# Climatography of the United States No. 20 1971-2000

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**COOP ID: 413668** 

Lon: 98°35W

Station: GRAHAM, TX

**Climate Division: TX 3** 

**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 55.0 27.1 41.1 94 1911 31 47.6 1990 -8 1947 4 32.4 1979 742 0 .0 .0 20.8 2.2 22.9 .1 Jan 522 60.6 32.3 46.5 99 1904 25 55.0 1976 -3 1933 8 35.1 1978 4 .0 .2 21.7 1.3 15.2 @ Feb Mar 69.4 40.8 55.1 103 1908 18 62.4 1974 4 1943 3 51.3 1983 316 9 .0 .8 29.0 .1 5.5 0. 20 57.4 1997 Apr 77.3 48.9 63.1 101 1972 13 68.9 1978 1914 9 126 69 .1 2.8 29.9 .0 1.2 0. May 84.2 59.4 71.8 107 +2000 25 78.9 1996 35+ 1981 11 67.0 1983 27 238 .6 8.0 31.0 .0 .0 .0 73.2 435 Jun 91.2 67.7 79.5 112 1980 29 84.7 1990 46 1983 1983 1 2.7 19.0 30.0 .0 .0 .0 Jul 96.6 71.5 84.1 114 17 89.4 53 1904 19 79.9 1976 591 9.6 27.6 31.0 0. 1910 1998 0 .0 .0 47 1992 96.2 70.0 83.1 117 1936 11 87.5 +2000 1915 31 77.5 0 561 10.2 26.6 31.0 .0 .0 .0 Aug 5 30 11 Sep 88.9 61.8 75.4 110 +2000 82.2 1977 1942 27 67.8 1974 320 3.0 16.6 30.0 .0 .0 .0 79.3 49.5 30 56.4 94 75 Oct 64.4 105 1977 1 68.3 1998 16 1917 1976 .3 4.2 30.8 .0 .6 .0 38.3 52.4 93+ 1980 9 58.1 1999 10+ 1950 11 45.2 1976 388 8 27.1 .2 8.4 .0 Nov 66.4 .0 .1 Dec 57.3 29.0 43.2 90 1916 5 47.9 1984 -8 1989 23 31.6 1983 677 0 .0 .0 22.8 1.2 19.9 .2 Aug Jul Dec Dec

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63.3

76.9

Ann

117

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11

89.4

1998

-8+

1989

23

31.6

1983

2904

2310

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1936

(1) From the 1971-2000 Monthly Normals

105.9

26.5

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(2) Derived from station's available digital record: 1897-2001

