

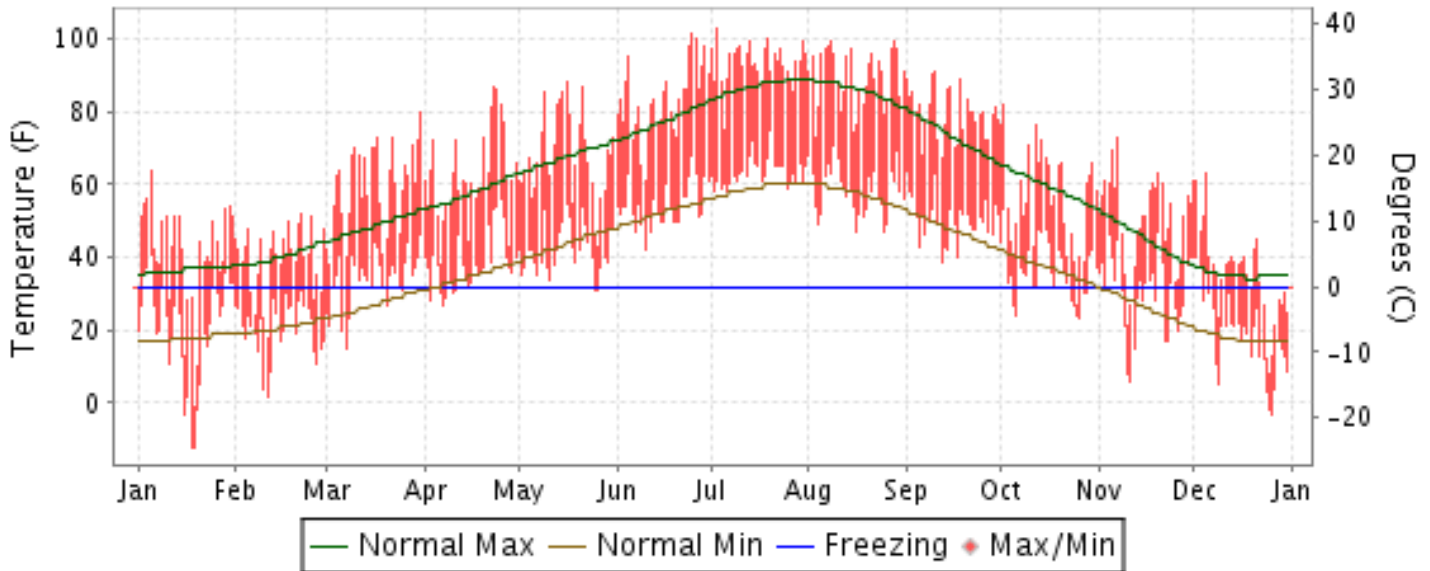


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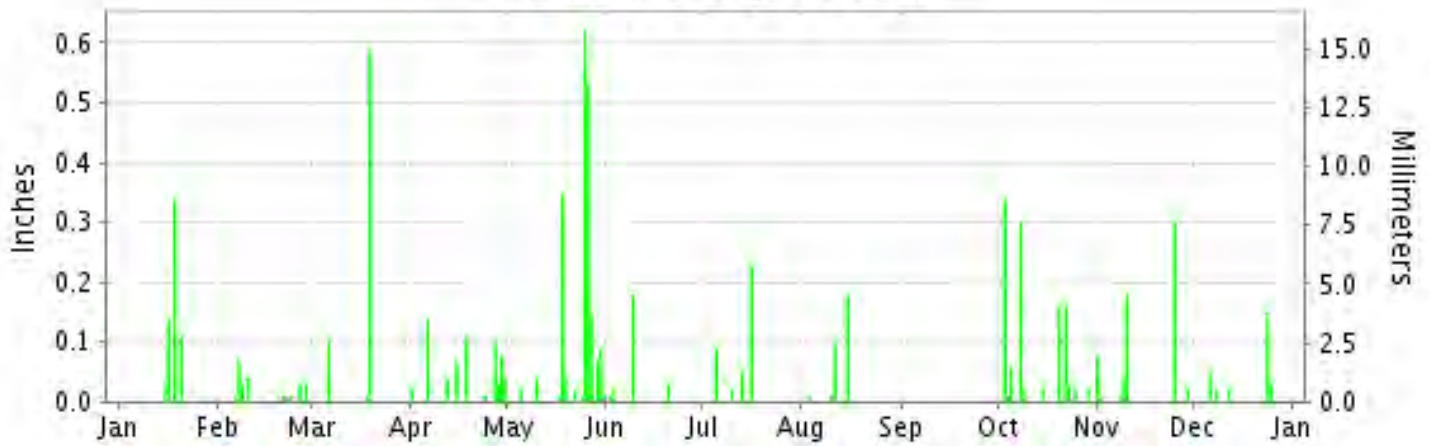
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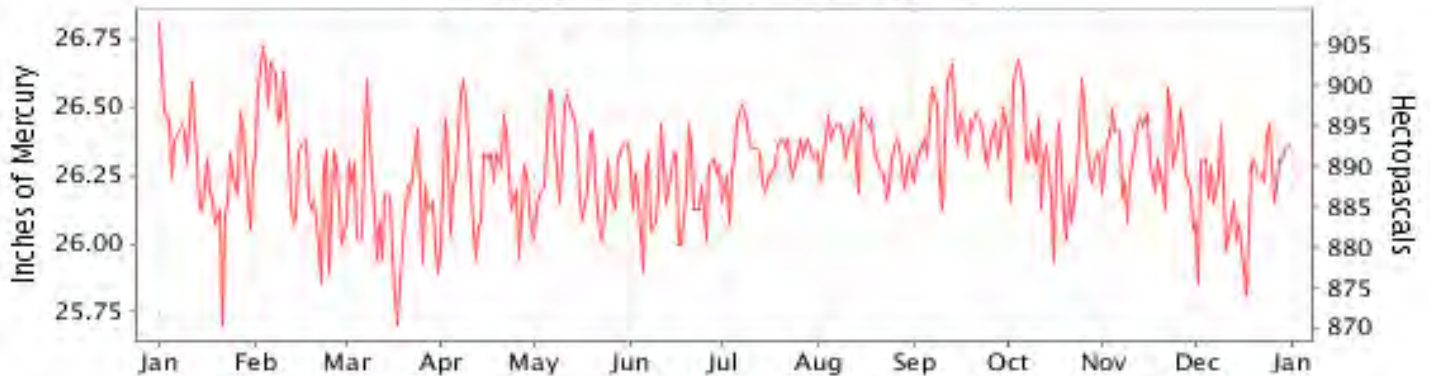
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METEOROLOGICAL DATA FOR 2012

