

Climatology of the United States

No. 20

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Station: TIPTON 4 NE, IA

1971-2000

COOP ID: 138266

Climate Division: IA 6

NWS Call Sign:

Elevation: 770 Feet

Lat: 41°49N

Lon: 91°05W

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	26.8	8.0	17.4	66	1989	31	29.3	1990	-30	1930	22	4.6	1977	1476	0	.0	.0	.9	20.4	30.5	9.8
Feb	32.6	13.8	23.2	71	1921	15	35.4	1998	-30+	1996	3	8.8	1979	1170	0	.0	.0	2.6	13.4	26.4	5.5
Mar	45.7	25.2	35.5	87	1986	29	43.2	1973	-19+	1923	19	25.3	1975	916	0	.0	.0	11.4	4.4	23.3	.6
Apr	59.5	36.6	48.1	94	1930	10	54.0	1977	9	1982	7	43.0	1975	513	3	.0	.1	24.0	.3	9.5	.0
May	71.5	48.5	60.0	106	1934	31	67.7	1977	28+	1945	9	52.7	1997	215	59	.0	.7	30.7	.0	.8	.0
Jun	80.7	58.6	69.7	105+	1934	1	74.4	1971	37+	1945	4	65.1	1982	25	164	.1	3.4	30.0	.0	.0	.0
Jul	83.9	62.0	73.0	108+	1911	3	77.6	1987	43	1950	14	68.1	1992	11	258	.3	6.4	31.0	.0	.0	.0
Aug	81.6	59.4	70.5	105	1936	18	77.6	1983	36	1927	29	64.8	1992	31	203	.4	3.9	31.0	.0	.0	.0
Sep	74.8	49.9	62.4	101	1955	9	66.9	1998	25+	1926	26	56.4	1993	135	56	.0	1.5	29.9	.0	.7	.0
Oct	63.1	38.4	50.8	93	1953	2	58.5	1971	2	1925	30	44.4	1976	446	4	.0	.1	27.9	.0	8.5	.0
Nov	45.9	26.7	36.3	79	1933	1	44.3	1975	-7	1929	29	28.5	1996	862	0	.0	.0	11.7	3.6	21.5	.1
Dec	31.8	14.5	23.2	70	1998	5	32.2	1982	-25+	1924	28	10.5	2000	1296	0	.0	.0	2.1	14.4	29.5	5.1
Ann	58.2	36.8	47.5	108+	Jul 1911	3	77.6+	Jul 1987	-30+	Feb 1996	3	4.6	Jan 1977	7096	747	.8	16.1	233.2	56.5	150.7	21.1

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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	1.23	1.18	2.00	1974	27	4.19	1974	.00	1981	5.9	3.7	.7	.1	.19	.35	.56	.73	.90	1.08	1.27	1.51	1.81	2.30	2.75
Feb	1.28	1.07	2.51	2001	9	4.37	1971	.01	1995	5.4	3.5	.9	.2	.07	.15	.30	.48	.67	.91	1.19	1.55	2.06	2.92	3.79
Mar	2.29	1.80	2.30	1945	25	5.68	1990	.28	1981	7.5	5.5	1.7	.3	.39	.59	.92	1.23	1.56	1.91	2.31	2.80	3.45	4.50	5.51
Apr	3.60	3.32	3.10	1974	29	8.01	1973	.86	1991	8.8	6.7	2.9	.8	1.03	1.38	1.89	2.34	2.77	3.23	3.73	4.32	5.09	6.29	7.41
May	4.48	4.12	4.50	1907	23	11.29	1996	.61	1992	10.5	8.1	3.2	1.2	1.19	1.61	2.26	2.83	3.39	3.98	4.63	5.41	6.42	8.01	9.49
Jun	4.41	4.39	6.57	1944	26	12.27	1990	.57	1992	9.2	7.0	3.4	1.1	1.18	1.60	2.23	2.79	3.34	3.92	4.56	5.32	6.32	7.87	9.33
Jul	3.93	3.56	4.50	1970	29	12.80	1992	.73	1991	8.3	6.6	3.1	1.1	.92	1.29	1.86	2.38	2.89	3.43	4.04	4.77	5.72	7.23	8.65
Aug	4.61	4.00	4.95	1949	11	11.61	1977	.72	1984	8.5	6.7	3.3	1.4	1.08	1.51	2.19	2.79	3.39	4.03	4.74	5.59	6.71	8.48	10.14
Sep	3.55	3.00	4.30+	1970	17	7.65	1973	.19	1979	7.8	6.5	2.4	.9	.69	1.01	1.53	2.01	2.49	3.02	3.61	4.33	5.28	6.80	8.25
Oct	2.68	2.03	3.35	1954	10	7.11	1984	.25	1975	7.4	5.4	1.7	.6	.46	.69	1.08	1.45	1.83	2.24	2.71	3.27	4.03	5.26	6.43
Nov	2.52	2.66	4.58	1952	17	5.89	1992	.10	1976	7.3	5.5	1.9	.5	.36	.57	.93	1.28	1.65	2.05	2.51	3.08	3.85	5.09	6.30
Dec	1.90	1.52	3.15	1971	15	6.10	1971	.30	1976	6.5	4.3	1.1	.3	.33	.49	.77	1.03	1.30	1.58	1.91	2.31	2.84	3.70	4.53
Ann	36.48	35.05	6.57	Jun 1944	26	12.80	Jul 1992	.00	Jan 1981	93.1	69.5	26.3	8.5	24.22	26.53	29.53	31.83	33.89	35.89	37.97	40.28	43.10	47.22	50.82

