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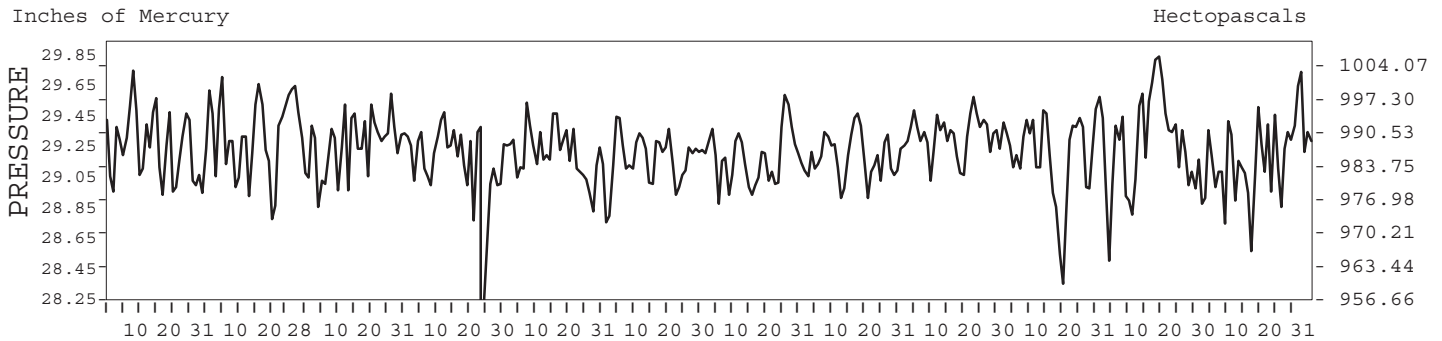
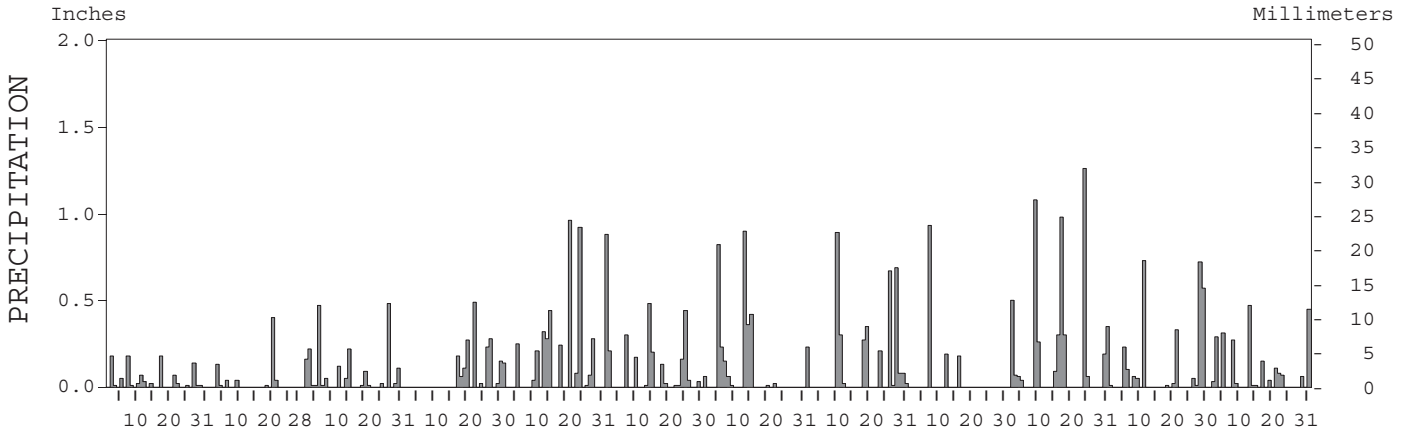
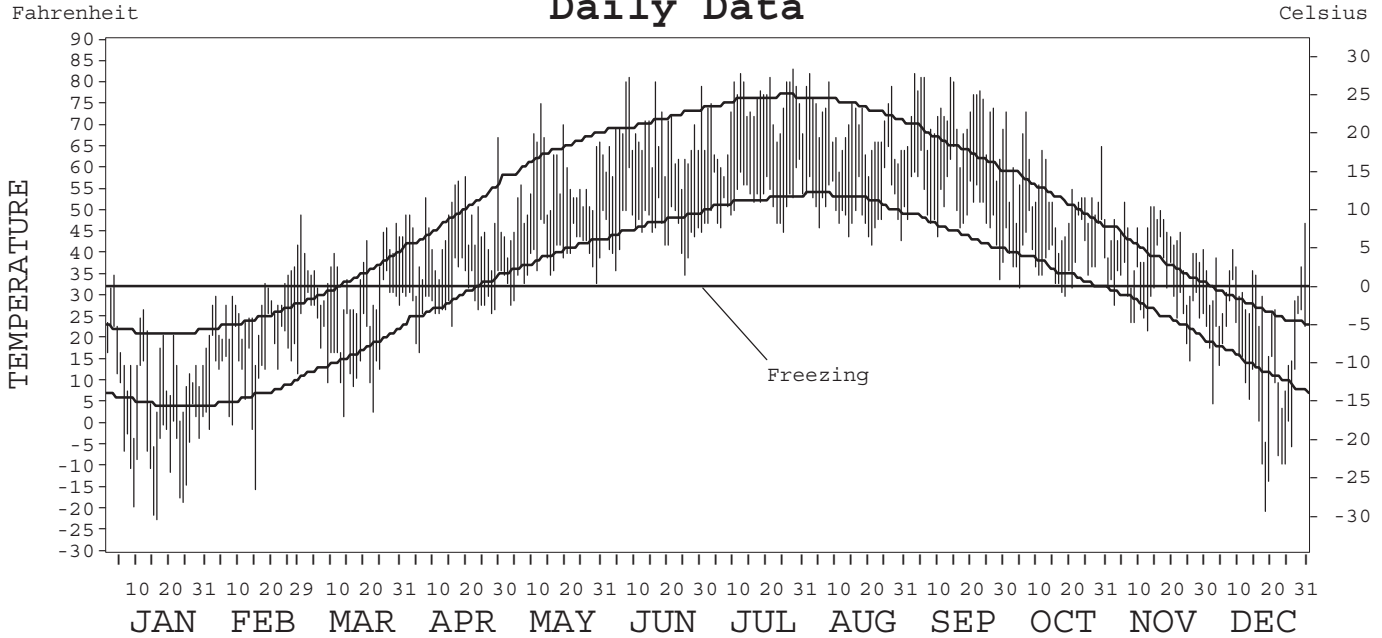
LOCAL CLIMATOLOGICAL DATA  
ANNUAL SUMMARY WITH COMPARATIVE DATA



