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

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COOP ID: 049043

Lon: 120°11W

Station: TRUCKEE RS, CA

**Climate Division: CA 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 40.9 16.3 28.6 64 1950 21 36.1 1986 -20+ 1962 24 23.3 1979 1130 0 .0 .0 4.3 5.0 30.2 2.4 Jan 44.6 18.5 31.6 68 1986 28 39.1 1991 -23 1962 27 25.2 1990 937 0 .0 .0 7.9 2.8 27.6 1.2 Feb Mar 48.7 23.0 35.9 73 1966 31 42.0 1972 -13 1951 3 30.3 1991 903 0 .0 .0 13.7 1.3 29.1 .3 27 1975 Apr 55.3 26.7 41.0 80 1987 27 47.0 1987 1 1955 31.6 720 0 .0 .0 19.7 .3 26.3 .0 May 64.4 32.4 48.4 88 1986 31 54.6 1992 10+ 1977 19 40.8 1977 516 0 .0 .0 27.1 .0 17.2 .0 38.2 30 19 5 .0 74.0 56.1 94 1950 60.5 1977 1962 51.5 1980 275 8 .0 .5 29.5 .0 6.1 Jun Jul 82.7 42.4 62.6 99 1975 27 15 1976 57.4 1983 123 46 4.0 31.0 1.5 0. 66.6 1996 .0 .0 82.2 41.9 62.1 97 1981 9 65.5 1981 24 1973 24 55.4 1976 133 40 .0 3.3 31.0 .0 1.4 0. Aug 5 Sep 75.1 36.4 55.8 95 1988 59.4 1981 16 1950 30 48.7 1986 283 6 .0 .6 29.3 .0 8.3 .0 87 9 5 24 41.3 1984 22.7 Oct 64.0 29.1 46.6 1996 53.8 1988 1956 572 0 .0 .0 26.6 (a) .0 48.9 22.4 35.7 77 1976 5 43.0 1995 -4 1958 17 27.7 1994 880 0 .0 .0 13.8 1.3 28.2 .2 Nov Dec 41.2 16.6 28.9 76 1949 2 35.0 1981 -22 1972 9 22.0 1990 1119 0 .0 .0 5.1 4.9 29.8 1.9 Jul Feb Jul Dec 60.2 28.7 44.4 99 1975 27 1996 -23 1962 27 22.0 1990 7591 100 .0 8.4 239.0 228.4 6.0 66.6 15.6 Ann

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Elevation: 6,020 Feet Lat: 39°20N

