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Lon: 93°24W

**Station: INTL FALLS AP, MN** 

Climate Division: MN 2 NWS Call Sign: INL

Temperature (°F) Degree Days (1) Mean (1) Mean Number of Days (3) **Extremes** Base Temp 65 Max Max Max Max Min Min Highest Lowest Daily Daily Highest Lowest Month(1) Month(1) Cooling >= >= >= <= <= <= Month Mean Year Day Year Year Day Year Heating Max Min Daily(2) Daily(2) Mean Mean 100 90 50 32 32 0 13.8 -8.4 2.7 48 +1973 24 13.8 1990 -46 1968 -10.1 1982 1946 0 .0 .0 .0 28.7 31.0 21.3 Jan -1.2 22.4 -.7 10.9 58 2000 22 27.1 1998 -45 1996 2 1989 1531 0 .0 .0 .2 22.1 27.9 15.0 Feb Mar 34.9 12.3 23.6 73 1963 31 33.0 1973 -38 1962 15.2 1996 1298 0 .0 .0 2.8 13.1 29.2 6.8 27.1 93 27 47.9 Apr 51.5 39.3 1952 1987 -14 1954 3 32.0 1996 775 1 .0. (a) 16.0 1.9 21.5 .4 May 66.6 40.0 53.3 95 1964 21 61.1 1977 11 1967 3 45.9 1979 378 17 .0 .3 28.6 @ 6.1 .0 49.1 23 54.4 74.2 61.6 99+ 1995 18 68.1 1995 1964 1985 140 47 .0 .9 30.0 .0 .4 .0 Jun Jul 78.6 53.6 66.1 98+ 6 70.3 1975 34 +2001 5 59.3 1992 55 91 .0 31.0 1988 1.6 .0 .0 .0 1977 76.3 51.3 63.8 95+ 1991 27 68.4 1983 30 1982 28 57.3 102 67 .0 1.0 31.0 .0 .1 .0 Aug 7 Sep 64.7 41.6 53.2 95 1976 57.8 1994 20 +1965 26 48.8 1984 360 10 .0 .1 28.3 .0 4.0 0. 5 47.5 2 36.4 723 Oct 51.7 31.5 41.6 88 1963 1994 1988 30 1976 0 .0 .0 16.9 1.1 17.1 .0 32.5 16.4 24.4 73 1975 5 34.7 1981 -32 1985 28 14.1 1985 1217 0 .0 .0 2.3 28.2 Nov 15.6 3.6 Dec 18.1 -1.1 8.5 56+ 1962 3 20.4 1997 -41 1955 19 -4.2 1983 1744 0 .0 .0 .0 26.9 30.9 16.6 Jun Jul Jan Jan 48.8 26.1 37.4 99+ 1995 18 70.3 1975 -46 1968 6 -10.1 1982 10269 233 .0 3.9 187.1 109.4 196.4 63.7 Ann

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										Pı	ecipit	tation	(incl	nes)										
	Mea Medi		P	recipi	itatio	n Total					ean N of D	ays (3	)	Precipitation Probabilities (1)  Probability that the monthly/annual precipitation will be equal to or less than the indicated amount  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	.84	.65	2.70	1982	22	3.67	1982	.09	1999	10.9	2.0	.1	@	.12	.19	.31	.42	.55	.68	.83	1.02	1.28	1.70	2.10
Feb	.64	.53	.88	1955	20	1.57	1992	.10	1993	8.7	2.0	.1	.0	.14	.20	.29	.37	.46	.55	.65	.78	.94	1.20	1.45
Mar	.96	.84	1.29	1966	4	2.03	1999	.22	1984	9.4	2.7	.3	.0	.25	.34	.48	.60	.72	.85	.99	1.16	1.38	1.73	2.05
Apr	1.38	1.31	1.40	1957	19	3.33	1986	.08	1987	8.4	3.8	.8	.1	.30	.43	.63	.82	1.00	1.20	1.42	1.68	2.03	2.58	3.10
May	2.55	2.20	2.67	1991	23	6.67	1985	.20	1976	11.1	5.5	1.7	.3	.52	.75	1.13	1.47	1.81	2.18	2.60	3.10	3.77	4.83	5.83
Jun	3.98	4.19	3.22	1975	24	7.01	1976	1.11	1987	13.3	7.8	2.6	.7	1.59	1.96	2.48	2.91	3.31	3.72	4.16	4.68	5.33	6.32	7.23
Jul	3.37	3.01	4.20	1966	2	7.86	1987	1.06	1974	11.6	6.9	2.0	.6	1.11	1.42	1.89	2.29	2.68	3.07	3.51	4.02	4.67	5.68	6.62
Aug	3.14	2.99	2.52	1974	19	6.66	1988	.58	1991	11.2	6.5	2.2	.5	1.08	1.38	1.81	2.18	2.53	2.89	3.28	3.74	4.33	5.24	6.07
Sep	3.03	2.81	3.34	1973	1	6.81+	1977	.28	1998	12.0	6.0	1.7	.7	.64	.91	1.36	1.76	2.17	2.60	3.09	3.68	4.46	5.70	6.88
Oct	1.98	1.71	2.33	1979	31	4.84	1971	.14	1992	10.9	5.0	1.0	.2	.34	.51	.80	1.07	1.35	1.65	1.99	2.41	2.97	3.87	4.73
Nov	1.36	1.19	1.37	1977	9	3.49	1977	.00	1999	10.4	3.9	.6	@	.30	.49	.72	.90	1.07	1.24	1.43	1.66	1.94	2.39	2.80
Dec	.70	.64	1.21	1960	5	1.70	1992	.18	1999	10.9	2.2	@	.0	.18	.25	.35	.44	.53	.62	.73	.85	1.01	1.26	1.49
Ann	23.93	23.84	4.20	Jul 1966	2	7.86	Jul 1987	.00	Nov 1999	128.8	54.3	13.1	3.1	18.30	19.42	20.84	21.90	22.84	23.74	24.66	25.68	26.90	28.65	30.16

