

# Climatography of the United States No. 20

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Station: GREENEVILLE EXP STN, TN

1971-2000

COOP ID: 403679

Climate Division: TN 1

NWS Call Sign:

Elevation: 1,320 Feet Lat: 36°06N

Lon: 82°51W

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	46.4	20.4	33.4	79	1950	25	44.2	1974	-29+	1985	21	20.5	1977	980	0	.0	.0	13.1	3.7	23.6	.9
Feb	51.1	22.5	36.8	82	1996	24	43.7	1990	-23+	1996	5	26.2	1978	790	0	.0	.0	16.2	2.3	20.6	.5
Mar	59.9	29.0	44.5	86	1998	31	49.4	1973	-9	1993	15	38.7	1971	637	0	.0	.0	25.2	.3	15.9	.1
Apr	68.6	35.6	52.1	90+	1986	27	57.7	1981	18	1982	7	46.9	1983	391	2	.0	.1	28.7	.0	7.5	.0
May	76.7	45.4	61.1	93+	1962	18	66.8	1987	26+	1986	4	57.0	1997	169	45	.0	.1	31.0	.0	.7	.0
Jun	83.6	54.9	69.3	100+	1952	25	73.1	1994	36	1984	1	64.5	1972	19	146	@	3.8	30.0	.0	.0	.0
Jul	87.1	59.9	73.5	103+	1952	28	77.2	1993	45+	1961	10	69.9	1979	0	264	@	10.2	31.0	.0	.0	.0
Aug	86.2	57.8	72.0	100+	1948	28	75.9	1995	43	1999	31	68.9	1976	3	220	.1	7.6	31.0	.0	.0	.0
Sep	81.0	50.3	65.7	102	1953	1	71.0	1998	28+	1999	23	61.5	1976	64	82	.0	2.7	30.0	.0	.2	.0
Oct	70.6	36.7	53.7	93	1953	1	60.9	1984	14	2000	10	47.5	1987	367	14	.0	.0	30.7	.0	6.0	.0
Nov	60.1	28.6	44.4	84	1982	3	53.7	1985	3	1950	25	34.6	1976	620	0	.0	.0	24.5	.1	16.0	.0
Dec	50.4	22.3	36.4	80+	1951	7	43.3	1984	-16+	1962	12	26.5	1989	888	0	.0	.0	16.6	2.0	22.8	.2
Ann	68.5	38.6	53.6	103+	Jul 1952	28	77.2	Jul 1993	-29+	Jan 1985	21	20.5	Jan 1977	4928	773	.1	24.5	308.0	8.4	113.3	1.7

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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	3.53	3.82	2.24	1954	22	6.14	1974	1.55	1983	12.2	8.0	2.6	.5	1.65	1.96	2.38	2.73	3.05	3.36	3.71	4.10	4.59	5.33	5.99
Feb	3.48	3.66	2.41	1974	3	6.60	1994	.39	1978	11.1	7.4	2.3	.6	1.11	1.44	1.93	2.35	2.75	3.17	3.63	4.16	4.85	5.93	6.93
Mar	4.31	3.63	3.96	1990	17	8.91	1975	1.52	1985	12.9	8.6	2.6	.7	1.48	1.89	2.49	2.99	3.47	3.96	4.50	5.13	5.93	7.18	8.33
Apr	3.72	3.36	2.39	1970	28	8.54	2000	.62	1976	11.1	7.5	2.6	.7	1.29	1.64	2.15	2.58	3.00	3.42	3.89	4.43	5.12	6.19	7.18
May	4.47	3.80	5.03	1984	7	9.22	1984	1.82	1985	12.5	8.6	3.0	.9	2.17	2.55	3.07	3.49	3.88	4.27	4.68	5.16	5.75	6.64	7.43
Jun	4.22	4.35	2.84	1958	20	8.67	1977	.92	1988	11.3	8.0	3.0	1.2	1.46	1.86	2.44	2.93	3.40	3.88	4.41	5.02	5.81	7.03	8.14
Jul	4.73	4.69	3.15	1960	10	10.54	1984	1.28	1995	11.5	8.0	3.5	1.3	1.91	2.34	2.96	3.47	3.95	4.43	4.96	5.57	6.34	7.51	8.58
Aug	3.80	3.51	2.82	1987	6	7.15	1978	1.09	1972	10.2	7.1	2.5	1.0	1.52	1.87	2.36	2.77	3.16	3.56	3.98	4.47	5.09	6.05	6.92
Sep	3.25	3.16	2.45	1981	16	5.52	1979	1.07	1985	8.6	6.1	2.3	.8	1.16	1.46	1.91	2.28	2.64	3.00	3.40	3.86	4.46	5.37	6.21
Oct	2.35	2.10	3.34	1964	16	6.33	1972	.14	1991	8.6	5.1	1.6	.4	.47	.68	1.02	1.34	1.66	2.00	2.39	2.86	3.47	4.47	5.41
Nov	3.00	2.88	2.24	1948	28	5.16	1985	.95	1990	10.2	6.6	1.8	.7	1.37	1.64	2.00	2.30	2.57	2.85	3.15	3.49	3.91	4.56	5.14
Dec	3.42	3.08	2.32	1993	5	7.54	1991	.89	1985	11.8	7.2	2.1	.5	1.21	1.53	2.00	2.39	2.77	3.15	3.57	4.06	4.69	5.66	6.55
Ann	44.28	45.02	5.03	May 1984	7	10.54	Jul 1984	.14	Oct 1991	132.0	88.2	29.9	9.3	34.85	36.75	39.15	40.94	42.51	44.02	45.56	47.25	49.28	52.19	54.67

