ATL21 Product Data Dictionary

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license	(Attribute)	Data may not be reproduced or distributed without including the citation for this product included in this metadata. Data may not be distributed in an altered form without the written permission of the ICESat-2 Science Project Office at NASA/GSFC.
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time_type	(Attribute)	CCSDS UTC-A		
Label (Layout)	Datatype(Dims) Fillvalue	long_name standard_name	units	description
grid_lat CHUNKED	DOUBLE(:,:)	gridded latitude None	degrees_north	Grid cell center latitude (Source: Sea Ice ATBD)
grid_lon CHUNKED	DOUBLE(:,:)	gridded longitude None	degrees_east	Grid cell center longitude (Source: Sea Ice ATBD)
grid_x CHUNKED	DOUBLE(:)	gridded x projection_x_coordinate	meters	Grid cell center X value in projection grid (Source: Sea Ice ATBD)
axis	(Attribute)	X		
grid_mapping	(Attribute)	crs		
grid_y CHUNKED	DOUBLE(:)	gridded y projection_y_coordinate	meters	Grid cell center Y value in projection grid (Source: Sea Ice ATBD)
axis	(Attribute)	Y		
grid_mapping	(Attribute)	crs		
land_mask_map CHUNKED	INTEGER(:,:) INVALID_I4B	land mask map None	1	Gridded map which describes each grid cell as land (=1) or ocean/sea ice (=0) (Source: Sea Ice ATBD)
Group: /ancillary_data		Contains information ancillary to the data product. This may include product characteristics, instrument characteristics and/or processing constants.		
Label (Layout)	Datatype(Dims) Fillvalue	long_name standard_name	units	description
atlas_sdp_gps_epoch COMPACT	DOUBLE(1)	ATLAS Epoch Offset None	seconds since 1980-01-06T00:00:00.000000Z	Number of GPS seconds between the GPS epoch (1980-01-06T00:00:00.000000Z UTC) and the ATLAS Standard Data Product (SDP) epoch (2018-01-01:T00.00.00.000000 UTC). Add this value to delta time parameters to compute full gps_seconds (relative to the GPS epoch) for each data point. (Source: Operations)
control CONTIGUOUS	STRING(1)	Control File None	1	PGE-specific control file used to generate this granule. To re-use, replace breaks (BR) with linefeeds. (Source: Operations)
data_end_utc COMPACT	STRING(1)	End UTC Time of Granule (CCSDS-A, Actual) None	1	UTC (in CCSDS-A format) of the last data point within the granule. (Source: Derived)
data_start_utc COMPACT	STRING(1)	Start UTC Time of Granule (CCSDS-A, Actual) None	1	UTC (in CCSDS-A format) of the first data point within the granule. (Source: Derived)
end_cycle	INTEGER(1)	Ending Cycle	1	The ending cycle number associated with the data

COMPACT		None		contained within this granule. The cycle number is the counter of the number of 91-day repeat cycles completed by the mission. (Source: Derived)
end_delta_time COMPACT	DOUBLE(1)	ATLAS End Time (Actual) time	seconds since 2018-01-01	Number of GPS seconds since the ATLAS SDP epoch at the last data point in the file. The ATLAS Standard Data Products (SDP) epoch offset is defined within /ancillary_data/atlas_sdp_gps_epoch as the number of GPS seconds between the GPS epoch (1980-01-06T00:00:00.000000Z UTC) and the ATLAS SDP epoch. By adding the offset contained within atlas_sdp_gps_epoch to delta time parameters, the time in gps_seconds relative to the GPS epoch can be computed. (Source: Derived)
end_geoseg COMPACT	INTEGER(1)	Ending Geolocation Segment None	1	The ending geolocation segment number associated with the data contained within this granule. ICESat-2 granule geographic regions are further refined by geolocation segments. During the geolocation process, a geolocation segment is created approximately every 20m from the start of the orbit to the end. The geolocation segments help align the ATLAS strong a weak beams and provide a common segment length for the L2 and higher products. The geolocation segment indices differ slightly from orbit-to-orbit because of the irregular shape of the Earth. The geolocation segment indices on ATL01 and ATL02 are only approximate because beams have not been aligned at the time of their creation. (Source: Derived)
end_gpssow COMPACT	DOUBLE(1)	Ending GPS SOW of Granule (Actual) None	seconds	GPS seconds-of-week of the last data point in the granule. (Source: Derived)
end_gpsweek COMPACT	INTEGER(1)	Ending GPSWeek of Granule (Actual) None	weeks from 1980-01-06	GPS week number of the last data point in the granule. (Source: Derived)
end_orbit COMPACT	INTEGER(1)	Ending Orbit Number None	1	The ending orbit number associated with the data contained within this granule. The orbit number increments each time the spacecraft completes a full orbit of the Earth. (Source: Derived)
