

Climatography of the United States

No. 20

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Station: VANCOUVER 4 NNE, WA

1971-2000

COOP ID: 458773

Climate Division: WA 4

NWS Call Sign:

Elevation: 210 Feet

Lat: 45° 41N

Lon: 122° 39W

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	45.6	32.4	39.0	65	1931	28	43.3	1994	-8	1909	12	29.0	1979	805	0	.0	.0	9.2	1.2	16.2	.1
Feb	49.9	34.1	42.0	73	1968	29	47.3	1991	-3	1950	3	34.9	1989	643	0	.0	.0	15.2	.4	12.6	.0
Mar	55.0	37.3	46.2	83	1930	28	50.2	1986	18	1906	15	42.4	1971	585	0	.0	.0	24.6	.0	9.4	.0
Apr	59.8	40.3	50.1	90+	1926	27	53.8	1989	24	1968	13	44.9	1975	449	0	.0	.0	28.1	.0	4.0	.0
May	66.0	45.5	55.8	99	1983	29	59.8	1997	28+	1985	12	52.3	1977	289	3	.0	.3	30.8	.0	.2	.0
Jun	71.3	50.0	60.7	105	1942	30	64.3	1992	34	1979	7	57.0	1976	148	17	@	.7	30.0	.0	.0	.0
Jul	77.3	53.5	65.4	105	1907	30	69.0	1996	37	1981	8	62.1	1993	62	75	.1	2.6	31.0	.0	.0	.0
Aug	78.1	52.8	65.5	103+	1981	11	69.2	1986	35	1973	18	60.9	1975	65	78	.3	2.8	31.0	.0	.0	.0
Sep	73.6	47.9	60.8	103	1988	3	64.9	1995	28	1970	13	57.0	1985	151	24	.1	1.3	30.0	.0	.3	.0
Oct	63.4	41.4	52.4	90+	1988	2	56.7	1988	21	1971	28	50.3	1984	391	0	.0	.1	29.9	.0	3.6	.0
Nov	51.8	37.6	44.7	72+	1908	3	49.3	1995	8	1985	24	36.7	1985	608	0	.0	.0	19.6	.2	8.5	.0
Dec	45.5	33.3	39.4	65	1950	23	43.9	1973	-10+	1919	13	32.7	1985	794	0	.0	.0	8.3	1.1	14.9	.1
Ann	61.4	42.2	51.8	105+	Jun 1942	30	69.2	Aug 1986	-10+	Dec 1919	13	29.0	Jan 1979	4990	197	.5	7.8	287.7	2.9	69.7	.2

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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	5.81	6.21	3.45	1911	18	9.27+	1997	.29	1985	19.6	12.5	4.0	.9	1.60	2.15	2.99	3.72	4.44	5.19	6.02	7.00	8.28	10.28	12.15
Feb	4.86	4.84	2.90	1987	1	10.58	1996	.81	1993	17.4	12.0	2.8	.5	1.74	2.20	2.86	3.41	3.94	4.49	5.08	5.76	6.64	8.00	9.24
Mar	4.21	3.93	2.00	1931	31	7.16	1989	1.83	1978	18.9	11.9	2.2	.2	2.01	2.37	2.87	3.27	3.64	4.02	4.41	4.87	5.43	6.29	7.06
Apr	3.07	2.84	1.67	1908	17	7.72	1993	.97	1977	16.9	10.0	1.1	.2	1.14	1.42	1.84	2.18	2.51	2.85	3.21	3.63	4.17	5.00	5.76
May	2.64	2.34	1.35	1910	3	6.18	1998	.17	1992	14.1	7.2	1.4	.2	.66	.91	1.30	1.64	1.97	2.33	2.72	3.19	3.80	4.77	5.68
Jun	1.73	1.41	2.03	1985	7	4.02	1984	.46	1987	9.3	4.9	.7	.2	.48	.64	.89	1.11	1.32	1.54	1.79	2.08	2.46	3.05	3.61
Jul	.80	.52	1.77	1974	9	3.75	1983	.00+	1994	4.6	2.2	.4	.1	.00	.04	.16	.28	.41	.57	.75	.98	1.30	1.85	2.38
Aug	1.07	.75	1.62	1977	24	3.66	1976	.00	1998	5.0	2.7	.6	.1	.02	.09	.23	.37	.55	.74	.99	1.30	1.73	2.47	3.20
Sep	1.78	1.60	2.92	1925	8	4.44	1986	.00+	1993	8.6	4.8	.9	.2	.00	.13	.41	.69	.98	1.32	1.72	2.20	2.88	4.02	5.13
Oct	3.28	2.79	3.42	1994	27	7.37	1997	.25	1988	13.0	8.2	2.0	.4	.64	.93	1.41	1.86	2.31	2.79	3.34	4.00	4.87	6.27	7.61
Nov	6.29	5.84	3.60	1921	20	12.92	1973	1.13	1976	20.0	14.2	3.5	1.0	1.85	2.45	3.35	4.12	4.88	5.66	6.53	7.55	8.87	10.93	12.85
Dec	6.38	6.40	3.10	1937	27	13.26	1996	1.64	1976	19.8	13.4	4.3	1.2	2.18	2.79	3.67	4.41	5.13	5.86	6.66	7.60	8.79	10.65	12.36
Ann	41.92	41.58	3.60	Nov 1921	20	13.26	Dec 1996	.00+	Aug 1998	167.2	104.0	23.9	5.2	29.41	31.82	34.91	37.26	39.35	41.37	43.46	45.78	48.59	52.67	56.21

