

# Climatography of the United States No. 20

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Station: LITTLE FALLS CITY RSVR, NY

1971-2000

COOP ID: 304791

Climate Division: NY 6

NWS Call Sign:

Elevation: 900 Feet

Lat: 43°04N

Lon: 74°52W

## 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	26.3	9.1	17.7	67	1950	4	29.7	1990	-29	1976	23	9.1	1994	1466	0	.0	.0	.9	20.5	29.9	8.2
Feb	28.7	10.4	19.6	60	1994	21	27.9	1981	-30	1943	15	8.1	1979	1273	0	.0	.0	1.4	15.6	27.1	6.2
Mar	38.4	19.9	29.2	82	1945	28	36.4	1973	-17	1980	1	21.6	1984	1112	0	.0	.0	5.9	6.7	27.2	1.5
Apr	51.7	31.5	41.6	88	1962	28	47.4	1987	1	1972	7	34.8	1975	702	0	.0	.0	18.0	.4	16.4	.0
May	65.7	42.8	54.3	96	1945	22	60.5	1998	19	1966	10	49.5	1997	343	10	.0	.0	29.9	.0	2.3	.0
Jun	74.7	52.0	63.4	95	1933	29	67.1	1999	30+	1945	1	57.4	1985	104	54	.0	.6	30.0	.0	.0	.0
Jul	79.5	56.6	68.1	99	1936	9	71.2	1988	40+	1979	4	64.6	1992	21	115	.0	1.7	31.0	.0	.0	.0
Aug	77.2	54.7	66.0	97	1933	1	71.2	1973	32	1982	29	60.8	1982	58	87	.0	.6	31.0	.0	@	.0
Sep	69.3	46.9	58.1	96	1953	3	62.3	1999	23	1974	24	54.8	1978	215	8	.0	.2	30.0	.0	1.3	.0
Oct	57.4	36.3	46.9	86	1927	2	54.0	1971	11	1972	20	41.2	1976	563	0	.0	.0	24.9	.0	10.5	.0
Nov	44.5	27.8	36.2	78	1982	3	41.2	1982	-7	1933	16	29.9	1976	866	0	.0	.0	9.3	3.0	21.6	.0
Dec	32.2	16.7	24.5	67	1932	7	33.3	1998	-26	1942	20	8.5	1989	1257	0	.0	.0	2.0	13.9	29.4	3.2
Ann	53.8	33.7	43.8	99	Jul 1936	9	71.2+	Jul 1988	-30	Feb 1943	15	8.1	Feb 1979	7980	274	.0	3.1	214.3	60.1	165.7	19.1

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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	2.72	2.56	1.78	1959	21	5.15	1998	.88	1980	14.5	7.6	1.3	.3	.96	1.22	1.59	1.90	2.20	2.51	2.84	3.23	3.73	4.51	5.22
Feb	2.27	2.39	1.84	1954	17	5.48	1971	.61	1987	10.9	6.0	1.0	.2	.72	.94	1.26	1.53	1.79	2.07	2.36	2.71	3.17	3.87	4.51
Mar	2.86	2.86	1.98	1994	4	5.15	1994	.77	1981	11.7	7.3	1.5	.4	1.22	1.48	1.84	2.14	2.42	2.70	3.00	3.35	3.78	4.45	5.05
Apr	3.53	3.26	1.97	1960	24	9.22	1983	.82	1999	11.8	7.8	2.0	.6	1.36	1.68	2.15	2.54	2.91	3.29	3.69	4.17	4.77	5.69	6.53
May	3.79	3.41	2.05	2001	24	8.02	1990	.97	1980	12.5	8.4	2.5	.5	1.39	1.74	2.25	2.68	3.09	3.51	3.96	4.49	5.16	6.20	7.15
Jun	4.44	4.01	2.76	1982	30	8.58	1972	1.15	1979	12.2	8.5	2.8	.7	1.76	2.17	2.75	3.23	3.69	4.15	4.65	5.22	5.96	7.08	8.10
Jul	4.13	3.81	3.35	1935	8	7.94	1971	1.11	1973	10.5	7.3	2.5	.9	1.49	1.88	2.44	2.91	3.36	3.82	4.32	4.90	5.64	6.79	7.84
Aug	3.69	3.44	3.95	1949	29	7.56	1975	1.29	1973	10.2	6.4	1.8	.6	1.59	1.92	2.39	2.77	3.13	3.49	3.87	4.32	4.88	5.74	6.51
Sep	4.29	4.12	2.43	1985	28	9.66	1977	1.93	1994	11.0	7.8	2.9	1.0	2.08	2.45	2.95	3.36	3.73	4.10	4.50	4.95	5.52	6.38	7.14
Oct	3.37	3.06	2.98	1932	6	7.26	1976	.57	1994	12.1	7.8	2.0	.5	1.20	1.52	1.98	2.36	2.73	3.11	3.52	3.99	4.61	5.55	6.41
Nov	4.08	4.14	3.00	1996	9	7.48	1972	1.43	1976	11.9	7.6	2.3	.7	1.96	2.31	2.79	3.18	3.54	3.90	4.28	4.72	5.27	6.09	6.83
Dec	2.85	2.52	2.17	1952	11	6.80	1973	.78	1989	14.6	7.5	1.5	.2	1.06	1.33	1.71	2.03	2.34	2.65	2.98	3.37	3.87	4.64	5.34
Ann	42.02	42.47	3.95	Aug 1949	29	9.66	Sep 1977	.57	Oct 1994	143.9	90.0	24.1	6.6	33.13	34.93	37.18	38.87	40.35	41.77	43.22	44.81	46.72	49.45	51.79