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

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										Pı	ecipi	tation	(incl	nes)										
		ans/	P	recipi	tatio	on Total					of D	Number (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										
	Medi	ans(1) Med-	Highest	1	1	Highest		Lowest	1	>=	>=	>=	>=		Th	ese value		ermined		ncomplet			1 1	<u> </u>
Month	Mean	ian	Daily(2)	Year	Day	Monthly(1)	Year	Monthly(1)	Year	0.01	0.10	0.50	1.00	.05	.10	.20	.30	.40	.50	.60	.70	.80	.90	.95
Jan	5.35	4.52	3.43	1997	2	16.17	1997	.44	1984	10.9	7.9	3.7	2.0	.49	.87	1.59	2.34	3.15	4.07	5.16	6.53	8.40	11.53	14.60
Feb	5.30	4.40	5.21	1963	1	19.02	1986	.09	1988	10.7	7.7	3.5	1.6	.65	1.07	1.81	2.55	3.34	4.21	5.22	6.48	8.18	10.98	13.70
Mar	4.43	3.63	2.70	1995	11	14.05	1995	.26	1988	11.4	7.6	3.0	1.2	.61	.97	1.61	2.22	2.87	3.58	4.40	5.42	6.79	9.02	11.17
Apr	1.93	1.68	4.15	1958	3	5.93	1982	.15	1977	8.7	4.9	1.1	.2	.28	.45	.72	.99	1.27	1.57	1.93	2.36	2.93	3.88	4.78
May	1.33	1.01	2.20	1996	16	4.17	1996	.00	1976	7.3	3.9	.5	.1	.06	.17	.37	.56	.77	1.01	1.28	1.63	2.10	2.89	3.66
Jun	.66	.53	1.22	1970	27	1.61	1988	.01+	1994	4.2	2.3	.3	.0	.03	.06	.13	.21	.32	.44	.59	.79	1.07	1.56	2.05
Jul	.41	.16	1.52	1974	9	2.10	1974	.00+	1994	2.4	1.2	.2	@	.00	.00	.00	.05	.12	.22	.33	.49	.71	1.10	1.49
Aug	.52	.19	1.21	1989	8	2.28	1976	.00+	2000	2.7	1.3	.2	.1	.00	.00	.01	.06	.14	.25	.40	.60	.89	1.42	1.97
Sep	1.00	.62	1.63	1998	6	4.25	1998	.00+	1995	4.2	2.2	.7	.1	.00	.01	.09	.20	.35	.55	.81	1.16	1.67	2.60	3.55
Oct	1.75	1.56	2.92	1962	13	5.47	1982	.00	1995	5.4	3.3	1.2	.4	.03	.12	.33	.57	.85	1.18	1.59	2.11	2.85	4.13	5.40
Nov	3.83	2.91	2.90	1950	21	13.05	1983	.34	1992	9.0	6.4	2.5	1.1	.33	.59	1.10	1.63	2.21	2.87	3.66	4.66	6.03	8.33	10.58
Dec	4.34	3.25	5.00	1964	23	16.79	1996	.00	1989	10.1	6.9	3.0	1.5	.18	.53	1.16	1.79	2.48	3.26	4.18	5.33	6.91	9.55	12.13
Ann	30.85	28.71	5.21	Feb 1963	1	19.02	Feb 1986	.00+	Aug 2000	87.0	55.6	19.9	8.3	16.74	19.20	22.49	25.09	27.47	29.83	32.32	35.13	38.62	43.82	48.44

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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)													
						Sn	ow To	tals							Mean Number of Days (1)										
	Mean	s/Medi	ans (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	40.3	36.0	21	17	27.0	1982	5	109.0	1982	70	1993	18	62	1993	7.9	7.5	4.7	3.5	1.5	28.1	26.8	25.8	20.8		
Feb	45.8	43.0	29	28	34.0	1990	17	108.0	1998	110	1993	24	69	1993	8.0	7.8	4.9	3.6	1.5	26.5	25.8	24.5	21.6		
Mar	35.4	25.0	25	20	25.0	1995	23	105.0	1991	90	1993	1	58	1993	7.3	7.0	3.9	2.5	1.0	26.2	24.8	23.6	20.9		
Apr	14.8	10.0	11	3	19.0	1982	1	50.0	1999	71	1982	6	54	1975	4.5	4.0	1.8	1.1	.2	10.6	8.5	7.5	6.2		
May	4.0	4.0	1	#	8.0	1998	13	18.0	1998	41	1975	1	14	1983	1.8	1.7	.6	.2	.0	2.0	1.1	.8	.6		
Jun	.7	.0	#	0	5.0	1995	16	5.0+	1999	5	1999	3	#+	2000	.3	.3	.1	.1	.0	.3	.1	.1	.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	.6	.0	#	0	5.0	1971	30	7.5	1986	5+	1986	27	1	1986	.2	.2	.1	@	.0	.3	.2	.1	.0		
Oct	3.5	1.0	#	#	12.0	1981	29	16.5	1971	13	1981	29	1+	2000	1.2	1.0	.5	.3	@	2.0	.8	.4	@		
Nov	20.2	11.0	3	2	24.0	1985	10	66.0	1985	36	1985	13	18	1985	5.1	5.0	2.6	1.3	.5	13.2	9.3	6.6	3.3		
Dec	33.0	27.0	11	8	29.0	1996	21	113.0	1992	60	1992	30	29	1982	6.9	6.5	3.7	2.6	.9	24.3	20.0	17.4	12.1		
Ann	198.3	157.0	N/A	N/A	34.0	Feb 1990	17	113.0	Dec 1992	110	Feb 1993	24	69	Feb 1993	43.2	41.0	22.9	15.2	5.6	133.5	117.4	106.8	85.5		

