

Climatology of the United States

No. 20

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1971-2000

COOP ID: 104442

Climate Division: ID 4

NWS Call Sign:

Elevation: 3,965 Feet Lat: 43° 50N

Lon: 115° 50W

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	34.9	12.2	23.6	56+	1953	24	29.4	1981	-38	1937	21	14.0	1979	1284	0	.0	.0	.5	9.1	30.6	6.0
Feb	41.0	15.0	28.0	65+	1992	29	36.1	1992	-35	1950	2	19.1+	1989	1037	0	.0	.0	4.0	3.5	27.7	2.8
Mar	48.0	21.9	35.0	76	1966	30	41.9	1992	-20	1955	5	27.9	1976	932	0	.0	.0	13.0	.2	28.9	.4
Apr	57.3	27.6	42.5	88+	1987	28	48.0	1987	-8	1936	1	36.0	1982	676	0	.0	.0	23.7	.0	23.6	.0
May	66.8	34.6	50.7	95+	1936	26	55.5	1992	17	1943	11	45.0	1977	443	0	.0	.3	29.5	.0	11.6	.0
Jun	76.1	40.2	58.2	106	1940	19	63.3	1986	24+	1954	2	54.5	1976	221	15	.0	3.1	29.9	.0	3.4	.0
Jul	85.8	44.4	65.1	109	1934	29	70.6	1985	26	1955	2	56.5	1993	92	96	.3	12.1	31.0	.0	.4	.0
Aug	85.6	43.0	64.3	106	1961	4	68.1	1971	24	1932	31	58.8	1976	105	81	.5	11.7	31.0	.0	.8	.0
Sep	75.4	34.8	55.1	100+	1981	13	62.0	1990	11	1954	30	49.6	1985	311	15	@	2.2	29.7	.0	9.1	.0
Oct	62.8	26.8	44.8	91	1934	11	52.5	1988	2	1971	29	40.5	1985	626	0	.0	@	27.2	.1	23.2	.0
Nov	43.8	20.4	32.1	75	1931	4	38.9	1981	-18	1985	23	23.6	1985	987	0	.0	.0	7.6	2.1	27.4	.7
Dec	34.8	12.6	23.7	64	1939	5	28.7	1977	-32+	1990	23	13.7	1990	1281	0	.0	.0	.2	9.1	30.5	4.2
Ann	59.4	27.8	43.6	109	Jul 1934	29	70.6	Jul 1985	-38	Jan 1937	21	13.7	Dec 1990	7995	207	.8	29.4	227.3	24.1	217.2	14.1

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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	3.44	3.60	3.30	1940	31	7.06	1972	.16	1985	11.1	7.7	2.6	.4	.72	1.03	1.54	2.00	2.46	2.95	3.51	4.18	5.06	6.47	7.80
Feb	2.77	2.51	2.09	1963	1	9.15	1986	.47	1991	10.6	7.7	1.5	.2	.78	1.04	1.44	1.79	2.13	2.48	2.87	3.34	3.94	4.88	5.76
Mar	2.44	2.15	2.25	1932	19	5.40	1983	.18	1994	10.6	7.3	1.1	.1	.59	.82	1.18	1.49	1.81	2.14	2.51	2.95	3.52	4.44	5.29
Apr	1.87	1.79	1.44	1956	26	4.88	1990	.30	1977	8.8	5.5	.9	.1	.46	.64	.91	1.16	1.40	1.65	1.93	2.27	2.71	3.40	4.05
May	1.88	1.69	1.40	1938	1	7.31	1998	.05	1992	8.6	5.3	.9	.1	.27	.42	.70	.96	1.23	1.53	1.87	2.30	2.87	3.80	4.69
Jun	1.33	1.03	2.61	1958	12	4.04	1995	.02	1989	6.0	3.5	.8	.1	.13	.23	.41	.59	.79	1.02	1.29	1.62	2.08	2.83	3.57
Jul	.67	.44	1.69	1975	11	2.30	1983	.00+	1999	3.1	1.7	.4	@	.00	.00	.10	.20	.31	.45	.61	.82	1.11	1.61	2.11
Aug	.51	.29	1.60	1941	11	2.16	1976	.00+	2000	2.7	1.5	.2	@	.00	.01	.05	.11	.19	.29	.42	.60	.86	1.32	1.79
Sep	1.16	.83	1.77	1982	20	4.30	1986	.00+	1999	4.0	2.9	.8	.2	.00	.00	.09	.31	.53	.79	1.08	1.46	1.97	2.81	3.68
Oct	1.45	1.37	1.85	1947	16	4.00	2000	.00+	1988	5.8	3.8	.8	.1	.00	.00	.43	.69	.93	1.20	1.49	1.85	2.31	3.06	3.79
Nov	3.08	2.76	1.89	1996	19	6.94	1988	.07	1976	11.5	8.1	1.8	.3	.50	.77	1.22	1.64	2.08	2.55	3.09	3.76	4.64	6.07	7.45
Dec	3.51	2.72	2.59	1931	28	11.61	1996	.13	1976	12.0	8.6	2.2	.4	.38	.64	1.13	1.62	2.14	2.73	3.42	4.28	5.45	7.39	9.28
Ann	24.11	22.12	3.30	Jan 1940	31	11.61	Dec 1996	.00+	Aug 2000	94.8	63.6	14.0	2.0	15.13	16.78	18.95	20.62	22.13	23.60	25.14	26.85	28.96	32.06	34.77

