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COOP ID: 305801

Station: NEW YORK CITY CENTRAL PK, NY

Climate Division: NY 4 NWS Call Sign: NYC Elevation: 130 Feet Lat: 40°47N Lon: 73°58W

|       |              |              |      |                     |      |     |                             |      | r                  | Tempe | eratui | re (°F)                    |                    |                         |         |            |           |           |           |           |          |
|-------|--------------|--------------|------|---------------------|------|-----|-----------------------------|------|--------------------|-------|--------|----------------------------|--------------------|-------------------------|---------|------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|----------|
|       | Mea          | <b>n</b> (1) |      |                     |      |     |                             | Extr | emes               |       |        | J                          | Days (1)<br>emp 65 | Mean Number of Days (3) |         |            |           |           |           |           |          |
| Month | Daily<br>Max | Daily<br>Min | Mean | Highest<br>Daily(2) | Year | Day | Highest<br>Month(1)<br>Mean | Year | Lowest<br>Daily(2) | Year  | Day    | Lowest<br>Month(1)<br>Mean | Year               | Heating                 | Cooling | Max >= 100 | Max >= 90 | Max >= 50 | Max <= 32 | Min <= 32 | Min <= 0 |
| Jan   | 38.0         | 26.2         | 32.1 | 72                  | 1950 | 26  | 40.8                        | 1990 | -6                 | 1882  | 24     | 21.7                       | 1977               | 1009                    | 0       | .0         | .0        | 5.0       | 9.2       | 22.0      | .3       |
| Feb   | 41.0         | 28.1         | 34.6 | 75+                 | 1985 | 24  | 40.6                        | 1998 | -15                | 1934  | 9      | 25.1                       | 1979               | 853                     | 0       | .0         | .0        | 6.4       | 5.5       | 18.4      | @        |
| Mar   | 49.8         | 35.1         | 42.5 | 86+                 | 1998 | 31  | 47.2                        | 2000 | 5                  | 1884  | 1      | 36.2                       | 1984               | 695                     | 2       | .0         | .0        | 15.6      | .8        | 10.5      | .0       |
| Apr   | 60.7         | 44.2         | 52.5 | 96                  | 1976 | 18  | 55.7                        | 1981 | 12                 | 1923  | 1      | 47.4                       | 1975               | 372                     | 10      | .0         | .2        | 26.4      | @         | 1.2       | .0       |
| May   | 70.9         | 54.2         | 62.6 | 99                  | 1962 | 19  | 68.0                        | 1991 | 28                 | 1907  | 22     | 59.0                       | 1973               | 127                     | 63      | .0         | 1.0       | 30.8      | .0        | .0        | .0       |
| Jun   | 79.0         | 63.3         | 71.2 | 101+                | 1966 | 27  | 74.3                        | 1994 | 44                 | 1945  | 1      | 67.4                       | 1972               | 16                      | 214     | .0         | 3.1       | 30.0      | .0        | .0        | .0       |
| Jul   | 84.2         | 68.8         | 76.5 | 106                 | 1936 | 9   | 81.4                        | 1999 | 52                 | 1943  | 1      | 72.3                       | 2000               | 7                       | 379     | .5         | 7.7       | 31.0      | .0        | .0        | .0       |
| Aug   | 82.4         | 67.7         | 75.1 | 104                 | 1918 | 7   | 79.7                        | 1980 | 50+                | 1986  | 29     | 72.0                       | 1992               | 2                       | 331     | .0         | 5.0       | 31.0      | .0        | .0        | .0       |
| Sep   | 74.7         | 60.3         | 67.5 | 102                 | 1953 | 2   | 71.1                        | 1983 | 39                 | 1912  | 30     | 63.5                       | 1975               | 43                      | 134     | .0         | 1.1       | 30.0      | .0        | .0        | .0       |
| Oct   | 63.5         | 49.6         | 56.6 | 94                  | 1941 | 5   | 62.1                        | 1971 | 28                 | 1936  | 27     | 52.2                       | 1988               | 261                     | 16      | .0         | .0        | 30.5      | .0        | .3        | .0       |
| Nov   | 53.1         | 41.0         | 47.1 | 84                  | 1950 | 1   | 52.0                        | 1979 | 12+                | 1932  | 27     | 41.2                       | 1976               | 525                     | 2       | .0         | .0        | 20.1      | .1        | 4.0       | .0       |
| Dec   | 42.9         | 31.6         | 37.3 | 75                  | 1998 | 7   | 43.4                        | 1984 | -13                | 1917  | 30     | 25.2                       | 1989               | 844                     | 0       | .0         | .0        | 8.2       | 4.1       | 15.1      | @        |
|       |              |              |      |                     | Jul  |     |                             | Jul  |                    | Feb   |        |                            | Jan                |                         |         |            |           |           |           |           |          |
| Ann   | 61.7         | 47.5         | 54.6 | 106                 | 1936 | 9   | 81.4                        | 1999 | -15                | 1934  | 9      | 21.7                       | 1977               | 4754                    | 1151    | .5         | 18.1      | 265.0     | 19.7      | 71.5      | .3       |

