# Climatography of the United States No. 20 1971-2000

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COOP ID: 175261

Lon: 70°55W

**Station: MIDDLE DAM, ME** 

Climate Division: ME 1 NWS Call Sign:

Temperature (°F) Degree Days (1) Mean (1) Mean Number of Days (3) **Extremes** Base Temp 65 Max Max Max Max Min Min Highest Lowest Daily Daily Highest Lowest Month(1) Month(1) Cooling >= >= >= <= <= <= Month Mean Year Day Year Year Day Year Heating Max Min Daily(2) Daily(2) Mean Mean 100 90 50 32 32 0 23.4 .2 11.8 59 1995 16 21.7 1990 -34+ 1976 19 2.5 1982 1650 0 .0 .0 .4 23.8 30.8 16.3 Jan 26.7 1.7 14.2 63 2000 28 24.6 1981 -33 1962 2 4.6 1979 1422 0 .0 .0 .7 19.4 28.0 15.0 Feb Mar 35.9 13.1 24.5 71 1998 29 32.0 1973 -24 1972 10 15.9 1984 1256 0 .0 .0 3.2 11.0 29.5 7.1 42.8 1975 Apr 46.7 26.7 36.7 84 1990 28 1987 -10 1964 30.6 849 0 .0 .0 11.1 1.5 24.0 .1 May 61.4 38.4 49.9 90 1977 23 55.9 1998 16 +1966 8 44.3 1997 470 1 .0 @ 26.7 .1 8.2 .0 48.6 55.5 70.9 59.8 94 1995 20 64.4 1999 28 +1990 6 1985 169 12 .0 .2 29.8 .0 .6 .0 Jun Jul 75.6 53.2 64.4 92 1983 4 67.4 32 1965 60.9 1992 50 .0 .4 31.0 1988 68 .0 .0 .0 1982 74.0 51.4 62.7 96 1975 3 67.1 1973 29 1965 31 59.4 98 28 .0 .1 30.9 .0 @ 0. Aug 332 Sep 65.0 43.0 54.0 89+ 2001 10 60.0 1999 19 1965 28 49.7 1978 1 .0 .0 29.4 .0 3.1 .0 32.2 42.5 48.7 27 1974 Oct 52.8 80 1990 8 1971 12 +1976 36.1 698 0 .0 .0 19.3 .2 16.9 .0 39.9 23.1 31.5 70+ 2001 3 36.7 1979 -9 1989 26 26.4 1980 1005 0 .0 .0 5.2 25.3 .3 Nov 6.7 Dec 28.3 8.3 18.3 62 1998 8 26.6 1996 -28 1980 26 2.2 1989 1449 0 .0 .0 .7 20.2 30.6 8.9 Aug Jul Jan Dec 50.1 28.3 39.2 96 1975 3 67.4 1988 -34+ 1976 19 2.2 1989 9466 92 .0 .7 188.4 82.9 197.0 47.7 Ann