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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	5.0	4.0	3	2	8.0	1979	13	13.0	1974	38	1979	30	27	1979	4.1	3.2	.8	.3	.0	14.6	8.1	2.7	.0
Feb	5.7	4.5	3	2	7.0	1975	24	19.0	1975	37	1979	1	16	1979	3.1	2.6	.8	.1	.0	10.5	6.4	2.8	.0
Mar	2.4	1.0	1	#	6.0	1982	4	7.4	1983	12	1978	1	5	1979	1.6	1.3	.2	.1	.0	2.8	1.5	.7	.0
Apr	1.5	.0	#	0	7.0	1973	10	10.0+	1980	7+	1997	13	1	1997	.5	.5	.2	.1	.0	.5	.2	.2	.0
May	.0	.0	0	0	.5	1994	1	.5	1994	0	0	0	0	0	@	.0	.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	.1	.0	#	0	2.0	1997	27	2.0	1997	2	1997	27	#+	1999	.1	.1	.0	.0	.0	.1	.0	.0	.0
Nov	2.1	.0	#	#	7.5	1972	14	8.5	1972	6	1997	15	1	1997	1.0	.7	.2	.1	.0	1.4	.3	.0	.0
Dec	6.2	6.0	2	1	9.0	1987	15	13.0	1973	13	2000	31	7+	2000	3.3	2.7	.9	.2	.0	9.9	5.6	3.1	.2
Ann	23.0	15.5	N/A	N/A	9.0	Dec 1987	15	19.0	Feb 1975	38	Jan 1979	30	27	Jan 1979	13.7	11.1	3.1	.9	.0	39.8	22.1	9.5	.2

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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	5/22	5/17	5/14	5/11	5/09	5/06	5/03	4/30	4/26
32	5/15	5/09	5/05	5/02	4/29	4/25	4/22	4/18	4/12
28	4/24	4/20	4/17	4/15	4/12	4/10	4/08	4/05	4/01
24	4/19	4/15	4/12	4/09	4/07	4/05	4/02	3/30	3/26
20	4/13	4/08	4/05	4/02	3/30	3/28	3/25	3/22	3/17
16	4/06	3/31	3/27	3/23	3/20	3/17	3/13	3/09	3/04
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	9/27	9/29	10/01	10/04	10/08
32	9/22	9/26	9/29	10/02	10/04	10/07	10/10	10/13	10/17
28	9/28	10/03	10/07	10/10	10/13	10/16	10/19	10/22	10/27
24	10/13	10/18	10/22	10/25	10/29	11/01	11/04	11/08	11/13
20	10/27	10/31	11/03	11/06	11/08	11/10	11/13	11/16	11/20
16	11/05	11/10	11/14	11/16	11/19	11/22	11/25	11/28	12/03
Freeze Free Period									
Temp (F)	Probability of longer than indicated freeze free period (Days)								
	.10	.20	.30	.40	.50	.60	.70	.80	.90
36	158	152	147	144	140	137	133	128	122
32	180	172	167	162	158	154	149	144	136
28	200	194	190	186	183	179	176	171	165
24	220	215	210	207	204	201	197	193	187
20	241	234	230	226	222	218	214	210	203
16	266	258	253	248	243	239	234	228	220

* 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	1476	1170	916	513	215	25	11	31	135	446	862	1296	7096
60	1321	1030	761	372	124	5	0	8	58	304	712	1141	5836
57	1228	946	668	295	84	2	0	2	30	230	622	1048	5155
55	1166	890	609	247	62	1	0	0	18	186	564	986	4729
50	1011	758	467	146	25	0	0	0	3	98	425	836	3769
32	498	332	107	4	0	0	0	0	0	1	81	357	1380

Base	Cooling Degree Days (1)												
Above	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Ann
32	45	86	214	484	867	1129	1270	1194	911	582	210	84	7076
55	0	0	3	37	216	440	557	481	239	54	2	0	2029
57	0	0	1	25	176	381	495	421	191	36	1	0	1727
60	0	0	0	12	124	294	402	335	129	17	0	0	1313
65	0	0	0	3	59	164	258	203	56	4	0	0	747
70	0	0	0	0	22	69	137	106	16	0	0	0	350

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	10	86	288	637	898	1033	958	689	362	86	8	0	10	96	384	1021	1919	2952	3910	4599	4961	5047	5055
45	0	1	43	177	484	748	878	803	540	236	39	4	0	1	44	221	705	1453	2331	3134	3674	3910	3949	3953
50	0	0	21	96	337	598	723	648	395	137	17	0	0	0	21	117	454	1052	1775	2423	2818	2955	2972	2972
55	0	0	6	49	209	448	568	493	263	66	4	0	0	0	6	55	264	712	1280	1773	2036	2102	2106	2106
60	0	0	1	18	113	304	414	340	156	27	0	0	0	0	1	19	132	436	850	1190	1346	1373	1373	1373
Base	Growing Degree Units for Corn (Monthly)												Growing Degree Units for Corn (Accumulated Monthly)											
50/86	0	8	62	181	390	590	695	634	439	232	54	5	0	8	70	251	641	1231	1926	2560	2999	3231	3285	3290

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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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