BILLINGS (KBIL)

LATITUDE: 45° 48'N LONGITUDE: 108° 32'W ELEVATION (FT): GRND: 3581 BARO: 3582 TIME ZONE: MOUNTAIN (UTC -7) WBAN: 24033

ELEMENT		JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	YEAR	
TEMPERATURE °F	MEAN DAILY MAXIMUM	40.7	39.7	59.8	62.4	67.8	83.1	93.3	89.3	79.4	56.1	50.3	35.6	63.1	
	HIGHEST DAILY MAXIMUM	64	52	80	87	88	101	103	99	91	82	73	63	103	
	DATE OF OCCURRENCE	05	22	31	23	16	25	03	28+	10	02	07	05	JUL 03	
	MEAN DAILY MINIMUM	20.2	20.4	34.2	38.3	42.0	54.2	63.3	58.3	50.4	36.1	30.1	19.0	38.9	
	LOWEST DAILY MINIMUM	-12	2	15	27	31	42	58	47	39	23	6	-3	-12	
	DATE OF OCCURRENCE	19+	11	07	07	26+	10	06+	25+	12	26	11	26	JAN 19+	
	AVERAGE DRY BULB	30.5	30.1	47.0	50.4	54.9	68.7	78.3	73.8	64.9	46.1	40.2	27.3	51.0	
	MEAN WET BULB	23.8	25.4	37.0	40.9	44.7	53.7	59.9	55.3	48.9	39.0	33.9	23.0	40.5	
	MEAN DEW POINT	11.3	17.7	23.6	30.3	32.9	41.2	46.7	40.0	32.9	30.9	25.8	15.1	29.0	
	NUMBER OF DAYS WITH:														
	MAXIMUM >= 90°	0	0	0	0	0	7	24	17	2	0	0	0	50	
MAXIMUM <= 32°	7	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	11	27		
MINIMUM <= 32°	25	29	11	7	2	0	0	0	0	11	15	27	127		
MINIMUM <= 0°	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	6		
H/C	HEATING DEGREE DAYS	1064	1005	550	447	326	35	0	7	58	580	737	1159	5968	
	COOLING DEGREE DAYS	0	0	0	14	20	153	419	287	62	3	0	0	958	
RH	MEAN (PERCENT)	49	63	45	52	49	41	37	34	34	61	60	64	49	
	HOUR 05 LST	54	73	57	67	62	58	54	50	46	68	68	69	61	
	HOUR 11 LST	43	53	35	43	37	31	27	28	27	56	54	59	41	
	HOUR 17 LST	49	57	35	40	37	27	25	22	24	57	56	61	41	
	HOUR 23 LST	52	69	52	59	59	47	41	36	37	65	62	68	54	
W/O	NUMBER OF DAYS WITH:														
	HEAVY FOG(VISBY <= 1/4 MI)	0	1	1	1	2	0	0	0	0	2	2	2	11	
	THUNDERSTORMS	0	0	0	3	3	7	8	3	1	2	0	0	27	
PR	MEAN STATION PRESS. (IN.)	26.28	26.31	26.12	26.25	26.23	26.20	26.32	26.34	26.40	26.32	26.33	26.19	26.27	
	MEAN SEA-LEVEL PRESS. (IN.)	30.05	30.08	29.78	29.90	29.88	29.79	29.89	29.92	30.02	30.02	30.04	29.95	29.94	
WINDS	RESULTANT SPEED (MPH)	9.4	5.8	7.3	4.1	3.3	3.2	0.6	1.3	2.2	3.9	7.2	7.8	4.4	
	RES. DIR. (TENS OF DEGS.)	26	28	26	29	30	32	29	32	26	27	25	25	27	
	MEAN SPEED (MPH)	13.9	10.8	12.6	10.2	9.6	9.9	8.5	8.1	8.0	10.0	11.1	11.2	10.3	
	PREVAIL.DIR.(TENS OF DEGS.)	24	23	24	23	31	06	22	23	23	24	24	24	24	
	MAXIMUM 2-MINUTE WIND														
	SPEED (MPH)	43	49	46	44	35	41	40	36	35	45	36	46	49	
	DIR. (TENS OF DEGS.)	32	31	30	32	30	28	33	36	32	31	28	31	31	
	DATE OF OCCURRENCE	05	22	26	28	30	10	03	15	01	16	22	02	FEB 22	
	MAXIMUM 3-SECOND WIND:														
SPEED (MPH)	54	67	54	53	45	53	52	45	43	55	43	59	67		
DIR. (TENS OF DEGS.)	32	32	32	33	29	28	32	21	31	31	30	31	32		
DATE OF OCCURRENCE	05	22	26	28	30	10	03	06	01	16	22	02	FEB 22		
PRECIPITATION	WATER EQUIVALENT:														
	TOTAL (IN.)	0.61	0.24	0.70	0.64	1.96	0.24	0.39	0.30	T	1.14	0.64	0.27	7.13	
	GREATEST 24-HOUR (IN.)	0.34	0.10	0.60	0.14	0.82	0.18	0.23	0.18	T	0.34	0.30	0.18	0.82	
	DATE OF OCCURRENCE	18	07-08	18-19	06	25-26	09	16	15	16+	03	25	24-25	MAY 25-26	
	NUMBER OF DAYS WITH:														
	PRECIPITATION 0.01	4	9	3	10	13	4	4	4	0	11	7	5	74	
PRECIPITATION 0.10	3	0	2	3	4	1	1	2	0	4	2	1	23		
PRECIPITATION 1.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
SNOWFALL	SNOW,ICE PELLETS,HAIL														
	TOTAL (IN.)	15.6	3.9	5.9	0.4	3.5	T	0.0	0.0	0.0	4.1	7.5	4.7	45.6	
	GREATEST 24-HOUR (IN.)	9.6	1.6	4.7	0.2	2.2	T	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.3	3.6	3.4	9.6	
	DATE OF OCCURRENCE	18	07	19	15+	25	09				03	10	24	JAN 18	
	MAXIMUM SNOW DEPTH (IN.)	12	2	1	T	1	0	0	0	0	1	3	3	12	
	DATE OF OCCURRENCE	20	08	20+	06	26					06	11	27+	JAN 20	
	NUMBER OF DAYS WITH:														
SNOWFALL >= 1.0	3	1	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	1	2	1	12		