end_region COMPACT	INTEGER(1)	Ending Region None	1	The ending product-specific region number associated with the data contained within this granule. ICESat-2 data products are separated by geographic regions. The data contained within a specific region are the same for ATL01 and ATL02. ATL03 regions differ slightly because of different geolocation segment locations caused by the irregular shape of the Earth. The region indices for other products are completely independent. (Source: Derived)
end_rgt COMPACT	INTEGER(1)	Ending Reference Groundtrack None	1	The ending reference groundtrack (RGT) number associated with the data contained within this granule. There are 1387 reference groundtrack in the ICESat-2 repeat orbit. The reference groundtrack increments each time the spacecraft completes a full orbit of the Earth and resets to 1 each time the spacecraft completes a full cycle. (Source: Derived)
granule_end_utc COMPACT	STRING(1)	End UTC Time of Granule (CCSDS-A, Requested) None	1	Requested end time (in UTC CCSDS-A) of this granule. (Source: Derived)

granule_start_utc COMPACT	STRING(1)	Start UTC Time of Granule (CCSDS-A, Requested) None	1	Requested start time (in UTC CCSDS-A) of this granule. (Source: Derived)
release COMPACT	STRING(1)	Release Number None	1	Release number of the granule. The release number is incremented when the software or ancillary data used to create the granule has been changed. (Source: Operations)
start_cycle COMPACT	INTEGER(1)	Starting Cycle None	1	The starting cycle number associated with the data contained within this granule. The cycle number is the counter of the number of 91-day repeat cycles completed by the mission. (Source: Derived)
start_delta_time COMPACT	DOUBLE(1)	ATLAS Start Time (Actual) time	seconds since 2018-01-01	Number of GPS seconds since the ATLAS SDP epoch at the first data point in the file. The ATLAS Standard Data Products (SDP) epoch offset is defined within /ancillary_data/atlas_sdp_gps_epoch as the number of GPS seconds between the GPS epoch (1980-01-06T00:00:00.000000Z UTC) and the ATLAS SDP epoch. By adding the offset contained within atlas_sdp_gps_epoch to delta time parameters, the time in gps_seconds relative to the GPS epoch can be computed. (Source: Derived)
start_geoseg COMPACT	INTEGER(1)	Starting Geolocation Segment None	1	The starting geolocation segment number associated with the data contained within this granule. ICESat-2 granule geographic regions are further refined by geolocation segments. During the geolocation process, a geolocation segment is created approximately every 20m from the start of the orbit to the end. The geolocation segments help align the ATLAS strong a weak beams and provide a common segment length for the L2 and higher products. The geolocation segment indices differ slightly from orbit-to-orbit because of the irregular shape of the Earth. The geolocation segment indices on ATL01 and ATL02 are only approximate because beams have not been aligned at the time of their creation. (Source: Derived)
start_gpssow COMPACT	DOUBLE(1)	Start GPS SOW of Granule (Actual) None	seconds	GPS seconds-of-week of the first data point in the granule. (Source: Derived)
start_gpsweek COMPACT	INTEGER(1)	Start GPSWeek of Granule (Actual) None	weeks from 1980-01-06	GPS week number of the first data point in the granule. (Source: Derived)
start_orbit COMPACT	INTEGER(1)	Starting Orbit Number None	1	The starting orbit number associated with the data contained within this granule. The orbit number increments each time the spacecraft completes a full orbit of the Earth. (Source: Derived)
start_region COMPACT	INTEGER(1)	Starting Region None	1	The starting product-specific region number associated with the data contained within this granule. ICESat-2 data products are separated by geographic regions. The data contained within a specific region are the same for ATL01 and ATL02. ATL03 regions differ slightly because of different geolocation segment locations caused by the irregular shape of the Earth. The region indices for other products are completely independent. (Source: Derived)
start_rgt	INTEGER(1)	Starting Reference	1	The starting reference groundtrack (RGT) number

COMPACT		Groundtrack None		associated with the data contained within this granule. There are 1387 reference groundtrack in the ICESat-2 repeat orbit. The reference groundtrack increments each time the spacecraft completes a full orbit of the Earth and resets to 1 each time the spacecraft completes a full cycle. (Source: Derived)
version COMPACT	STRING(1)	Version None	1	Version number of this granule within the release. It is a sequential number corresponding to the number of times the granule has been reprocessed for the current release. (Source: Operations)
Group: /ancillary_data/beam_selection		These parameters control which laser beam spots from ATL10 are included in the output ATL21.		
