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									r	Гетр	eratur	re (°F)									
	Mea	<b>n</b> (1)						Extr	emes					Degree Base To	Days (1) emp 65		Mean	Numb	er of I	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	51.4	32.9	42.2	80+	1975	30	51.5	1974	-4	1985	21	30.0	1977	691	0	.0	.0	18.6	.8	14.9	.1
Feb	56.5	35.4	46.0	81+	1996	26	52.3	1990	5	1958	17	37.8	1978	522	1	.0	.0	20.3	.3	10.6	.0
Mar	64.7	42.3	53.5	88	1974	10	59.5	1997	11	1980	3	47.2	1971	350	8	.0	.0	28.7	@	4.2	.0
Apr	73.0	48.7	60.9	93	1986	27	66.1	1981	26	1992	3	57.2	1983	153	46	.0	.2	29.8	.0	.4	.0
May	80.5	57.6	69.1	97	1962	19	73.6	1982	37+	1989	8	64.8	1973	28	164	.0	2.0	31.0	.0	.0	.0
Jun	87.2	65.3	76.3	104	1954	27	81.0	1981	45	1972	1	71.8	1974	1	351	.4	11.0	30.0	.0	.0	.0
Jul	90.2	69.3	79.8	104	1977	8	85.3	1993	55	1967	15	75.8	1984	0	471	1.6	18.3	31.0	.0	.0	.0
Aug	88.2	68.5	78.4	107	1983	21	82.3	1983	54	1968	29	75.8	1976	0	430	.6	13.7	31.0	.0	.0	.0
Sep	82.5	62.7	72.6	99+	1957	2	75.4	1998	36	1967	30	69.3	1976	10	254	.0	5.2	30.0	.0	.0	.0
Oct	72.9	50.7	61.8	98+	1954	6	68.4	1984	24	1952	30	56.7	1976	136	53	.0	.2	30.9	.0	.4	.0
Nov	63.2	42.2	52.7	86	1961	2	61.1	1985	7	1950	25	45.8	1976	360	7	.0	.0	28.2	.0	5.1	.0
Dec	54.2	35.3	44.8	79+	1984	29	52.6	1984	2	1962	13	36.9	2000	610	0	.0	.0	21.5	.2	12.3	.0
Ann	72.0	50.9	61.5	107	Aug 1983	21	85.3	Jul 1993	-4	Jan 1985	21	30.0	Jan 1977	2861	1785	2.6	50.6	331.0	1.3	47.9	.1

