

Climatology of the United States

No. 20

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Station: WAYNESVILLE 1 E, NC

1971-2000

COOP ID: 319147

Climate Division: NC 3

NWS Call Sign:

Elevation: 2,658 Feet Lat: 35°29N

Lon: 82°58W

Temperature (°F)																					
Mean (1)				Extremes										Degree Days (1) Base Temp 65		Mean Number of Days (3)					
Month	Daily Max	Daily Min	Mean	Highest Daily(2)	Year	Day	Highest Month(1) Mean	Year	Lowest Daily(2)	Year	Day	Lowest Month(1) Mean	Year	Heating	Cooling	Max ≥ 100	Max ≥ 90	Max ≥ 50	Max ≤ 32	Min ≤ 32	Min ≤ 0
Jan	47.0	21.6	34.3	75	1999	28	47.4	1974	-22	1985	21	22.9	1977	951	0	.0	.0	15.4	2.2	23.1	1.0
Feb	50.5	24.1	37.3	79	1996	23	44.6	1990	-16	1958	18	29.5	1978	775	0	.0	.0	17.6	1.8	20.4	.3
Mar	58.4	30.7	44.6	84	1985	30	50.8	1974	-8	1993	15	38.4	1971	634	0	.0	.0	26.2	.3	15.9	.1
Apr	65.9	37.4	51.7	87+	2001	11	56.6	1981	15	1987	1	47.4	1983	400	0	.0	.0	28.9	.0	8.5	.0
May	73.3	46.0	59.7	92	1996	20	64.9	1991	24	1986	4	55.9	1997	197	31	.0	.1	30.9	.0	1.6	.0
Jun	79.6	53.4	66.5	94	1954	27	69.7	1998	31	1966	2	62.3	1972	38	82	.0	.6	30.0	.0	.0	.0
Jul	82.8	57.3	70.1	95+	1993	24	73.0	1993	40	1988	2	67.4	1971	6	162	.0	2.0	31.0	.0	.0	.0
Aug	81.5	56.2	68.9	96	1930	8	72.9	1995	39	1968	30	66.3	1981	11	129	.0	1.3	31.0	.0	.0	.0
Sep	76.2	50.1	63.2	92+	1998	14	67.9	1998	27	1967	30	59.8	1984	98	42	.0	.3	30.0	.0	.4	.0
Oct	67.5	37.4	52.5	88	1951	6	58.6	1984	12	1952	21	47.4	1988	392	4	.0	.0	30.5	.0	7.8	.0
Nov	58.3	29.8	44.1	79+	1994	4	52.3	1985	0	1950	25	37.5	1976	630	0	.0	.0	24.9	.1	16.2	.0
Dec	50.1	24.0	37.1	78	1951	31	44.1	1984	-8	1962	13	29.4	1989	867	0	.0	.0	18.6	1.3	22.1	.2
Ann	65.9	39.0	52.5	96	Aug 1930	8	73.0	Jul 1993	-22	Jan 1985	21	22.9	Jan 1977	4999	450	.0	4.3	315.0	5.7	116.0	1.6

+ Also occurred on an earlier date(s)