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|       |       | Precipitation (inches) |                     |             |        |                       |             |                      |             |            |            |            |            |  |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |  |  |
|-------|-------|------------------------|---------------------|-------------|--------|-----------------------|-------------|----------------------|-------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|--|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|--|--|
|       |       | ans/                   | P                   | recip       | itatio | on Total              |             |                      |             |            | ean N of D | ays (3     | )          | Precipitation Probabilities (1)  Probability that the monthly/annual precipitation will be equal to or less than the indicated amount  Monthly/Annual Precipitation vs Probability Levels  These values were determined from the incomplete gamma distribution |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |  |  |
| Month | Mean  | Med-<br>ian            | Highest<br>Daily(2) | Year        | Day    | Highest<br>Monthly(1) | Year        | Lowest<br>Monthly(1) | Year        | >=<br>0.01 | >=<br>0.10 | >=<br>0.50 | >=<br>1.00 | .05  | .10   | .20   | .30   | .40   | .50   | .60   | .70   | .80   | .90   | .95   |  |  |
| Jan   | 4.13  | 3.70                   | 3.45                | 1979        | 21     | 10.52                 | 1979        | .58                  | 1981        | 10.3       | 7.0        | 3.1        | 1.0        | 1.13   | 1.53  | 2.12  | 2.64  | 3.15  | 3.69  | 4.28  | 4.98  | 5.89  | 7.31  | 8.65  |  |  |
| Feb   | 3.15  | 2.95                   | 3.07                | 1898        | 20     | 6.04                  | 1981        | 1.01                 | 1987        | 9.4        | 6.1        | 2.1        | .9         | 1.17   | 1.47  | 1.89  | 2.24  | 2.58  | 2.92  | 3.30  | 3.73  | 4.28  | 5.14  | 5.91  |  |  |
| Mar   | 4.37  | 4.05                   | 4.25                | 1876        | 25     | 10.41                 | 1980        | 1.19                 | 1981        | 10.7       | 7.1        | 3.1        | 1.0        | 1.45   | 1.86  | 2.47  | 2.99  | 3.48  | 4.00  | 4.56  | 5.21  | 6.05  | 7.36  | 8.57  |  |  |
| Apr   | 4.28  | 3.79                   | 3.42                | 1980        | 9      | 10.67                 | 1983        | 1.41                 | 1985        | 11.1       | 6.9        | 2.7        | 1.2        | 1.47   | 1.87  | 2.46  | 2.96  | 3.44  | 3.93  | 4.47  | 5.09  | 5.89  | 7.13  | 8.27  |  |  |
| May   | 4.69  | 4.25                   | 3.99                | 1968        | 29     | 10.24                 | 1989        | 1.45                 | 1987        | 11.4       | 7.7        | 3.4        | 1.1        | 1.40   | 1.85  | 2.52  | 3.09  | 3.65  | 4.23  | 4.87  | 5.63  | 6.60  | 8.13  | 9.54  |  |  |
| Jun   | 3.84  | 3.72                   | 4.29                | 1884        | 26     | 9.30                  | 1972        | .19                  | 1999        | 10.8       | 6.5        | 2.5        | .9         | .85  | 1.21  | 1.77  | 2.28  | 2.78  | 3.32  | 3.93  | 4.66  | 5.61  | 7.13  | 8.57  |  |  |
| Jul   | 4.62  | 4.52                   | 3.75                | 1997        | 24     | 11.77                 | 1975        | .44                  | 1999        | 10.2       | 7.0        | 2.9        | 1.3        | 1.00   | 1.43  | 2.11  | 2.72  | 3.33  | 3.99  | 4.73  | 5.61  | 6.77  | 8.63  | 10.39 |  |  |
| Aug   | 4.22  | 3.66                   | 4.80                | 1909        | 16     | 12.36                 | 1990        | .18                  | 1995        | 9.5        | 6.1        | 2.4        | 1.1        | .72  | 1.09  | 1.70  | 2.28  | 2.87  | 3.52  | 4.25  | 5.14  | 6.33  | 8.26  | 10.10 |  |  |
| Sep   | 4.23  | 3.58                   | 8.28                | 1882        | 23     | 9.32                  | 1975        | 1.33                 | 1972        | 9.1        | 6.1        | 2.7        | 1.2        | 1.42   | 1.82  | 2.40  | 2.90  | 3.38  | 3.87  | 4.41  | 5.04  | 5.85  | 7.10  | 8.26  |  |  |
| Oct   | 3.85  | 3.67                   | 7.33                | 1903        | 9      | 8.63                  | 1983        | .67                  | 2000        | 8.3        | 5.5        | 2.5        | 1.0        | .99  | 1.36  | 1.92  | 2.41  | 2.90  | 3.41  | 3.98  | 4.65  | 5.53  | 6.92  | 8.23  |  |  |
| Nov   | 4.36  | 3.49                   | 7.40                | 1977        | 8      | 12.41                 | 1972        | .34                  | 1976        | 9.3        | 6.0        | 2.9        | 1.2        | .83  | 1.22  | 1.86  | 2.45  | 3.05  | 3.69  | 4.42  | 5.31  | 6.48  | 8.36  | 10.16 |  |  |
| Dec   | 3.95  | 3.45                   | 3.03                | 1909        | 13     | 9.98                  | 1973        | .58                  | 1980        | 10.6       | 6.6        | 2.6        | 1.2        | .76  | 1.11  | 1.69  | 2.22  | 2.77  | 3.35  | 4.01  | 4.81  | 5.87  | 7.57  | 9.18  |  |  |
| Ann   | 49.69 | 46.92                  | 8.28                | Sep<br>1882 | 23     | 12.41                 | Nov<br>1972 | .18                  | Aug<br>1995 | 120.7      | 78.6       | 32.9       | 13.1       | 36.42  | 39.01 | 42.33 | 44.83 | 47.04 | 49.18 | 51.38 | 53.81 | 56.74 | 60.98 | 64.63 |  |  |