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										Pı	recipi	tation	(incl	nes)										
			P	recip	itatio	on Total	S			M	ean N	Numbo Pays (3		Proba	ability th		nonthly/	annual j	precipita ated an		ll be equ		less tha	ın the
		ans/				Extremes	5			D	aily Pre	cipitatio	n		Th		•		•	vs Probal incomplet	•		on	
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	4.69	4.67	3.04	1966	15	6.92	1978	.64	1981	11.5	8.1	3.2	1.3	1.74	2.18	2.81	3.33	3.83	4.35	4.90	5.55	6.37	7.63	8.79
Feb	4.39	4.69	2.71	1981	10	7.72+	1998	.75	1978	9.6	6.8	2.9	1.4	1.36	1.78	2.40	2.93	3.45	3.98	4.56	5.25	6.14	7.52	8.80
Mar	4.99	4.22	3.82	1964	25	10.12	1975	1.15	1985	10.7	7.5	3.4	1.6	1.44	1.92	2.63	3.25	3.85	4.48	5.17	5.99	7.05	8.71	10.26
Apr	3.35	2.91	3.51	1998	3	10.92	1998	.74	1976	8.1	5.4	2.4	.8	.83	1.15	1.64	2.07	2.49	2.95	3.45	4.05	4.83	6.06	7.22
May	3.86	3.32	5.47	1959	26	9.73	1974	.41	1988	8.9	6.2	2.3	1.2	.83	1.18	1.75	2.26	2.78	3.33	3.95	4.69	5.67	7.23	8.71
Jun	3.94	3.18	9.93	1967	4	13.25	1994	.91	1988	9.8	6.3	2.5	1.2	.94	1.31	1.88	2.39	2.91	3.45	4.05	4.77	5.72	7.21	8.62
Jul	4.41	4.35	6.22	2001	25	10.20	1984	1.54	1993	10.1	6.7	3.0	1.4	1.49	1.91	2.52	3.04	3.53	4.04	4.60	5.25	6.09	7.39	8.58
Aug	3.78	3.63	4.32	1995	26	7.37	1994	.98	1987	9.2	5.8	2.6	1.1	1.26	1.62	2.15	2.59	3.02	3.46	3.94	4.50	5.23	6.35	7.38
Sep	3.53	3.26	5.34	1956	25	10.30	1989	.62	1985	8.5	5.2	2.4	1.1	.74	1.07	1.59	2.06	2.53	3.03	3.60	4.28	5.19	6.63	7.99
Oct	3.47	2.88	5.43	1989	1	7.75	1997	.12	1991	6.4	4.3	2.0	1.1	.30	.54	1.00	1.48	2.01	2.61	3.32	4.22	5.46	7.53	9.57
Nov	3.71	3.52	4.05	1948	27	8.25	1992	1.38	1990	9.0	6.0	2.9	1.1	1.54	1.88	2.36	2.75	3.12	3.49	3.89	4.36	4.94	5.84	6.65
Dec	3.71	3.11	3.60	1997	24	8.42	1972	.81	1988	10.0	6.5	2.3	1.1	1.08	1.44	1.97	2.42	2.87	3.34	3.85	4.46	5.24	6.47	7.61
Ann	47.83	49.59	9.93	Jun 1967	4	13.25	Jun 1994	.12	Oct 1991	111.8	74.8	31.9	14.4	34.20	36.84	40.22	42.78	45.06	47.26	49.52	52.03	55.07	59.47	63.28

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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 (inc	hes)											
						Sn	ow To	tals									Mea	ın Nu	mber	of Da	<b>ys</b> (1)		
	Mean	s/Medi	ians (1)	)					Extre	mes (2)							ow Fa					Depth esholo	
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	1.1	.0	#	0	7.1	1987	22	7.1	1987	4	1982	15	#	1996	.7	.3	.1	@	.0	.8	.2	.0	.0
Feb	1.0	.0	#	0	7.4	1982	27	9.4	1982	3+	1980	6	#	1989	.5	.3	.2	@	.0	.4	.1	.0	.0
Mar	.6	.0	#	0	8.7	1983	24	8.7	1983	6	1983	25	#	1993	.2	.1	.1	@	.0	.2	.1	@	.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	#	1996	.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	.0	.0	0	0	1.0	1975	23	1.0	1975	0	0	0	0	0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0
Dec	.2	.0	#	0	3.0	1971	3	3.0	1971	3	1971	4	#	1993	.2	.1	@	.0	.0	.1	@	.0	.0
Ann	2.9	.0	N/A	N/A	8.7	Mar 1983	24	9.4	Feb 1982	6	Mar 1983	25	#+	May 1996	1.6	.8	.4	@	.0	1.5	.4	.0	.0