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SAULT STE. MARIE,  
MICHIGAN (ANJ)

Daily Data



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# METEOROLOGICAL DATA FOR 2004

## SAULT STE MARIE, MI (ANJ)

LATITUDE: 46° 28' 00" N      LONGITUDE: 84° 22' 00" W      ELEVATION (FT): GRND: 724      BARO: 727      TIME ZONE: EASTERN (UTC + 5)      WBAN: 14847

ELEMENT		JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	YEAR	
TEMPERATURE °F	MEAN DAILY MAXIMUM	14.0	28.2	34.8	45.7	55.9	67.0	72.9	69.4	71.8	54.1	42.4	26.5	48.6	
	HIGHEST DAILY MAXIMUM	35	49	47	67	75	81	83	82	82	73	52	47	83	
	DATE OF OCCURRENCE	03	29	29	29	12	08	28	02	03	07+	06	31	JUL 28	
	MEAN DAILY MINIMUM	-1.6	13.7	20.6	29.5	39.0	45.7	52.5	50.8	51.3	39.2	30.2	10.7	31.8	
	LOWEST DAILY MINIMUM	-22	-15	2	17	28	35	45	42	34	30	15	-20	-22	
	DATE OF OCCURRENCE	16	15	13	05	03	25	25	21	29	19	26	19	JAN 16	
	AVERAGE DRY BULB	6.2	21.0	27.7	37.6	47.5	56.4	62.7	60.1	61.6	46.7	36.3	18.6	40.2	
	MEAN WET BULB	5.0	19.8	26.3		43.3	51.6	58.3	55.9	57.0	43.5	33.6	18.0		
	MEAN DEW POINT	-.5	15.6	21.8		37.9	47.2	54.9	52.5	54.1	40.3	29.1	14.0		
	NUMBER OF DAYS WITH:														
	MAXIMUM ≥ 90°	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
MAXIMUM ≤ 32°	30	22	11	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	22	89		
MINIMUM ≤ 32°	31	29	29	23	2	0	0	0	0	4	21	30	169		
MINIMUM ≤ 0°	19	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	30		
H/C	HEATING DEGREE DAYS	1816	1270	1148	816	536	259	95	165	132	560	853	1429	9079	
	COOLING DEGREE DAYS	0	0	0	0	0	6	32	19	37	0	0	0	94	
RH	MEAN (PERCENT)	74	79	78	70	73	74	78	79	80	81	76	79	77	
	HOUR 01 LST	77	83	83	75	82	87	89	90	90	88	79	80	84	
	HOUR 07 LST	77	83	87	77	78	85	90	90	93	90	82	82	84	
	HOUR 13 LST	68	73	69	61	63	59	64	65	62	70	66	77	66	
	HOUR 19 LST	76	78	75	66	69	64	70	73	79	80	78	80	74	
S	PERCENT POSSIBLE SUNSHINE														
W/O	NUMBER OF DAYS WITH:														
	HEAVY FOG (VISBY ≤ 1/4 MI)	5	5	12	3	0	1	3	1	8	5	5	7	55	
	THUNDERSTORMS	0	0	0	5	3	4	4	3	3	3	0	0	25	
CLOUDINESS	SUNRISE-SUNSET: (OKTAS)														
	CEILOMETER (≤ 12,000 FT.)														
	SATELLITE (> 12,000 FT.)														
	MIDNIGHT-MIDNIGHT: (OKTAS)														
	CEILOMETER (≤ 12,000 FT.)														
	SATELLITE (> 12,000 FT.)														
NUMBER OF DAYS WITH:															
CLEAR															
PARTLY CLOUDY															
CLOUDY															
PR	MEAN STATION PRESS. (IN.)	29.24	29.32	29.26		29.19	29.18	29.16	29.19	29.32	29.15	29.27	29.17		
	MEAN SEA-LEVEL PRESS. (IN.)	30.06	30.13	30.06		29.97	29.95	29.93	29.96	30.09	29.93	30.07	29.98		
WINDS	RESULTANT SPEED (MPH)	2.2	1.4	0.4		0.9	2.9	2.0	3.1	1.3	1.5	2.6	1.1		
	RES. DIR. (TENS OF DEGS.)	36	29	36		04	27	28	27	20	23	27	03		
	MEAN SPEED (MPH)	7.4	7.6	8.6	8.9	8.3	7.6	6.4	7.5	6.7	8.2	8.2	8.5	7.8	
	PREVAIL. DIR. (TENS OF DEGS.)	09	11	12	32	31	30	30	30	12	30	23	08	30	
	MAXIMUM 2-MINUTE WIND:														
	SPEED (MPH)	28	29	33	32	26	29	23	33	25	33	31	31	33	
	DIR. (TENS OF DEGS.)	29	24	29	23	09	28	21	27	21	31	32	26	31	
	DATE OF OCCURRENCE	03	08	15	29	23+	09	29	18	24+	09	28+	16	OCT 09	
	MAXIMUM 5-SECOND WIND:														
	SPEED (MPH)	37	35	41	45	36	38	30	45	35	47	43	39	47	
DIR. (TENS OF DEGS.)	25	24	28	22	12	29	28	27	28	31	32	26	31		
DATE OF OCCURRENCE	07	08	15	29	31	09	12	18	16	09	28	16	OCT 09		
PRECIPITATION	WATER EQUIVALENT:														
	TOTAL (IN.)	1.01	0.67	2.06	1.95	4.98	2.27	3.21	3.59	1.30	5.55	2.88	2.45	31.92	
	GREATEST 24-HOUR (IN.)	0.18	0.44	0.48	0.49	0.96	1.07	1.01	1.04	0.93	1.31	1.15	0.53	1.31	
	DATE OF OCCURRENCE	17+	20-21	26	21	20	31-01	12-13	09-10	06	23-24	27-28	30-31	OCT 23-24	
	NUMBER OF DAYS WITH:														
PRECIPITATION ≥ 0.01	16	7	17	11	14	15	11	12	3	15	12	16	149		
PRECIPITATION ≥ 0.10	4	2	7	8	10	8	7	7	3	9	6	7	78		
PRECIPITATION ≥ 1.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	2		
SNOWFALL	SNOW, ICE PELLETS, HAIL:														
	TOTAL (IN.)														
	GREATEST 24-HOUR (IN.)														
	DATE OF OCCURRENCE														
	MAXIMUM SNOW DEPTH (IN.)														
	DATE OF OCCURRENCE														
NUMBER OF DAYS WITH:															
SNOWFALL ≥ 1.0															