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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 (incl     | nes) |   |             |                         |     |       |     |                          |      |      |     |     |  |  |  |
|-------|----------------------|------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|----------------------------------|-------------|-------|------------------------------------|-------------|-----------------------------------|-------------|------|---|-------------|-------------------------|-----|-------|-----|--------------------------|------|------|-----|-----|--|--|--|
|       |                      |                        |                       |                         |                                  | Sn          | ow To | tals                               |             |                                   |             |      |   |             | Mean Number of Days (1) |     |       |     |                          |      |      |     |     |  |  |  |
|       | Mean                 | s/Medi                 | ians (1)              | )                       |                                  |             |       |                                    | Extre       | mes (2)                           |             |      |   |             |                         |     | ow Fa |     | Snow Depth >= Thresholds |      |      |     |     |  |  |  |
| Month | Snow<br>Fall<br>Mean | Snow<br>Fall<br>Median | Snow<br>Depth<br>Mean | Snow<br>Depth<br>Median | Highest<br>Daily<br>Snow<br>Fall | Year        | Day   | Highest<br>Monthly<br>Snow<br>Fall | Year        | Highest<br>Daily<br>Snow<br>Depth | Year        | Day  | Highest<br>Monthly<br>Mean<br>Snow<br>Depth | Year        | 0.1                     | 1.0 | 3.0   | 5.0 | 10.0                     | 1    | 3    | 5   | 10  |  |  |  |
| Jan   | 8.3                  | 6.6                    | 1                     | 0                       | 13.7                             | 1978        | 18    | 34.0                               | 1978        | 15+                               | 1978        | 22   | 3+  | 1994        | 4.1                     | 2.4 | .9    | .4  | .1                       | 8.4  | 4.2  | 2.2 | .2  |  |  |  |
| Feb   | 7.1                  | 5.0                    | 1                     | 1                       | 15.5                             | 1978        | 6     | 26.4                               | 1994        | 22                                | 1994        | 12   | 7   | 1994        | 2.9                     | 1.8 | .8    | .3  | .1                       | 8.6  | 4.6  | 2.5 | .9  |  |  |  |
| Mar   | 3.4                  | 2.1                    | #                     | 0                       | 10.2                             | 1993        | 13    | 11.9+                              | 1993        | 8+                                | 1993        | 15   | 1+  | 1994        | 1.6                     | 1.0 | .4    | .2  | @                        | 2.6  | 1.3  | .5  | .0  |  |  |  |
| Apr   | .4                   | .0                     | #                     | 0                       | 9.6                              | 1982        | 6     | 9.6                                | 1982        | 9                                 | 1982        | 7    | 1   | 1982        | .2                      | .1  | @     | @   | .0                       | .2   | .2   | .1  | .0  |  |  |  |
| May   | #                    | .0                     | #                     | 0                       | #                                | 1977        | 9     | #                                  | 1977        | 0                                 | 0           | 0    | #   | 1995        | .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                       | #                                | 2000        | 29    | #+                                 | 2000        | 0                                 | 0           | 0    | 0   | 0           | .0                      | .0  | .0    | .0  | .0                       | .0   | .0   | .0  | .0  |  |  |  |
| Nov   | .4                   | .0                     | #                     | 0                       | 4.4                              | 1989        | 23    | 4.7                                | 1989        | 5+                                | 1989        | 24   | #   | 1995        | .3                      | .1  | @     | .0  | .0                       | .3   | .1   | .1  | .0  |  |  |  |
| Dec   | 2.6                  | 1.5                    | #                     | 0                       | 12.0                             | 2000        | 30    | 13.4                               | 2000        | 7+                                | 1995        | 22   | 1   | 1995        | 1.8                     | .7  | .2    | .1  | @                        | 1.8  | .5   | .2  | .0  |  |  |  |
| Ann   | 22.2                 | 15.2                   | N/A                   | N/A                     | 15.5                             | Feb<br>1978 | 6     | 34.0                               | Jan<br>1978 | 22                                | Feb<br>1994 | 12   | 7   | Feb<br>1994 | 10.9                    | 6.1 | 2.3   | 1.0 | .2                       | 21.9 | 10.9 | 5.6 | 1.1 |  |  |  |

