

Climatography of the United States No. 20

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Station: CARROLLTON LOCK 1, KY

1971-2000

COOP ID: 151345

Climate Division: KY 3

NWS Call Sign:

Elevation: 450 Feet

Lat: 38°40N

Lon: 85°09W

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	41.6	24.0	32.8	72	1967	24	42.4	1990	-22+	1985	20	17.7	1977	999	0	.0	.0	8.3	6.9	24.0	1.6
Feb	47.7	26.8	37.3	80	1996	24	45.6	1976	-18	1951	2	23.5	1978	778	0	.0	.0	12.6	3.4	20.1	1.0
Mar	57.6	35.0	46.3	85	1986	31	54.1	1973	-5	1980	3	40.3	1984	579	0	.0	.0	22.7	.4	14.4	.1
Apr	67.7	43.5	55.6	89	1986	27	61.1	1985	20+	1982	7	51.4	1982	290	7	.0	.0	28.6	.0	4.7	.0
May	76.3	52.7	64.5	93+	1987	29	71.5	1991	27	1966	10	59.7	1989	118	103	.0	.2	31.0	.0	.2	.0
Jun	84.0	61.3	72.7	104	1988	26	76.2	1971	36	1966	1	68.8	1992	7	236	.1	4.7	30.0	.0	.0	.0
Jul	87.8	65.9	76.9	105+	1988	10	80.5	1980	47+	1988	2	74.1	1984	0	367	.3	9.3	31.0	.0	.0	.0
Aug	86.6	64.5	75.6	103+	1983	21	81.8	1983	42	1986	29	71.1	1992	3	331	.2	8.1	31.0	.0	.0	.0
Sep	81.1	58.0	69.6	103+	1954	5	73.4	1998	35+	1974	23	65.4	1974	33	170	.0	3.3	30.0	.0	.0	.0
Oct	70.2	46.1	58.2	91+	1951	5	65.3	1971	19	1952	21	48.8	1988	251	39	.0	@	30.7	.0	3.5	.0
Nov	57.6	37.8	47.7	84+	1987	2	53.2	1985	-2	1958	30	40.1	1976	520	1	.0	.0	22.0	.2	11.8	.0
Dec	46.2	28.7	37.5	75+	1982	4	47.0	1982	-18	1989	22	23.9	1989	854	0	.0	.0	12.1	3.8	20.4	.6
Ann	67.0	45.4	56.2	105+	Jul 1988	10	81.8	Aug 1983	-22+	Jan 1985	20	17.7	Jan 1977	4432	1254	.6	25.6	290.0	14.7	99.1	3.3

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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	3.10	3.32	3.35	1982	23	6.23	1982	.38	1981	10.6	6.1	2.2	.7	.78	1.07	1.52	1.92	2.32	2.74	3.20	3.75	4.48	5.62	6.69
Feb	3.00	2.35	3.14	1971	22	7.06	1971	.39	1978	9.4	5.6	1.9	.6	.64	.92	1.36	1.76	2.16	2.59	3.07	3.65	4.41	5.64	6.79
Mar	4.20	3.64	3.66	1964	5	10.78	1997	.91	1979	12.1	8.2	2.9	.9	1.41	1.80	2.39	2.88	3.35	3.84	4.38	5.00	5.80	7.04	8.19
Apr	4.20	4.05	8.30	1947	11	8.79	1996	1.06	1976	12.3	8.4	2.5	1.0	1.36	1.76	2.35	2.85	3.33	3.83	4.37	5.01	5.83	7.11	8.29
May	4.98	4.41	3.85	1933	15	12.49	1996	.90	1987	11.8	8.5	3.6	1.4	1.35	1.82	2.54	3.17	3.79	4.43	5.15	6.00	7.11	8.84	10.46
Jun	4.44	4.41	4.25	1960	14	10.23	1998	.35	1988	10.3	7.6	3.2	1.2	1.10	1.52	2.17	2.74	3.31	3.91	4.58	5.37	6.41	8.05	9.60
Jul	4.06	3.66	3.05	1986	15	10.20	1986	.98	1983	9.7	6.9	2.8	1.1	1.35	1.74	2.30	2.78	3.24	3.71	4.23	4.84	5.62	6.83	7.94
Aug	4.09	3.68	5.05	1932	3	8.43	2000	1.07	1999	8.6	6.3	3.0	1.2	1.60	1.98	2.52	2.96	3.38	3.81	4.28	4.82	5.50	6.55	7.50
Sep	3.08	2.89	5.70	1979	14	10.57	1979	.38	1998	8.0	5.1	2.0	.7	.47	.73	1.18	1.61	2.05	2.53	3.09	3.76	4.68	6.16	7.58
Oct	2.94	2.55	4.00	1983	21	12.32	1983	.69	2000	8.4	5.4	1.9	.8	.77	1.05	1.48	1.85	2.22	2.61	3.04	3.55	4.22	5.26	6.24
Nov	3.49	3.04	3.20	1948	6	7.78	1972	.60	1976	11.4	6.7	2.4	.7	1.07	1.40	1.89	2.32	2.73	3.16	3.63	4.18	4.89	6.00	7.03
Dec	3.62	3.36	2.90	1948	15	8.18	1990	.65	1976	11.5	6.5	2.5	.8	1.12	1.46	1.97	2.41	2.84	3.28	3.77	4.34	5.08	6.23	7.29
Ann	45.20	44.58	8.30	Apr 1947	11	12.49	May 1996	.35	Jun 1988	124.1	81.3	30.9	11.1	32.49	34.96	38.12	40.51	42.64	44.69	46.80	49.14	51.97	56.08	59.62