Label (Layout)	Datatype(Dims) Fillvalue	long_name standard_name	units	description
proc_atl21_spot_1 COMPACT	INTEGER_1(1)	Processing Flag for Spot 1 for ATL21 None	1	Indicates if spot 1 is processed for the ATL21 product (Source: Operations); (Meanings: [0 1]) (Values: ['not_processed', 'processed'])
proc_atl21_spot_2 COMPACT	INTEGER_1(1)	Processing Flag for Spot 2 for ATL21 None	1	Indicates if spot 2 is processed for the ATL21 product (Source: Operations); (Meanings: [0 1]) (Values: ['not_processed', 'processed'])
proc_atl21_spot_3 COMPACT	INTEGER_1(1)	Processing Flag for Spot 3 for ATL21 None	1	Indicates if spot 3 is processed for the ATL21 product (Source: Operations); (Meanings: [0 1]) (Values: ['not_processed', 'processed'])
proc_atl21_spot_4 COMPACT	INTEGER_1(1)	Processing Flag for Spot 4 for ATL21 None	1	Indicates if spot 4 is processed for the ATL21 product (Source: Operations); (Meanings: [0 1]) (Values: ['not_processed', 'processed'])
proc_atl21_spot_5 COMPACT	INTEGER_1(1)	Processing Flag for Spot 5 for ATL21 None	1	Indicates if spot 5 is processed for the ATL21 product (Source: Operations); (Meanings: [0 1]) (Values: ['not_processed', 'processed'])
proc_atl21_spot_6 COMPACT	INTEGER_1(1)	Processing Flag for Spot 6 for ATL21 None	1	Indicates if spot 6 is processed for the ATL21 product (Source: Operations); (Meanings: [0 1]) (Values: ['not_processed', 'processed'])
Group: /ancillary_data/refsurf_selection		These parameters control which reference surfaces from ATL10 are included processing for the output ATL21. The selection of reference surface is determined using the beam_refsurf_interp_flag on ATL10 in group /gtx/freeboard_beam_segment/.		
Label (Layout)	Datatype(Dims) Fillvalue	long_name standard_name	units	description
process_refsurf_0 COMPACT	INTEGER_1(1)	Processing Flag for Reference Surface type 0 None	1	Indicates if reference surfaces with interpolation flag value of 0 is processed for the ATL21 product. (Source: Operations); (Meanings: [0 1]) (Values: ['not_processed', 'processed'])
process_refsurf_1 COMPACT	INTEGER_1(1)	Processing Flag for Reference Surface type 1 None	1	Indicates if reference surfaces with interpolation flag value of 1 is processed for the ATL21 product. (Source: Operations); (Meanings: [0 1]) (Values: ['not_processed', 'processed'])
process_refsurf_2 COMPACT	INTEGER_1(1)	Processing Flag for Reference Surface type 2 None	1	Indicates if reference surfaces with interpolation flag value of 2 is processed for the ATL21 product. (Source: Operations); (Meanings: [0 1]) (Values: ['not_processed', 'processed'])
process_refsurf_3 COMPACT	INTEGER_1(1)	Processing Flag for Reference Surface type 3	1	Indicates if reference surfaces with interpolation flag value of 3 is processed for the ATL21 product. (Source: Operations); (Meanings: [0 1]) (Values:

		None		['not_processed', 'processed'])
Group: /daily		gridded daily averages		
Group: /daily/dayxx		Gridded daily averages		
Label (Layout)	Datatype(Dims) Fillvalue	long_name standard_name	units	description
delta_time_beg COMPACT	DOUBLE(1)	Elapsed GPS seconds time	seconds since 2018-01-01	Center time of the first reference surface used in this gridded composite in seconds since the ATLAS SDP GPS Epoch. The ATLAS Standard Data Products (SDP) epoch offset is defined within /ancillary_data/atlas_sdp_gps_epoch as the number of GPS seconds between the GPS epoch (1980-01-06T00:00:00.000000Z UTC) and the ATLAS SDP epoch. By adding the offset contained within atlas_sdp_gps_epoch to delta time parameters, the time in gps_seconds relative to the GPS epoch can be computed. (Source: Derived via Time Tagging)
