

Climatology of the United States

No. 20

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Station: WILLMAR STATE HOSPITAL, MN

1971-2000

COOP ID: 219004

Climate Division: MN 5

NWS Call Sign:

Elevation: 1,128 Feet Lat: 45°08N

Lon: 95°01W

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	18.8	-1.0	8.9	62	1981	24	23.5	1990	-41	1977	9	-5.0	1977	1740	0	.0	.0	.1	24.9	31.0	15.9
Feb	25.6	6.7	16.2	60	1981	16	30.5	1987	-36	1996	2	2.7	1979	1368	0	.0	.0	.9	17.8	27.7	9.7
Mar	37.4	19.7	28.6	79	1968	30	38.6	2000	-31	1948	11	18.5	1975	1130	0	.0	.0	4.9	8.8	26.8	2.7
Apr	54.7	33.7	44.2	94	1980	21	53.1	1987	1+	1975	1	35.8	1975	627	2	.0	.1	20.3	.6	13.2	.0
May	69.2	47.0	58.1	105	1934	31	66.0	1988	19	1967	3	52.4	1997	258	44	.0	.5	30.0	.0	1.2	.0
Jun	78.0	56.5	67.3	103+	1988	25	74.3	1988	33	1935	7	59.7	1982	65	131	.1	2.2	30.0	.0	.0	.0
Jul	81.8	60.8	71.3	107+	1934	22	76.3	1988	43	1967	4	64.6	1992	15	211	.1	4.5	31.0	.0	.0	.0
Aug	79.4	58.2	68.8	105	1988	1	74.6	1983	34	1934	24	63.5	1985	38	156	.1	2.5	31.0	.0	.0	.0
Sep	70.7	48.0	59.4	99+	1978	7	65.6	1998	19	1974	22	53.8	1984	200	29	.0	.8	29.6	.0	1.1	.0
Oct	57.5	35.8	46.7	91	1953	2	52.9	1973	8+	1976	27	41.0	1976	569	0	.0	.0	24.3	.2	10.3	.0
Nov	37.7	21.4	29.6	80	1999	9	39.9	1999	-20	1964	30	20.5	1985	1063	0	.0	.0	5.9	10.1	25.9	1.5
Dec	23.5	5.8	14.7	64	1939	6	23.9	1997	-34	1983	19	-1.5	1983	1561	0	.0	.0	.3	22.4	30.9	10.4
Ann	52.9	32.7	42.8	107+	Jul 1934	22	76.3	Jul 1988	-41	Jan 1977	9	-5.0	Jan 1977	8634	573	.3	10.6	208.3	84.8	168.1	40.2

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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	.82	.63	1.50	1996	18	3.18	1975	.05	1990	6.9	2.5	.2	.1	.07	.13	.24	.35	.48	.62	.79	1.00	1.29	1.77	2.24
Feb	.62	.50	1.31	1965	10	2.50	1971	.07+	1997	5.3	1.9	.2	@	.05	.09	.17	.26	.35	.46	.59	.75	.97	1.35	1.72
Mar	1.54	1.36	2.05	1985	4	3.81	1977	.27	1974	7.2	4.0	.9	.1	.39	.54	.76	.96	1.16	1.36	1.59	1.86	2.22	2.78	3.30
Apr	2.13	1.79	3.31	1936	30	5.51	1986	.25	1980	9.3	4.9	1.5	.2	.42	.61	.92	1.21	1.50	1.81	2.16	2.59	3.15	4.05	4.91
May	3.22	3.33	2.35	1979	10	7.21	1977	.48	1976	11.7	6.8	2.2	.5	1.00	1.30	1.76	2.15	2.53	2.92	3.35	3.85	4.50	5.52	6.46
Jun	5.16	5.52	6.82	1957	17	9.37	1990	.56	1988	10.6	7.5	3.2	1.3	1.41	1.90	2.65	3.30	3.93	4.60	5.34	6.21	7.35	9.13	10.80
Jul	3.76	3.45	3.96	1981	11	9.89	1986	.86	1979	9.6	6.3	2.5	1.2	1.23	1.59	2.12	2.56	2.99	3.43	3.92	4.49	5.22	6.35	7.40
Aug	3.78	3.65	3.80	1989	22	8.65	1993	.39	1976	9.7	5.9	2.7	1.2	1.14	1.50	2.04	2.50	2.95	3.42	3.93	4.54	5.32	6.54	7.68
Sep	2.80	2.39	4.25	1991	8	8.06	1991	.50	2000	9.3	5.2	1.7	.6	.62	.88	1.29	1.66	2.03	2.42	2.87	3.40	4.10	5.21	6.27
Oct	2.17	1.87	2.45	1968	17	5.69	1971	.02	1978	7.3	4.3	1.4	.6	.20	.35	.64	.94	1.27	1.64	2.08	2.64	3.40	4.68	5.93
Nov	1.55	1.31	1.97	2001	27	4.18	2000	.09	1980	7.0	3.3	.9	.3	.12	.22	.42	.63	.87	1.14	1.47	1.88	2.46	3.42	4.37
Dec	.66	.59	1.08	1965	12	1.85	1982	.02	1986	5.7	2.3	.1	.0	.06	.11	.19	.29	.39	.50	.64	.81	1.04	1.43	1.82
Ann	28.21	28.08	6.82	Jun 1957	17	9.89	Jul 1986	.02+	Dec 1986	99.6	54.9	17.5	6.1	18.30	20.15	22.56	24.41	26.07	27.69	29.37	31.25	33.54	36.90	39.84