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YEAR	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	ANNUAL
1975	3.27	2.34	2.24	2.38	3.96	3.69	3.57	1.27	5.12	1.16	3.25	1.63	33.88
1976	2.24	2.35	4.97	1.89	2.21	1.87	1.24	1.39	1.71	1.43	2.47	1.93	25.70
1977	2.72	2.89	4.76	1.66	1.78	2.37	4.87	3.54	4.31	1.86	4.71	3.42	38.89
1978	2.51	0.54	1.10	1.74	3.74	3.82	5.19	3.65	6.71	3.35	2.61	3.25	38.21
1979	1.86	1.94	4.60	3.79	2.15	5.58	4.42	5.22	1.63	6.36	3.70	2.10	43.35
1980	3.42	0.82	1.14	3.45	0.80	3.94	1.77	2.64	3.32	2.43	2.11	4.14	29.98
1981	0.68	2.55	1.17	3.28	1.15	5.59	0.80	2.45	2.18	4.50	1.89	2.42	28.66
1982	4.52	0.62	3.20	3.75	1.37	1.72	1.72	3.34	6.12	2.88	3.89	4.40	37.53
1983	2.13	1.21	2.57	2.60	4.70	1.65	3.27	2.73	3.35	3.66	3.17	3.04	34.08
1984	1.52	1.90	2.06	1.67	1.16	3.91	2.24	2.99	5.08	3.50	3.78	5.10	34.91
1985	2.61	2.78	2.77	4.36	4.37	1.63	3.29	4.24	3.37	2.81	3.69	3.45	39.37
1986	1.70	0.95	4.14	1.22	1.80	5.12	4.76	4.57	5.23	3.14	2.57	2.21	37.41
1987	1.74	0.80	1.14	1.32	1.96	2.86	3.14	4.50	1.85	5.06	3.42	3.07	30.86
1988	3.12	0.92	2.91	2.17	1.49	0.52	2.14	4.77	3.01	4.54	7.72	3.63	36.94
1989	2.30	1.78	2.37	1.98	2.12	2.61	0.57	2.64	1.05	2.43	4.31	1.73	25.89
1990	2.48	2.04	2.39	1.79	3.29	4.99	1.67	2.33	3.95	3.75	3.90	2.48	35.06
1991	1.51	0.63	3.70	3.39	1.62	1.09	3.86	1.55	5.85	3.97	3.52	2.51	33.20
1992	2.86	1.07	1.52	2.50	1.46	1.55	4.09	3.27	5.72	3.29	5.03	3.45	35.81
1993	2.23	0.21	0.35	3.82	4.51	3.79	3.23	1.86	3.66	5.22	2.49	2.56	33.93
1994	2.18	0.98	1.54	2.34	2.99	2.79	3.91	4.05	1.50	2.17	2.96	0.58	27.99
1995	2.42	1.20	1.63	4.17	2.65	2.17	3.54	6.52	4.95	6.55	3.80	6.24	45.84
1996	4.02	2.24	1.57	4.21	0.62	3.32	7.23	1.32	6.47	4.95	2.95	4.07	42.97
1997	3.99	0.86	2.59	1.55	3.38	3.41	1.17	2.14	3.12	2.06	2.21	1.38	27.86
1998	2.36	0.62	3.59	2.31	2.16	3.10	3.14	3.01	2.91	2.78	4.47	2.75	33.20
1999	3.35	3.11	0.40	2.50	3.51	2.51	4.72	3.76	3.21	3.36	1.18	2.68	34.29
2000	3.33	1.16	2.31	0.94	1.39	3.67	1.10	1.68	2.06	1.48	2.67	0.61	22.40
2001	0.93	1.52	0.42	2.97	5.27	1.83	2.05	4.53	5.53	6.84	4.12	2.45	38.46
2002	0.66	1.11	2.72	1.94	3.35	3.22	2.49	4.14	2.59	4.20	1.47	1.30	29.19
2003	0.77	0.90	1.38	1.91	1.69	1.95	4.08	3.01	4.65	2.60	5.05	2.40	30.39
2004	1.01	0.67	2.06	1.95	4.98	2.27	3.21	3.59	1.30	5.55	2.88	2.45	31.92
POR= 116 YRS	2.14	1.49	1.94	2.27	2.77	2.99	2.77	3.03	3.62	3.18	3.10	2.42	31.72

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AVERAGE TEMPERATURE (°F) 2004 SAULT STE. MARIE, MI (ANJ)