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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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**Climate Division: NY 4** 

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Freeze Data Spring Freeze Dates (Month/Day) Probability of later date in spring (thru Jul 31) than indicated(\*) Temp (F) .10 .20 .30 .40 .60 .70 .80 .90 36 4/24 4/21 4/18 4/16 4/14 4/12 4/10 4/08 4/04 32 3/30 4/13 4/09 4/06 4/03 4/01 3/27 3/24 3/20 28 4/09 4/04 3/31 3/28 3/25 3/22 3/19 3/16 3/11 24 3/30 3/25 3/21 3/18 3/15 3/12 3/09 3/05 2/28 20 3/22 3/17 3/13 3/09 3/06 3/03 2/27 2/23 2/17 3/05 2/23 16 3/13 2/28 2/18 2/14 2/09 2/03 1/27 Fall Freeze Dates (Month/Day) Probability of earlier date in fall (beginning Aug 1) than indicated(\*) Temp (F) .20 .30 .40 .50 .70 .10 .60 .80 .90 36 10/21 10/25 10/28 10/30 11/02 11/04 11/06 11/09 11/13 32 10/29 11/04 11/08 11/12 11/15 11/18 11/22 11/26 12/02 28 11/14 11/19 11/22 11/25 11/28 12/01 12/04 12/08 12/13 24 11/19 11/26 12/01 12/05 12/09 12/13 12/17 12/22 12/28 20 12/03 12/08 12/12 12/15 12/18 12/21 12/24 12/28 1/02 12/23 12/28 1/01 1/22 16 12/11 12/18 1/05 1/10 1/15 Freeze Free Period **Probability of longer than indicated freeze free period (Days)** Temp (F) .10 .20 .30 .40 .50 .60 .70 .80 .90 215 210 206 203 201 198 195 187 36 191 32 251 243 237 232 227 222 217 211 203 28 269 262 256 252 247 243 239 233 226

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0/00 Indicates that the probability of occurrence of threshold temperature is less than the indicated probability. Derived from 1971-2000 serially complete daily data

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Elevation: 130 Feet

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<sup>\*</sup> Probability of observing a temperature as cold, or colder, later in the spring or earlier in the fall than the indicated date.

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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    | 1009   | 853 | 695 | 372 | 127 | 16     | 7          | 2        | 43  | 261 | 525 | 844 | 4754 |  |  |
| 60    | 866  | 713 | 545 | 233 | 49  | 1      | 0          | 0        | 8   | 158 | 390 | 705 | 3668 |  |  |
| 57    | 773  | 629 | 452 | 157 | 22  | 0      | 0          | 0        | 2   | 103 | 307 | 613 | 3058 |  |  |
| 55    | 711  | 573 | 392 | 114 | 11  | 0      | 0          | 0        | 1   | 74  | 253 | 557 | 2686 |  |  |
| 50    | 566  | 440 | 252 | 38  | 1   | 0      | 0          | 0        | 0   | 26  | 140 | 414 | 1877 |  |  |
| 32    | 151  | 84  | 11  | 0   | 0   | 0      | 0          | 0        | 0   | 0   | 2   | 75  | 323  |  |  |