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<sup>\*\*</sup> Statistics not computed because less than six years out of thirty had measurable precipitation

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										Snov	v (incl	hes)													
						Sno	ow To	tals							Mean Number of Days (1)										
	Mean	s/Medi	ans (1)	ı	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	14.4	12.3	14	12	14.1	1975	10	43.0	1975	38+	1982	27	27	1989	12.8	4.3	1.3	.6	@	31.0	30.5	28.7	21.5		
Feb	10.7	9.7	15	15	12.1	1996	27	32.3	1992	34	1992	25	26	1975	9.9	3.3	.8	.3	@	28.0	27.4	26.5	20.9		
Mar	9.0	7.7	11	11	9.7	1976	11	28.1	1976	33+	1976	14	24	1979	8.5	2.7	.8	.3	.0	24.4	22.1	20.7	16.4		
Apr	5.4	3.6	2	3	9.8	1996	25	17.6	1996	25+	1975	4	12	1975	3.7	1.5	.6	.2	.0	8.4	5.9	4.5	3.1		
May	.3	.0	#	0	1.5	1974	14	1.9	1989	1+	1991	4	#	2000	.5	.1	.0	.0	.0	.1	.0	.0	.0		
Jun	#	.0	#	0	#	1990	3	#	1990	0	0	0	#	1991	.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	.1	.0	0	0	1.4	1981	30	1.4	1981	#+	1974	30	0	0	.2	.1	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0		
Oct	2.2	1.8	#	0	4.8	1988	27	8.5	1981	5	1988	28	#	1997	2.3	.8	.2	.0	.0	1.1	.2	@	.0		
Nov	13.3	10.8	3	2	11.6	1991	1	27.1	1985	22	1977	21	9	1977	10.0	3.8	1.3	.5	@	16.4	10.1	6.5	2.2		
Dec	12.7	11.7	8	7	8.6	1992	30	31.1	1990	25+	1985	31	20	1985	12.3	3.9	1.2	.4	.0	28.9	23.7	18.4	10.4		
Ann	68.1	57.6	N/A	N/A	14.1	Jan 1975	10	43.0	Jan 1975	38+	Jan 1982	27	27	Jan 1989	60.2	20.5	6.2	2.3	@	138.3	119.9	105.3	74.5		

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<sup>-9/-9.9</sup> represents missing values Annual statistics for Mean/Median snow depths are not appropriate