YEAR	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	ANNUAL
1975	16.2	17.9	20.9	32.5	56.2	61.2	66.2	64.3	52.4	47.4	35.8	19.8	40.9
1976	10.4	18.8	22.9	40.0	47.7	62.4	63.3	64.8	53.6	41.3	27.3	9.9	38.5
1977	6.3	14.3	28.6	40.0	55.2	54.8	62.8	57.3	53.6	44.7	34.4	19.8	39.3
1978	10.8	11.1	20.4	35.1	55.0	56.2	62.4	63.1	55.5	43.9	31.8	17.9	38.6
1979	8.9	5.2	27.1	37.0	49.4	57.3	65.4	61.3	55.2	42.4	32.2	24.0	38.8
1980	15.0	12.4	22.5	41.1	54.1	54.8	63.1	64.9	52.2	37.7	29.2	12.8	38.3
1981	8.8	18.6	27.2	39.3	50.7	56.2	63.4	62.8	50.3	38.9	32.5	21.7	39.2
1982	4.7	11.5	21.6	31.7	56.2	51.5	62.7	57.6	54.2	46.8	32.3	24.3	37.9
1983	15.9	21.0	27.5	37.0	45.3	60.9	69.2	68.0	58.5	44.8	33.0	11.2	41.0
1984	7.3	23.7	20.9	44.5	47.5	59.7	63.4	64.9	51.9	46.7	31.7	20.6	40.2
1985	11.9	12.9	26.5	38.8	51.2	54.6	60.7	62.8	57.6	45.8	32.1	13.9	39.1
1986	12.6	15.1	25.8	43.5	54.3	55.3	65.2	60.3	53.9	44.5	30.3	25.8	40.6
1987	20.0	22.1	29.7	45.9	53.0	61.3	66.8	63.0	57.3	42.2	33.5	26.0	43.4
1988	13.5	12.2	23.0	39.2	53.6	59.1	67.5	64.8	55.3	41.1	36.6	19.2	40.4
1989	19.5	11.2	19.4	36.9	52.3	58.1	66.7	63.3	56.1	45.9	28.1	7.3	38.7
1990	23.5	17.9	26.6	41.1	48.8	57.1	62.9	62.6	55.0	43.4	35.9	22.2	41.4
1991	12.9	18.9	27.0	42.9	55.7	63.0	64.5	66.2	54.0	44.9	32.2	21.5	42.0
1992	16.6	17.7	21.8	35.6	51.9	56.4	57.4	60.4	54.0	43.4	30.9	23.7	39.2
1993	16.8	11.8	26.4	36.9	48.3	56.4	64.2	65.2	50.8	40.9	29.6	21.3	39.1
1994	0.8	8.1	25.1	36.3	49.3	60.1	63.0	60.0	56.3	47.3	35.3	29.3	39.2
1995	20.8	11.8	28.2	34.5	49.7	63.4	63.7	66.1	52.8	46.1	25.7	16.2	39.9
1996	10.5	12.5	19.6	32.3	47.3	59.5	58.9	62.7	58.0	44.8	29.9	23.5	38.3
1997	11.2	17.6	22.9	36.7	44.7	62.6	63.7	61.8	57.0	45.1	32.9	26.0	40.2
1998	18.3	29.1	28.8	44.0	57.6	60.2	66.7	68.5	60.3	48.5	37.9	25.8	45.5
1999	13.4	22.4	26.7	43.8	55.4	61.9	67.8	62.7	57.6	43.4	38.2	24.4	43.1
2000	14.1	22.5	33.9	40.2	52.0	58.0	64.4	64.2	55.4	46.7	34.2	13.4	41.6
2001	20.0	15.1	25.0	40.7	53.6	61.7	64.7	68.0	57.8	47.3	40.6	31.0	43.8
2002	23.5	22.4	22.2	37.9	47.1	61.4	69.6	66.3	62.4	42.0	30.6	26.4	42.7
2003	13.9	10.9	24.9	37.7	53.2	59.1	64.6	65.8	57.7	43.9	34.2	26.1	41.0
2004	6.2	21.0	27.7	37.6	47.5	56.4	62.7	60.1	61.6	46.7	36.3	18.6	40.2