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Precipitation (inches)																								
	Precipitation Totals									Mean Number of Days (3)				Precipitation Probabilities (1) Probability that the monthly/annual precipitation will be equal to or less than the indicated amount										
	Means/ Medians(1)		Extremes							Daily Precipitation				Monthly/Annual Precipitation vs Probability Levels These values were determined from the incomplete gamma distribution										
Month	Mean	Med-ian	Highest Daily(2)	Year	Day	Highest Monthly(1)	Year	Lowest Monthly(1)	Year	>= 0.01	>= 0.10	>= 0.50	>= 1.00	.05	.10	.20	.30	.40	.50	.60	.70	.80	.90	.95
Jan	4.62	4.41	3.78	1996	27	10.02	1998	.52	1986	12.1	8.4	3.2	1.3	1.42	1.86	2.52	3.08	3.62	4.19	4.81	5.54	6.48	7.95	9.31
Feb	4.54	4.67	3.90	1990	16	8.25	1989	.47	1978	10.6	7.3	3.2	1.3	1.44	1.87	2.51	3.06	3.58	4.13	4.73	5.43	6.33	7.74	9.04
Mar	5.24	4.32	3.86	1963	12	10.62	1975	1.71	1985	12.8	8.5	3.6	1.4	2.01	2.50	3.19	3.77	4.32	4.88	5.48	6.18	7.08	8.45	9.70
Apr	3.84	3.45	3.31	1974	4	8.64	1998	.36	1976	11.0	7.1	2.7	.9	1.12	1.49	2.04	2.51	2.97	3.45	3.98	4.61	5.42	6.68	7.86
May	4.43	4.21	3.07	1976	29	8.67	1976	2.06	1985	13.1	8.4	3.2	.9	2.14	2.52	3.04	3.46	3.84	4.23	4.64	5.11	5.70	6.59	7.39
Jun	4.03	3.24	4.08	1949	16	8.78	1989	1.26	1988	12.5	7.8	2.8	.9	1.27	1.65	2.22	2.71	3.17	3.66	4.19	4.82	5.62	6.88	8.04
Jul	3.59	3.39	3.23	1967	7	7.22	1971	1.42	1998	13.5	8.1	2.1	.7	1.61	1.93	2.37	2.73	3.07	3.40	3.77	4.18	4.71	5.50	6.22
Aug	4.11	4.04	3.90	1995	27	8.20	1995	.85	1997	12.5	7.6	2.5	.9	1.23	1.62	2.20	2.71	3.20	3.71	4.27	4.93	5.79	7.12	8.36
Sep	3.60	3.16	2.98	1975	23	8.55	1979	.18	1978	10.8	6.5	2.4	1.0	.65	.97	1.49	1.99	2.49	3.03	3.65	4.39	5.39	6.99	8.52
Oct	2.92	2.66	3.88	1995	5	8.24	1995	.05	2000	8.3	5.2	1.6	.7	.42	.66	1.08	1.49	1.91	2.37	2.91	3.57	4.45	5.90	7.29
Nov	3.81	3.75	3.20	1948	28	8.72	1979	1.33	1990	10.6	6.4	2.9	1.1	1.73	2.07	2.54	2.91	3.27	3.62	4.00	4.43	4.98	5.81	6.55
Dec	4.04	4.29	3.12	1961	12	8.86	1973	1.32	1985	11.3	7.5	2.7	1.1	1.48	1.86	2.40	2.86	3.30	3.74	4.23	4.79	5.51	6.62	7.63
Ann	48.77	49.87	4.08	Jun 1949	16	10.62	Mar 1975	.05	Oct 2000	139.1	88.8	32.9	12.2	36.46	38.89	41.98	44.31	46.36	48.34	50.37	52.61	55.31	59.21	62.56

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** Statistics not computed because less than six years out of thirty had measurable precipitation

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Snow (inches)																							
Snow Totals															Mean Number of Days (1)								
Means/Medians (1)					Extremes (2)										Snow Fall >= Thresholds					Snow Depth >= Thresholds			
Month	Snow Fall Mean	Snow Fall Median	Snow Depth Mean	Snow Depth Median	Highest Daily Snow Fall	Year	Day	Highest Monthly Snow Fall	Year	Highest Daily Snow Depth	Year	Day	Highest Monthly Mean Snow Depth	Year	0.1	1.0	3.0	5.0	10.0	1	3	5	10
Jan	4.4	2.8	#	#	12.5	1998	28	15.7	1987	17	1998	28	3	1996	2.2	1.3	.4	.2	.1	3.2	1.1	.6	.2
Feb	3.6	2.1	#	#	9.8	1979	18	18.0	1979	10	1979	18	2	1979	2.4	1.2	.4	.1	.0	1.8	.8	.1	@
Mar	2.4	.5	#	0	16.5	1993	13	18.0	1993	18	1993	13	2	1993	1.4	.7	.2	.1	@	.8	.4	.2	.1
Apr	1.0	.0	#	0	15.5	1987	3	15.5	1987	16	1987	3	1	1987	.2	.2	.1	.1	@	.1	.1	.1	@
May	.2	.0	#	0	7.0	1992	7	7.0	1992	5	1992	7	#	1992	@	@	@	@	.0	.1	@	@	.0
Jun	.0	.0	0	0	.0	0	0	.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0
Jul	.0	.0	0	0	.0	0	0	.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0
Aug	.0	.0	0	0	.0	0	0	.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0
Sep	.0	.0	0	0	.0	0	0	.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0
Oct	#	.0	0	0	#	1993	31	#+	1993	0	0	0	0	0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0
Nov	.5	.0	#	0	2.5	1975	14	4.8	1975	3	2000	20	#+	2000	.4	.3	.0	.0	.0	.2	@	.0	.0
Dec	1.7	.5	#	#	15.0	1971	3	15.0	1971	12	1971	4	1	1993	1.1	.4	.2	.1	@	.9	.3	@	.0
Ann	13.8	5.9	N/A	N/A	16.5	Mar 1993	13	18.0+	Mar 1993	18	Mar 1993	13	3	Jan 1996	7.7	4.1	1.3	.6	.1	7.1	2.7	1.0	.3