delta_time_end COMPACT	DOUBLE(1)	Elapsed GPS seconds time	seconds since 2018-01-01	Center time of the last reference surface used in this gridded composite in seconds since the ATLAS SDP GPS Epoch. The ATLAS Standard Data Products (SDP) epoch offset is defined within /ancillary_data/atlas_sdp_gps_epoch as the number of GPS seconds between the GPS epoch (1980-01-06T00:00:00.000000Z UTC) and the ATLAS SDP epoch. By adding the offset contained within atlas_sdp_gps_epoch to delta time parameters, the time in gps_seconds relative to the GPS epoch can be computed. (Source: Derived via Time Tagging)
mean_ssha CHUNKED	FLOAT(:,:) INVALID_R4B	Daily mean sea surface height anomalies None	meters	Daily mean sea surface height anomalies (SSHA) for each daily grid cell. Sea surface height anomalies expressed relative to the mean sea surface (other geophysical corrections also applied, as indicated in the ATBD) using the reference surface heights. (Source: Sea Ice ATBD)
grid_mapping	(Attribute)	../../crs: ../../grid_x ../../crs: ../../grid_y		
mean_weighted_earth_free2mean CHUNKED	FLOAT(:,:) INVALID_R4B	Daily mean solid earth tide free-to-mean conversion solid earth tide free2mean	meters	Mean of the solid earth permanent tide correction (height_segment_earth_free2mean in ATL10) sampled at each reference surface height location used in the daily grid cell. Subtract from mean_ssha to remove the solid earth permanent tide. (Source: Sea Ice ATBD)
grid_mapping	(Attribute)	../../crs: ../../grid_x ../../crs: ../../grid_y		
mean_weighted_geoid CHUNKED	FLOAT(:,:) INVALID_R4B	Daily mean geoid None	meters	Mean of the geoid values (height_segment_geoid in ATL10) sampled at each reference surface height location used in the daily grid cell. Geoid is expressed relative to the WGS-84 reference ellipsoid from EGM2008 and is in a mean-tide system. (Source: Sea Ice ATBD)
grid_mapping	(Attribute)	../../crs: ../../grid_x ../../crs: ../../grid_y		
mean_weighted_geoid_free2mean CHUNKED	FLOAT(:,:) INVALID_R4B	Daily mean geoid free-to-mean conversion geoid free2mean	meters	Mean of the geoid free-to-mean correction (height_segment_geoid_free2mean in ATL10) sampled at each reference surface height location used in the daily grid cell. Subtract from mean_weighted_mss or mean_weighted_geoid to convert to a tide-free system. (Source: Sea Ice ATBD)
grid_mapping	(Attribute)	../../crs: ../../grid_x ../../crs: ../../grid_y		

mean_weighted_mss CHUNKED	FLOAT(:,:) INVALID_R4B	Daily mean MSS None	meters	Mean of the Mean Sea Surface (MSS) values sampled at each reference surface height location used in the daily grid cell. MSS is expressed relative to the WGS-84 reference ellipsoid from a DTU/CS-2 merged product (https://doi.org/10.5281/zenodo.4294047) and is in a mean-tide system. (Source: Sea Ice ATBD)
grid_mapping	(Attribute)	../../crs: ../../grid_x ../../crs: ../../grid_y		
n_refsurfs CHUNKED	INTEGER(:,:) INVALID_I4B	Daily population count None	1	Number of reference surface sections used in each daily grid cell. (Source: Sea Ice ATBD)
grid_mapping	(Attribute)	../../crs: ../../grid_x ../../crs: ../../grid_y		
sigma CHUNKED	FLOAT(:,:) INVALID_R4B	Daily standard deviation None	meters	Standard deviation of daily gridded mean sea surface height anomaly, computed following ATBD section 6.3. (Source: Sea Ice ATBD)
grid_mapping	(Attribute)	../../crs: ../../grid_x ../../crs: ../../grid_y		
Group: /monthly		Gridded Monthly averages		
Label (Layout)	Datatype(Dims) Fillvalue	long_name standard_name	units	description
