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COOP ID: 487760

Lon: 108°22W

Station: RIVERTON, WY

Climate Division: WY 9 NWS Call Sign:

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 30.0 -.3 14.9 63 1953 10 26.3 1990 -46+ 1979 -4.7 1979 1557 0 .0 .0 1.5 17.0 30.9 15.7 Jan 37.6 6.5 22.1 71 1951 11 30.4 2000 -45 1936 8 5.1 1993 1202 0 .0 .0 4.9 9.6 28.2 8.8 Feb Mar 50.2 19.5 34.9 78 1986 29 43.8 1986 -24 1920 6 24.1 1973 935 0 .0 .0 16.4 2.6 29.8 1.4 28.4 87 1973 Apr 59.8 44.1 1987 29 49.2 1981 -18 1936 2 36.1 626 0 .0 .0 23.3 .6 21.1 .1 May 69.5 38.1 53.8 96 1984 31 60.1 1994 18 1954 1 49.1 1983 352 5 .0 .1 29.2 .0 6.1 .0 72.2 3 57.3 Jun 81.1 46.2 63.7 102 1970 28 1988 26 1951 1998 126 86 .2 6.0 29.8 .0 .5 0. Jul 89.0 51.5 70.3 104+ 1990 73.7 30 64.4 1993 22 184 .8 15.6 31.0 (a) 1 1976 1986 .0 0. 1974 87.5 48.8 68.2 103 1988 1 73.0 2000 30 1932 31 64.4 40 138 .2 13.0 31.0 .0 .1 .0 Aug 9 Sep 75.8 38.7 57.3 98 1990 8 63.5 1998 1926 25 52.2 1984 253 20 .0 2.1 28.9 .1 6.3 .0 50.1 30 40.9 1984 Oct 62.0 27.6 44.8 90 1980 1 1988 -7 1971 626 0 .0 (a) 26.1 .4 23.7 .1 43.0 13.3 28.2 73+ 1999 37.8 1999 -28 1985 23 14.9 2000 1104 0 .0 .0 9.9 29.7 4.4 Nov 1 6.5 Dec 30.7 1.1 15.9 65+ 1995 2 29.8 1980 -46+ 1983 23 -1.4 1983 1522 0 .0 .0 2.3 16.9 31.0 13.4 Jul Jul Dec Jan 59.7 26.6 43.2 104 +1990 73.7 1976 1983 23 -4.7 1979 8365 433 1.2 36.8 234.3 53.7 207.4 43.9 -46+ Ann

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										Pı	recipi	tation	(incl	nes)										
	Mea Medi		P	recip	itatio	on 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	.28	.18	.85	1995	16	1.44	1995	.00+	1992	3.1	.9	.1	.0	.00	.00	.03	.09	.15	.21	.28	.36	.47	.65	.84
Feb	.25	.21	.59	1935	24	.97	1986	.00+	1991	2.4	.8	.0	.0	.00	.02	.06	.10	.14	.19	.24	.31	.40	.55	.69
Mar	.48	.27	1.08	1998	7	2.95	1998	.01	1999	3.6	1.4	.2	@	.02	.05	.10	.16	.24	.32	.43	.57	.77	1.11	1.45
Apr	1.01	.87	1.53	1971	26	3.69	1999	.06	1992	5.7	3.2	.4	.1	.12	.20	.34	.48	.63	.80	.99	1.23	1.55	2.09	2.61
May	1.78	1.67	3.53	1921	8	4.44	1978	.17	1994	7.4	4.4	1.0	.2	.23	.37	.63	.88	1.14	1.43	1.76	2.18	2.74	3.66	4.55
Jun	1.14	.88	2.20	1993	3	5.95	1993	.00	1973	5.6	2.6	.5	.2	.03	.10	.24	.40	.58	.80	1.06	1.39	1.85	2.64	3.42
Jul	.73	.51	1.90+	1977	25	2.91	1977	.04	1999	4.6	1.9	.3	.1	.06	.11	.20	.30	.41	.54	.69	.89	1.15	1.60	2.04
Aug	.49	.42	1.54	1933	26	1.56	1976	.00	1985	4.1	1.4	.1	@	.05	.11	.19	.26	.33	.41	.50	.60	.74	.96	1.18
Sep	.88	.60	2.14	1923	27	4.45	1973	.00+	1992	4.4	2.0	.4	.2	.00	.03	.14	.27	.41	.59	.80	1.06	1.44	2.10	2.75
Oct	.81	.58	1.65	1924	19	3.60	1994	.00	1985	4.0	2.3	.4	.0	.02	.07	.18	.30	.42	.57	.75	.98	1.30	1.84	2.38
Nov	.47	.30	1.20	1996	29	2.13	1996	.00+	1989	2.9	1.4	.1	@	.00	.01	.06	.13	.20	.30	.41	.56	.78	1.16	1.54
Dec	.36	.17	2.05	1997	19	3.59	1997	.00+	1984	2.3	.8	.1	.1	.00	.01	.04	.09	.14	.21	.31	.43	.60	.91	1.23
Ann	8.68	8.20	3.53	May 1921	8	5.95	Jun 1993	.00+	Sep 1992	50.1	23.1	3.6	.9	4.68	5.37	6.30	7.03	7.71	8.37	9.08	9.88	10.86	12.34	13.65

