

# Climatography of the United States

No. 20

1971-2000

Station: WINNEBAGO, MN

COOP ID: 219046

Climate Division: MN 8

NWS Call Sign:

Elevation: 1,110 Feet Lat: 43°46N

Lon: 94°11W

## 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	21.2	3.1	12.2	63	1944	26	25.9	1990	-32	1936	22	-.7	1979	1639	0	.0	.0	.2	24.1	31.0	14.0
Feb	27.6	10.0	18.8	63+	1981	18	32.2	1987	-32+	1996	3	4.3	1979	1294	0	.0	.0	1.2	17.2	27.7	8.1
Mar	39.7	22.2	31.0	83	1968	31	40.3	2000	-25	1962	1	21.9	1975	1056	0	.0	.0	6.4	8.3	26.2	2.4
Apr	55.7	34.7	45.2	92	1980	22	54.5	1977	6	1936	7	38.4	1975	598	3	.0	.1	19.7	.8	12.2	.0
May	69.5	47.6	58.6	106	1934	31	68.4	1977	20	1967	3	51.4	1997	257	57	.0	.7	29.8	.0	1.3	.0
Jun	78.7	57.8	68.3	104	1934	27	74.7	1988	32	1945	3	62.4	1982	45	143	.1	3.1	30.0	.0	.0	.0
Jul	82.1	61.8	72.0	107	1936	14	76.6	1983	44+	1971	31	64.7	1992	17	234	.1	4.8	31.0	.0	.0	.0
Aug	79.5	59.4	69.5	103+	1988	1	74.6	1983	37	1934	24	64.7	1992	28	166	@	2.4	31.0	.0	.0	.0
Sep	71.7	49.4	60.6	99+	1939	15	67.1	1978	22	1942	28	54.7	1993	171	38	.0	.8	29.4	.0	.6	.0
Oct	59.2	37.2	48.2	92	1997	4	53.4	1973	13	1936	23	43.4	1987	522	0	.0	@	24.9	.2	10.0	.0
Nov	40.1	23.7	31.9	80+	1999	14	42.0	1999	-13	1977	26	22.9	1991	993	0	.0	.0	7.0	9.0	24.8	1.1
Dec	25.6	9.3	17.5	67	1998	2	25.6	1998	-33	1985	23	.3	1983	1474	0	.0	.0	.5	21.3	30.6	8.8
Ann	54.2	34.7	44.5	107	Jul 1936	14	76.6	Jul 1983	-33	Dec 1985	23	-.7	Jan 1979	8094	641	.2	11.9	211.1	80.9	164.4	34.4

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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	.88	.82	1.01+	2001	30	2.91	1975	.05	1995	6.9	3.0	.3	@	.12	.19	.32	.44	.57	.71	.87	1.07	1.35	1.79	2.21
Feb	.69	.63	1.64	1948	28	2.95	1971	.00	1987	5.2	1.9	.2	.1	.04	.10	.21	.31	.41	.53	.68	.85	1.09	1.48	1.86
Mar	1.84	1.62	1.40	1961	28	4.21	1977	.22	1994	8.2	4.9	1.1	.2	.48	.66	.92	1.16	1.39	1.63	1.90	2.22	2.63	3.28	3.90
Apr	2.98	2.83	3.05	1981	28	7.66	1999	.76	1996	10.4	6.5	2.0	.5	.80	1.08	1.51	1.89	2.26	2.65	3.08	3.59	4.26	5.30	6.27
May	3.95	3.69	3.56	2000	18	7.33	2000	1.57	1988	11.5	8.0	2.7	.8	1.72	2.07	2.57	2.97	3.35	3.73	4.14	4.61	5.20	6.10	6.92
Jun	4.58	4.18	3.79	1956	18	10.43	1993	.72	1988	10.7	7.4	3.0	1.2	1.49	1.93	2.57	3.11	3.64	4.18	4.77	5.47	6.37	7.76	9.04
Jul	4.15	4.04	4.55	1963	19	8.00	1990	.42	1975	9.2	6.5	2.7	1.1	1.09	1.49	2.09	2.62	3.14	3.68	4.29	5.01	5.95	7.42	8.81
Aug	4.21	3.64	6.22	1948	10	9.07	1985	.87	1971	9.6	6.7	2.8	1.2	1.36	1.76	2.35	2.85	3.33	3.84	4.39	5.03	5.86	7.15	8.34
Sep	2.65	2.19	4.10	1964	8	7.36	1973	.88	2000	8.4	5.3	1.6	.5	.88	1.14	1.50	1.82	2.12	2.43	2.77	3.16	3.67	4.46	5.19
Oct	2.39	1.92	2.15	1998	15	7.30	1998	.11	1988	6.7	4.6	1.6	.6	.23	.40	.72	1.06	1.42	1.83	2.31	2.92	3.75	5.13	6.48
Nov	1.86	1.58	1.85	1975	10	4.92	1991	.03	1980	7.0	4.4	1.0	.3	.20	.34	.60	.86	1.14	1.45	1.82	2.27	2.90	3.92	4.93
Dec	1.01	.86	1.26	1959	28	3.12	1982	.13	1989	7.0	2.9	.4	.1	.20	.29	.44	.57	.71	.86	1.02	1.23	1.49	1.92	2.32
Ann	31.19	31.59	6.22	Aug 1948	10	10.43	Jun 1993	.00	Feb 1987	100.8	62.1	19.4	6.6	20.83	22.79	25.32	27.26	29.00	30.69	32.44	34.39	36.76	40.23	43.25