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										Pı	recipit	tation	(incl	nes)										
			P	recipi	itatio	n Total	s			Mean Number of Days (3) Daily Precipitation				Precipitation Probabilities (1)  Probability that the monthly/annual precipitation will be equal to or less than the indicated amount										
	Medi					Extremes	8							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	2.67	2.41	1.82	1986	27	6.70	1979	.41	1981	15.2	6.2	1.5	.3	.63	.88	1.27	1.62	1.97	2.34	2.75	3.24	3.88	4.90	5.85
Feb	1.94	1.94	1.76	1998	25	3.79	1981	.28	1987	12.6	5.0	.9	.1	.69	.87	1.14	1.36	1.57	1.79	2.03	2.31	2.66	3.21	3.71
Mar	2.74	2.66	1.74	1992	29	5.64	1999	1.09	1988	14.3	6.9	1.3	.3	1.31	1.55	1.87	2.13	2.38	2.62	2.88	3.17	3.54	4.10	4.60
Apr	2.80	2.80	1.83	1996	17	5.25	1996	.76	1999	13.4	7.1	1.6	.3	1.10	1.36	1.73	2.03	2.32	2.61	2.93	3.29	3.76	4.47	5.12
May	3.42	3.15	2.24	2000	10	7.43	2000	.87	1992	13.4	7.6	2.1	.5	1.10	1.43	1.90	2.31	2.71	3.12	3.56	4.09	4.76	5.81	6.78
Jun	3.87	3.70	1.83	1992	21	9.08	1973	.83	1995	13.6	8.9	2.7	.6	1.41	1.77	2.30	2.74	3.15	3.58	4.05	4.59	5.28	6.34	7.31
Jul	3.71	3.53	2.18	1951	5	7.31	1996	1.58	1977	12.8	7.6	2.7	.6	1.79	2.11	2.55	2.90	3.22	3.55	3.89	4.29	4.78	5.53	6.20
Aug	3.91	3.30	3.81	1991	20	9.05	1991	1.02	1996	12.5	7.9	2.7	.6	1.38	1.75	2.28	2.73	3.16	3.60	4.08	4.64	5.36	6.47	7.48
Sep	3.44	3.31	3.22	1954	11	8.02	1999	.82	1972	12.1	6.8	2.3	.6	1.29	1.61	2.07	2.45	2.82	3.19	3.60	4.06	4.66	5.58	6.43
Oct	3.48	3.00	3.20	1995	22	9.42	1995	1.10	1994	13.1	7.1	2.2	.6	1.21	1.54	2.01	2.42	2.80	3.20	3.63	4.13	4.78	5.78	6.69
Nov	3.22	3.10	2.26	1969	5	7.91	1983	1.18	1976	14.8	7.5	2.0	.4	1.42	1.70	2.11	2.43	2.74	3.04	3.38	3.75	4.23	4.96	5.61
Dec	2.55	2.26	4.46	1969	27	6.30	1973	.91	1989	16.1	6.8	1.2	.2	1.02	1.25	1.59	1.86	2.12	2.39	2.67	3.00	3.42	4.06	4.65
Ann	37.75	37.24	4.46	Dec 1969	27	9.42	Oct 1995	.28	Feb 1987	163.9	85.4	23.2	5.1	30.21	31.73	33.65	35.09	36.34	37.54	38.77	40.11	41.72	44.02	45.98

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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	v (incl	hes)													
						Sno	ow To	tals							Mean Number of Days (1)										
	Mean	s/Medi	ians (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	18.6	22.4	11	11	14.0	1994	18	24.7	1990	32	1994	19	20	1994	10.1	4.9	2.2	1.1	.1	-9.9	-9.9	-9.9	-9.9		
Feb	18.2	12.1	15	18	18.0	1995	5	36.6	1993	32	1993	24	22	2000	7.5	4.3	1.9	.9	.2	-9.9	-9.9	-9.9	-9.9		
Mar	15.4	14.1	14	11	12.0	1993	14	28.1	1993	35	1993	14	24	1993	8.2	4.8	1.8	.9	.1	-9.9	-9.9	-9.9	-9.9		
Apr	5.2	1.9	1	#	8.0	1996	11	23.5	1996	19	1994	4	4	1994	2.1	1.4	.6	.3	.0	3.3	2.3	1.4	.8		
May	.1	.0	0	0	2.0	1997	7	2.0	1997	0	0	0	0	0	.1	.1	.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	#	1997	25	#	1997	#	1997	25	#	1997	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0		
Oct	.8	.0	#	0	4.1	1979	9	4.7	2000	4	1997	24	#+	2000	.7	.4	.2	.0	.0	.2	@	.0	.0		
Nov	4.9	3.9	#	#	5.2	1978	28	11.7	1997	7	1996	27	2	1997	4.9	1.8	.4	.1	.0	-9.9	-9.9	-9.9	-9.9		
Dec	14.0	8.1	6	5	10.4	1977	14	28.1	1977	28	1995	22	16	1995	9.7	5.8	1.9	.6	.1	-9.9	-9.9	-9.9	-9.9		
Ann	77.2	62.5	N/A	N/A	18.0	Feb 1995	5	36.6	Feb 1993	35	Mar 1993	14	24	Mar 1993	43.3	23.5	9.0	3.9	.5	-9.9	-9.9	-9.9	-9.9		