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

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										Snov	w (incl	hes)													
						Sn	ow To	tals							Mean Number of Days (1)										
	Mean	s/Medi	ians (1)	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	4.2	3.4	2	0	10.0	1984	14	15.9	1995	16+	1993	21	12	1993	2.9	1.5	.4	.1	@	11.2	6.1	4.4	1.3		
Feb	4.7	3.6	1	0	10.0	1987	24	22.5	1987	14+	1993	28	13	1993	2.9	1.6	.6	.2	@	7.7	4.8	3.2	1.5		
Mar	4.7	2.8	#	0	5.6	1997	4	21.7	1998	15+	1993	5	5	1993	2.6	1.7	.6	@	.0	3.9	2.0	.9	.4		
Apr	4.7	1.1	#	0	17.0	1979	1	31.7	1999	9	1971	26	2	1999	2.0	1.3	.4	.2	@	1.8	.7	.4	.0		
May	.4	.0	#	0	5.0	1975	20	5.3	1975	12	1983	11	#	2000	.3	.2	.1	@	.0	.2	.1	.1	@		
Jun	#	.0	#	0	#	1999	1	#	1999	#+	2000	24	#	2000	.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	.8	.0	#	0	10.0	1982	14	13.0	1982	5	1984	24	#	2000	.3	.2	.1	@	@	.1	@	@	.0		
Oct	2.6	.3	#	0	12.0	1971	30	23.0	1971	18+	1971	31	2	1971	.9	.7	.2	.2	.1	.9	.4	.2	.1		
Nov	5.1	3.6	#	0	8.0	1972	27	15.2	1985	6	1994	3	2	2000	2.6	1.5	.7	.2	.0	3.8	1.4	.2	.0		
Dec	5.3	3.5	1	0	15.0	1985	9	19.0+	1985	12+	1987	27	5	1997	2.7	1.6	.4	.2	@	9.9	4.6	2.1	.4		
Ann	32.5	18.3	N/A	N/A	17.0	Apr 1979	1	31.7	Apr 1999	18+	Oct 1971	31	13	Feb 1993	17.2	10.3	3.5	1.1	.1	39.5	20.1	11.5	3.7		

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^{-9/-9.9} represents missing values Annual statistics for Mean/Median snow depths are not appropriate