NORMALS, MEANS, AND EXTREMES BILLINGS (KBIL)

LATITUDE: 45° 48'N **LONGITUDE:** 108° 32'W **ELEVATION (FT):** GRND: 3581 BARO: 3582 **TIME ZONE:** MOUNTAIN (UTC -7) **WBAN: 24033**

	ELEMENT	POR	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	YEAR
TEMPERATURE °F	NORMAL DAILY MAXIMUM	30	36.4	40.2	48.6	57.6	67.5	77.2	86.8	85.7	73.1	59.4	45.3	35.2	59.4
	MEAN DAILY MAXIMUM	65	33.1	38.8	46.2	56.9	67.0	76.7	86.8	85.2	72.9	60.2	45.2	35.8	58.7
	HIGHEST DAILY MAXIMUM	78	68	72	80	92	96	105	108	105	103	91	77	69	108
	YEAR OF OCCURRENCE		1953	1961	2012	1939	1936	1984	2002	1961	1983	2011	1999	1980	JUL 2002
	MEAN OF EXTREME MAXS.	65	55.1	59.7	68.4	78.3	86.1	94.5	99.6	98.1	91.9	81.5	66.6	56.6	78.0
	NORMAL DAILY MINIMUM	30	17.8	20.6	26.9	34.7	43.6	52.1	58.8	57.3	47.5	37.1	26.3	17.8	36.7
	MEAN DAILY MINIMUM	65	14.6	19.4	25.1	34.1	43.3	51.6	58.5	56.9	47.2	37.4	26.2	18.3	36.1
	LOWEST DAILY MINIMUM	79	-30	-38	-19	-5	14	32	41	35	22	-7	-22	-32	-38
	YEAR OF OCCURRENCE		1997	1936	1989	1936	1954	1969	1972	1992	1984	1991	1959	1983	FEB 1936
	MEAN OF EXTREME MINS.	65	-10.3	-4.1	3.6	20.1	30.7	41.1	49.2	46.8	33.7	21.1	4.7	-5.9	19.2
	NORMAL DRY BULB	30	27.1	30.4	37.7	46.2	55.6	64.7	72.8	71.5	60.3	48.2	35.8	26.5	48.1
	MEAN DRY BULB	65	23.9	29.1	35.7	45.5	55.2	64.3	72.6	71.0	60.1	48.8	35.7	27.1	47.4
	MEAN WET BULB	29	20.1	22.4	28.9	36.0	44.2	51.5	55.4	53.3	46.0	37.8	27.4	20.8	37.0
	MEAN DEW POINT	29	16.3	17.6	24.4	30.9	39.4	47.0	50.2	47.8	40.9	32.3	22.8	16.1	32.1
	NORMAL NO. DAYS WITH: MAXIMUM >= 90	30	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.3	3.2	12.3	10.5	2.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	28.3
	MAXIMUM <= 32	30	9.8	6.6	3.5	0.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.9	4.7	10.6	36.9
	MINIMUM <= 32	30	26.8	22.5	20.8	10.6	1.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.9	7.4	20.2	27.2	138.0
MINIMUM <= 0	30	4.8	3.0	0.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.1	3.5	13.3	
H/C	NORMAL HEATING DEG. DAYS	30	1175	969	845	567	309	96	15	22	192	523	876	1193	6782
	NORMAL COOLING DEG. DAYS	30	0	0	0	1	16	85	256	224	51	3	0	0	636
RH	NORMAL (PERCENT)	30	62	59	60	56	56	54	48	45	51	55	60	61	56
	HOURLY 05 LST	30	65	67	69	69	71	71	65	63	65	66	66	65	67
	HOURLY 11 LST	30	61	57	55	48	47	44	39	40	46	51	57	60	50
	HOURLY 17 LST	30	57	51	46	41	42	38	32	30	36	43	54	57	44
	HOURLY 23 LST	30	64	63	63	59	61	59	51	48	53	58	62	63	59
S	PERCENT POSSIBLE SUNSHINE	56	47	53	61	60	61	64	76	75	68	61	46	45	60
W/O	MEAN NO. DAYS WITH: HEAVY FOG(VISBY <= 1/4 MI)	49	1.4	2.1	2.3	2.5	1.3	0.6	0.3	0.3	0.8	1.9	2.1	1.8	17.4
