

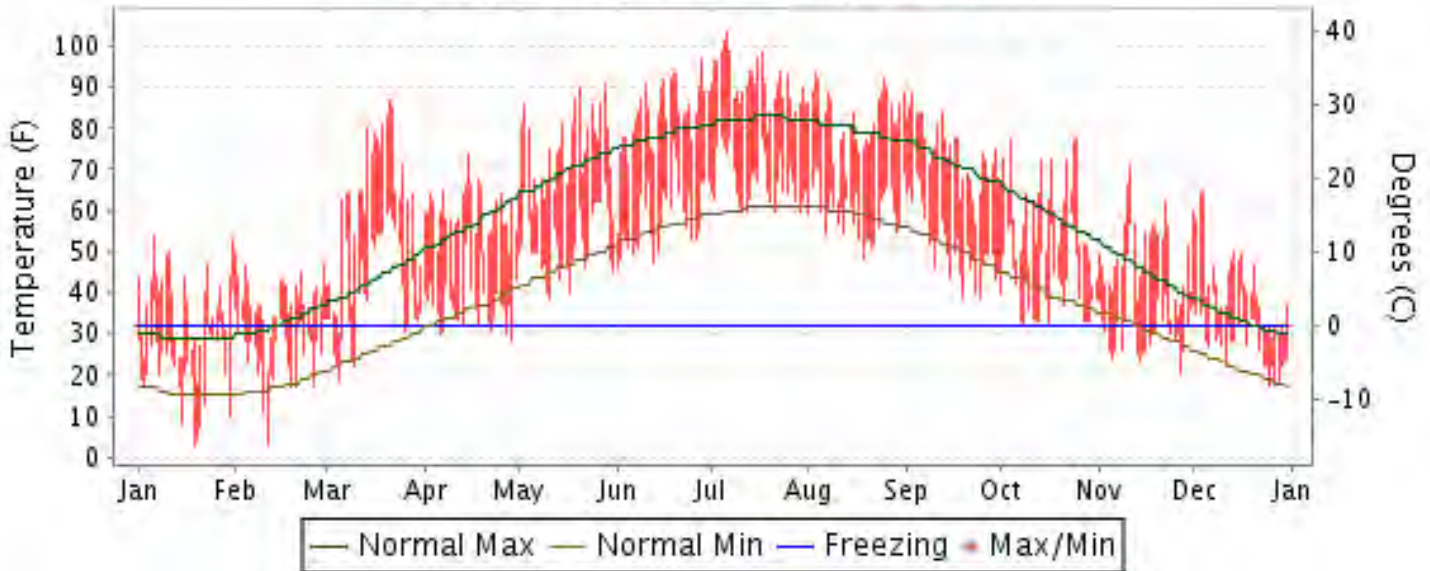


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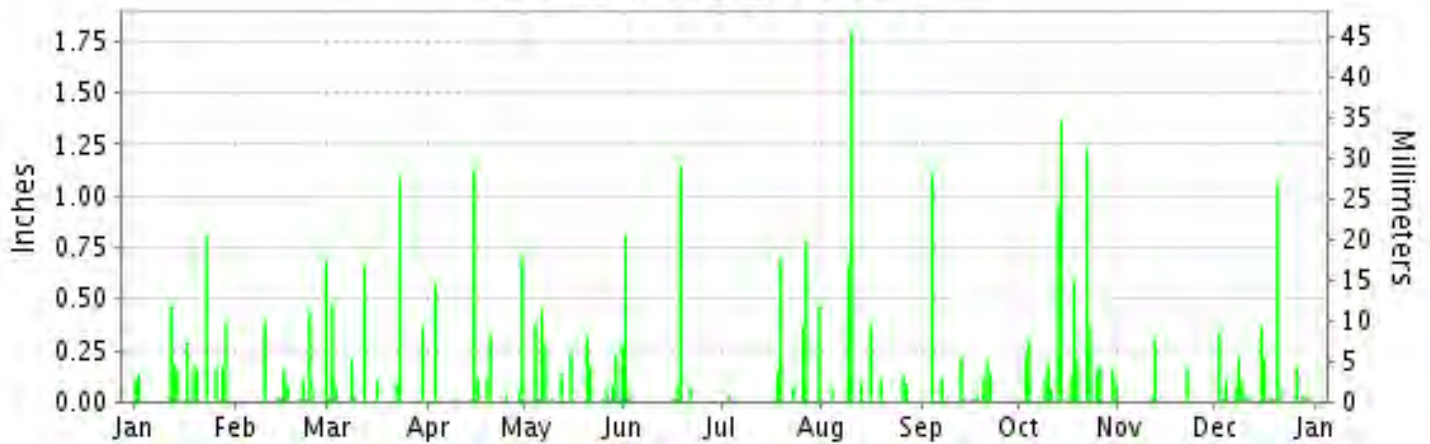
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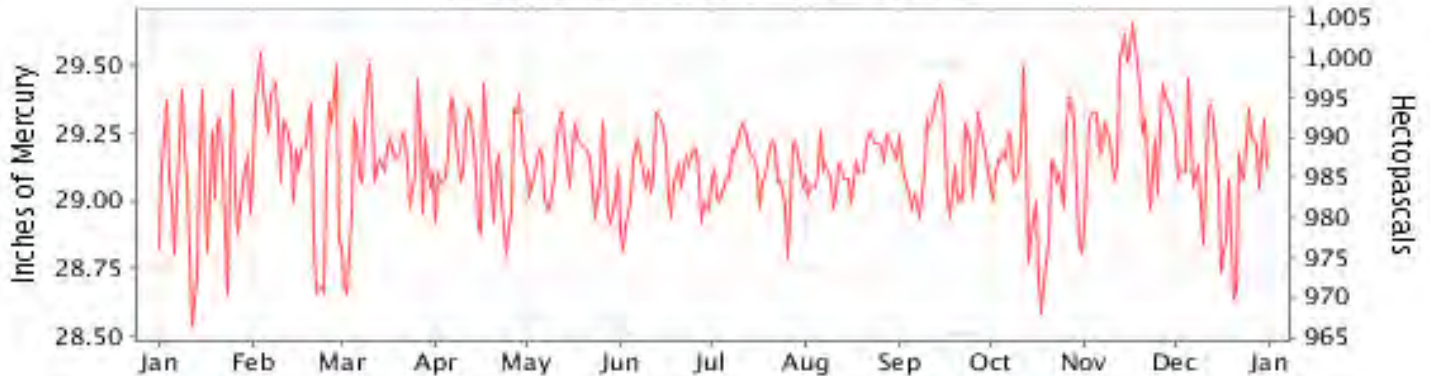
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Daily Precipitation