POR= 116 YRS	14.1	14.3	23.7	38.0	49.7	58.5	63.9	63.0	55.7	45.1	32.8	20.8	40.0

HEATING DEGREE DAYS (base 65°F) 2004 SAULT STE. MARIE, MI (ANJ)

YEAR	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	TOTAL
1975-76	64	70	373	537	871	1394	1686	1333	1299	746	534	100	9007
1976-77	76	90	349	728	1121	1706	1818	1420	1119	744	318	305	9794
1977-78	111	246	335	621	910	1396	1675	1503	1377	889	333	270	9666
1978-79	112	96	282	645	989	1453	1733	1673	1171	835	477	237	9703
1979-80	69	134	305	696	979	1263	1541	1520	1313	711	342	317	9190
1980-81	70	44	383	841	1066	1613	1740	1297	1164	763	438	262	9681
1981-82	89	83	435	799	968	1336	1868	1495	1337	991	273	393	10067
1982-83	97	228	339	556	976	1256	1520	1229	1153	832	604	169	8959
1983-84	34	25	236	619	951	1665	1787	1193	1362	608	535	177	9192
1984-85	82	51	391	560	990	1367	1643	1453	1184	776	424	306	9227
1985-86	135	100	242	590	978	1579	1619	1392	1207	639	325	285	9091
1986-87	60	153	325	625	1036	1209	1386	1195	1086	568	393	142	8178
1987-88	53	105	229	699	938	1202	1586	1525	1295	767	358	197	8954
1988-89	39	103	291	733	847	1413	1403	1502	1409	835	388	211	9174
1989-90	34	119	271	582	1099	1785	1281	1317	1186	719	494	240	9127
1990-91	96	99	303	662	866	1319	1609	1282	1169	657	292	92	8446
1991-92	68	56	338	615	976	1341	1495	1367	1331	875	405	256	9123
1992-93	230	165	326	661	1014	1277	1486	1482	1187	834	512	252	9426
1993-94	66	66	421	740	1054	1346	1993	1592	1229	855	481	177	10020
1994-95	101	161	258	543	885	1099	1362	1487	1131	910	470	113	8520
1995-96	81	48	363	579	1171	1510	1686	1518	1401	973	542	174	10046
1996-97	184	97	228	617	1043	1282	1658	1321	1296	840	623	96	9285
1997-98	97	121	235	613	956	1204	1443	996	1114	622	232	175	7808
1998-99	24	14	157	507	805	1210	1591	1188	1181	629	298	139	7743
1999-00	36	96	244	661	796	1251	1570	1226	955	734	402	213	8184
2000-01	80	64	293	561	917	1592	1388	1389	1232	724	345	146	8731
2001-02	84	30	230	542	726	1052	1280	1188	1322	806	547	145	7952
2002-03	18	30	139	707	1025	1188	1576	1509	1239	813	359	195	8798
2003-04	54	51	224	649	917	1197	1816	1270	1148	816	536	259	8937
2004-	95	165	132	560	853	1429							