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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	11.9	9.9	7	6	12.0	1975	11	32.7	1982	22	1975	12	15	1997	6.6	3.7	1.3	.5	@	-9.9	-9.9	-9.9	-9.9
Feb	7.0	5.1	8	8	11.0	1971	27	23.0	1971	24	1996	5	20	1979	4.5	2.7	.8	.1	@	-9.9	-9.9	-9.9	-9.9
Mar	9.5	8.6	3	1	13.0	1985	4	22.5	1989	21	1971	3	12	1997	4.5	2.8	1.2	.5	.1	-9.9	-9.9	-9.9	-9.9
Apr	2.3	1.1	#	0	7.0	1998	1	7.0+	1998	16	1975	1	2	1975	1.4	.9	.2	.1	.0	.4	.0	.0	.0
May	#	.0	0	0	#	1979	5	#+	1979	0	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	#	1985	28	#+	1985	0	0	0	0	0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0
Oct	.3	.0	#	0	4.5	1976	19	4.5	1976	#+	2000	8	#+	2000	.3	.1	@	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0
Nov	8.4	6.8	1	0	18.0	1985	30	25.4	1985	17	1975	23	5	1975	4.1	2.4	.8	.5	.1	2.0	1.6	1.6	1.1
Dec	8.3	9.1	4	3	9.0	1982	28	18.0	1973	15	1983	27	14	1983	5.0	2.9	.9	.4	.0	-9.9	-9.9	-9.9	-9.9
Ann	47.7	40.6	N/A	N/A	18.0	Nov 1985	30	32.7	Jan 1982	24	Feb 1996	5	20	Feb 1979	26.4	15.5	5.2	2.1	.2	-9.9	-9.9	-9.9	-9.9

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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	5/24	5/20	5/16	5/14	5/11	5/09	5/06	5/03	4/28
32	5/15	5/10	5/06	5/03	4/30	4/27	4/24	4/20	4/15
28	5/07	5/02	4/28	4/25	4/22	4/19	4/16	4/12	4/07
24	4/23	4/18	4/15	4/12	4/09	4/07	4/04	3/31	3/27
20	4/14	4/09	4/05	4/02	3/30	3/27	3/24	3/20	3/15
16	4/07	4/03	3/30	3/27	3/24	3/22	3/19	3/15	3/10
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	9/12	9/15	9/18	9/20	9/21	9/23	9/25	9/28	10/01
32	9/19	9/23	9/26	9/29	10/01	10/04	10/06	10/09	10/14
28	9/23	9/28	10/02	10/06	10/09	10/12	10/16	10/20	10/26
24	10/08	10/13	10/16	10/20	10/22	10/25	10/29	11/01	11/06
20	10/13	10/19	10/23	10/27	10/31	11/03	11/07	11/11	11/17
16	10/28	11/02	11/05	11/08	11/11	11/13	11/16	11/19	11/24
Freeze Free Period									
Temp (F)	Probability of longer than indicated freeze free period (Days)								
	.10	.20	.30	.40	.50	.60	.70	.80	.90
36	150	144	140	136	133	129	125	121	115
32	174	167	162	158	154	150	145	140	133
28	193	185	179	174	169	164	159	153	145
24	219	211	205	200	195	191	186	180	172
20	236	229	223	218	214	209	205	199	191
16	251	244	239	235	230	226	222	217	210

* 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	1740	1368	1130	627	258	65	15	38	200	569	1063	1561	8634
60	1585	1228	975	484	158	22	1	9	101	417	913	1406	7299
57	1492	1144	882	403	111	10	0	3	60	330	823	1313	6571
55	1430	1088	820	353	85	5	0	1	39	277	763	1251	6112
50	1275	948	670	239	38	1	0	0	10	162	617	1096	5056
32	743	492	228	23	0	0	0	0	0	5	193	575	2259

Base	Cooling Degree Days (1)												
Above	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Ann
32	26	47	121	389	809	1056	1218	1141	820	459	121	37	6244
55	0	0	0	28	181	371	505	429	169	18	0	0	1701
57	0	0	0	19	145	316	443	368	129	9	0	0	1429
60	0	0	0	10	99	238	352	282	81	3	0	0	1065
65	0	0	0	2	44	131	211	156	29	0	0	0	573
70	0	0	0	0	16	57	103	68	7	0	0	0	251

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	1	26	209	583	834	989	915	605	272	35	0	0	1	27	236	819	1653	2642	3557	4162	4434	4469	4469
45	0	0	9	120	434	684	834	760	459	160	14	0	0	0	9	129	563	1247	2081	2841	3300	3460	3474	3474
50	0	0	0	63	295	534	679	605	321	84	3	0	0	0	0	63	358	892	1571	2176	2497	2581	2584	2584
55	0	0	0	26	178	387	524	450	197	39	0	0	0	0	0	26	204	591	1115	1565	1762	1801	1801	1801
60	0	0	0	11	91	251	369	298	103	12	0	0	0	0	0	11	102	353	722	1020	1123	1135	1135	1135
Base	Growing Degree Units for Corn (Monthly)												Growing Degree Units for Corn (Accumulated Monthly)											
50/86	0	0	18	132	348	532	656	595	366	162	22	0	0	0	18	150	498	1030	1686	2281	2647	2809	2831	2831

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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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