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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	e 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 (r)	.10	.20	.30	.40	.50	.60	.70	.80	.90
36	4/24	4/18	4/15	4/11	4/08	4/05	4/02	3/29	3/24
32	4/08	4/03	3/30	3/27	3/24	3/21	3/18	3/14	3/09
28	3/27	3/21	3/16	3/12	3/09	3/05	3/01	2/25	2/18
24	3/12	3/04	2/26	2/22	2/17	2/13	2/08	2/02	1/26
20	3/07	2/25	2/19	2/13	2/08	2/02	1/27	1/20	1/09
16	2/20	2/11	2/03	1/27	1/20	1/10	0/00	0/00	0/00
			Fa	ll Freeze Da	tes (Month/D	Day)			•
Temp (F)		Pro	bability of e	arlier date i	n fall (beginn	ning Aug 1) t	han indicate	ed(*)	
remp (r)	.10	.20	.30	.40	.50	.60	.70	.80	.90
36	10/14	10/20	10/24	10/28	10/31	11/03	11/07	11/11	11/17
32	10/20	10/26	10/30	11/03	11/07	11/10	11/14	11/18	11/24
28	11/10	11/15	11/19	11/23	11/26	11/29	12/03	12/07	12/12
24	11/27	12/05	12/11	12/16	12/20	12/25	12/30	1/05	1/13
20	12/04	12/13	12/19	12/24	12/29	1/03	1/08	1/15	1/25
16	12/18	12/26	1/02	1/08	1/15	1/24	0/00	0/00	0/00
		•		Freeze F	ree Period	•			•
Temp (F)			Probability	of longer th	an indicated	freeze free p	eriod (Days)	)	
remp (r)	.10	.20	.30	.40	.50	.60	.70	.80	.90
36	227	220	214	209	205	201	196	191	183
32	250	242	236	231	227	222	217	211	203
28	280	274	269	265	262	258	254	249	243
24	335	323	316	310	304	298	293	286	276
20	>365	351	335	326	319	312	306	298	288
16	>365	>365	>365	>365	>365	>365	341	328	315

<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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				Deg	ree Days t	o Selected	Base Tem	peratures	(°F)				
Base						Heatin	g Degree l	Days (1)					
Below	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Ann
65	691	522	350	153	28	1	0	0	10	136	360	610	2861
60	564	396	229	64	7	0	0	0	0	71	244	481	2056
57	478	318	163	32	2	0	0	0	0	40	177	396	1606
55	423	268	126	18	0	0	0	0	0	25	139	341	1340
50	298	160	55	3	0	0	0	0	0	7	65	223	811
32	38	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	16	58

Base						Coolin	g Degree l	Days (1)					
Above	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Ann
32	355	415	686	881	1163	1341	1495	1453	1235	944	642	426	11036
55	12	25	96	218	451	651	782	740	545	248	81	24	3873
57	7	15	69	173	390	591	720	678	485	198	58	16	3400
60	3	5	37	114	301	501	627	585	396	134	31	8	2742
65	0	1	8	46	164	351	471	430	254	53	7	0	1785
70	0	0	1	8	64	210	318	276	132	12	1	0	1022

										Gro	wing ]	Degre	e Uni	ts (2)										
Base					Growing	g Degree	Units (M	(Ionthly)								Growi	ng Degre	ee Units (	Accumu	lated Mo	nthly)			
	Jan         Feb         Mar         Apr         May         Jun         Jul         Aug         Sep         Oct         Nov         Dec           10         171         240         454         645         925         1109         1253         1215         1001         707         413         224													Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
40	171   240   454   645   925   1109   1253   1215   1001   707   413   87   145   311   495   770   959   1098   1060   851   553   280												171	411	865	1510	2435	3544	4797	6012	7013	7720	8133	8357
45	87         145         311         495         770         959         1098         1060         851         553         280												87	232	543	1038	1808	2767	3865	4925	5776	6329	6609	6733
50	35 72 195 354 615 809 943 905 701 401 171												35	107	302	656	1271	2080	3023	3928	4629	5030	5201	5263
55	13	29	101	226	461	659	788	750	551	257	87	29	13	42	143	369	830	1489	2277	3027	3578	3835	3922	3951
60	0	2	41	120	311	509	633	595	401	141	35	3	0	2	43	163	474	983	1616	2211	2612	2753	2788	2791
Base	e Growing Degree Units for Corn (Monthly)														Gr	owing D	egree Ur	its for C	orn (Acc	umulate	d Month	ly)		
50/86	<b>50/86</b> 97 148 271 405 613 762 863 848 685 442 246 13												97	245	516	921	1534	2296	3159	4007	4692	5134	5380	5505

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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:

www.ncdc.noaa.gov/oa/climate/normals/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.

- 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

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