	THUNDERSTORMS	65	0.0	0.0	0.1	1.4	4.0	7.5	7.5	5.7	2.0	0.2	0.0	0.0	28.4
CLOUDINESS	MEAN: SUNRISE-SUNSET (OKTAS)														
	MIDNIGHT-MIDNIGHT (OKTAS)														
	MEAN NO. DAYS WITH: CLEAR														
	PARTLY CLOUDY CLOUDY														
PR	MEAN STATION PRESSURE(IN)	29	26.31	26.30	26.25	26.26	26.26	26.28	26.33	26.34	26.34	26.34	26.30	26.30	26.30
	MEAN SEA-LEVEL PRES. (IN)	29	30.08	30.07	29.99	29.94	29.90	29.88	29.91	29.92	29.97	30.02	30.04	30.08	29.98
WINDS	MEAN SPEED (MPH)	29	13.2	11.8	10.8	10.6	10.0	9.4	8.8	8.9	9.3	10.4	11.8	12.8	10.7
	PREVAIL.DIR.(TENS OF DEGS)	33	24	24	24	23	23	23	23	23	23	24	24	24	24
	MAXIMUM 2-MINUTE: SPEED (MPH)	17	49	49	53	60	53	47	61	59	51	56	47	51	61
	DIR. (TENS OF DEGS)		32	31	30	32	31	29	23	32	27	31	33	29	23
	YEAR OF OCCURRENCE		2009	2012	1999	2001	2010	2010	2002	2002	1997	1999	2010	2011	JUL 2002
	MAXIMUM 3-SECOND SPEED (MPH)	17	66	67	63	69	66	62	85	70	64	70	59	62	85
	DIR. (TENS OF DEGS)		32	32	31	31	31	33	25	32	31	32	33	28	25
	YEAR OF OCCURRENCE		2009	2012	1999	2001	2010	2001	2007	2002	2011	1999	2010	2011	JUL 2007
PRECIPITATION	NORMAL (IN)	30	0.48	0.48	1.06	1.66	2.18	2.12	1.32	0.75	1.30	1.18	0.63	0.50	13.66
	MAXIMUM MONTHLY (IN)	78	2.35	1.77	2.70	4.42	9.54	7.64	5.08	3.50	4.99	3.80	2.34	2.00	9.54
	YEAR OF OCCURRENCE		1972	1978	1954	1955	2011	1944	1993	1965	1941	1971	1978	1973	MAY 2011
	MINIMUM MONTHLY (IN)	78	0.04	0.02	0.11	0.06	0.22	0.24	0.04	0.01	T	0.01	T	0.05	0.01
	YEAR OF OCCURRENCE		1941	1997	2004	1962	2001	2012	2003	2001	2012	1987	1954	1957	AUG 2001
	MAXIMUM IN 24 HOURS (IN)	78	1.41	0.65	1.88	3.19	3.35	2.78	2.32	2.47	2.19	1.98	1.37	0.96	3.35
	YEAR OF OCCURRENCE		1972	1986	2006	1978	2011	1997	1993	1965	1966	1974	1959	1978	MAY 2011
	NORMAL NO. DAYS WITH: PRECIPITATION >= 0.01	30	6.2	6.2	9.2	10.2	12.0	11.5	7.9	6.0	7.1	7.3	6.3	6.6	96.5
PRECIPITATION >= 1.00	30	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.9	
SNOWFALL	NORMAL (IN)	30	8.4	6.2	10.2	8.3	2.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.1	4.1	6.5	8.2	55.0
	MAXIMUM MONTHLY (IN)	78	27.7	22.4	27.6	42.3	15.6	2.0	0.4	T	9.3	23.1	25.2	28.8	42.3
	YEAR OF OCCURRENCE		1963	1978	1935	1955	1981	1950	1993	2011	1984	1949	1978	1955	APR 1955
	MAXIMUM IN 24 HOURS (IN)	74	16.6	9.0	10.5	23.7	15.3	2.0	0.4	T	7.5	11.2	15.3	13.7	23.7
	YEAR OF OCCURRENCE'		1972	1944	1964	1955	1981	1950	1993	2011	1983	1980	1959	1978	APR 1955
	MAXIMUM SNOW DEPTH (IN)	64	18	22	22	33	10	0	0	0	7	14	17	24	33
	YEAR OF OCCURRENCE		1972	1978	1978	1955	1983				1984	1949	1978	1978	APR 1955
	NORMAL NO. DAYS WITH: SNOWFALL >= 1.0	30	2.6	2.3	3.0	2.4	0.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.3	1.2	2.2	2.9	17.4

