Appendix 8. Temperature metrics for disaggregating thermal time series

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Annual descriptive statistics		Mean annual temperature (MAT)
		Standard Deviation of MAT
		Annual coefficient of variability
		Mean of annual range
		Standard deviation of annual range
		Mean of annual minima
		Mean of annual maxima
Group 1	Monthly magnitudes	January – December mean, minimum and maximum temperatures
Group 2	Magnitude and duration of annual extreme water temperature conditions	7-day mean
		7, 30 & 90-day minima
		7, 30 & 90-day maxima
Group 3	Frequency and duration (number of successive days of event above or below a threshold)	7-day mean threshold count & duration
		7-day minimum threshold count & duration
		7-day maximum threshold count & duration