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COOLING DEGREE DAYS (base 65°F) 2004 SAULT STE. MARIE, MI (ANJ)

YEAR	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	ANNUAL
1975	0	0	0	0	32	42	113	54	2	0	0	0	243
1976	0	0	0	3	2	29	33	88	12	0	0	0	167
1977	0	0	0	0	19	5	49	13	0	0	0	0	86
1978	0	0	0	0	27	9	40	44	5	0	0	0	125
1979	0	0	0	0	0	13	87	30	15	0	0	0	145
1980	0	0	0	0	10	16	19	48	6	0	0	0	99
1981	0	0	0	0	1	5	46	22	0	0	0	0	74
1982	0	0	0	0	6	0	30	5	21	0	0	0	62
1983	0	0	0	0	0	52	171	124	49	0	0	0	396
1984	0	0	0	0	0	24	41	56	3	0	0	0	124
1985	0	0	0	0	4	1	8	38	28	0	0	0	79
1986	0	0	0	1	2	1	75	12	0	0	0	0	91
1987	0	0	0	1	27	35	114	52	2	0	0	0	231
1988	0	0	0	0	12	25	126	104	8	0	0	0	275
1989	0	0	0	0	0	9	97	74	11	0	0	0	191
1990	0	0	0	10	0	7	36	30	9	0	0	0	92
1991	0	0	0	0	12	39	57	98	14	0	0	0	220
1992	0	0	0	0	8	2	0	27	2	0	0	0	39
1993	0	0	0	0	2	3	48	79	3	0	0	0	135
1994	0	0	0	0	2	34	47	13	3	0	0	0	99
1995	0	0	0	0	0	72	50	91	5	0	0	0	218
1996	0	0	0	0	0	13	4	33	23	0	0	0	73
1997	0	0	0	0	0	31	62	29	3	0	0	0	125
1998	0	0	0	0	9	40	81	132	23	0	0	0	285
1999	0	0	0	0	7	53	133	32	30	0	0	0	255
2000	0	0	0	0	7	10	66	45	11	0	0	0	139
2001	0	0	0	0	0	55	83	128	22	0	0	0	288
2002	0	0	0	0	0	42	166	78	67	3	0	0	356
2003	0	0	0	0	0	25	48	85	12	0	0	0	170
2004	0	0	0	0	0	6	32	19	37	0	0	0	94

SNOWFALL (inches) 2004 SAULT STE. MARIE, MI (ANJ)

YEAR	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	TOTAL
1975-76	0.0	0.0	T	T	7.7	11.7	40.8	31.7	32.1	5.0	1.8	0.0	130.8
1976-77	0.0	0.0	T	7.5	34.2	34.9	45.9	26.3	18.5	11.3	0.0	0.0	178.6
1977-78	0.0	0.0	0.0	T	16.2	41.9	35.5	12.1	14.7	5.3	0.0	0.0	125.7
1978-79	0.0	0.0	0.0	T	14.0	51.3	39.6	21.7	13.6	19.2	0.7	0.0	160.1
1979-80	0.0	0.0	0.0	3.5	12.4	28.0	30.7	14.3	17.5	1.7	0.0	0.0	108.1
1980-81	0.0	0.0	0.0	5.2	14.6	69.3	13.6	29.9	8.7	0.4	0.0	0.0	141.7
1981-82	0.0	0.0	0.0	6.3	11.7	25.9	71.0	10.8	17.1	25.8	0.0	0.0	168.6
1982-83	0.0	0.0	0.0	T	12.2	22.7	22.6	15.7	9.4	4.4	T	0.0	87.0
1983-84	0.0	0.0	T	T	5.6	57.5	23.3	10.8	7.8	2.5	0.9	0.0	108.4
1984-85	0.0	0.0	0.1	T	8.2	44.8	43.8	31.5	16.8	9.7	0.0	0.0	154.9
1985-86	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.4	15.7	56.4	28.7	17.0	29.9	0.4	0.1	0.0	148.6
1986-87	0.0	T	0.0	T	25.4	29.0	29.2	10.2	7.2	2.0	0.0	0.0	103.0
1987-88	0.0	0.0	0.0	4.6	16.7	27.7	43.0	14.5	23.4	5.2	0.0	0.0	135.1
1988-89	0.0	0.0	0.0	6.6	7.4	50.2	25.6	23.7	24.7	4.1	T	0.0	142.3
1989-90	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.4	46.8	28.8	31.5	27.3	7.4	16.2	0.9	0.0	159.4
1990-91	0.0	0.0	T	0.4	16.7	29.2	25.9	11.3	15.2	8.5	T	0.0	107.2
1991-92	0.0	0.0	0.4	2.2	19.1	25.1	37.6	12.8	10.5	5.0	0.4	0.0	113.1
1992-93	0.0	0.0	T	10.8	13.6	35.0	28.9	2.8	1.9	8.7	0.0	0.0	101.7
1993-94	0.0	0.0	0.0	5.0	12.6	28.4	33.4	8.4	15.4	3.6	T	0.0	106.8
1994-95	0.0	0.0	0.0	T	15.9	5.1	26.8	15.6	15.3	15.0	0.0	0.0	93.7
1995-96	T	0.0	0.0	1.0	36.4	98.7	44.2	18.7	9.2	13.6	0.2	0.0	222.0
1996-97	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.7	21.6	45.4							
1997-98													
1998-99													
1999-00					2.3	25.9	39.1	9.3	7.5				
2000-01													
2001-02													
2002-03													
2003-04													
2004-													
POR= 54 YRS	T	T	0.1	2.4	15.5	30.7	28.5	18.1	14.4	5.8	0.9	T	116.4