PRECIPITATION (inches) 2012 BILLINGS (KBIL)

YEAR	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	ANNUAL
1983	0.11	0.31	0.73	0.56	2.23	0.88	1.52	1.12	2.26	1.32	0.90	0.92	12.86
1984	0.65	0.93	0.84	1.38	1.12	1.65	0.29	0.58	1.32	0.37	0.95	0.84	10.92
1985	0.31	0.39	2.05	0.31	1.27	1.07	1.40	1.66	1.89	0.69	1.43	0.20	12.67
1986	0.37	1.72	1.04	2.72	1.92	2.15	1.01	0.43	1.24	0.33	1.21	0.12	14.26
1987	0.07	0.49	1.36	0.42	3.84	1.03	2.23	1.73	0.68	0.01	0.29	0.31	12.46
1988	0.45	0.71	0.66	1.82	1.84	0.43	0.04	0.12	2.12	1.01	0.60	0.56	10.36
1989	1.27	0.56	2.04	2.36	2.06	1.18	0.55	0.76	0.70	2.05	0.52	1.36	15.41
1990	0.29	0.50	1.70	2.06	2.81	0.66	0.37	0.93	0.08	1.05	0.33	0.49	11.27
1991	0.82	0.49	0.62	3.87	2.25	5.62	1.04	0.35	3.11	1.29	0.96	0.31	20.73
1992	0.09	0.12	0.65	2.35	1.70	2.69	1.67	0.34	0.62	0.42	0.30	0.51	11.46
1993	0.47	0.32	0.50	1.86	0.40	2.05	5.08	0.69	1.76	2.11	0.26	0.20	15.70
1994	0.34	0.36	0.62	1.89	1.53	1.97	2.02	0.11	1.33	2.06	1.17	0.25	13.65
1995	0.53	0.28	1.87	1.84	3.69	3.10	1.62	1.00	1.01	0.94	0.51	0.34	16.73
1996	0.82	0.62	1.02	1.06	3.85	0.85	.57	.07	1.80	.58	.86	.23	12.33
1997	0.95	0.02	0.80	1.13	1.49	4.14	2.76	0.94	0.28	1.16	0.49	0.41	14.57
1998	1.03	0.23	1.32	1.29	1.26	3.63	2.29	1.94	1.50	1.36	0.76	0.41	17.02
1999	0.48	0.26	0.54	2.41	1.76	2.17	0.36	1.61	1.49	0.12	0.25	0.20	11.65
2000	0.55	1.30	0.78	1.32	1.64	1.30	0.51	0.06	1.85	0.54	0.49	0.34	10.68
2001	0.30	0.60	0.79	1.51	0.22	4.11	1.05	0.01	1.06	0.76	0.37	0.17	10.95
2002	0.37	0.23	0.25	2.09	1.09	1.41	0.55	0.67	1.23	1.12	0.04	0.25	9.30
2003	0.40	0.81	0.83	1.40	1.89	1.79	T	0.03	0.15	1.38	0.30	0.76	9.74
2004	0.25	0.78	0.11	1.51	0.81	1.95	2.27	0.23	1.19	1.67	0.06	0.25	11.08
2005	0.21	0.25	0.67	3.31	1.78	2.35	1.77	0.30	0.83	1.97	1.39	0.44	15.27
2006	0.05	0.11	2.67	1.50	1.14	0.49	0.40	0.42	2.73	2.22	0.86	0.38	12.97
2007	0.34	0.56	1.37	2.51	3.93	1.12	1.63	0.07	1.73	2.48	0.43	0.28	16.45
2008	0.35	0.07	0.42	0.20	4.83	0.31	0.77	1.18	2.44	1.82	0.27	1.23	13.89
2009	0.43	0.37	1.36	1.83	0.64	1.55	0.61	1.20	0.65	1.45	0.17	0.65	10.91
2010	1.09	0.39	0.43	1.24	1.92	5.10	1.70	2.78	0.63	0.63	1.89	0.95	18.75
2011	0.24	0.71	0.68	1.82	9.54	1.46	0.93	1.71	0.12	1.66	0.46	0.21	19.54
2012	0.61	0.24	0.70	0.64	1.96	0.24	0.39	0.30	T	1.14	0.64	0.27	7.13
POR= 65 YRS	0.72	0.58	1.04	1.73	2.36	2.05	1.09	0.88	1.25	1.18	0.71	0.64	14.23

WBAN : 24033

AVERAGE TEMPERATURE (°F) 2012 BILLINGS (KBIL)

YEAR	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	ANNUAL
1983	35.3	38.4	38.6	42.9	53.2	63.9	72.0	77.5	59.3	53.5	37.8	8.7	48.4
1984	29.3	38.3	38.1	45.0	55.5	64.5	74.5	74.7	54.0	42.1	37.6	19.6	47.8
1985	20.3	24.1	34.1	50.5	60.3	64.0	74.8	65.6	53.0	49.6	15.2	25.9	44.8
1986	37.2	24.2	46.2	44.5	54.4	69.7	69.3	70.5	53.7	50.0	32.0	32.3	48.7
1987	30.3	35.0	37.6	54.1	60.2	67.9	70.4	66.2	61.2	49.6	40.3	29.8	50.2
1988	23.6	28.7	39.8	48.3	59.7	75.9	76.2	72.2	58.7	52.0	37.0	29.3	50.1
1989	27.2	13.4	29.9	45.0	55.0	63.6	75.3	69.3	60.5	47.2	39.7	25.0	45.9
1990	31.2	29.0	38.1	46.1	53.6	65.1	72.1	72.6	66.5	48.7	40.6	19.2	48.6
1991	20.8	41.0	38.5	43.7	54.8	64.3	72.6	75.5	60.6	45.6	32.7	34.1	48.7
1992	35.2	39.4	44.0	48.9	58.4	65.9	65.8	67.2	60.7	49.8	36.9	19.7	49.3
1993	17.9	21.7	40.6	47.0	59.8	62.2	62.7	65.6	57.0	47.5	31.4	33.7	45.6
1994	28.2	22.5	42.0	47.1	59.9	66.4	72.1	73.4	64.5	48.4	34.6	31.0	49.2
1995	31.9	34.9	34.6	42.7	51.2	61.9	69.3	70.7	58.5	47.2	38.4	28.3	47.5
1996	16.5	29.3	28.1	47.3	50.4	67.0	72.5	73.7	57.9	46.2	24.6	19.4	44.4
1997	18.8	32.3	37.6	38.8	56.0	65.5	68.8	69.4	64.1	49.3	35.4	30.0	47.2
1998	24.5	35.9	32.8	47.8	57.4	58.2	75.3	72.7	66.6	48.8	38.1	26.2	48.7
1999	30.1	38.3	39.6	43.4	53.3	62.9	71.3	72.4	56.3	50.1	45.3	35.3	49.9
2000	27.6	31.3	40.9	47.2	56.3	64.4	75.7	73.6	59.8	47.4	26.8	20.1	47.6
2001	30.3	20.6	38.6	46.3	58.9	63.5	74.2	75.2	63.6	47.8	41.2	27.8	49.0
2002	28.0	32.8	24.7	40.8	52.2	65.4	76.8	66.7	61.4	41.2	39.3	31.6	46.7
2003	31.1	25.2	34.0	49.5	55.2	63.7	78.4	77.1	60.3	53.5	30.6	31.6	49.2
2004	23.6	32.3	44.4	49.4	53.5	61.6	72.2	68.9	59.8	48.8	39.4	32.9	48.9
2005	22.5	34.4	40.6	46.3	52.8	63.3	74.2	69.7	61.8	49.7	39.3	26.3	48.4
2006	38.0	30.0	34.7	49.8	58.2	68.6	78.0	71.4	59.6	44.5	35.7	31.6	50.0
2007	25.4	26.1	44.6	44.5	56.5	66.0	79.1	72.0	61.3	50.2	36.5	27.9	49.2
2008	25.0	32.3	37.7	43.8	54.8	63.6	73.9	72.6	58.5	48.4	42.3	19.2	47.7
2009	29.7	33.7	33.8	45.4	57.3	61.7	71.2	70.2	66.8	41.3	41.8	16.4	47.4
2010	25.4	26.4	44.1	46.5	51.8	63.9	71.5	70.5	59.7	53.7	30.3	24.7	47.4
2011	25.7	20.2	35.6	42.7	50.0	62.4	74.8	73.6	64.5	52.0	35.3	30.8	47.3
2012	30.5	30.1	47.0	50.4	54.9	68.7	78.3	73.8	64.9	46.1	40.2	27.3	51.0
POR= 65 YRS	23.9	29.1	35.7	45.5	55.2	64.3	72.6	71.0	60.1	48.8	35.7	27.1	47.4