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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	10.7	10.0	8	7	12.0	1982	23	29.0	1975	36	1984	3	29	1984	6.2	3.9	1.1	.6	.1	26.8	19.9	16.0	8.6
Feb	6.0	5.2	8	6	7.0	1971	27	16.5	1971	35	1982	6	27	1979	4.2	2.0	.8	.3	.0	19.8	17.4	15.0	8.4
Mar	8.1	8.4	3	2	10.0	1983	27	21.0	1983	28	1979	5	15	1979	3.8	2.5	1.0	.4	@	12.9	10.1	7.3	3.4
Apr	3.1	1.9	#	#	8.0	1984	30	13.0	1983	10	1985	1	2	1983	1.6	1.1	.3	.1	.0	2.1	1.1	.3	@
May	#	.0	#	0	#	1992	26	#+	1992	4	1984	1	#	1984	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	@	@	.0	.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	.4	.0	#	0	4.0	1976	24	4.5	1976	4	1976	24	#+	1999	.2	.2	@	.0	.0	.2	@	.0	.0
Nov	6.8	5.5	1	1	13.0	1991	1	24.5	1983	17	1983	30	6	1991	3.7	2.4	.8	.2	.1	8.2	4.7	2.8	.6
Dec	10.0	9.5	5	3	11.0	1982	28	30.3	2000	36	1983	31	28	1983	5.7	3.3	1.3	.4	.1	21.9	13.9	8.9	3.6
Ann	45.1	40.5	N/A	N/A	13.0	Nov 1991	1	30.3	Dec 2000	36+	Jan 1984	3	29	Jan 1984	25.4	15.4	5.3	2.0	.3	91.9	67.1	50.3	24.6

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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	5/21	5/17	5/13	5/11	5/08	5/06	5/03	4/30	4/25
32	5/14	5/09	5/05	5/02	4/29	4/26	4/23	4/19	4/14
28	5/06	4/30	4/26	4/22	4/19	4/15	4/12	4/07	4/01
24	4/16	4/12	4/10	4/07	4/05	4/03	4/01	3/29	3/25
20	4/13	4/08	4/04	4/01	3/29	3/26	3/23	3/19	3/14
16	4/07	4/03	3/30	3/27	3/24	3/21	3/18	3/15	3/10
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	9/15	9/19	9/22	9/24	9/26	9/28	9/30	10/03	10/07
32	9/23	9/27	9/30	10/02	10/05	10/07	10/10	10/13	10/17
28	9/28	10/03	10/07	10/10	10/13	10/16	10/19	10/23	10/28
24	10/12	10/17	10/21	10/24	10/27	10/30	11/02	11/06	11/11
20	10/22	10/27	10/31	11/03	11/06	11/09	11/12	11/15	11/20
16	10/28	11/02	11/07	11/10	11/13	11/16	11/20	11/24	11/30
Freeze Free Period									
Temp (F)	Probability of longer than indicated freeze free period (Days)								
	.10	.20	.30	.40	.50	.60	.70	.80	.90
36	157	151	147	143	140	137	133	129	123
32	177	170	166	162	158	155	151	146	140
28	200	192	186	181	177	172	167	161	153
24	222	216	211	207	204	200	197	192	186
20	244	236	230	226	221	217	212	207	199
16	257	249	243	238	233	229	224	218	210