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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	3.2	.0	#	0	15.0	1980	10	42.0	1980	8	1998	13	1	1998	.8	.5	.3	.2	.2	.3	.0	.0	.0
Feb	1.1	.2	#	0	4.5	1990	13	6.5	1985	4	1993	19	#+	1999	.9	.6	.1	.0	.0	.6	.1	.0	.0
Mar	.3	.0	0	0	5.0	1985	21	5.0	1985	0	0	0	0	0	.1	.1	.1	.1	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0
Apr	.0	.0	0	0	.0	0	0	.0	0	0	0	0	0	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	.0	0	0	.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0
Nov	.3	.0	#	0	4.5	1977	22	4.5	1977	5	1977	22	#+	1996	.1	.1	.1	.0	.0	.1	@	@	.0
Dec	1.1	.0	#	0	7.0	1972	12	7.4	1972	7	1972	15	2	1972	.8	.4	.2	.1	.0	.2	@	.0	.0
Ann	6.0	.2	N/A	N/A	15.0	Jan 1980	10	42.0	Jan 1980	8	Jan 1998	13	2	Dec 1972	2.7	1.7	.8	.4	.2	1.2	.1	@	.0

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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	6/06	5/30	5/25	5/21	5/17	5/13	5/09	5/04	4/28
32	5/10	5/03	4/28	4/24	4/20	4/16	4/11	4/06	3/30
28	4/24	4/15	4/09	4/04	3/30	3/25	3/19	3/13	3/04
24	3/08	2/27	2/21	2/16	2/11	2/06	2/01	1/26	1/18
20	2/26	2/14	2/06	1/29	1/21	1/14	1/04	12/21	0/00
16	2/11	2/02	1/26	1/20	1/13	1/02	0/00	0/00	0/00
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	9/09	9/15	9/20	9/23	9/27	9/30	10/04	10/09	10/15
32	9/26	10/03	10/07	10/11	10/15	10/19	10/23	10/27	11/03
28	10/17	10/24	10/30	11/04	11/09	11/13	11/18	11/24	12/01
24	10/29	11/09	11/16	11/23	11/29	12/05	12/11	12/19	12/29
20	11/20	12/03	12/12	12/20	12/27	1/04	1/14	1/29	0/00
16	12/06	12/20	12/31	1/11	1/23	2/09	0/00	0/00	0/00
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	150	143	137	132	126	121	114	105
32	204	195	188	183	177	172	167	160	151
28	257	245	237	230	223	216	209	201	189
24	331	317	307	298	290	282	273	263	248
20	>365	>365	>365	360	342	329	317	305	290
16	>365	>365	>365	>365	>365	>365	>365	339	318

* 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	805	643	585	449	289	148	62	65	151	391	608	794	4990
60	650	503	430	300	154	55	12	14	59	238	458	639	3512
57	557	419	337	216	93	22	3	5	25	155	374	546	2752
55	495	363	279	164	61	11	0	1	12	107	318	484	2295
50	351	231	146	67	14	0	0	0	0	32	194	337	1372
32	28	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	18	56

Base	Cooling Degree Days (1)												
Above	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Ann
32	246	285	438	542	737	860	1035	1037	863	632	387	248	7310
55	0	0	4	16	85	180	323	325	185	27	10	0	1155
57	0	0	1	8	55	132	264	266	138	12	5	0	881
60	0	0	0	1	23	74	180	183	82	2	0	0	545
65	0	0	0	0	3	17	75	78	24	0	0	0	197
70	0	0	0	0	0	1	17	19	4	0	0	0	41

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	66	104	192	297	483	613	783	782	617	377	161	67	66	170	362	659	1142	1755	2538	3320	3937	4314	4475	4542
45	19	34	76	162	330	463	628	627	467	227	66	21	19	53	129	291	621	1084	1712	2339	2806	3033	3099	3120
50	0	2	20	69	184	315	473	472	319	106	17	0	0	2	22	91	275	590	1063	1535	1854	1960	1977	1977
55	0	0	0	24	87	178	318	317	182	34	0	0	0	0	0	24	111	289	607	924	1106	1140	1140	1140
60	0	0	0	2	35	78	179	177	77	7	0	0	0	0	0	2	37	115	294	471	548	555	555	555
Base	Growing Degree Units for Corn (Monthly)												Growing Degree Units for Corn (Accumulated Monthly)											
50/86	19	42	96	159	260	350	475	482	374	219	59	17	19	61	157	316	576	926	1401	1883	2257	2476	2535	2552

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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:
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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 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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