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REFERENCE NOTES :

<p>PAGE 1: THE TEMPERATURE GRAPH SHOWS NORMAL MAXIMUM AND NORMAL MINIMUM DAILY TEMPERATURES (SOLID CURVES) AND THE ACTUAL DAILY HIGH AND LOW TEMPERATURES (VERTICAL BARS).</p> <p>PAGE 2 AND 3: H/C INDICATES HEATING AND COOLING DEGREE DAYS. RH INDICATES RELATIVE HUMIDITY W/O INDICATES WEATHER AND OBSTRUCTIONS S INDICATES SUNSHINE. PR INDICATES PRESSURE. CLOUDINESS ON PAGE 3 IS THE SUM OF THE CEILOMETER AND SATELLITE DATA NOT TO EXCEED EIGHT EIGHTHS(OKTAS).</p> <p>GENERAL: T INDICATES TRACE PRECIPITATION, AN AMOUNT GREATER THAN ZERO BUT LESS THAN THE LOWEST REPORTABLE VALUE. + INDICATES THE VALUE ALSO OCCURS ON EARLIER DATES. BLANK ENTRIES DENOTE MISSING OR UNREPORTED DATA. NORMALS ARE 30-YEAR AVERAGES (1971 - 2000). ASOS INDICATES AUTOMATED SURFACE OBSERVING SYSTEM. PM INDICATES THE LAST DAY OF THE PREVIOUS MONTH. POR (PERIOD OF RECORD) BEGINS WITH THE JANUARY DATA MONTH AND IS THE NUMBER OF YEARS USED TO COMPUTE THE MEAN. INDIVIDUAL MONTHS WITHIN THE POR MAY BE MISSING. WHEN THE POR FOR A NORMAL IS LESS THAN 30 YEARS, THE NORMAL IS PROVISIONAL AND IS BASED ON THE NUMBER OF YEARS INDICATED. 0.* OR * INDICATES THE VALUE OR MEAN-DAYS-WITH IS BETWEEN 0.00 AND 0.05. CLOUDINESS FOR ASOS STATIONS DIFFERS FROM THE NON-ASOS OBSERVATION TAKEN BY A HUMAN OBSERVER. ASOS STATION CLOUDINESS IS BASED ON TIME-AVERAGED CEILOMETER DATA FOR CLOUDS AT OR BELOW 12,000 FEET AND ON SATELLITE DATA FOR CLOUDS ABOVE 12,000 FEET. THE NUMBER OF DAYS WITH CLEAR, PARTLY CLOUDY, AND CLOUDY CONDITIONS FOR ASOS STATIONS IS THE SUM OF THE CEILOMETER AND SATELLITE DATA FOR THE SUNRISE TO SUNSET PERIOD.</p>	<p>GENERAL CONTINUED: CLEAR INDICATES 0 - 2 OKTAS, PARTLY CLOUDY INDICATES 3 - 6 OKTAS, AND CLOUDY INDICATES 7 OR 8 OKTAS. WHEN AT LEAST ONE OF THE ELEMENTS (CEILOMETER OR SATELLITE) IS MISSING, THE DAILY CLOUDINESS IS NOT COMPUTED. WIND DIRECTION IS RECORDED IN TENS OF DEGREES (2 DIGITS) CLOCKWISE FROM TRUE NORTH. "00" INDICATES CALM. "36" INDICATES TRUE NORTH. RESULTANT WIND IS THE VECTOR AVERAGE OF THE SPEED AND DIRECTION. AVERAGE TEMPERATURE IS THE SUM OF THE MEAN DAILY MAXIMUM AND MINIMUM TEMPERATURE DIVIDED BY 2. SNOWFALL DATA COMPRISE ALL FORMS OF FROZEN PRECIPITATION, INCLUDING HAIL. A HEATING (COOLING) DEGREE DAY IS THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE AVERAGE DAILY TEMPERATURE AND 65° F. DRY BULB IS THE TEMPERATURE OF THE AMBIENT AIR. DEW POINT IS THE TEMPERATURE TO WHICH THE AIR MUST BE COOLED TO ACHIEVE 100 PERCENT RELATIVE HUMIDITY. WET BULB IS THE TEMPERATURE THE AIR WOULD HAVE IF THE MOISTURE CONTENT WAS INCREASED TO 100 PERCENT RELATIVE HUMIDITY.</p> <p>ON JULY 1, 1996, THE NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE BEGAN USING THE "METAR" OBSERVATION CODE THAT WAS ALREADY EMPLOYED BY MOST OTHER NATIONS OF THE WORLD. THE MOST NOTICEABLE DIFFERENCE IN THIS ANNUAL PUBLICATION WILL BE THE CHANGE IN UNITS FROM TENTHS TO EIGHTS(OKTAS) FOR REPORTING THE AMOUNT OF SKY COVER.</p>
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2004  
SAULT STE. MARIE,  
MICHIGAN (ANJ)

