

Climatology of the United States

No. 20

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Station: FAIRFIELD, UT

1971-2000

COOP ID: 422696

Climate Division: UT 3

NWS Call Sign:

Elevation: 4,880 Feet Lat: 40° 16N

Lon: 112° 05W

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	38.4	12.4	25.4	63	1987	27	33.3	1998	-29+	1960	4	16.8	1984	1228	0	.0	.0	3.1	8.5	29.9	6.0
Feb	44.4	17.1	30.8	70	1972	28	38.9	1995	-36	1989	6	20.5	1984	959	0	.0	.0	7.5	2.9	26.7	2.8
Mar	54.0	25.2	39.6	77	1986	28	45.1	1986	-11	1966	4	33.9	1984	789	0	.0	.0	19.7	.3	25.9	.1
Apr	62.5	29.6	46.1	85+	1992	26	52.2	1992	10+	1959	16	39.1	1975	570	0	.0	.0	25.8	.0	19.3	.0
May	72.0	37.0	54.5	91+	1951	27	59.5	1992	16	1967	3	50.7	1995	328	4	.0	.2	30.6	.0	8.3	.0
Jun	82.5	44.0	63.3	99+	1954	23	67.8	1988	17	1959	27	58.4	1993	110	57	.0	5.4	30.0	.0	1.4	.0
Jul	89.3	50.9	70.1	101+	2000	31	73.0	1989	32	1987	19	64.5	1993	11	168	.2	15.0	31.0	.0	@	.0
Aug	87.9	49.2	68.6	100+	1994	4	72.2	1994	27	1962	31	65.4	1975	25	136	.1	11.8	31.0	.0	.3	.0
Sep	79.2	39.9	59.6	97	2000	16	65.3	1990	16	1956	23	55.2	1971	190	26	.0	2.2	30.0	.0	6.2	.0
Oct	66.5	29.7	48.1	88+	1979	1	53.8	1988	4	1971	30	43.9	1984	523	0	.0	.0	28.2	.1	21.1	.0
Nov	50.6	21.0	35.8	78	1950	6	40.9	1981	-20	1955	16	28.7	2000	876	0	.0	.0	15.0	1.5	26.9	.7
Dec	40.0	13.2	26.6	70	1995	1	32.8	1977	-29	1990	23	18.9	1990	1190	0	.0	.0	4.5	6.7	30.1	3.8
Ann	63.9	30.8	47.4	101+	Jul 2000	31	73.0	Jul 1989	-36	Feb 1989	6	16.8	Jan 1984	6799	391	.3	34.6	256.4	20.0	196.1	13.4

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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	1.15	1.09	.85+	1952	24	2.92	1997	.25	1994	8.3	3.8	.3	.0	.36	.46	.63	.77	.90	1.04	1.19	1.37	1.61	1.97	2.30
Feb	1.17	.98	1.03	1980	18	3.29	1980	.06	1988	7.5	3.9	.4	@	.12	.21	.37	.53	.71	.91	1.14	1.43	1.83	2.49	3.14
Mar	1.19	1.06	1.31	1978	3	3.86	1978	.17	1972	9.6	3.8	.3	.1	.28	.39	.56	.72	.88	1.04	1.23	1.45	1.74	2.20	2.63
Apr	1.16	1.05	1.01	1984	1	2.69	1999	.07	1992	9.1	3.9	.4	@	.22	.33	.50	.66	.82	.99	1.18	1.42	1.73	2.23	2.70
May	1.29	.99	2.00	1991	15	3.41	1991	.02	1974	9.1	3.8	.5	.1	.15	.25	.43	.61	.80	1.01	1.26	1.57	1.99	2.69	3.37
Jun	.72	.54	.98	1975	7	2.90	1975	.00	1994	5.0	2.2	.2	.0	.01	.05	.14	.24	.36	.49	.66	.87	1.18	1.69	2.21
Jul	1.09	.83	1.50	1985	12	5.23	1985	.04	1978	6.1	2.7	.5	.1	.06	.13	.26	.41	.57	.77	1.01	1.31	1.74	2.46	3.19
Aug	1.09	.61	1.26	1977	5	4.77	1983	.03	1974	7.5	3.1	.5	.1	.07	.13	.27	.41	.58	.78	1.02	1.32	1.74	2.47	3.18
Sep	1.06	.79	1.13	1991	7	5.29	1982	.00	1979	6.0	2.6	.5	.1	.05	.13	.29	.44	.61	.80	1.03	1.30	1.69	2.32	2.95
Oct	1.31	1.36	1.55	1979	20	3.02	1981	.00	1999	7.3	3.7	.5	.1	.07	.20	.40	.59	.80	1.02	1.29	1.61	2.05	2.78	3.49
Nov	1.04	1.00	1.03	1996	22	2.70	1973	.10	1976	8.0	3.3	.4	@	.15	.23	.38	.52	.68	.84	1.03	1.27	1.59	2.10	2.60
Dec	.84	.57	.77	1951	29	3.08	1983	.05	1976	7.2	2.9	.2	.0	.10	.16	.28	.39	.52	.66	.82	1.02	1.29	1.75	2.19
Ann	13.11	13.50	2.00	May 1991	15	5.29	Sep 1982	.00+	Oct 1999	90.7	39.7	4.7	.6	7.28	8.30	9.67	10.75	11.73	12.70	13.72	14.88	16.30	18.43	20.32