HEATING DEGREE DAYS (base 65°F) 2012 BILLINGS (KBIL)

YEAR	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	TOTAL
1983-84	29	5	234	359	811	1741	1101	769	828	592	316	97	6882
1984-85	12	3	351	701	812	1404	1381	1140	950	428	184	103	7469
1985-86	13	65	358	471	1492	1207	853	1136	579	610	347	18	7149
1986-87	8	2	331	457	982	1005	1070	829	841	337	183	44	6089
1987-88	39	56	134	473	734	1083	1276	1047	775	492	200	14	6323
1988-89	0	6	221	395	833	1099	1168	1441	1084	595	308	97	7247
1989-90	0	25	172	546	752	1235	1042	1002	829	560	346	108	6617
1990-91	9	0	73	500	725	1413	1365	665	814	630	311	50	6555
1991-92	3	0	171	612	963	951	918	737	641	481	232	73	5782
1992-93	53	95	166	475	837	1398	1456	1210	751	531	177	134	7283
1993-94	98	60	250	534	1004	963	1135	1186	707	534	161	77	6709
1994-95	13	20	67	505	908	1045	1020	838	936	661	425	141	6579
1995-96	9	12	227	551	790	1131	1500	1032	1139	525	446	44	7406
1996-97	0	3	224	578	1205	1406	1425	910	840	780	285	38	7694
1997-98	44	39	90	493	882	1077	1249	806	992	508	235	211	6626
1998-99	0	0	98	493	803	1195	1077	741	780	642	369	100	6298
1999-00	26	4	271	454	585	916	1152	968	742	524	272	86	6000
2000-01	0	14	212	540	1141	1386	1072	1235	812	555	209	126	7302
2001-02	0	0	119	531	705	1143	1140	895	1237	718	400	99	6987
2002-03	0	24	169	732	764	1030	1046	1107	954	458	336	108	6728
2003-04	0	10	191	372	1026	1029	1276	940	627	464	351	135	6421
2004-05	7	15	175	501	763	989	1313	850	750	557	377	122	6419
2005-06	10	45	150	470	764	1193	828	970	931	450	245	11	6067
2006-07	0	11	192	632	873	1029	1223	1082	622	611	264	60	6599
2007-08	0	9	174	452	847	1145	1236	943	838	630	328	114	6716
2008-09	1	9	208	513	677	1411	1086	867	957	586	265	158	6738
2009-10	4	10	72	731	693	1499	1220	1075	641	548	407	85	6985
2010-11	10	28	182	352	1033	1244	1211	1249	905	662	458	119	7453
2011-12	0	0	88	419	882	1050	1064	1005	550	447	326	35	5866
2012-	0	7	58	580	737	1159							

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COOLING DEGREE DAYS (base 65°F) 2012 BILLINGS (KBIL)

YEAR	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	TOTAL
1983	0	0	0	0	24	54	256	400	69	7	2	0	812
1984	0	0	0	0	30	91	315	310	29	0	0	0	775
1985	0	0	0	0	42	83	325	92	6	0	0	0	548
1986	0	0	1	2	25	163	152	177	1	0	0	0	521
1987	0	0	0	17	41	134	215	100	30	4	0	0	541
1988	0	0	0	0	41	351	355	234	37	0	0	0	1018
1989	0	0	0	2	2	64	327	164	45	0	0	0	604
1990	0	0	0	0	0	117	239	245	123	0	0	0	724
1991	0	0	0	1	3	35	244	332	45	16	0	0	676
1992	0	0	0	4	36	106	84	166	42	10	0	0	448
1993	0	0	0	0	18	57	34	85	19	2	0	0	215
1994	0	0	0	3	9	126	241	289	58	0	0	0	726
1995	0	0	0	0	3	55	151	195	39	5	0	0	448
1996	0	0	0	0	0	108	241	280	15	1	0	0	645
1997	0	0	0	0	14	61	170	182	71	13	0	0	511
1998	0	0	0	0	6	12	326	243	152	0	0	0	739
1999	0	0	0	0	10	44	228	241	17	0	1	0	541
2000	0	0	0	0	11	73	337	287	63	0	0	0	771
2001	0	0	0	0	32	87	293	326	84	4	0	0	826
2002	0	0	0	0	12	120	373	84	69	0	0	0	658
2003	0	0	0	0	40	76	424	393	55	26	0	0	1014
2004	0	0	0	2	0	39	238	144	26	4	0	0	453
2005	0	0	0	0	3	76	302	198	61	6	0	0	646
2006	0	0	0	0	38	125	408	217	39	1	0	0	828
2007	0	0	0	2	9	98	445	231	69	0	0	0	854
2008	0	0	0	1	20	79	284	255	19	2	0	0	660
2009	0	0	0	4	35	68	202	182	132	0	0	0	623
2010	0	0	0	0	2	59	219	204	34	7	0	0	525
2011	0	0	0	0	0	52	308	273	79	22	0	0	734
2012	0	0	0	14	20	153	419	287	62	3	0	0	958

SNOWFALL (inches) 2012 BILLINGS (KBIL)