delta_time_beg COMPACT	DOUBLE(1)	Elapsed GPS seconds time	seconds since 2018-01-01	Center time of the first reference surface used in this gridded composite in seconds since the ATLAS SDP GPS Epoch. The ATLAS Standard Data Products (SDP) epoch offset is defined within /ancillary_data/atlas_sdp_gps_epoch as the number of GPS seconds between the GPS epoch (1980-01-06T00:00:00.000000Z UTC) and the ATLAS SDP epoch. By adding the offset contained within atlas_sdp_gps_epoch to delta time parameters, the time in gps_seconds relative to the GPS epoch can be computed. (Source: Derived via Time Tagging)
delta_time_end COMPACT	DOUBLE(1)	Elapsed GPS seconds time	seconds since 2018-01-01	Center time of the last reference surface used in this gridded composite in seconds since the ATLAS SDP GPS Epoch. The ATLAS Standard Data Products (SDP) epoch offset is defined within /ancillary_data/atlas_sdp_gps_epoch as the number of GPS seconds between the GPS epoch (1980-01-06T00:00:00.000000Z UTC) and the ATLAS SDP epoch. By adding the offset contained within atlas_sdp_gps_epoch to delta time parameters, the time in gps_seconds relative to the GPS epoch can be computed. (Source: Derived via Time Tagging)
mean_ssha CHUNKED	FLOAT(:,:) INVALID_R4B	Monthly mean sea surface height anomalies None	meters	Monthly mean sea surface height anomalies (SSHA) for each monthly grid cell. Sea surface height anomalies expressed relative to the mean sea surface (other geophysical corrections also applied, as indicated in the ATBD) calculated as the mean of all available daily mean_ssha values. (Source: Sea Ice ATBD)
grid_mapping	(Attribute)	../crs: ../grid_x ../crs: ../grid_y		
mean_weighted_earth_free2mean CHUNKED	FLOAT(:,:) INVALID_R4B	Monthly mean solid earth tide free-to-mean conversion solid earth tide free2mean	meters	Mean monthly solid earth permanent tide correction calculated from all available daily mean_weighted_earth_free2mean values. Subtract from mean_ssha to remove the solid earth permanent tide. (Source: Sea Ice ATBD)
grid_mapping	(Attribute)	../crs: ../grid_x ../crs: ../grid_y		

mean_weighted_geoid CHUNKED	FLOAT(:,:) INVALID_R4B	Monthly mean geoid None	meters	Mean monthly geoid calculated from all available daily mean_weighted_geoid values. Geoid is expressed relative to the WGS-84 reference ellipsoid from EGM2008 and is in a mean-tide system. (Source: Sea Ice ATBD)
grid_mapping	(Attribute)	../crs: ../grid_x ../crs: ../grid_y		
mean_weighted_geoid_free2mean CHUNKED	FLOAT(:,:) INVALID_R4B	Monthly mean geoid free-to-mean conversion geoid free2mean	meters	Mean monthly geoid free-to-mean correction calculated from all available daily mean_weighted_geoid values. Subtract from mean_weighted_mss or mean_weighted_geoid to covert to a tide-free system. (Source: Sea Ice ATBD)
grid_mapping	(Attribute)	../crs: ../grid_x ../crs: ../grid_y		
mean_weighted_mss CHUNKED	FLOAT(:,:) INVALID_R4B	Monthly mean MSS None	meters	Mean monthly MSS calculated from all available daily mean_weighted_mss values. MSS is expressed relative to the WGS-84 reference ellipsoid from a DTU/CS-2 merged product (https://doi.org/10.5281/zenodo.4294047) and is in a mean-tide system. (Source: Sea Ice ATBD)
grid_mapping	(Attribute)	../crs: ../grid_x ../crs: ../grid_y		
n_refsurfs CHUNKED	INTEGER(:,:) INVALID_I4B	Monthly population count None	1	Number of reference surface sections used in each monthly grid cell (Source: Sea Ice ATBD)
grid_mapping	(Attribute)	../crs: ../grid_x ../crs: ../grid_y		
sigma CHUNKED	FLOAT(:,:) INVALID_R4B	Monthly standard deviation None	meters	Standard deviation of monthly gridded mean sea surface height anomaly, computed following ATBD section 6.3. (Source: Sea Ice ATBD)
grid_mapping	(Attribute)	../crs: ../grid_x ../crs: ../grid_y		
Group: /orbit_info		Contains orbit information.		
data_rate	(Attribute)	Varies. Data are only provided when one of the stored values (besides time) changes.		