Sault Ste. Marie is located at the extreme eastern tip of the Upper Peninsula of Michigan at the intersection of Lake Superior, Michigan, and Huron. Consequently, the regional climate is essentially maritime during ice-free periods of the year. Lake ice development usually begins in December and progresses to maximum coverage in February. As ice cover develops, the character of the regional climate gradually changes to continental polar by the time of maximum lake ice development. Lake Superior, to the northwest, is the largest, deepest, and coldest of the Great Lakes and is the dominant climatic control for the area. Water in the northern Great Lakes remains relatively cool during the summer and seldom freezes over during the winter. Therefore, temperatures are moderated throughout most of the year, whereas cloudiness and precipitation are increased.

Terrain on the Michigan side of the international border is nearly flat and lies 700 to 800 feet above sea level. Very little climatological influence is related to Michigan terrain. However, terrain on the Canadian side of the border rises rather abruptly to about 1,500 feet above sea level and this definite topographic influence increases the rain and snow shower activity over the Canadian hills.

Heavy fog occurrences reach a maximum in August, September, and October and form in response to the passage of relatively cold air masses over the warmer waters of the northern Great Lakes. Destructive tornadoes and thunderstorms have occurred on rare occasions. Occurrences of river and flash flooding are very rare. Summer and fall pollen counts are extremely low and sources of industrial pollutants are almost non-existent.

Changing weather patterns are common because of the high frequency of migratory low pressure systems moving toward the east and the northeast through the northern Great Lakes. Summer rains are most frequent during periods of southeasterly circulation whereas winter snows most frequently accompany post-frontal northwest winds.

Most summers pass without a temperature reaching 90 degrees. Winters are cold and snowy with total seasonal snowfall ranging from about 30 inches to more than 175 inches. November 21 is the average date for the appearance of the permanent winter snow cover which normally lasts until April 7.

Annual percent of possible sunshine is low but is especially low during late fall and early winter because of cloud cover produced by lake moisture evaporated into the cold air. Sunshine amounts increase as ice development increases in the winter season. Daylight during most of June and July lasts almost 16 hours, whereas winter daylight reaches a minimum of less than 9 hours a day in late December.

Based on the 1951-1980 period, the average first occurrence of 32 degrees Fahrenheit in the fall is September 27 and the average last occurrence in the spring is May 26.

# STATION LOCATION

SAULT STE. MARIE, MICHIGAN

LOCATION	Occupied From	Occupied To	Airline Distances and Directions from previous Location	LATITUDE NORTH	LONGITUDE WEST	ELEVATION ABOVE										AUTOMATIC OBSERVING EQUIPMENT *	* TYPE M = AMOS T = AUTOB S = ASOS W = AWOS  REMARKS
						GROUND											
						SEA LEVEL	GROUND	WIND INSTRUMENT	EXTREME THERMOMETERS	PSYCHROMETER	SUNSHINE SWITCH	RAINING GAUGE	WEIGHING RAIN GAGE	8 INCH RAIN GAGE	HYGROMETER		
*NOTE:  <u>AIRPORT</u>  National Weather Svce Office, 14th and Davitt  Sault Ste Marie Muni Airport	10/27/82  01/01/97	01/01/97  Present	580' NE  NA	46°28'  46°28'	84°21'  84°22'	718  0724	k20  o724	5  5	5  5	8  8	4  4	5  5	5 n5 m5	k5 m5  S	k. Not moved 10/27/82. m. Type change 10/4/85. n. Minor adjustment 7/12/86.  ASOS Commissioned 01/01/97  o. Ground Elevation		

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