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				Freez	e Data										
			Spri	ng Freeze D	ates (Month/	(Day)									
Temp (F)		P	robability of	later date i	n spring (thr	u Jul 31) tha	n indicated(	(*)							
Temp (F)	.10	.20	.30	.40	.50	.60	.70	.80	.90						
36	6/29	6/22	6/16	6/12	6/07	6/03	5/29	5/24	5/16						
32	6/08	6/03	5/31	5/28	5/25	5/22	5/19	5/15	5/10						
28	5/24	5/19	5/16	5/13	5/10	5/08	5/05	5/01	4/26						
24	5/09	5/04	5/01	4/29	4/26	4/24	4/21	4/18	4/14						
20	4/25	4/21	4/18	4/16	4/14	4/11	4/09	4/06	4/02						
16	4/18	4/14	4/12	4/09	4/07	4/05	4/03	3/31	3/28						
			Fal	ll Freeze Da	tes (Month/D	ay)			•						
Tomp (F)	Probability of earlier date in fall (beginning Aug 1) than indicated(*)														
Temp (F)	.10	.20	.30	.40	.50	.60	.70	.80	.90						
36	8/24	8/29	9/01	9/04	9/07	9/09	9/12	9/15	9/20						
32	9/04	9/09	9/12	9/14	9/17	9/19	9/22	9/25	9/29						
28	9/15	9/18	9/21	9/23	9/25	9/27	9/29	10/02	10/05						
24	9/23	9/28	10/02	10/05	10/08	10/11	10/14	10/18	10/23						
20	10/08	10/13	10/17	10/20	10/23	10/26	10/29	11/02	11/07						
16	10/21	10/26	10/29	11/01	11/03	11/06	11/09	11/12	11/16						
•		•		Freeze F	ree Period		•								
Tomp (F)			Probability	of longer th	an indicated	freeze free p	eriod (Days)								
Temp (F)	.10	.20	.30	.40	.50	.60	.70	.80	.90						
36	116	108	101	96	91	86	80	74	65						
32	133	127	122	118	114	110	106	101	95						
28	154	148	144	140	137	134	130	126	120						
24	183	176	172	168	164	160	156	151	145						
20	210	204	199	195	191	188	184	179	173						
16	225	220	216	212	209	206	202	198	193						

<sup>\*</sup> 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. Derived from 1971-2000 serially complete daily data

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	Degree Days to Selected Base Temperatures (°F)														
Base						Heatin	g Degree 1	Days (1)							
Below	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Ann		
65	1946	1531	1298	775	378	140	55	102	360	723	1217	1744	10269		
60	1777	1376	1128	622	258	75	18	48	222	570	1067	1597	8758		
57	1684	1292	1035	535	197	42	7	24	153	479	977	1504	7929		
55	1622	1236	973	479	160	27	2	14	113	419	917	1442	7404		
50	1467	1096	818	346	87	8	0	2	43	280	767	1287	6201		
32	920	616	334	50	1	0	0	0	0	22	296	753	2992		

Base						Coolin	g Degree l	Days (1)					
Above	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Ann
32	0	6	49	260	663	893	1059	988	639	319	48	2	4926
55	0	0	0	8	93	222	348	283	74	9	0	0	1037
57	0	0	0	5	69	175	288	229	53	5	0	0	824
60	0	0	0	2	43	115	204	156	29	2	0	0	551
65	0	0	0	1	17	47	91	67	10	0	0	0	233
70	0	0	0	0	4	11	29	19	2	0	0	0	65

	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	0	0	5	110	430	661	823	751	412	144	11	0	0	0	5	115	545	1206	2029	2780	3192	3336	3347	3347
45	0	0	0	54	292	511	668	596	276	72	4	0	0	0	0	54	346	857	1525	2121	2397	2469	2473	2473
50	0	0	0	23	182	366	513	442	159	31	0	0	0	0	0	23	205	571	1084	1526	1685	1716	1716	1716
55	0	0	0	6	97	228	359	292	77	8	0	0	0	0	0	6	103	331	690	982	1059	1067	1067	1067
60	0	0	0	1	47	121	210	161	33	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	48	169	379	540	573	574	574	574
Base				Gro	wing De	gree Unit	s for Co	rn (Mont	hly)						Gr	owing D	egree Ur	nits for C	orn (Acc	umulate	d Month	ly)		
50/86	0	0	5	85	275	406	517	467	238	88	9	0	0	0	5	90	365	771	1288	1755	1993	2081	2090	2090

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

#### 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.

Compete documentation for the 1971-2000 Normals is available on the internet from:

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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 are 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.

- a. Temperature/ Precipitation Tables
  - 1. 1971-2000 Monthly Normals
  - 2. Cooperative Summary of the Day
  - 3. National Weather Service station records
  - 4. 1971-2000 serially complete daily data

- c. Snow Tables
  - 1. Snow Climatology
  - 2. Cooperative Summary of the Day
- d. Freeze Data Table

1971-2000 serially complete daily data

- b. Degree Day Table
  - 1. Monthly and Annual Heating and Cooling Degree Days Normals to Selected Bases derived from 1971-2000 Monthly Normals
  - 2. Daily Normal Growing Degree Units to Selected Base Temperatures derived from 1971-2000 serially complete daily data

#### References

U.S. Climate Normals 1971-2000, www.ncdc.noaa.gov/normals.html

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Snow Climatology Project Description, www.ncdc.noaa.gov/oa/climate/monitoring/snowclim/mainpage.html

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