\* 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)**

<b>Base</b>	<b>Heating Degree Days (1)</b>												
<b>Below</b>	<b>Jan</b>	<b>Feb</b>	<b>Mar</b>	<b>Apr</b>	<b>May</b>	<b>Jun</b>	<b>Jul</b>	<b>Aug</b>	<b>Sep</b>	<b>Oct</b>	<b>Nov</b>	<b>Dec</b>	<b>Ann</b>
<b>65</b>	1639	1294	1056	598	257	45	17	28	171	522	993	1474	8094
<b>60</b>	1484	1154	901	456	162	13	4	5	81	372	843	1319	6794
<b>57</b>	1391	1070	808	376	116	5	0	1	46	289	753	1226	6081
<b>55</b>	1329	1014	747	326	90	2	0	0	29	238	694	1164	5633
<b>50</b>	1174	879	603	215	43	0	0	0	6	132	554	1009	4615
<b>32</b>	645	432	186	15	0	0	0	0	0	3	160	505	1946

<b>Base</b>	<b>Cooling Degree Days (1)</b>												
<b>Above</b>	<b>Jan</b>	<b>Feb</b>	<b>Mar</b>	<b>Apr</b>	<b>May</b>	<b>Jun</b>	<b>Jul</b>	<b>Aug</b>	<b>Sep</b>	<b>Oct</b>	<b>Nov</b>	<b>Dec</b>	<b>Ann</b>
<b>32</b>	30	62	153	410	823	1088	1239	1161	857	505	157	55	6540
<b>55</b>	0	0	1	31	201	400	526	448	196	27	1	0	1831
<b>57</b>	0	0	0	21	164	343	464	387	153	15	0	0	1547
<b>60</b>	0	0	0	11	117	261	375	298	98	5	0	0	1165
<b>65</b>	0	0	0	3	57	143	234	166	38	0	0	0	641
<b>70</b>	0	0	0	0	23	61	124	73	9	0	0	0	290

**Growing Degree Units (2)**

<b>Base</b>	<b>Growing Degree Units (Monthly)</b>												<b>Growing Degree Units (Accumulated Monthly)</b>											
	<b>Jan</b>	<b>Feb</b>	<b>Mar</b>	<b>Apr</b>	<b>May</b>	<b>Jun</b>	<b>Jul</b>	<b>Aug</b>	<b>Sep</b>	<b>Oct</b>	<b>Nov</b>	<b>Dec</b>	<b>Jan</b>	<b>Feb</b>	<b>Mar</b>	<b>Apr</b>	<b>May</b>	<b>Jun</b>	<b>Jul</b>	<b>Aug</b>	<b>Sep</b>	<b>Oct</b>	<b>Nov</b>	<b>Dec</b>
<b>40</b>	0	2	43	216	574	848	993	915	623	289	46	2	0	2	45	261	835	1683	2676	3591	4214	4503	4549	4551
<b>45</b>	0	1	18	124	426	698	838	760	479	174	19	0	0	1	19	143	569	1267	2105	2865	3344	3518	3537	3537
<b>50</b>	0	0	6	67	290	548	683	605	336	94	6	0	0	0	6	73	363	911	1594	2199	2535	2629	2635	2635
<b>55</b>	0	0	0	33	180	401	528	450	212	43	0	0	0	0	0	33	213	614	1142	1592	1804	1847	1847	1847
<b>60</b>	0	0	0	13	95	263	374	299	118	11	0	0	0	0	0	13	108	371	745	1044	1162	1173	1173	1173
<b>Base</b>	<b>Growing Degree Units for Corn (Monthly)</b>												<b>Growing Degree Units for Corn (Accumulated Monthly)</b>											
<b>50/86</b>	0	1	31	137	346	544	663	601	380	175	29	0	0	1	32	169	515	1059	1722	2323	2703	2878	2907	2907

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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.  
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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.

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>a. Temperature/ Precipitation Tables<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. 1971-2000 Monthly Normals</li><li>2. Cooperative Summary of the Day</li><li>3. National Weather Service station records</li><li>4. 1971-2000 serially complete daily data</li></ol></li><li>b. Degree Day Table<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Monthly and Annual Heating and Cooling Degree Days Normals to Selected Bases derived from 1971-2000 Monthly Normals</li><li>2. Daily Normal Growing Degree Units to Selected Base Temperatures derived from 1971-2000 serially complete daily data</li></ol></li></ol> | <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>c. Snow Tables<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Snow Climatology</li><li>2. Cooperative Summary of the Day</li></ol></li><li>d. Freeze Data Table<br/>1971-2000 serially complete daily data</li></ol> |
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