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-9/-9.9 represents missing values

Annual statistics for Mean/Median snow depths are not appropriate

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Freeze Data									
Spring Freeze Dates (Month/Day)									
Temp (F)	Probability of later date in spring (thru Jul 31) than indicated(*)								
	.10	.20	.30	.40	.50	.60	.70	.80	.90
36	6/06	5/31	5/27	5/23	5/20	5/16	5/13	5/09	5/03
32	5/19	5/15	5/12	5/09	5/06	5/04	5/01	4/28	4/24
28	5/07	5/01	4/28	4/24	4/21	4/18	4/15	4/12	4/06
24	4/23	4/18	4/14	4/11	4/08	4/05	4/01	3/29	3/23
20	4/10	4/04	3/31	3/27	3/24	3/20	3/17	3/12	3/06
16	3/29	3/21	3/15	3/10	3/06	3/01	2/24	2/19	2/11
Fall Freeze Dates (Month/Day)									
Temp (F)	Probability of earlier date in fall (beginning Aug 1) than indicated(*)								
	.10	.20	.30	.40	.50	.60	.70	.80	.90
36	9/14	9/19	9/22	9/25	9/28	10/01	10/04	10/07	10/12
32	9/21	9/26	9/29	10/02	10/05	10/07	10/10	10/13	10/18
28	10/04	10/08	10/12	10/15	10/17	10/20	10/23	10/27	10/31
24	10/14	10/18	10/22	10/24	10/27	10/30	11/01	11/05	11/09
20	10/19	10/25	10/30	11/04	11/08	11/12	11/16	11/21	11/28
16	11/08	11/14	11/18	11/22	11/25	11/28	12/02	12/06	12/12
Freeze Free Period									
Temp (F)	Probability of longer than indicated freeze free period (Days)								
	.10	.20	.30	.40	.50	.60	.70	.80	.90
36	153	145	140	135	131	126	122	116	108
32	169	163	158	154	150	147	143	138	131
28	197	190	186	182	178	175	171	166	160
24	221	214	209	205	202	198	194	189	182
20	250	243	237	232	228	224	219	213	206
16	291	282	275	269	264	258	252	245	236

* Probability of observing a temperature as cold, or colder, later in the spring or earlier in the fall than the indicated date.

0/00 Indicates that the probability of occurrence of threshold temperature is less than the indicated probability.

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Degree Days to Selected Base Temperatures (° F)													
Base	Heating Degree Days (1)												
Below	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Ann
65	951	775	634	400	197	38	6	11	98	392	630	867	4999
60	796	635	482	255	99	6	0	0	32	254	480	712	3751
57	710	551	395	178	58	2	0	0	13	183	394	619	3103
55	652	495	339	132	37	1	0	0	7	143	339	559	2704
50	510	363	214	51	9	0	0	0	1	67	212	416	1843
32	140	44	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	66	267

