

Climatology of the United States No. 20

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Station: RIPLEY EXP FARM, OH

1971-2000

COOP ID: 337120

Climate Division: OH 8

NWS Call Sign:

Elevation: 880 Feet

Lat: 38°47N

Lon: 83°48W

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	38.1	19.6	28.9	73	1999	23	38.4	1990	-28	1994	19	13.1	1977	1121	0	.0	.0	6.3	10.0	26.9	2.5
Feb	43.0	22.6	32.8	75	2000	27	41.9	1976	-11	1985	3	18.0	1978	902	0	.0	.0	8.8	6.8	22.3	1.4
Mar	53.2	31.1	42.2	81+	1998	31	50.3	1973	-5	1980	3	35.4	1984	709	0	.0	.0	18.8	1.4	17.6	.1
Apr	63.9	40.4	52.2	88	1986	28	57.8	1981	15	1997	9	47.6	1997	388	3	.0	.0	26.6	.0	6.1	.0
May	73.5	50.8	62.2	93	1962	18	69.0	1991	25	1966	10	57.1	1997	163	75	.0	.1	30.8	.0	.2	.0
Jun	81.7	59.5	70.6	102	1988	26	74.4	1994	37	1972	11	66.0	1972	17	185	@	2.8	30.0	.0	.0	.0
Jul	85.6	63.4	74.5	103	1999	31	78.4	1999	43	1988	1	71.2	2000	0	294	.2	6.6	31.0	.0	.0	.0
Aug	84.3	61.4	72.9	103	1988	18	78.9	1995	39	1986	29	68.5	1992	11	253	.1	5.1	31.0	.0	.0	.0
Sep	78.2	54.0	66.1	97	1964	10	69.9	1998	30	1993	30	62.4	1974	66	99	.0	1.4	30.0	.0	.1	.0
Oct	66.7	41.7	54.2	90+	1959	5	61.6	1971	18	1976	28	48.4	1987	350	16	.0	.0	29.7	.0	5.6	.0
Nov	53.9	33.6	43.8	81+	1987	3	50.7	1985	2	1976	30	35.8	1976	637	0	.0	.0	17.8	.5	14.7	.0
Dec	43.2	24.4	33.8	76+	1982	4	42.6	1971	-22+	1989	23	19.1	1989	967	0	.0	.0	9.1	5.9	23.9	.8
Ann	63.8	41.9	52.9	103+	Jul 1999	31	78.9	Aug 1995	-28	Jan 1994	19	13.1	Jan 1977	5331	925	.3	16.0	269.9	24.6	117.4	4.8

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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	2.92	3.01	2.41	1982	23	5.37	1978	.42	1981	12.0	6.2	1.8	.5	.81	1.09	1.51	1.88	2.24	2.61	3.03	3.52	4.16	5.16	6.10
Feb	2.89	2.83	2.79	1975	23	7.04	1989	.40	1977	10.7	5.6	1.8	.6	.69	.96	1.38	1.76	2.13	2.53	2.97	3.50	4.19	5.28	6.31
Mar	4.11	3.58	6.68	1997	2	16.44	1997	.92	1979	13.1	7.9	2.7	.7	1.19	1.58	2.17	2.68	3.18	3.70	4.27	4.94	5.82	7.19	8.47
Apr	3.98	3.71	3.08	1975	24	8.34	1998	.79	1971	13.7	8.8	2.5	.7	1.22	1.60	2.16	2.65	3.11	3.60	4.13	4.76	5.57	6.84	8.01
May	4.99	4.73	3.70	1996	16	11.27	1996	1.73	1999	13.4	9.1	3.8	1.0	1.76	2.23	2.92	3.49	4.04	4.60	5.21	5.92	6.84	8.25	9.54
Jun	4.50	4.06	3.50	1997	1	10.66	1998	.42	1988	11.8	8.3	3.2	1.0	1.29	1.72	2.36	2.92	3.47	4.04	4.67	5.41	6.38	7.89	9.30
Jul	4.73	5.00	3.72	1991	9	8.77	1992	.99	1997	10.9	7.3	3.5	1.6	1.65	2.10	2.75	3.29	3.82	4.36	4.94	5.63	6.50	7.86	9.10
Aug	4.10	3.87	4.77	1971	26	8.88	1971	1.11	1987	10.5	6.9	2.8	1.1	1.52	1.90	2.45	2.91	3.35	3.80	4.28	4.85	5.57	6.68	7.69
Sep	3.27	3.19	4.06	1976	27	9.53	1979	.42	1998	9.3	5.7	2.1	.7	.71	1.01	1.49	1.93	2.36	2.83	3.35	3.97	4.80	6.11	7.35
Oct	3.01	2.54	4.00	1959	8	9.06	1983	.75	1987	9.7	5.9	1.8	.6	.72	1.00	1.44	1.83	2.22	2.64	3.10	3.65	4.37	5.52	6.60
Nov	3.42	3.36	1.72	2001	27	6.97+	1985	.42	1976	12.9	7.3	2.3	.6	.89	1.21	1.71	2.14	2.57	3.03	3.53	4.12	4.90	6.13	7.28
Dec	3.54	3.29	2.17	1978	8	8.52	1990	.89	1976	12.3	7.5	2.4	.8	1.31	1.64	2.12	2.52	2.89	3.28	3.70	4.19	4.82	5.78	6.66
Ann	45.46	45.38	6.68	Mar 1997	2	16.44	Mar 1997	.40	Feb 1977	140.3	86.5	30.7	9.9	34.49	36.67	39.43	41.50	43.33	45.09	46.90	48.88	51.27	54.71	57.67

