

Climatography of the United States

No. 20

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Station: MAPLETON NO 2, IA

1971-2000

COOP ID: 135123

Climate Division: IA 4

NWS Call Sign:

Elevation: 1,140 Feet Lat: 42° 10N

Lon: 95° 47W

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	27.9	7.5	17.7	67	1981	24	30.0	1990	-32	1970	21	3.7	1979	1466	0	.0	.0	1.4	17.3	30.2	8.8
Feb	34.5	14.0	24.3	71	1999	10	33.8	1998	-27+	1958	16	9.6	1979	1140	0	.0	.0	4.8	11.9	25.9	4.7
Mar	47.1	24.7	35.9	88	1986	29	42.5	2000	-22	1960	5	26.8	1975	903	0	.0	.0	14.2	4.1	22.1	.9
Apr	61.9	37.2	49.6	96	1980	22	57.5	1981	-1	1975	3	42.8	1983	469	6	.0	.4	25.5	.2	9.1	@
May	73.3	49.6	61.5	101	1967	25	68.1	1977	23	1961	2	55.5	1997	169	60	.0	.6	30.9	.0	.9	.0
Jun	82.4	59.5	71.0	104	1988	21	75.9	1988	36	1969	3	66.8	1998	16	194	.2	4.4	30.0	.0	.0	.0
Jul	85.7	63.8	74.8	105	1955	31	78.7	1974	42	1971	30	68.9	1992	5	307	.1	7.6	31.0	.0	.0	.0
Aug	83.5	61.3	72.4	104+	1988	15	79.1	1983	36	1950	20	66.7	1992	18	248	.2	5.8	31.0	.0	.0	.0
Sep	76.3	51.5	63.9	98	1976	6	69.7	1998	24	1984	30	58.7	1993	107	73	@	1.8	29.9	.0	.9	.0
Oct	64.2	38.4	51.3	94	1963	5	55.8+	1973	10	1993	31	45.8	1976	428	2	.0	.1	28.0	.1	7.6	.0
Nov	44.7	25.0	34.9	80	1999	8	44.7	1999	-13+	1959	14	25.8	1985	904	0	.0	.0	11.7	4.7	21.7	.6
Dec	30.9	12.0	21.5	65+	2001	5	29.3	1979	-28	1989	23	4.6	1983	1349	0	.0	.0	2.2	14.2	29.8	5.2
Ann	59.4	37.0	48.2	105	Jul 1955	31	79.1	Aug 1983	-32	Jan 1970	21	3.7	Jan 1979	6974	890	.5	20.7	240.6	52.5	148.2	20.2

+ Also occurred on an earlier date(s)

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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	.71	.76	1.18	1949	3	1.82	1975	.03+	1986	4.1	2.2	.2	.0	.05	.10	.19	.29	.40	.52	.67	.86	1.13	1.57	2.01
Feb	.71	.57	1.73	1951	28	3.34	1971	.05	1996	4.1	2.1	.3	@	.08	.14	.24	.33	.44	.56	.69	.86	1.09	1.47	1.84
Mar	2.05	1.53	2.01	1987	23	5.64	1987	.00	1994	6.3	4.6	1.3	.4	.14	.35	.67	.98	1.29	1.64	2.04	2.53	3.19	4.27	5.32
Apr	3.20	2.59	2.95	1986	27	8.52	1986	.70	1981	8.6	6.3	2.2	.6	.67	.96	1.43	1.86	2.29	2.75	3.26	3.88	4.70	6.01	7.26
May	4.16	3.92	2.98	1976	22	9.40	1974	1.15	1994	9.8	7.7	2.9	.9	1.63	2.02	2.57	3.02	3.45	3.89	4.36	4.90	5.60	6.66	7.63
Jun	4.27	3.73	3.62	1953	25	8.98	1998	1.00	1985	8.6	6.7	3.0	1.2	1.23	1.64	2.25	2.78	3.30	3.83	4.43	5.13	6.04	7.47	8.79
Jul	3.91	3.38	9.77	1996	17	10.85	1996	.84	1991	7.4	6.0	2.5	.9	.82	1.18	1.75	2.27	2.80	3.36	3.99	4.75	5.75	7.35	8.87
Aug	3.46	3.49	4.06	1988	22	7.58	1987	.58	2000	7.2	5.5	2.2	1.2	.73	1.05	1.56	2.02	2.48	2.98	3.54	4.21	5.10	6.51	7.85
Sep	2.92	2.89	3.34	1982	12	7.24	1978	.72	1998	6.7	5.3	2.0	.7	.74	1.01	1.44	1.82	2.19	2.58	3.02	3.53	4.21	5.28	6.28
Oct	2.21	1.75	2.80	1979	30	6.21	1984	.07	1988	5.6	4.1	1.3	.5	.21	.36	.66	.97	1.30	1.68	2.13	2.69	3.46	4.74	6.00
Nov	1.51	1.32	1.58	1991	29	4.20	1991	.00	1976	5.2	3.5	1.0	.3	.16	.34	.59	.81	1.03	1.27	1.54	1.86	2.29	2.98	3.63
Dec	.87	.78	1.50	1959	27	3.03	1984	.05	1979	4.4	2.6	.4	.1	.16	.24	.36	.48	.60	.74	.88	1.06	1.30	1.69	2.06
Ann	29.98	31.42	9.77	Jul 1996	17	10.85	Jul 1996	.00+	Mar 1994	78.0	56.6	19.3	6.8	19.40	21.37	23.94	25.92	27.69	29.42	31.22	33.23	35.68	39.28	42.42