Base	Cooling Degree Days (1)												
Above	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Ann
32	212	192	398	590	857	1034	1179	1141	934	635	368	222	7762
55	11	0	15	32	181	345	466	428	251	64	9	2	1804
57	7	0	9	18	140	286	404	366	197	43	5	0	1475
60	0	0	3	5	88	201	311	273	126	20	1	0	1028
65	0	0	0	0	31	82	162	129	42	4	0	0	450
70	0	0	0	0	7	17	53	35	6	0	0	0	118

Growing Degree Units (2)																								
Base	Growing Degree Units (Monthly)												Growing Degree Units (Accumulated Monthly)											
	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
40	83	113	254	411	654	839	973	942	746	457	223	118	83	196	450	861	1515	2354	3327	4269	5015	5472	5695	5813
45	35	52	146	276	499	689	818	787	596	311	128	58	35	87	233	509	1008	1697	2515	3302	3898	4209	4337	4395
50	9	19	71	165	351	539	663	632	447	182	60	26	9	28	99	264	615	1154	1817	2449	2896	3078	3138	3164
55	0	1	29	77	211	390	508	477	304	86	20	2	0	1	30	107	318	708	1216	1693	1997	2083	2103	2105
60	0	0	3	26	100	243	353	323	171	28	0	0	0	0	3	29	129	372	725	1048	1219	1247	1247	1247
Base	Growing Degree Units for Corn (Monthly)												Growing Degree Units for Corn (Accumulated Monthly)											
50/86	64	91	186	288	420	549	654	629	478	311	168	84	64	155	341	629	1049	1598	2252	2881	3359	3670	3838	3922

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Note: For corn, temperatures below 50 are set to 50, and temperatures above 86 are set to 86

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Notes

- a. The monthly means are simple arithmetic averages computed by summing the monthly values for the period 1971-2000 and dividing by thirty. Prior to averaging, the data are adjusted if necessary to compensate for data quality issues, station moves or changes in station reporting practices. Missing months are replaced by estimates based on neighboring stations.
- b. The median is defined as the middle value in an ordered set of values. The median is being provided for the snow and precipitation elements because the mean can be a misleading value for precipitation normals.
- c. Only observed validated values were used to select the extreme daily values.
- d. Extreme monthly temperature/precipitation means were selected from the monthly normals data.
Monthly snow extremes were calculated from daily values quality controlled to be consistent with the Snow Climatology.
- e. Degree Days were derived using the same techniques as the 1971-2000 normals.
Complete documentation for the 1971-2000 Normals is available on the internet from:
www.ncdc.noaa.gov/oa/climate/normal/usnormals.html
- f. Mean "number of days statistics" for temperature and precipitation were calculated from a serially complete daily data set.
Documentation of the serially complete data set is available from the link below:
- g. Snowfall and snow depth statistics were derived from the Snow Climatology.
Documentation for the Snow Climatology project is available from the link under references.

Data Sources for Tables

Several different data sources were used to create the Clim20 climate summaries. In some cases the daily extremes appear inconsistent with the monthly extremes and or the mean number of days statistics. For example, a high daily extreme value may not be reflected in the highest monthly value or the mean number of days threshold that is less than and equal to the extreme value. Some of these difference are caused by different periods of record. Daily extremes are derived from the station's entire period of record while the serial data and normals data were for the 1971-2000 period. Therefore extremes observed before 1971 would not be included in the 1971-2000 normals or the 1971-2000 serial daily data set. Inconsistencies can also occur when monthly values are adjusted to reflect the current observing conditions or were replaced during the 1971-2000 Monthly Normals processing and are not reconciled with the Summary of the Day data.

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none">a. Temperature/ Precipitation Tables<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. 1971-2000 Monthly Normals2. Cooperative Summary of the Day3. National Weather Service station records4. 1971-2000 serially complete daily datab. Degree Day Table<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Monthly and Annual Heating and Cooling Degree Days Normals to Selected Bases derived from 1971-2000 Monthly Normals2. Daily Normal Growing Degree Units to Selected Base Temperatures derived from 1971-2000 serially complete daily data | <ol style="list-style-type: none">c. Snow Tables<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Snow Climatology2. Cooperative Summary of the Dayd. Freeze Data Table
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