+ Also occurred on an earlier date(s)  
# Denotes amounts of a trace  
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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	3.0	1.4	#	#	6.0	1973	8	11.5	1987	6	1973	8	1	1988	1.6	1.2	.3	@	.0	1.0	.2	.1	.0
Feb	2.1	.7	#	0	7.0	1996	2	13.8	1996	11	1996	5	2	1996	1.9	1.0	.3	.1	.0	1.2	.5	.3	.2
Mar	.9	.3	#	0	13.0	1993	13	13.0+	1993	21	1993	14	2	1993	.8	.4	.2	@	@	.5	.1	.1	@
Apr	.2	.0	0	0	5.0	1983	17	5.0	1983	0	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	1.0	1993	31	1.0	1993	0	0	0	0	0	@	@	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0
Nov	.0	.0	#	0	1.0	1972	22	1.0	1972	2	1996	10	#	1996	@	@	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0
Dec	1.0	.0	#	0	5.0	1971	3	7.8	1989	5+	1989	13	1	1989	.8	.3	.1	.1	.0	.8	.2	.1	.0
Ann	7.2	2.4	N/A	N/A	13.0	Mar 1993	13	13.8	Feb 1996	21	Mar 1993	14	2+	Feb 1996	5.1	2.9	.9	.2	@	3.5	1.0	.6	.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	5/20	5/16	5/12	5/09	5/07	5/04	5/01	4/27	4/23
32	5/11	5/06	5/02	4/29	4/26	4/23	4/20	4/16	4/11
28	5/02	4/27	4/23	4/19	4/16	4/13	4/10	4/06	4/01
24	4/18	4/12	4/08	4/04	4/01	3/29	3/25	3/21	3/16
20	3/31	3/24	3/20	3/16	3/12	3/08	3/04	2/28	2/21
16	3/16	3/08	3/02	2/25	2/21	2/16	2/11	2/05	1/28
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	9/25	9/29	10/01	10/03	10/05	10/07	10/10	10/12	10/16
32	9/29	10/05	10/08	10/11	10/14	10/17	10/21	10/24	10/30
28	10/04	10/11	10/16	10/20	10/24	10/28	11/02	11/07	11/13
24	10/19	10/26	10/30	11/03	11/07	11/10	11/14	11/19	11/25
20	11/01	11/07	11/12	11/16	11/19	11/23	11/27	12/02	12/08
16	11/10	11/19	11/25	12/01	12/06	12/11	12/17	12/24	1/02
Freeze Free Period									
Temp (F)	Probability of longer than indicated freeze free period (Days)								
	.10	.20	.30	.40	.50	.60	.70	.80	.90
36	169	163	159	155	151	147	144	139	133
32	193	185	180	175	171	167	162	157	149
28	218	209	202	196	190	185	179	172	163
24	244	235	229	224	219	214	209	203	194
20	277	268	262	257	251	246	241	235	226
16	319	308	301	294	288	282	275	268	257

\* 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	980	790	637	391	169	19	0	3	64	367	620	888	4928
60	825	650	483	253	82	3	0	0	20	240	473	733	3762
57	738	566	396	181	47	1	0	0	8	178	389	640	3144
55	680	511	339	140	30	0	0	0	4	142	336	584	2766
50	536	382	211	62	8	0	0	0	1	73	215	439	1927
32	156	64	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	11	84	323

Base	Cooling Degree Days (1)												
Above	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Ann
32	200	198	394	602	900	1117	1286	1240	1009	671	381	219	8217
55	10	2	12	52	217	427	573	527	323	100	16	6	2265
57	6	0	6	33	171	368	511	465	267	74	9	0	1910
60	0	0	1	15	114	280	418	372	189	43	4	0	1436
65	0	0	0	2	45	146	264	220	82	14	0	0	773
70	0	0	0	0	12	52	126	93	21	3	0	0	307

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	78	110	260	444	731	944	1100	1062	843	509	246	111	78	188	448	892	1623	2567	3667	4729	5572	6081	6327	6438
45	34	57	155	312	576	794	945	907	693	360	148	58	34	91	246	558	1134	1928	2873	3780	4473	4833	4981	5039
50	11	21	82	195	422	644	790	752	543	230	80	26	11	32	114	309	731	1375	2165	2917	3460	3690	3770	3796
55	2	1	33	107	280	494	635	597	396	125	36	7	2	3	36	143	423	917	1552	2149	2545	2670	2706	2713
60	0	0	7	44	159	346	480	442	263	55	5	0	0	0	7	51	210	556	1036	1478	1741	1796	1801	1801
Base	Growing Degree Units for Corn (Monthly)												Growing Degree Units for Corn (Accumulated Monthly)											
50/86	57	94	190	304	477	631	751	720	562	350	179	84	57	151	341	645	1122	1753	2504	3224	3786	4136	4315	4399

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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 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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