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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	u Jul 31) tha	n indicated(	(*)							
Temp (F)	.10	.20	.30	.40	.50	.60	.70	.80	.90						
36	6/26	6/20	6/15	6/11	6/07	6/04	5/31	5/26	5/19						
32	6/09	6/03	5/30	5/27	5/24	5/20	5/17	5/13	5/07						
28	5/26	5/21	5/17	5/14	5/11	5/08	5/05	5/01	4/26						
24	5/11	5/06	5/03	4/30	4/27	4/24	4/21	4/17	4/12						
20	4/27	4/23	4/20	4/17	4/14	4/12	4/09	4/06	4/01						
16	4/20	4/16	4/13	4/10	4/07	4/05	4/02	3/30	3/25						
			Fal	l Freeze Da	tes (Month/D	ay)									
Tomp (F)	Probability of earlier date in fall (beginning Aug 1) than indicated(*)														
Temp (F)	.10	.20	.30	.40	.50	.60	.70	.80	.90						
36	8/21	8/27	8/31	9/04	9/08	9/11	9/15	9/19	9/25						
32	9/11	9/15	9/17	9/19	9/21	9/23	9/25	9/27	10/01						
28	9/22	9/26	9/29	10/02	10/04	10/06	10/09	10/11	10/15						
24	10/01	10/06	10/09	10/12	10/14	10/17	10/19	10/23	10/27						
20	10/21	10/25	10/28	10/31	11/03	11/05	11/08	11/11	11/16						
16	10/29	11/03	11/07	11/10	11/12	11/15	11/18	11/22	11/26						
				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	121	111	103	97	91	86	79	72	62						
32	138	132	127	123	120	116	112	107	101						
28	164	158	153	149	145	142	138	133	127						
24	190	183	178	174	170	166	162	157	150						
20	222	215	210	206	202	198	193	188	181						
16	242	234	228	223	218	213	208	202	194						

<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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	Degree Days to Selected Base Temperatures (°F)														
Base						Heatin	g Degree l	Days (1)							
Below	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Ann		
65	1650	1422	1256	849	470	169	68	98	332	698	1005	1449	9466		
60	1495	1282	1101	699	324	68	12	24	195	543	855	1294	7892		
57	1402	1198	1008	609	245	32	3	7	128	453	765	1201	7051		
55	1340	1142	946	549	198	18	0	2	92	394	705	1139	6525		
50	1185	1002	791	402	103	3	0	0	33	256	555	984	5314		
32	631	504	274	43	1	0	0	0	0	9	96	459	2017		

Base						Coolin	g Degree l	Days (1)					
Above	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Ann
32	4	6	41	184	555	832	1005	953	659	334	81	33	4687
55	0	0	0	0	39	160	292	242	61	6	0	0	800
57	0	0	0	0	24	115	232	185	37	3	0	0	596
60	0	0	0	0	10	60	149	109	14	0	0	0	342
65	0	0	0	0	1	12	50	28	1	0	0	0	92
70	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	2	0	0	0	0	9

	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	0	0	8	54	324	593	760	705	428	148	27	0	0	0	8	62	386	979	1739	2444	2872	3020	3047	3047
45	0	0	3	20	196	444	605	550	286	69	7	0	0	0	3	23	219	663	1268	1818	2104	2173	2180	2180
50	0	0	0	7	103	302	450	397	166	20	2	0	0	0	0	7	110	412	862	1259	1425	1445	1447	1447
55	0	0	0	0	42	173	297	252	82	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	42	215	512	764	846	851	851	851
60	0 0 0 0 15 79 157 126 31 0 0 0										0	0	0	0	0	15	94	251	377	408	408	408	408	
Base				Gro	wing Deg	gree Unit	s for Co	rn (Mont	hly)						Gı	owing D	egree Un	its for C	orn (Acc	umulate	d Month	ly)		
50/86	0	0	6	50	201	350	469	428	250	92	16	0	0	0	6	56	257	607	1076	1504	1754	1846	1862	1862

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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:

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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 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

U.S. Climate Normals 1971-2000-Products Clim20, www.ncdc.noaa.gov/oa/climate/normals/usnormalsprods.html

Snow Climatology Project Description, www.ncdc.noaa.gov/oa/climate/monitoring/snowclim/mainpage.html

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