations (CGS), Processing and Archiving Centres (PAC), Mission Performance Centre (MPC), Precise Orbit Determination (POD), Payload Data Management Centre (PDMC), Wide Area Network (WAN) and Data Access Hubs.
- Following the DHUS maintenance on 27-28 August, the availability in the Data Hubs of several S2 L2A products with sensing date between 27 August and 11 September are delayed as a consequence of a contingency at ground segment level. The issue was solved on 12 September.
- The Flight Operations Segment (FOS), ensuring the monitoring, control and commanding of the satellites, is operating nominally.
- The European Data Relay System (EDRS) service is being used operationally for both Sentinel-2A and Sentinel-2B.

- A special issue in the Remote Sensing of Environment journal on "Science and Applications with Sentinel-2" is available online [here](#). This special issue has been jointly edited by ESA and the European Commission (EC) Joint Research Centre (JRC). Additional papers will be progressively published as they are accepted.
- The following five DIAS platforms started operations on 21 June 2018: <https://mundiwebservices.com/>, <https://sobloo.eu/>, <https://www.onda-dias.eu/>, <https://creodias.eu/> and <https://www.wekeo.eu/>.

Outlook

- A routine decontamination activity of the Sentinel-2A MSI is planned to take place over a continuous period of 24-hours between 15 and 16 September, from 07:00 to 07:00 UTC. During this temporal window, no MSI acquisition will take place.
- Update on Sentinel-2 L2A products is going to be implemented to optimise the encoding of the quality bands (SCL, CLD, SNW, PVI, TCI) over 8 bits instead of 16 bits, in line with the Sentinel-2 L1C products. All L2A products generated as of 19 September 2018 will feature this change.
- New batch of L1C product evolutions (e.g. tile sensing time, detectors footprint mask) by Q3 2018.
- Start of Level-2A worldwide production during Q3 2018.
- Completion of the conversion of the archive into single-tile format by Q4 2018.