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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	5.6	1.1	1	#	8.0	1996	7	25.1	1977	18	1978	21	8	1977	3.1	1.4	.4	.2	.0	4.1	1.6	.9	.5
Feb	3.4	1.3	1	#	11.0	1998	6	17.0	1998	13	1977	1	5	1978	2.3	1.3	.3	.2	@	4.5	2.2	.9	.1
Mar	1.2	.2	#	#	8.5	1987	31	8.5	1987	9	1987	31	2	1978	.8	.4	.1	@	.0	.5	.3	@	.0
Apr	.2	.0	#	0	4.5	1987	2	4.5	1987	#+	1973	11	#+	1973	.1	@	@	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0
May	.0	.0	0	0	.0	0	0	.0	0	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	0	.0	0	0	.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0
Oct	.0	.0	0	0	.8	1993	30	1.3	1993	0	0	0	0	0	.1	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0
Nov	.2	.0	#	0	2.0	1976	29	2.3	1976	3	1972	30	#+	1997	.2	.1	.0	.0	.0	.2	.0	.0	.0
Dec	.9	.0	#	#	6.5	1990	28	6.5	1990	7	1990	28	2	1989	.8	.3	.2	.1	.0	1.2	.8	.1	.0
Ann	11.5	2.6	N/A	N/A	11.0	Feb 1998	6	25.1	Jan 1977	18	Jan 1978	21	8	Jan 1977	7.4	3.5	1.0	.5	@	10.5	4.9	1.9	.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	5/14	5/09	5/06	5/03	5/01	4/28	4/26	4/23	4/18
32	5/04	4/29	4/25	4/23	4/20	4/17	4/14	4/11	4/06
28	4/18	4/14	4/11	4/08	4/06	4/03	4/01	3/29	3/24
24	4/09	4/03	3/30	3/26	3/23	3/20	3/16	3/12	3/06
20	3/31	3/24	3/19	3/15	3/12	3/08	3/04	2/27	2/21
16	3/18	3/11	3/06	3/01	2/25	2/21	2/17	2/11	2/04
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	9/30	10/04	10/07	10/10	10/12	10/14	10/17	10/20	10/24
32	10/08	10/12	10/15	10/18	10/20	10/22	10/25	10/28	11/01
28	10/16	10/21	10/24	10/27	10/30	11/02	11/05	11/09	11/14
24	10/24	10/30	11/04	11/08	11/12	11/15	11/19	11/24	11/30
20	11/04	11/11	11/16	11/20	11/25	11/29	12/03	12/08	12/15
16	11/21	11/28	12/02	12/06	12/10	12/13	12/17	12/22	12/28
Freeze Free Period									
Temp (F)	Probability of longer than indicated freeze free period (Days)								
	.10	.20	.30	.40	.50	.60	.70	.80	.90
36	180	174	170	167	163	160	156	152	147
32	201	195	190	186	182	179	175	170	163
28	227	220	215	211	207	203	199	194	187
24	256	248	242	237	233	228	223	218	210
20	285	276	269	263	257	252	246	239	229
16	314	305	298	292	287	282	276	269	260

* 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	999	778	579	290	118	7	0	3	33	251	520	854	4432
60	844	638	433	165	53	1	0	0	8	149	376	706	3373
57	757	561	348	107	28	0	0	0	3	101	295	618	2818
55	700	508	296	75	18	0	0	0	1	76	245	561	2480
50	556	382	186	24	4	0	0	0	0	30	141	425	1748
32	171	80	11	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	101	367

Base	Cooling Degree Days (1)												
Above	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Ann
32	195	226	455	708	1008	1219	1390	1351	1128	811	474	270	9235
55	11	11	27	93	312	529	677	638	439	173	25	17	2952
57	6	7	17	64	261	469	615	576	381	137	15	13	2561
60	0	0	9	33	192	380	522	483	296	92	6	7	2020
65	0	0	0	7	103	236	367	331	170	39	1	0	1254
70	0	0	0	1	43	112	216	193	77	13	0	0	655

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	52	101	248	474	760	976	1133	1087	869	547	254	97	52	153	401	875	1635	2611	3744	4831	5700	6247	6501	6598
45	28	54	151	338	606	826	978	932	719	401	157	51	28	82	233	571	1177	2003	2981	3913	4632	5033	5190	5241
50	5	23	86	216	453	676	823	777	569	265	87	22	5	28	114	330	783	1459	2282	3059	3628	3893	3980	4002
55	0	9	43	125	306	526	668	622	421	156	41	5	0	9	52	177	483	1009	1677	2299	2720	2876	2917	2922
60	0	1	14	58	182	378	513	467	284	73	14	0	0	1	15	73	255	633	1146	1613	1897	1970	1984	1984
Base	Growing Degree Units for Corn (Monthly)												Growing Degree Units for Corn (Accumulated Monthly)											
50/86	32	71	167	301	491	659	782	745	576	355	156	55	32	103	270	571	1062	1721	2503	3248	3824	4179	4335	4390

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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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