Label (Layout)	Datatype(Dims) Fillvalue	long_name standard_name	units	description
crossing_time CHUNKED	DOUBLE(:)	Ascending Node Crossing Time time	seconds since 2018-01-01	The time, in seconds since the ATLAS SDP GPS Epoch, at which the ascending node crosses the equator. The ATLAS Standard Data Products (SDP) epoch offset is defined within /ancillary_data/atlas_sdp_gps_epoch as the number of GPS seconds between the GPS epoch (1980-01-06T00:00:00.000000Z UTC) and the ATLAS SDP epoch. By adding the offset contained within atlas_sdp_gps_epoch to delta time parameters, the time in gps_seconds relative to the GPS epoch can be computed. (Source: POD/PPD)
cycle_number CHUNKED	INTEGER_1(:)	Cycle Number None	1	A count of the number of exact repeats of this reference orbit. (Source: Operations)
lan CHUNKED	DOUBLE(:)	Ascending Node Longitude None	degrees_east	Longitude at the ascending node crossing. (Source: POD/PPD)
orbit_number CHUNKED	UINT_2_LE(:)	Orbit Number None	1	Unique identifying number for each planned ICESat-2 orbit. (Source: Operations)
rgt CHUNKED	INTEGER_2(:)	Reference Ground track	1	The reference ground track (RGT) is the track on the earth at which a specified unit vector within the

		None		observatory is pointed. Under nominal operating conditions, there will be no data collected along the RGT, as the RGT is spanned by GT3 and GT4. During slews or off-pointing, it is possible that ground tracks may intersect the RGT. The ICESat-2 mission has 1387 RGTs. (Source: POD/PPD)
sc_orient CHUNKED	INTEGER_1(:)	Spacecraft Orientation None	1	This parameter tracks the spacecraft orientation between forward, backward and transitional flight modes. ICESat-2 is considered to be flying forward when the weak beams are leading the strong beams; and backward when the strong beams are leading the weak beams. ICESat-2 is considered to be in transition while it is maneuvering between the two orientations. Science quality is potentially degraded while in transition mode. (Source: POD/PPD); (Meanings: [0 1 2]) (Values: ['backward', 'forward', 'transition'])
sc_orient_time CHUNKED	DOUBLE(:)	Time of Last Spacecraft Orientation Change time	seconds since 2018-01-01	The time of the last spacecraft orientation change between forward, backward and transitional flight modes, expressed in seconds since the ATLAS SDP GPS Epoch. ICESat-2 is considered to be flying forward when the weak beams are leading the strong beams; and backward when the strong beams are leading the weak beams. ICESat-2 is considered to be in transition while it is maneuvering between the two orientations. Science quality is potentially degraded while in transition mode. The ATLAS Standard Data Products (SDP) epoch offset is defined within /ancillary_data/atlas_sdp_gps_epoch as the number of GPS seconds between the GPS epoch (1980-01-06T00:00:00.000000Z UTC) and the ATLAS SDP epoch. By adding the offset contained within atlas_sdp_gps_epoch to delta time parameters, the time in gps_seconds relative to the GPS epoch can be computed. (Source: POD/PPD)
Group: /quality_assessment		Contains quality assessment data. This may include QA counters, QA along-track data and/or QA summary data.		
Label (Layout)	Datatype(Dims) Fillvalue	long_name standard_name	units	description
qa_granule_fail_reason COMPACT	INTEGER(1)	Granule Failure Reason None	1	Flag indicating granule failure reason. 0=no failure; 1=processing error; 2=Insufficient output data was generated; 3=TBD Failure; 4=TBD_Failure; 5=other failure. (Source: Operations); (Meanings: [0 1 2 3 4 5]) (Values: ['no_failure', 'PROCESS_ERROR', 'INSUFFICIENT_OUTPUT', 'failure_3', 'failure_4', 'OTHER_FAILURE'])
qa_granule_pass_fail COMPACT	INTEGER(1)	Granule Pass Flag None	1	Flag indicating granule quality. 0=granule passes automatic QA. 1=granule fails automatic QA. (Source: Operations); (Meanings: [0 1]) (Values: ['PASS', 'FAIL'])