

# Climatography of the United States No. 20

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Station: HARTFORD CITY 4 ESE, IN

1971-2000

COOP ID: 123777

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Lat: 40°26N

Lon: 85°17W

## 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	32.9	17.9	25.4	64	1997	4	35.8	1990	-26	1994	19	9.2	1977	1228	0	.0	.0	2.3	15.8	28.5	4.7
Feb	37.9	21.7	29.8	73	2000	26	38.8	1998	-17	1982	10	14.2	1978	987	0	.0	.0	4.2	11.4	24.2	3.4
Mar	49.3	31.3	40.3	82	1986	31	47.6	2000	-10	1984	9	30.5	1984	767	0	.0	.0	12.8	3.6	20.0	.3
Apr	61.7	40.8	51.3	87	1986	27	57.4	1985	8	1982	7	46.4	1975	415	3	.0	.0	24.1	.1	7.6	.0
May	72.4	50.4	61.4	91+	1962	18	68.2	1977	26+	1966	10	55.6	1997	189	78	.0	.1	30.5	.0	.6	.0
Jun	81.2	59.7	70.5	103	1988	26	73.9	1991	37+	1966	2	65.6	1972	20	184	@	2.3	30.0	.0	.0	.0
Jul	84.2	63.1	73.7	99+	1980	16	78.4	1999	45+	1963	10	70.6	1984	4	271	.0	4.5	31.0	.0	.0	.0
Aug	82.4	61.5	72.0	98	1983	21	77.8	1983	35	1965	29	67.7	1992	14	230	.0	2.1	31.0	.0	.0	.0
Sep	76.4	54.1	65.3	95	1983	11	68.8	1978	29	1995	23	61.0	1975	72	79	.0	.7	30.0	.0	.2	.0
Oct	64.9	43.4	54.2	87+	1971	2	62.0	1971	19	1981	24	47.8	1988	352	15	.0	.0	27.9	@	5.5	.0
Nov	50.4	34.4	42.4	77+	1961	3	49.8	1999	4	1959	18	34.9	1976	678	0	.0	.0	14.5	1.8	16.7	.0
Dec	37.8	23.3	30.6	71+	1982	3	39.8	1982	-22+	1989	22	18.3	1989	1068	0	.0	.0	4.4	10.1	25.4	1.9
Ann	61.0	41.8	51.4	103	Jun 1988	26	78.4	Jul 1999	-26	Jan 1994	19	9.2	Jan 1977	5794	860	@	9.7	242.7	42.8	128.7	10.3

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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	1.96	1.61	1.96	1950	3	3.94	1974	.30	1981	10.8	5.2	1.1	.1	.46	.65	.93	1.19	1.44	1.71	2.01	2.37	2.84	3.59	4.29
Feb	1.94	1.65	2.36	1976	17	5.51	1990	.15	1987	9.6	4.8	.9	.3	.34	.51	.79	1.06	1.33	1.62	1.96	2.36	2.91	3.78	4.62
Mar	2.79	2.66	1.75	1953	3	4.84	1998	.60	1981	11.3	6.7	1.6	.5	1.05	1.31	1.68	1.99	2.29	2.59	2.92	3.30	3.78	4.52	5.20
Apr	3.37	3.50	2.15	1964	20	6.07	1972	1.36	1971	12.0	7.7	2.2	.6	1.53	1.83	2.24	2.58	2.89	3.20	3.54	3.92	4.41	5.14	5.80
May	3.81	3.59	2.22	1986	1	6.22	1996	2.09	1977	12.4	7.9	2.8	.7	2.09	2.39	2.79	3.11	3.40	3.69	3.99	4.34	4.76	5.40	5.96
Jun	4.33	4.26	3.99	1958	8	8.40	1975	.71	1988	11.0	7.4	2.9	1.0	1.31	1.72	2.34	2.87	3.38	3.91	4.50	5.19	6.08	7.48	8.77
Jul	4.28	4.12	3.26	1998	4	8.88	1998	1.63	1975	10.2	6.7	3.0	1.0	1.51	1.91	2.50	2.99	3.46	3.94	4.47	5.08	5.86	7.07	8.18
Aug	4.05	3.76	5.74	1998	5	9.48	1975	.39	1988	9.2	6.6	2.6	1.1	.89	1.26	1.85	2.39	2.93	3.50	4.15	4.92	5.94	7.56	9.09
Sep	2.88	2.55	3.93	1969	17	8.95	1972	.50+	1995	8.7	5.4	2.2	.7	.60	.87	1.29	1.67	2.06	2.48	2.94	3.50	4.25	5.43	6.55
Oct	2.48	2.48	2.31	1955	7	5.41	1991	.51	1982	9.1	5.3	1.6	.5	.85	1.09	1.43	1.72	1.99	2.28	2.59	2.95	3.41	4.13	4.79
Nov	3.37	3.07	2.31	1996	8	8.93	1985	.26	1976	11.1	6.4	2.5	.7	.82	1.13	1.62	2.06	2.49	2.95	3.46	4.07	4.87	6.13	7.32
Dec	2.70	2.48	2.02	1967	3	6.53	1990	.43	1976	12.2	6.7	1.7	.3	.94	1.19	1.56	1.88	2.18	2.48	2.82	3.21	3.71	4.48	5.20
Ann	37.96	38.67	5.74	Aug 1998	5	9.48	Aug 1975	.15	Feb 1987	127.6	76.8	25.1	7.5	28.66	30.50	32.84	34.60	36.14	37.63	39.17	40.85	42.88	45.80	48.31