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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	ze 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	7/31	7/26	7/22	7/19	7/16	7/13	7/10	7/06	6/30				
32	7/22	7/16	7/11	7/07	7/04	6/30	6/26	6/22	6/15				
28	7/04	6/27	6/21	6/16	6/12	6/08	6/03	5/28	5/20				
24	6/17	6/07	5/31	5/24	5/19	5/13	5/07	4/30	4/20				
20	5/24	5/14	5/07	5/02	4/26	4/20	4/14	4/07	3/29				
16	5/17	5/05	4/26	4/19	4/12	4/05	3/29	3/21	3/09				
•			Fal	l Freeze Da	tes (Month/L	Day)	•	•					
Tomas (E)	Probability of earlier date in fall (beginning Aug 1) than indicated(*)												
Temp (F)	.10	.20	.30	.40	.50	.60	.70	.80	.90				
36	7/31	8/05	8/08	8/11	8/13	8/16	8/18	8/21	8/26				
32	8/13	8/20	8/24	8/28	9/01	9/05	9/09	9/14	9/21				
28	8/24	9/01	9/07	9/12	9/16	9/21	9/26	10/02	10/10				
24	9/15	9/23	9/29	10/04	10/09	10/13	10/18	10/24	11/01				
20	10/09	10/15	10/19	10/23	10/26	10/29	11/02	11/06	11/12				
16	10/18	10/25	10/29	11/02	11/06	11/10	11/14	11/18	11/25				
				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	51	43	37	32	27	23	18	12	3				
32	89	79	71	65	59	53	46	39	28				
28	131	119	110	103	96	89	81	72	60				
24	185	171	160	151	142	134	124	114	99				
20	216	204	196	189	182	176	169	160	149				
16	247	234	224	215	207	199	191	181	167				

<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 1	Days (1)							
Below	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Ann		
65	1130	937	903	720	516	275	123	133	283	572	880	1119	7591		
60	975	797	748	570	370	153	45	51	159	421	730	964	5983		
57	882	713	655	482	287	97	19	22	102	335	640	871	5105		
55	820	657	593	425	237	68	10	12	72	281	580	809	4564		
50	665	517	441	290	135	21	0	1	23	166	433	654	3346		
32	169	99	54	19	2	0	0	0	0	3	57	173	576		

Base						Coolin	g Degree I	Days (1)					
Above	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Ann
32	62	86	174	290	509	723	946	930	713	455	167	77	5132
55	0	0	0	5	31	101	243	229	95	19	0	0	723
57	0	0	0	2	19	70	190	178	65	11	0	0	535
60	0	0	0	0	9	35	123	114	32	4	0	0	317
65	0	0	0	0	0	8	46	40	6	0	0	0	100
70	0	0	0	0	0	0	10	9	0	0	0	0	19

	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	8	32	104	266	473	688	672	469	232	38	2	0	8	40	144	410	883	1571	2243	2712	2944	2982	2984
45	0	0	1	36	148	331	533	517	326	123	7	0	0	0	1	37	185	516	1049	1566	1892	2015	2022	2022
50	0	0	0	5	68	203	380	363	198	47	0	0	0	0	0	5	73	276	656	1019	1217	1264	1264	1264
55	0	0	0	0	23	97	237	220	92	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	23	120	357	577	669	679	679	679
60	0	0	0	0	2	35	110	98	23	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	37	147	245	268	268	268	268
Base				Gro	wing De	gree Unit	s for Co	rn (Mont	hly)						Gr	owing D	egree Un	its for C	orn (Acc	umulate	d Month	ly)		
50/86	2	22	45	110	227	356	490	483	374	232	57	9	2	24	69	179	406	762	1252	1735	2109	2341	2398	2407

(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

#### 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

U.S. Climate Normals 1971-2000-Products Clim20, www.ncdc.noaa.gov/oa/climate/normals/usnormalsprods.html

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

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