YEAR	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	TOTAL
1983-84	0.0	0.0	7.5	T	5.5	10.9	5.3	6.8	4.5	9.0	T	0.0	49.5
1984-85	0.0	0.0	9.3	6.5	9.9	16.1	4.8	3.8	21.7	1.9	0.0	0.0	74.0
1985-86	0.0	0.0	3.6	6.0	17.1	2.0	3.3	13.8	6.4	12.9	8.3	0.0	73.4
1986-87	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	12.3	1.9	0.6	6.0	13.3	0.3	0.4	0.0	34.8
1987-88	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.3	2.6	3.6	7.4	8.8	1.9	10.7	2.0	0.0	37.3
1988-89	0.0	0.0	T	2.0	5.6	6.2	18.5	6.8	25.1	11.8	T	0.0	76.0
1989-90	0.0	0.0	T	7.2	5.8	17.1	3.3	8.9	13.0	11.2	T	0.0	66.5
1990-91	T	T	0.0	3.5	1.5	6.2	11.4	1.0	3.7	30.0	3.6	T	60.9
1991-92	T	0.0	0.0	15.6	7.6	3.5	0.9	1.1	3.1	3.4	0.0	0.0	35.2
1992-93	0.0	T	0.0	4.0	1.7	10.6	11.4	5.8	2.7	6.9	0.0	T	43.1
1993-94	0.4	0.0	T	7.8	5.6	3.0	8.7	6.8	7.9	10.1	T	T	50.3
1994-95	T	0.0	0.0	T	13.9	4.6	2.4	6.3	6.8	8.8	3.9	T	46.7
1995-96		0.0	1.6	4.9	3.3	3.2	13.4	10.2	18.8	7.1	0.9	T	
1996-97	T	0.0	T	9.7	15.7	20.6	18.5	0.8	10.3	23.1	T	T	98.7
1997-98	T	0.0	0.0	0.9	5.3	6.4	18.6	1.7	20.5	T	T	T	53.4
1998-99	T	0.0	0.0	0.0	5.1	6.5	18.2	2.4	8.5	8.7	T	0.0	49.4
1999-00	0.0	0.0	T	0.9	0.0	3.7	10.6	13.7	3.1	3.1	1.6	T	36.7
2000-01	0.0	0.0	5.5	T	9.6	9.1	5.4	14.8	8.1	7.2	T	T	59.7
2001-02	T	0.0	0.0	1.0	5.5	3.5	9.4	6.9	12.5	17.3	3.2	0.0	59.3
2002-03	T	0.0	T	5.9	0.1	4.9	13.5	11.4	15.8	0.2	T	T	51.8
2003-04	0.0	0.0	0.0	3.6	5.6	11.2	7.5	4.1	1.1	3.6	1.1	0.0	37.8
2004-05	T	0.0	0.0	T	2.1	3.6	9.0	6.0	10.7	20.9	3.1	T	55.4
2005-06	0.0	0.0	0.0	10.8	4.6	7.7	0.1	1.4	8.5	2.0	T	T	35.1
2006-07	0.0	0.0	0.0	6.1	8.8	5.2	8.2	15.0	14.0	7.9	T	0.0	65.2
2007-08	0.0	0.0	T	T	6.8	4.3	9.7	2.4	6.3	1.8	1.8	T	33.1
2008-09	T	0.0	T	12.9	0.1	21.0	9.1	10.1	16.9	5.5	T	T	75.6
2009-10	0.0	0.0	0.0	6.6	1.4	15.3	18.2	7.4	0.3	2.2	0.7	T	52.1
2010-11	T	T	0.0	T	23.3	15.8	3.3	13.8	5.9	9.8	0.3	T	72.2
2011-12	T	T	0.0	0.0	6.5	2.8	15.6	3.9	5.9	0.4	3.5	T	38.6
2012-	0.0	0.0	0.0	4.1	7.5	4.7							
POR= 64 YRS	T	T	1.0	4.1	6.7	8.8	10.1	7.3	10.1	8.4	1.6	T	58.1

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REFERENCE NOTES :

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).

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).

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.

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

CLEAR INDICATES 0 - 2 OKTAS, PARTLY CLOUDY INDICATES

3 - 6 OKTAS, AND CLOUDY INDICATES 7 OR 8 OKTAS.

GENERAL CONTINUED:

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.

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 EIGHTHS(OKTAS) FOR REPORTING THE AMOUNT OF SKY COVER.

STATION HISTORY STOPPED WITH THE 2009 ANNUAL. IF YOU NEED STATION HISTORY INFORMATION GO TO "Historical Observing Metadata Repository", URL IS:

<http://www.ncdc.noaa.gov/homr/>

SNOWFALL STOPPED MONTH & YEAR INDICATED ABOVE. NO FURTHER YEARS INCLUDED UNLESS RESTARTED.

NOTE:

The "Period of Record:(POR)" for all "averages" is based on "Summary of the Day First Order Station" and "Cooperative Summary of the Day" archives.

The 2012 Annual Publications were reproduced on 6/05/13 to correct two problems that occurred when the Publications were first produced on 02/28/13.

- 1) A small number of stations did not correctly show number of days with thunderstorms and heavy fog.
- 2) Climate Normals in the Annual Publications were based on a first edition of the 1981-2010 Normals release. With the release of Service Pack 1 (SP1) new normals for 83 stations are available and now included. Additional information on SP1 is available at:
<http://www1.ncdc.noaa.gov/pub/data/normals/1981-2010/status.txt>.

2012 BILLINGS MONTANA (KBIL)

Billings, Montana, at an elevation of 3,100 to 3,600 feet above sea level, is situated in the borderline area between the Great Plains and the Rocky Mountains, and has a climate which takes on some of the characteristics of both regions. Its climate may be classified as semi-arid, but with irrigation and the favorable distribution of the precipitation, it is possible to raise a variety of crops in the area.