335.1

73.7

5.0

.3

(3) Derived from 1971-2000 serially complete daily data

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										Pı	recipi	tation	(incl	nes)										
	Me	Precipitation Totals  Means/  Extremes									ean N	Numb Oays (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										
		ans(1)				Extremes	5			Daily Precipitation				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	1.16	1.00	2.25	1923	31	3.87	1973	.00+	1986	4.7	2.9	.8	.2	.00	.11	.31	.49	.68	.90	1.15	1.45	1.86	2.55	3.22
Feb	1.79	1.35	2.15	2001	15	5.81	1997	.00	1999	5.1	3.4	1.3	.5	.11	.29	.57	.83	1.11	1.41	1.77	2.21	2.81	3.78	4.73
Mar	2.22	1.76	3.30	1977	27	6.48	1999	.10	1972	5.6	3.9	1.4	.7	.26	.43	.74	1.05	1.38	1.74	2.17	2.71	3.44	4.63	5.80
Apr	2.45	2.18	4.68	1990	26	10.32	1990	.48	1984	5.5	4.0	1.5	.6	.47	.69	1.05	1.39	1.72	2.08	2.49	2.99	3.64	4.70	5.70
May	4.52	3.67	4.40	1980	28	14.62	1982	.42	1988	7.1	5.6	3.0	1.5	.77	1.17	1.83	2.45	3.08	3.77	4.56	5.52	6.79	8.85	10.82
Jun	3.60	3.10	4.36	1915	5	8.66	1987	.41	1994	5.9	4.4	2.1	1.1	.83	1.17	1.69	2.16	2.64	3.13	3.69	4.36	5.24	6.63	7.94
Jul	2.17	1.90	3.80	1941	11	5.20	1986	.00	1993	4.8	3.2	1.5	.8	.07	.23	.52	.84	1.18	1.58	2.06	2.66	3.49	4.90	6.28
Aug	2.32	2.05	4.15	1971	24	6.77	1971	.00	2000	5.4	3.5	1.6	.6	.11	.31	.66	.99	1.36	1.77	2.25	2.85	3.67	5.03	6.36
Sep	3.64	3.29	5.80	1955	26	10.42	1980	.00	1979	6.2	4.5	2.4	1.3	.19	.53	1.08	1.62	2.19	2.82	3.56	4.49	5.74	7.81	9.83
Oct	3.79	2.94	8.22	1981	13	15.00	1981	.19	1975	6.4	4.9	2.5	1.1	.27	.51	.99	1.51	2.10	2.77	3.58	4.60	6.03	8.43	10.81
Nov	1.88	1.25	2.04+	1935	6	5.99	2000	.00	1999	4.9	3.4	1.4	.6	.09	.26	.54	.82	1.11	1.45	1.83	2.32	2.97	4.06	5.13
Dec	1.81	1.59	3.10	1926	7	6.89	1991	.00	1996	5.0	3.5	1.3	.4	.04	.16	.39	.65	.94	1.27	1.68	2.20	2.93	4.16	5.38
Ann	31.35	31.11	8.22	Oct 1981	13	15.00	Oct 1981	.00+	Aug 2000	66.6	47.2	20.8	9.4	21.51	23.39	25.81	27.66	29.31	30.91	32.56	34.40	36.63	39.89	42.71

<sup>+</sup> Also occurred on an earlier date(s)

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<sup>#</sup> Denotes amounts of a trace

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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	w (incl	hes)													
						Sno	ow To	tals							Mean Number of Days (1)										
	Mean	s/Medi	ans (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	.7	.0	#	0	3.5	1977	31	5.0	1977	3	1973	11	#+	1988	.6	.3	.2	.0	.0	.1	.1	.0	.0		
Feb	1.2	.0	#	0	5.0	1978	17	8.5	1978	#+	1989	4	#+	1989	.9	.5	.1	@	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0		
Mar	.5	.0	#	0	6.5	1989	5	10.5	1989	7	1989	5	1	1989	.2	.1	.1	@	.0	.2	.1	.1	.0		
Apr	#	.0	#	0	#	1973	9	#	1973	2	1996	6	#+	1996	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0		
May	.0	.0	0	0	.0	0	0	.0	0	0	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	.0	.0	0	0	.0	0	0	.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0		
Nov	.3	.0	0	0	3.0	1976	14	5.8	1976	0	0	0	0	0	.2	.1	@	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0		
Dec	.3	.0	#	0	6.0	1983	16	6.0	1983	#	1990	30	#	1990	.2	.1	@	@	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0		
Ann	3.0	.0	N/A	N/A	6.5	Mar 1989	5	10.5	Mar 1989	7	Mar 1989	5	1	Mar 1989	2.1	1.1	.4	@	.0	.3	.2	.1	.0		