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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	6.6	5.0	3	2	9.0	1975	10	23.5	1975	21	1979	27	11	1979	3.7	2.5	1.0	.4	.0	16.9	10.1	5.6	.6
Feb	5.8	5.0	3	2	9.0	1971	22	15.0	1978	21	1979	9	17	1979	3.1	2.4	.9	.4	.0	12.9	9.2	4.7	.2
Mar	5.6	5.8	1	#	9.0	1983	26	15.5+	1984	15	1979	4	5	1979	2.1	1.6	.8	.3	.0	6.1	3.3	1.3	.1
Apr	1.7	.0	#	0	6.0	1997	11	12.5	1997	4	1996	14	#+	2000	.6	.5	.3	.1	.0	.6	.2	.0	.0
May	#	.0	0	0	#	1989	5	#+	1989	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	.6	.0	#	0	4.5	1981	24	4.5	1981	4	1991	31	#+	1991	.3	.2	.1	.0	.0	.2	.1	.0	.0
Nov	4.1	3.2	#	#	8.0	1991	1	18.0	1991	11	1991	6	4	1991	2.1	1.6	.5	.1	.0	3.7	1.4	.6	@
Dec	7.6	7.0	2	1	8.0	1982	28	19.0	1985	15+	1985	20	10	1983	3.6	2.5	.9	.2	.0	16.0	8.0	3.8	1.2
Ann	32.0	26.0	N/A	N/A	9.0+	Mar 1983	26	23.5	Jan 1975	21+	Feb 1979	9	17	Feb 1979	15.5	11.3	4.5	1.5	.0	56.4	32.3	16.0	2.1

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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	5/15	5/12	5/09	5/06	5/03	4/30	4/26	4/21
32	5/14	5/09	5/05	5/02	4/30	4/27	4/24	4/20	4/15
28	5/02	4/27	4/24	4/21	4/19	4/16	4/14	4/10	4/06
24	4/18	4/14	4/11	4/09	4/07	4/04	4/02	3/30	3/26
20	4/14	4/08	4/05	4/01	3/29	3/26	3/23	3/19	3/14
16	4/07	4/01	3/28	3/24	3/21	3/17	3/14	3/09	3/03
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	9/12	9/16	9/18	9/20	9/22	9/24	9/27	9/29	10/02
32	9/17	9/22	9/26	9/29	10/02	10/05	10/08	10/11	10/16
28	9/26	10/01	10/05	10/08	10/11	10/14	10/17	10/21	10/26
24	10/08	10/13	10/17	10/21	10/24	10/27	10/31	11/04	11/09
20	10/15	10/21	10/25	10/29	11/02	11/05	11/09	11/14	11/20
16	10/29	11/03	11/07	11/10	11/13	11/16	11/19	11/23	11/28
Freeze Free Period									
Temp (F)	Probability of longer than indicated freeze free period (Days)								
	.10	.20	.30	.40	.50	.60	.70	.80	.90
36	159	152	147	143	139	135	131	126	119
32	175	168	163	159	155	151	146	141	134
28	192	186	182	178	174	171	167	162	156
24	219	212	207	203	199	196	192	187	180
20	242	233	227	222	217	212	206	200	191
16	260	252	246	241	237	232	227	222	214

* 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	1466	1140	903	469	169	16	5	18	107	428	904	1349	6974
60	1311	1000	748	334	87	2	0	3	41	285	754	1194	5759
57	1218	916	656	261	53	0	0	0	19	210	665	1101	5099
55	1156	860	596	218	36	0	0	0	10	166	607	1039	4688
50	1003	733	455	127	11	0	0	0	1	82	469	885	3766
32	502	320	99	4	0	0	0	0	0	1	111	395	1432

Base	Cooling Degree Days (1)												
Above	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Ann
32	59	103	220	530	914	1168	1325	1253	956	598	197	69	7392
55	0	0	4	55	237	478	612	540	276	50	3	0	2255
57	0	0	1	38	192	418	550	478	225	32	1	0	1935
60	0	0	0	20	132	330	457	388	157	13	0	0	1497
65	0	0	0	6	60	194	307	248	73	2	0	0	890
70	0	0	0	1	19	89	171	136	25	0	0	0	441

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	1	21	109	341	675	929	1076	1017	731	403	83	4	1	22	131	472	1147	2076	3152	4169	4900	5303	5386	5390
45	0	4	59	226	521	779	921	862	583	270	37	1	0	4	63	289	810	1589	2510	3372	3955	4225	4262	4263
50	0	1	23	132	372	629	766	707	437	161	14	0	0	1	24	156	528	1157	1923	2630	3067	3228	3242	3242
55	0	0	6	72	239	479	611	552	302	83	3	0	0	0	6	78	317	796	1407	1959	2261	2344	2347	2347
60	0	0	1	32	130	334	456	397	188	33	0	0	0	0	1	33	163	497	953	1350	1538	1571	1571	1571
Base	Growing Degree Units for Corn (Monthly)												Growing Degree Units for Corn (Accumulated Monthly)											
50/86	1	22	80	222	422	617	732	687	472	255	51	2	1	23	103	325	747	1364	2096	2783	3255	3510	3561	3563

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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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