| Base  | Cooling Degree Days (1) |     |     |     |     |      |      |      |      |     |     |     |      |  |  |
|-------|-------------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|------|------|------|------|-----|-----|-----|------|--|--|
| Above | Jan                     | Feb | Mar | Apr | May | Jun  | Jul  | Aug  | Sep  | Oct | Nov | Dec | Ann  |  |  |
| 32    | 132                     | 153 | 349 | 626 | 960 | 1188 | 1396 | 1353 | 1083 | 778 | 468 | 224 | 8710 |  |  |
| 55    | 0                       | 1   | 14  | 68  | 259 | 498  | 683  | 640  | 394  | 127 | 27  | 3   | 2714 |  |  |
| 57    | 0                       | 1   | 10  | 49  | 207 | 438  | 621  | 578  | 336  | 93  | 18  | 2   | 2353 |  |  |
| 60    | 0                       | 0   | 5   | 28  | 140 | 350  | 528  | 485  | 253  | 54  | 9   | 1   | 1853 |  |  |
| 65    | 0                       | 0   | 2   | 10  | 63  | 214  | 379  | 331  | 134  | 16  | 2   | 0   | 1151 |  |  |
| 70    | 0                       | 0   | 0   | 3   | 24  | 102  | 225  | 188  | 59   | 3   | 0   | 0   | 604  |  |  |

|       | Growing Degree U  |   |     |     |     |     |      |      |     |     |     |    |    |   |     |  |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |  |  |  |  |  |
|-------|---|---|-----|-----|-----|-----|------|------|-----|-----|-----|----|----|---|-----|--|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|--|--|--|--|--|
| Base  |   | Growing Degree Units (Monthly)          |     |     |     |     |      |      |     |     |     |    |    |   |     | Growing Degree Units (Accumulated Monthly) |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |  |  |  |  |  |
|       | Jan         Feb         Mar         Apr         May         Jun         Jul         Aug         Sep         Oct         Nov         Dec |   |     |     |     |     |      |      |     |     |     |    |    |   | Mar | Apr  | May  | Jun  | Jul  | Aug  | Sep  | Oct  | Nov  | Dec  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 40    | 41  | 55                                      | 161 | 401 | 721 | 956 | 1156 | 1115 | 851 | 539 | 257 | 82 | 41 | 96  | 257 | 658  | 1379 | 2335 | 3491 | 4606 | 5457 | 5996 | 6253 | 6335 |  |  |  |  |  |
| 45    | 14  | 23                                      | 83  | 262 | 567 | 806 | 1001 | 960  | 701 | 386 | 147 | 35 | 14 | 37  | 120 | 382  | 949  | 1755 | 2756 | 3716 | 4417 | 4803 | 4950 | 4985 |  |  |  |  |  |
| 50    | 1   | 5                                       | 40  | 147 | 412 | 656 | 846  | 805  | 551 | 245 | 74  | 10 | 1  | 6   | 46  | 193  | 605  | 1261 | 2107 | 2912 | 3463 | 3708 | 3782 | 3792 |  |  |  |  |  |
| 55    | 0   | 0                                       | 12  | 73  | 267 | 506 | 691  | 650  | 403 | 134 | 26  | 3  | 0  | 0   | 12  | 85   | 352  | 858  | 1549 | 2199 | 2602 | 2736 | 2762 | 2765 |  |  |  |  |  |
| 60    | 0   | 0                                       | 4   | 30  | 146 | 360 | 536  | 495  | 260 | 58  | 9   | 0  | 0  | 0   | 4   | 34   | 180  | 540  | 1076 | 1571 | 1831 | 1889 | 1898 | 1898 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Base  |   | Growing Degree Units for Corn (Monthly) |     |     |     |     |      |      |     |     |     |    |    | Growing Degree Units for Corn (Accumulated Monthly) |     |  |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |  |  |  |  |  |
| 50/86 | <b>86</b> 14 23 77 199 422 645 811 783 551 279 105 3  |   |     |     |     |     |      |      |     |     |     | 30 | 14 | 37  | 114 | 313  | 735  | 1380 | 2191 | 2974 | 3525 | 3804 | 3909 | 3939 |  |  |  |  |  |

(1) Derived from the 1971-2000 Monthly Normals

(2) Derived from 1971-2000 serially complete daily data

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

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