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

<sup>(1)</sup> Derived from Snow Climatology and 1971-2000 daily data

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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	ru Jul 31) tha	n indicated(	(*)								
Temp (F)	.10	.20	.30	.40	.50	.60	.70	.80	.90							
36	4/26	4/21	4/17	4/14	4/11	4/08	4/05	4/01	3/26							
32	4/20	4/14	4/09	4/06	4/02	3/30	3/26	3/21	3/15							
28	4/09	4/01	3/26	3/22	3/17	3/12	3/08	3/02	2/22							
24	3/21	3/14	3/08	3/04	2/28	2/24	2/19	2/14	2/07							
20	3/07	2/27	2/21	2/17	2/12	2/08	2/03	1/29	1/21							
16	2/25	2/15	2/08	2/01	1/26	1/19	1/11	12/29	0/00							
			Fal	ll Freeze Da	tes (Month/I	Day)										
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	10/09	10/15	10/19	10/22	10/25	10/29	11/01	11/05	11/11							
32	10/20	10/26	10/30	11/03	11/06	11/09	11/13	11/17	11/23							
28	10/30	11/05	11/09	11/13	11/16	11/20	11/24	11/28	12/04							
24	11/04	11/10	11/15	11/19	11/23	11/26	11/30	12/05	12/12							
20	11/17	11/25	12/01	12/06	12/10	12/15	12/20	12/25	1/02							
16	11/26	12/05	12/12	12/17	12/23	12/29	1/05	1/19	0/00							
<u></u>		J		Freeze F	ree Period				1							
T (E)			Probability	of longer th	an indicated	freeze free p	eriod (Days)									
Temp (F)	.10	.20	.30	.40	.50	.60	.70	.80	.90							
36	222	214	207	202	197	192	186	180	171							
32	243	234	228	222	217	212	207	200	192							
28	271	262	255	249	244	238	232	226	216							
24	297	286	279	273	267	261	255	248	238							
20	330	318	310	304	298	293	287	280	270							
16	>365	>365	>365	352	332	321	311	301	289							

<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.

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	Degree Days to Selected Base Temperatures (°F)														
Base						Heatin	g Degree I	Days (1)							
Below	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Ann		
65	742	522	316	126	27	1	0	0	11	94	388	677	2904		
60	589	392	187	54	7	0	0	0	2	34	259	525	2049		
57	502	319	127	27	2	0	0	0	0	14	193	438	1622		
55	444	274	95	16	1	0	0	0	0	8	155	382	1375		
50	309	178	38	3	0	0	0	0	0	1	82	253	864		
32	31	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	17	61		

Base						Coolin	g Degree l	Days (1)					
Above	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Ann
32	312	417	716	933	1233	1424	1614	1584	1299	1004	610	363	11509
55	12	35	98	259	521	734	901	871	609	299	75	15	4429
57	8	24	69	210	461	674	839	809	549	244	53	10	3950
60	2	14	35	147	372	584	746	716	461	170	28	3	3278
65	0	4	9	69	238	435	591	561	320	75	8	0	2310
70	0	0	0	24	132	293	436	407	198	24	0	0	1514

	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	157	258	493	699	985	1189	1368	1345	1078	784	405	190	157	415	908	1607	2592	3781	5149	6494	7572	8356	8761	8951
45	83	159	350	552	830	1039	1213	1190	928	629	279	104	83	242	592	1144	1974	3013	4226	5416	6344	6973	7252	7356
50	32	92	226	410	675	889	1058	1035	778	476	178	46	32	124	350	760	1435	2324	3382	4417	5195	5671	5849	5895
55	8	44	129	273	520	739	903	880	629	333	93	16	8	52	181	454	974	1713	2616	3496	4125	4458	4551	4567
60	0	11	61	164	370	589	748	725	485	209	41	1	0	11	72	236	606	1195	1943	2668	3153	3362	3403	3404
Base				Gro	wing Deg	gree Unit	s for Co	rn (Mont	thly)						Gr	owing D	egree Ur	its for C	orn (Acc	umulate	d Month	ly)		
50/86	139	199	328	457	648	795	890	869	702	512	278	164	139	338	666	1123	1771	2566	3456	4325	5027	5539	5817	5981

(1) Derived from the 1971-2000 Monthly Normals

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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.

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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