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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	21.6	20.0	18	18	14.0	1982	23	37.0+	1979	46	1982	23	35	1982	7.1	6.6	2.9	1.4	.2	30.4	29.5	26.7	23.9
Feb	12.1	11.8	20	19	12.0	1976	16	39.5	1990	44	1999	23	33	1999	4.9	4.4	1.3	.6	.1	24.5	23.4	22.8	21.1
Mar	4.2	2.0	12	10	9.0	1985	27	18.0	1975	37	1997	2	28	1999	2.0	1.8	.6	.2	.0	16.5	15.2	14.7	11.8
Apr	1.2	.0	1	#	8.0	1998	14	8.0	1998	22	1976	1	13	1975	.4	.4	.1	@	.0	1.6	1.4	1.4	.3
May	.1	.0	#	0	2.0	1998	27	2.0	1998	#+	2000	11	#+	2000	@	@	.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	#	1986	27	#+	1986	0	0	0	0	0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0
Oct	1.0	.0	#	0	6.0	1975	27	16.0	1975	6	1975	27	#+	1996	.4	.3	.2	@	.0	.4	.2	@	.0
Nov	12.3	7.3	2	1	11.0	1992	22	42.5	1994	22	1994	30	8	1994	3.7	3.3	1.4	.6	@	10.5	7.3	4.1	2.3
Dec	19.0	16.0	10	8	12.0	1996	5	51.0	1971	39	1983	31	24	1971	7.2	6.8	3.1	1.3	.1	24.4	22.2	16.6	10.8
Ann	71.5	57.1	N/A	N/A	14.0	Jan 1982	23	51.0	Dec 1971	46	Jan 1982	23	35	Jan 1982	25.7	23.6	9.6	4.1	.4	108.3	99.2	86.3	70.2

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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	7/23	7/18	7/15	7/12	7/09	7/06	7/03	6/30	6/25
32	7/10	7/05	7/01	6/28	6/25	6/21	6/18	6/14	6/09
28	6/21	6/13	6/07	6/02	5/29	5/24	5/19	5/13	5/05
24	5/21	5/15	5/11	5/08	5/04	5/01	4/27	4/23	4/17
20	5/07	4/29	4/23	4/18	4/14	4/09	4/04	3/29	3/22
16	4/09	4/03	3/29	3/25	3/22	3/18	3/14	3/10	3/03
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	8/03	8/09	8/13	8/17	8/20	8/23	8/27	8/31	9/06
32	8/16	8/22	8/26	8/30	9/02	9/06	9/09	9/13	9/19
28	9/02	9/07	9/11	9/14	9/16	9/19	9/22	9/26	9/30
24	9/17	9/22	9/26	9/29	10/02	10/05	10/08	10/12	10/17
20	9/29	10/04	10/08	10/11	10/15	10/18	10/21	10/25	10/30
16	10/16	10/22	10/26	10/29	11/01	11/04	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	65	57	51	46	41	36	31	25	17
32	92	84	78	74	69	64	60	54	46
28	138	128	121	116	110	105	99	92	82
24	170	163	158	154	150	146	141	136	129
20	209	200	194	188	183	178	172	166	157
16	252	242	235	229	224	218	212	205	196

* 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	1284	1037	932	676	443	221	92	105	311	626	987	1281	7995
60	1129	897	777	526	294	111	32	39	192	472	837	1126	6432
57	1036	813	684	438	213	64	14	19	134	381	747	1033	5576
55	974	757	622	380	165	41	8	11	101	322	687	971	5039
50	819	617	467	245	74	9	0	1	42	189	538	816	3817
32	292	187	63	8	0	0	0	0	0	3	119	293	965

Base	Cooling Degree Days (1)												
Above	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Ann
32	31	74	155	322	580	785	1027	1000	693	400	121	36	5224
55	0	0	0	4	32	135	322	298	105	6	0	0	902
57	0	0	0	1	18	99	266	244	77	3	0	0	708
60	0	0	0	0	6	56	190	171	45	1	0	0	469
65	0	0	0	0	0	15	96	81	15	0	0	0	207
70	0	0	0	0	0	2	34	26	3	0	0	0	65

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	2	30	138	358	567	807	788	486	217	24	0	0	2	32	170	528	1095	1902	2690	3176	3393	3417	3417
45	0	0	4	62	227	417	652	633	345	110	5	0	0	0	4	66	293	710	1362	1995	2340	2450	2455	2455
50	0	0	0	20	121	276	497	478	217	44	0	0	0	0	0	20	141	417	914	1392	1609	1653	1653	1653
55	0	0	0	3	50	163	343	327	115	13	0	0	0	0	0	3	53	216	559	886	1001	1014	1014	1014
60	0	0	0	0	14	70	205	190	42	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	14	84	289	479	521	521	521	521
Base	Growing Degree Units for Corn (Monthly)												Growing Degree Units for Corn (Accumulated Monthly)											
50/86	0	8	45	144	276	397	527	523	387	223	28	0	0	8	53	197	473	870	1397	1920	2307	2530	2558	2558

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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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