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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	5.1	3.4	2	#	18.0	1994	17	30.6	1978	22	1994	22	12	1977	5.7	2.5	.6	.1	@	8.5	4.0	2.6	1.4
Feb	5.5	4.3	2	#	8.2	1998	5	17.8	1998	21	1977	1	10	1978	4.3	1.9	.5	.2	.0	8.0	4.3	2.9	.9
Mar	2.8	2.0	#	#	8.8	1999	15	11.8	1978	14	1978	9	5	1978	2.5	1.2	.4	.1	.0	2.4	1.1	.6	.3
Apr	.4	.0	#	0	7.0	1987	5	7.2	1987	8	1987	5	1	1987	.4	.1	@	@	.0	.2	.1	@	.0
May	.0	.0	0	0	.2	1989	7	.2	1989	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	.1	.0	#	0	1.0	1989	19	1.5	1993	1+	1993	31	#+	1993	.1	.1	.0	.0	.0	.1	.0	.0	.0
Nov	.7	.0	#	#	4.0	1977	28	4.2	1977	3	1977	28	#+	2000	.8	.3	@	.0	.0	.4	@	.0	.0
Dec	2.9	2.1	#	#	5.5	1984	6	10.0	1981	8	1993	31	3	1989	3.1	1.2	.1	.1	.0	4.1	.9	.6	.0
Ann	17.5	11.8	N/A	N/A	18.0	Jan 1994	17	30.6	Jan 1978	22	Jan 1994	22	12	Jan 1977	16.9	7.3	1.6	.5	@	23.7	10.4	6.7	2.6

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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	5/16	5/12	5/08	5/05	5/03	4/30	4/27	4/24	4/19
32	5/06	5/01	4/28	4/25	4/22	4/19	4/17	4/13	4/08
28	4/20	4/16	4/14	4/11	4/09	4/07	4/05	4/02	3/29
24	4/15	4/10	4/07	4/04	4/01	3/29	3/26	3/23	3/18
20	4/02	3/29	3/25	3/22	3/19	3/17	3/14	3/10	3/06
16	3/23	3/17	3/12	3/08	3/04	2/28	2/24	2/20	2/13
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	9/22	9/26	9/29	10/01	10/04	10/06	10/08	10/11	10/15
32	10/02	10/07	10/10	10/13	10/16	10/19	10/21	10/25	10/30
28	10/07	10/13	10/18	10/22	10/25	10/29	11/02	11/06	11/12
24	10/21	10/27	10/31	11/04	11/07	11/11	11/14	11/19	11/25
20	11/05	11/11	11/15	11/19	11/22	11/25	11/29	12/03	12/09
16	11/14	11/21	11/26	12/01	12/04	12/08	12/13	12/18	12/24
Freeze Free Period									
Temp (F)	Probability of longer than indicated freeze free period (Days)								
	.10	.20	.30	.40	.50	.60	.70	.80	.90
36	172	165	161	157	153	150	146	141	135
32	198	190	185	180	176	172	167	162	154
28	219	212	207	203	198	194	190	185	178
24	241	234	228	224	219	215	211	205	198
20	269	261	256	251	247	242	238	232	225
16	303	293	286	280	275	269	263	256	247

* 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	1121	902	709	388	163	17	0	11	66	350	637	967	5331
60	966	762	556	251	83	3	0	1	21	226	489	812	4170
57	873	679	471	179	50	1	0	0	8	165	406	725	3557
55	812	626	414	138	33	0	0	0	4	131	352	668	3178
50	670	497	284	60	10	0	0	0	1	64	230	525	2341
32	240	141	32	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	15	151	579

Base	Cooling Degree Days (1)												
Above	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Ann
32	142	162	346	605	935	1159	1317	1266	1023	689	368	207	8219
55	1	4	15	53	255	469	604	553	338	106	15	11	2424
57	0	0	10	34	210	410	542	491	282	79	9	6	2073
60	0	0	3	16	150	322	449	398	205	47	2	0	1592
65	0	0	0	3	75	185	294	253	99	16	0	0	925
70	0	0	0	0	28	80	151	133	35	3	0	0	430

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	40	66	188	389	697	924	1074	1022	784	454	197	70	40	106	294	683	1380	2304	3378	4400	5184	5638	5835	5905
45	17	32	114	265	542	774	919	867	634	316	115	35	17	49	163	428	970	1744	2663	3530	4164	4480	4595	4630
50	5	10	61	161	395	624	764	712	485	197	66	13	5	15	76	237	632	1256	2020	2732	3217	3414	3480	3493
55	0	1	30	88	259	474	609	557	344	109	27	4	0	1	31	119	378	852	1461	2018	2362	2471	2498	2502
60	0	0	10	41	146	329	454	404	217	50	7	0	0	0	10	51	197	526	980	1384	1601	1651	1658	1658
Base	Growing Degree Units for Corn (Monthly)												Growing Degree Units for Corn (Accumulated Monthly)											
50/86	26	44	124	241	434	615	737	692	508	285	112	38	26	70	194	435	869	1484	2221	2913	3421	3706	3818	3856

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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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