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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	10.2	9.5	4	3	12.0	1980	29	29.8	1993	17	1993	13	12	1993	5.1	4.0	1.3	.4	@	16.1	11.4	8.2	3.0
Feb	6.2	5.5	4	2	6.0	1982	3	17.0	1990	16	1984	17	13	1993	3.5	2.7	.8	.3	.0	10.6	8.6	7.1	3.3
Mar	4.3	3.0	1	#	6.0	1980	24	13.0	1980	13	1993	3	7	1984	3.0	2.1	.5	.1	.0	3.5	2.6	1.6	.6
Apr	2.1	1.0	#	0	6.0	1984	1	20.0	1984	6	1984	1	#+	1999	1.3	.9	.3	.1	.0	.2	.1	@	.0
May	.2	.0	#	0	1.0	1975	21	2.0	1983	2	1975	20	#+	1999	.2	.1	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0
Jun	.0	.0	#	0	.0	0	0	.0	0	#	1998	11	#	1998	.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	.5	1978	18	.5	1978	#+	2000	21	#+	2000	.1	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0
Oct	1.1	.0	#	0	4.0	1972	29	6.0+	1984	4	1972	29	1	1971	.6	.5	.1	.0	.0	.3	.1	.0	.0
Nov	4.5	2.0	1	#	10.0	1983	20	18.0	1983	8	1983	21	2	1994	2.6	2.0	.4	.1	@	4.0	2.0	.6	.0
Dec	7.7	6.3	2	2	8.0	1971	3	32.0	1983	15	1983	28	7	1971	4.5	3.4	.7	.2	.0	13.3	6.2	2.3	.5
Ann	36.3	27.3	N/A	N/A	12.0	Jan 1980	29	32.0	Dec 1983	17	Jan 1993	13	13	Feb 1993	20.9	15.7	4.1	1.2	@	48.0	31.0	19.8	7.4

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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	7/09	7/03	6/29	6/25	6/22	6/19	6/15	6/11	6/05
32	6/26	6/20	6/15	6/11	6/07	6/04	5/31	5/26	5/20
28	6/08	6/01	5/27	5/23	5/20	5/16	5/12	5/07	5/01
24	5/20	5/14	5/10	5/06	5/03	4/29	4/26	4/21	4/15
20	5/05	4/29	4/25	4/21	4/18	4/14	4/10	4/06	3/31
16	4/23	4/14	4/07	4/01	3/27	3/21	3/16	3/09	2/27
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	8/12	8/19	8/25	8/29	9/02	9/06	9/11	9/16	9/23
32	8/25	8/31	9/05	9/08	9/12	9/15	9/19	9/23	9/29
28	9/11	9/15	9/18	9/21	9/24	9/26	9/29	10/02	10/06
24	9/19	9/24	9/28	10/01	10/04	10/07	10/11	10/14	10/20
20	10/02	10/07	10/11	10/14	10/17	10/20	10/23	10/27	11/02
16	10/19	10/24	10/27	10/30	11/02	11/05	11/08	11/12	11/17
Freeze Free Period									
Temp (F)	Probability of longer than indicated freeze free period (Days)								
	.10	.20	.30	.40	.50	.60	.70	.80	.90
36	99	90	83	77	72	66	60	53	44
32	121	113	106	101	96	91	85	79	70
28	147	140	134	130	126	122	118	113	106
24	177	169	163	158	154	149	145	139	131
20	206	197	192	186	182	177	172	166	158
16	250	240	232	226	220	214	207	200	189

* 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	1228	959	789	570	328	110	11	25	190	523	876	1190	6799
60	1073	819	634	424	193	41	1	4	91	370	726	1035	5411
57	980	735	541	341	128	18	0	1	51	281	636	942	4654
55	918	679	479	288	93	10	0	0	32	225	576	880	4180
50	768	546	332	173	33	1	0	0	7	110	429	725	3124
32	295	154	21	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	60	217	751

Base	Cooling Degree Days (1)												
Above	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Ann
32	90	119	256	424	699	937	1180	1134	826	500	175	51	6391
55	0	0	0	18	78	257	467	421	168	12	0	0	1421
57	0	0	0	11	51	205	405	359	127	5	0	0	1163
60	0	0	0	4	24	138	313	269	77	1	0	0	826
65	0	0	0	0	4	57	168	136	26	0	0	0	391
70	0	0	0	0	0	15	61	45	5	0	0	0	126

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	15	82	208	450	696	933	888	592	272	49	4	0	15	97	305	755	1451	2384	3272	3864	4136	4185	4189
45	0	0	27	104	302	546	778	733	443	151	14	0	0	0	27	131	433	979	1757	2490	2933	3084	3098	3098
50	0	0	3	43	173	398	623	578	301	65	0	0	0	0	3	46	219	617	1240	1818	2119	2184	2184	2184
55	0	0	0	12	82	255	468	423	176	14	0	0	0	0	0	12	94	349	817	1240	1416	1430	1430	1430
60	0	0	0	0	21	139	315	269	78	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	21	160	475	744	822	822	822	822
Base	Growing Degree Units for Corn (Monthly)												Growing Degree Units for Corn (Accumulated Monthly)											
50/86	1	24	94	193	342	474	598	578	442	268	73	8	1	25	119	312	654	1128	1726	2304	2746	3014	3087	3095

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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
- 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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