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				Freez	e Data						
			Spri	ng Freeze Da	ates (Month/	Day)					
Temp (F)		P	robability of	later date in	spring (thr	u Jul 31) tha	n indicated(*)			
Temp (F)	.10	.20	.30	.40	.50	.60	.70	.80	.90		
36	7/02	6/26	6/21	6/16	6/12	6/08	6/04	5/30	5/23		
32	6/18	6/10	6/04	5/30	5/26	5/21	5/16	5/11	5/03		
28	5/23	5/18	5/14	5/11	5/08	5/06	5/03	4/29	4/24		
24	5/09	5/05	5/02	4/29	4/27	4/24	4/21	4/18	4/14		
20	4/30	4/25	4/22	4/19	4/16	4/13	4/10	4/07	4/02		
16	4/24	4/18	4/13	4/09	4/06	4/02	3/29	3/24	3/18		
•		1	Fal	l Freeze Dat	es (Month/D	ay)		1	•		
Probability of earlier date in fall (beginning Aug 1) than indicated(*)											
Temp (F)	.10	.20	.30	.40	.50	.60	.70	.80	.90		
36	8/22	8/27	8/31	9/03	9/06	9/09	9/12	9/16	9/21		
32	9/03	9/07	9/10	9/13	9/15	9/18	9/20	9/24	9/28		
28	9/14	9/18	9/20	9/23	9/25	9/27	9/30	10/03	10/06		
24	9/21	9/26	9/30	10/03	10/06	10/09	10/12	10/15	10/20		
20	9/29	10/04	10/08	10/12	10/15	10/18	10/21	10/25	10/31		
16	10/14	10/18	10/22	10/24	10/27	10/30	11/02	11/05	11/10		
•		1	•	Freeze F	ree Period	•		1	•		
Tomp (F)			Probability	of longer tha	n indicated	freeze free p	eriod (Days)				
Temp (F)	.10	.20	.30	.40	.50	.60	.70	.80	.90		
36	112	103	96	90	85	80	74	68	58		
32	141	131	124	118	112	106	100	92	82		
28	156	150	146	142	139	135	132	127	121		
24	183	175	170	166	162	157	153	148	140		
20	206	198	191	186	181	176	171	164	156		
16	229	220	214	209	204	199	193	187	178		

^{*} 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						Heatin	g Degree l	Days (1)							
Below	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Ann		
65	1557	1202	935	626	352	126	22	40	253	626	1104	1522	8365		
60	1402	1062	780	478	217	57	4	9	143	471	954	1367	6944		
57	1309	978	687	393	150	31	1	3	91	379	864	1274	6160		
55	1247	922	625	338	112	19	0	2	64	319	804	1212	5664		
50	1092	791	481	215	45	5	0	0	20	186	665	1060	4560		
32	583	361	101	9	0	0	0	0	0	6	242	558	1860		

Base						Coolin	g Degree l	Days (1)					
Above	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Ann
32	49	83	189	373	676	950	1185	1121	757	403	127	59	5972
55	0	0	0	12	75	279	472	410	131	3	0	0	1382
57	0	0	0	7	51	231	411	349	98	1	0	0	1148
60	0	0	0	2	26	167	321	262	60	0	0	0	838
65	0	0	0	0	5	86	184	138	20	0	0	0	433
70	0	0	0	0	1	33	85	53	5	0	0	0	177

	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	3	48	187	437	711	936	876	523	198	18	1	0	3	51	238	675	1386	2322	3198	3721	3919	3937	3938
45	0	0	15	101	297	561	781	721	385	102	1	0	0	0	15	116	413	974	1755	2476	2861	2963	2964	2964
50	0	0	1	44	177	414	626	566	257	36	0	0	0	0	1	45	222	636	1262	1828	2085	2121	2121	2121
55	0	0	0	13	91	279	471	411	145	10	0	0	0	0	0	13	104	383	854	1265	1410	1420	1420	1420
60	0	0	0	2	28	157	318	261	62	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	30	187	505	766	828	828	828	828
Base				Gro	wing Deg	gree Unit	s for Co	rn (Mont	thly)						Gr	owing D	egree Un	its for C	orn (Acc	umulate	d Month	ly)		
50/86	0	17	75	174	310	457	582	558	381	206	39	2	0	17	92	266	576	1033	1615	2173	2554	2760	2799	2801

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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

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