About a third of the annual precipitation falls during May and June, with June being the wettest month. The period of least precipitation is from November through February. These four months normally produce less than 20 percent of the annual precipitation. The heaviest snows occur during the spring and fall months when the temperature and moisture conditions are most favorable. Heavy snows of 6 inches or more also occur during November and December. The occurrence of thawing periods normally prevents the snow from accumulating to great depths on the ground. Thunderstorms are most frequent during the summer months. These storms are frequently accompanied by strong, gusty winds and occasionally by hail. Destructive hailstorms, however, are rather infrequent.

Winter is usually cold, though not extremely so, and generally affords several mild periods of a week to several weeks in length. The winter cold periods are ushered in by moderately strong north to northeast winds and snow. The coldest temperatures occur after the snow ends and the sky clears. True blizzard conditions are not observed very often in town, but in the surrounding rural areas, blizzard conditions may develop several times during the winter. Cold weather improves with the onset of moderate to strong southwest winds. This wind is sometimes a foehn condition (chinook), but is more often a drainage wind moving down the Yellowstone Valley which transports warmer air of Pacific origin to the area. Occasionally an open winter occurs when cold Arctic outbreaks pass far to the east and temperatures stay above zero degrees.

Spring brings a period of frequent and rapid fluctuations in the weather. It is usually cloudy and cool with frequent periods of rain and/or snow. As the season progresses, snows become less frequent until late May and June when rain is the rule. The last freezing temperatures in spring usually occur before mid-May though they have occurred as late as late June.

The summer season is characterized by warm days with abundant sunshine and low humidities. The nights are cool because of the altitude and the cool air drainage into the valley from the higher terrain. Seldom is there a protracted rainy spell during this season. Frequent thunderstorms bring threatening afternoon cloudiness but usually only small amounts of rain.

The first freezing temperatures of the fall season occur in late September, but they have been noted as early as late August. Over the years, the fall months have been about evenly distributed between cold, wet ones, and mild, dry, pleasant ones. The change to severe winter weather usually arrives after the middle of November. There have been years when the more severe type of winter weather have been delayed until late in December.

Station History

BILLINGS, MT

NAME	Begin Date	End Date	Latitude	Longitude	Elevation Feet	Relocation	Platform
BILLINGS LOGAN INTL AP	1996-04-01	2007-10-09	45° 48'	-108° 32'	3581		ASOS, COOP
BILLINGS MUNICIPAL AP	1940-01-01	1948-01-01	45° 48'	-108° 31'	3567		AIRWAYS
BILLINGS LOGAN FIELD	1970-01-01	1972-06-01	45° 48'	-108° 31'	3567		COOP, WXSVC
LOGAN	1933-10-01	1934-07-01	45° 48'	-108° 31'			AIRWAYS
BILLINGS MUNICIPAL AP	1934-07-01	1939-10-31	45° 48'	-108° 31'			AIRWAYS
BILLINGS LOGAN INTL AP	2007-10-09	Present	45° 48'	-108° 32'	3581		ASOS, COOP
BILLINGS LOGAN INTL AP	1981-12-31	1995-05-01	45° 48'	-108° 31'	3567		COOP
BILLINGS LOGAN INTL AP	1995-05-01	1996-04-01	45° 48'	-108° 32'	3581	.3 MI NW	ASOS, COOP
BILLINGS LOGAN FIELD	1958-06-26	1970-01-01	45° 48'	-108° 31'	3567		AIRWAYS, COOP
BILLINGS MUNICIPAL AP	1948-01-01	1958-06-26	45° 48'	-108° 31'	3567		AIRWAYS, COOP
BILLINGS LOGAN INTL AP	1972-06-01	1981-12-31	45° 48'	-108° 31'	3567		COOP, WXSVC

Element History

Element	Begin Date	End Date	Frequency	Time Of Observation	Equipment *	Equipment * Modifications	Equipment Exposure
PRECIP	1940-01-01	1982-01-01	DAILY	2400	UNIV	RCRD	
PRECIP	1982-01-01	1992-05-11	DAILY	2400	UNIV	RCRD	
PRECIP	1992-05-11	1995-05-01	DAILY	2400	UNIV	RCRD	
TEMP	1995-05-01	2001-02-23	DAILY	2400			
TEMP	2012-01-18	Present	DAILY	2400	ATEMP		
TEMP	1982-01-01	1992-05-11	DAILY	2400			
PRECIP	1995-05-01	2001-02-23	DAILY	2400	TB	RCRD	
PRECIP	1982-01-01	1992-05-11	HOURLY	2400			
PRECIP	1995-05-01	2001-02-23	HOURLY	2400	TB	RCRD	
TEMP	1933-10-01	1939-10-31	DAILY	2400			
TEMP	1940-01-01	1982-01-01	DAILY	2400			
TEMP	2001-02-23	2007-10-09	DAILY	2400	HYGR		
TEMP	2007-10-09	2012-01-18	DAILY	2400	HYGR		
PRECIP	2007-10-09	2012-01-18	HOURLY	2400	TB	RCRD	
PRECIP	1933-10-01	1939-10-31	DAILY	2400	UNIV	RCRD	
PRECIP	1992-05-11	1995-05-01	HOURLY	2400			
PRECIP	2001-02-23	2007-10-09	HOURLY	2400	TB	RCRD	
PRECIP	2007-10-09	2012-01-18	DAILY	2400	PCPNX		
TEMP	1992-05-11	1995-05-01	DAILY	2400	HYGR		
PRECIP	2001-02-23	2007-10-09	DAILY	2400			
PRECIP	2012-01-18	Present	DAILY	2400	PCPNX		
PRECIP	2012-01-18	Present	HOURLY	2400	AHTB	RCRD;HTD	

* For explanation of codes and abbreviations see Station Metadata link below.

Other Station Information can be found at:

ASOS Implementation by NWS: <http://www.nws.noaa.gov/ops2/Surface/asosimplementation.htm>

Station Metadata website: <http://www.ncdc.noaa.gov/homr>

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