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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	27.3	25.4	12	8	14.0	1987	23	63.0	1994	53	1971	31	40	1971	9.9	7.7	2.8	1.2	.3	25.5	22.2	18.5	13.9
Feb	14.8	14.0	14	9	21.5	1995	5	23.1	1971	62	1971	17	56	1971	6.0	5.2	1.8	.6	.1	24.6	23.1	20.3	16.0
Mar	9.4	7.0	6	4	24.0	1994	4	27.5	1996	46	1993	15	31	1993	4.6	3.8	1.2	.4	.1	11.1	9.7	6.4	3.3
Apr	3.4	1.3	#	#	12.5	1983	20	19.5	1983	12	1983	21	2	1994	1.3	.9	.4	.2	@	2.2	1.3	.8	.1
May	.2	.0	#	0	2.0	1977	9	2.5	1976	2	1977	9	#+	1996	.2	.2	.0	.0	.0	.1	.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	.1	.0	#	0	2.0	1988	23	3.0	1988	2	1988	23	#+	1988	.1	.1	.0	.0	.0	.1	.0	.0	.0
Nov	3.8	3.0	1	#	10.0	1987	7	12.5	1987	14	1997	16	5	1997	2.3	1.7	.4	.1	@	3.5	1.8	.7	.0
Dec	16.6	17.5	4	3	10.0	1978	25	28.5	1983	20	1978	27	10+	1995	7.4	6.0	2.1	.6	@	16.9	12.5	6.9	1.9
Ann	75.6	68.2	N/A	N/A	24.0	Mar 1994	4	63.0	Jan 1994	62	Feb 1971	17	56	Feb 1971	31.8	25.6	8.7	3.1	.5	84.0	70.6	53.6	35.2

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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	6/11	6/06	6/02	5/29	5/26	5/23	5/19	5/15	5/10
32	5/21	5/17	5/14	5/12	5/09	5/07	5/05	5/02	4/28
28	5/07	5/03	4/30	4/28	4/26	4/23	4/21	4/18	4/14
24	4/29	4/24	4/21	4/18	4/16	4/13	4/10	4/07	4/03
20	4/20	4/16	4/13	4/10	4/07	4/05	4/02	3/30	3/26
16	4/10	4/06	4/03	3/31	3/29	3/27	3/24	3/22	3/18
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	9/03	9/08	9/11	9/14	9/16	9/19	9/22	9/25	9/30
32	9/13	9/18	9/21	9/24	9/27	9/30	10/03	10/06	10/11
28	9/23	9/29	10/03	10/07	10/10	10/14	10/17	10/21	10/27
24	10/07	10/13	10/18	10/21	10/25	10/28	11/01	11/05	11/12
20	10/18	10/25	10/30	11/03	11/06	11/10	11/14	11/19	11/25
16	10/30	11/05	11/09	11/13	11/16	11/20	11/24	11/28	12/04
Freeze Free Period									
Temp (F)	Probability of longer than indicated freeze free period (Days)								
	.10	.20	.30	.40	.50	.60	.70	.80	.90
36	134	126	121	117	113	109	104	99	92
32	156	151	147	143	140	137	133	129	124
28	186	180	175	171	167	163	159	154	147
24	215	207	201	196	191	187	182	176	168
20	236	228	222	217	212	207	202	196	188
16	256	247	241	236	232	227	222	216	207

\* 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	1273	1112	702	343	104	21	58	215	563	866	1257	7980
60	1311	1133	957	553	215	38	1	12	101	414	716	1102	6553
57	1218	1049	864	467	153	16	0	3	56	329	626	1009	5790
55	1156	993	802	411	118	9	0	1	35	277	566	947	5315
50	1001	853	648	282	53	1	0	0	8	166	418	792	4222
32	468	373	184	24	0	0	0	0	0	5	52	302	1408

Base	Cooling Degree Days (1)												
Above	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Ann
32	25	24	95	312	690	940	1118	1052	782	465	176	68	5747
55	0	0	0	9	94	259	405	340	127	25	0	0	1259
57	0	0	0	5	68	207	343	281	88	15	0	0	1007
60	0	0	0	2	37	138	251	197	44	6	0	0	675
65	0	0	0	0	10	54	115	87	8	0	0	0	274
70	0	0	0	0	1	12	32	24	0	0	0	0	69

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	4	38	159	477	719	894	828	559	254	66	7	1	5	43	202	679	1398	2292	3120	3679	3933	3999	4006
45	0	0	12	85	335	569	739	673	412	146	26	2	0	0	12	97	432	1001	1740	2413	2825	2971	2997	2999
50	0	0	6	40	206	423	584	518	276	67	10	0	0	0	6	46	252	675	1259	1777	2053	2120	2130	2130
55	0	0	1	15	111	280	429	365	155	21	2	0	0	0	1	16	127	407	836	1201	1356	1377	1379	1379
60	0	0	0	3	49	160	275	220	74	2	0	0	0	0	0	3	52	212	487	707	781	783	783	783
Base	Growing Degree Units for Corn (Monthly)												Growing Degree Units for Corn (Accumulated Monthly)											
50/86	0	0	24	106	289	450	579	530	337	146	39	3	0	0	24	130	419	869	1448	1978	2315	2461	2500	2503

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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 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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