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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	7.0	6.8	2	2	8.0	1982	31	18.0	1996	15	1996	13	7	1996	6.2	3.1	.7	.2	.0	17.0	9.3	4.2	.3
Feb	5.7	6.0	2	1	5.0	1971	13	13.5	1980	15	1982	13	13	1978	4.8	2.5	.6	.1	.0	12.8	6.8	4.4	1.9
Mar	3.6	3.0	1	#	7.4	2000	12	10.2	1984	14	1978	8	7	1978	2.7	1.5	.3	.2	.0	4.8	2.2	1.4	.4
Apr	1.0	.0	#	#	5.5	1982	9	10.5	1982	7	1982	9	1	1982	.5	.4	.2	.1	.0	.5	.2	.1	.0
May	#	.0	0	0	#	1976	3	#	1976	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	.4	.0	#	0	5.4	1989	20	7.6	1989	8	1989	21	#+	1993	.2	.1	@	@	.0	.1	.1	.1	.0
Nov	1.6	.5	#	#	8.6	1996	10	9.9	1996	6	1996	10	1	1997	1.4	.5	.1	@	.0	1.7	.3	@	.0
Dec	6.6	4.0	1	1	8.0	1973	31	22.5	1973	10	1977	11	4	1977	5.1	2.5	.5	.2	.0	9.8	3.7	1.9	.2
Ann	25.9	20.3	N/A	N/A	8.6	Nov 1996	10	22.5	Dec 1973	15+	Jan 1996	13	13	Feb 1978	20.9	10.6	2.4	.8	.0	46.7	22.6	12.1	2.8

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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	5/19	5/14	5/11	5/08	5/05	5/02	4/29	4/26	4/21
32	5/11	5/06	5/02	4/29	4/25	4/22	4/19	4/15	4/10
28	4/29	4/24	4/21	4/18	4/16	4/13	4/10	4/07	4/02
24	4/18	4/13	4/09	4/06	4/04	4/01	3/29	3/25	3/20
20	4/08	4/03	3/30	3/27	3/24	3/21	3/18	3/14	3/09
16	4/02	3/26	3/22	3/18	3/15	3/11	3/07	3/03	2/24
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	9/21	9/25	9/28	10/01	10/03	10/05	10/08	10/11	10/15
32	9/25	10/01	10/05	10/08	10/11	10/14	10/17	10/21	10/26
28	10/10	10/15	10/18	10/22	10/25	10/27	10/31	11/03	11/08
24	10/20	10/26	10/30	11/02	11/05	11/09	11/12	11/16	11/22
20	10/30	11/06	11/11	11/16	11/20	11/24	11/28	12/04	12/11
16	11/13	11/20	11/25	11/29	12/03	12/07	12/11	12/16	12/23
Freeze Free Period									
Temp (F)	Probability of longer than indicated freeze free period (Days)								
	.10	.20	.30	.40	.50	.60	.70	.80	.90
36	168	162	158	154	150	147	143	138	132
32	188	181	176	172	168	164	159	154	147
28	214	206	201	196	191	187	182	176	168
24	238	230	224	220	215	211	206	201	193
20	267	258	251	246	240	235	230	223	214
16	288	279	273	268	263	258	252	246	237

\* 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	1228	987	767	415	189	20	4	14	72	352	678	1068	5794
60	1073	847	614	277	106	4	0	1	23	227	530	913	4615
57	980	763	529	203	69	1	0	0	9	166	444	820	3984
55	918	711	471	160	49	1	0	0	4	131	390	764	3599
50	773	581	338	76	18	0	0	0	1	65	263	620	2735
32	307	203	55	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	23	209	797

Base	Cooling Degree Days (1)												
Above	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Ann
32	103	141	311	578	911	1154	1291	1239	997	686	335	164	7910
55	0	5	14	48	248	465	578	526	311	104	12	6	2317
57	0	1	10	31	205	406	516	464	256	77	6	0	1972
60	0	0	2	15	150	318	423	372	180	45	2	0	1507
65	0	0	0	3	78	184	271	230	79	15	0	0	860
70	0	0	0	0	32	80	136	117	23	3	0	0	391

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	12	28	121	312	639	895	1034	968	732	409	145	29	12	40	161	473	1112	2007	3041	4009	4741	5150	5295	5324
45	4	7	69	201	489	745	879	813	583	274	82	13	4	11	80	281	770	1515	2394	3207	3790	4064	4146	4159
50	1	3	32	112	345	595	724	658	436	164	41	4	1	4	36	148	493	1088	1812	2470	2906	3070	3111	3115
55	0	0	15	58	217	445	569	503	299	85	14	0	0	0	15	73	290	735	1304	1807	2106	2191	2205	2205
60	0	0	3	26	119	302	415	349	182	38	4	0	0	0	3	29	148	450	865	1214	1396	1434	1438	1438
Base	Growing Degree Units for Corn (Monthly)												Growing Degree Units for Corn (Accumulated Monthly)											
50/86	3	14	73	182	386	589	709	652	463	242	81	14	3	17	90	272	658	1247	1956	2608	3071	3313	3394	3408

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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](http://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"><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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