Daily Station Pressure



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METEOROLOGICAL DATA FOR 2012

GRAND RAPIDS (KGRR)

LATITUDE: 42° 52'N LONGITUDE: 85° 31'W ELEVATION (FT): GRND: 803 BARO: 788 TIME ZONE: EASTERN (UTC -5) WBAN: 94860

ELEMENT		JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	YEAR	
TEMPERATURE °F	MEAN DAILY MAXIMUM	37.1	38.4	60.6	59.1	74.5	83.3	91.1	82.0	74.2	59.5	48.6	41.7	62.5	
	HIGHEST DAILY MAXIMUM	54	50	87	74	91	97	104	93	89	78	71	65	104	
	DATE OF OCCURRENCE	06	01	21	15	28	28	06	03	03	25	11	04+	JUL 06	
	MEAN DAILY MINIMUM	22.3	25.3	40.8	37.5	51.8	58.3	67.4	59.7	51.7	42.1	31.5	28.5	43.1	
	LOWEST DAILY MINIMUM	3	3	19	28	39	46	60	48	39	32	20	17	3	
	DATE OF OCCURRENCE	19	11	05	29	11	01	29+	18	24+	16+	27	25	FEB 11	
	AVERAGE DRY BULB	29.7	31.9	50.7	48.3	63.2	70.8	79.3	70.9	63.0	50.8	40.1	35.1	52.8	
	MEAN WET BULB	27.8	29.5	46.5	42.3	55.3	61.1	68.6	63.1	55.6	46.3	35.5	32.9	47.0	
	MEAN DEW POINT	23.1	24.8	40.4	33.8	48.6	54.0	62.6	58.2	49.9	41.2	29.6	28.7	41.2	
	NUMBER OF DAYS WITH:														
	MAXIMUM >= 90°	0	0	0	0	2	8	18	4	0	0	0	0	0	32
	MAXIMUM <= 32°	11	3	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	23	
MINIMUM <= 32°	28	23	8	7	0	0	0	0	0	2	20	22	110		
MINIMUM <= 0°	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
H/C	HEATING DEGREE DAYS	1088	954	463	494	131	28	0	9	125	436	739	919	5386	
	COOLING DEGREE DAYS	0	0	26	1	81	208	449	197	73	4	0	0	1039	
RH	MEAN (PERCENT)	76	75	67	60	62	57	60	67	66	72	69	77	67	
	HOUR 01 LST	78	80	75	71	75	72	76	83	81	79	75	81	77	
	HOUR 07 LST	82	81	76	70	70	64	68	77	79	81	78	82	76	
	HOUR 13 LST	68	67	57	47	48	41	42	48	47	58	56	69	54	
	HOUR 19 LST	76	75	64	54	56	49	52	63	63	72	69	77	64	
W/O	NUMBER OF DAYS WITH:														
	HEAVY FOG(VISBY <= 1/4 MI)	4	5	3	0	3	0	1	1	0	0	2	3	22	
	THUNDERSTORMS	1	0	3	3	8	2	5	3	2	3	0	1	31	
PR	MEAN STATION PRESS. (IN.)	29.06	29.19	29.14	29.14	29.12	29.09	29.11	29.13	29.15	29.07	29.29	29.10	29.13	
	MEAN SEA-LEVEL PRESS. (IN.)	29.95	30.08	30.01	30.01	29.98	29.94	29.96	29.98	30.01	29.94	30.18	29.99	30.00	
WINDS	RESULTANT SPEED (MPH)	4.5	3.8	3.7	1.5	1.4	3.5	1.6	1.8	1.7	3.1	2.7	0.9	2.3	
	RES. DIR. (TENS OF DEGS.)	24	25	21	32	21	24	25	26	23	24	22	22	24	
	MEAN SPEED (MPH)	9.8	9.0	10.5	9.6	8.5	8.6	7.3	6.4	7.4	9.7	7.8	9.0	8.6	
	PREVAIL.DIR.(TENS OF DEGS.)	21	24	21	09	25	25	24	16	18	18	16	20	18	
	MAXIMUM 2-MINUTE WIND														
	SPEED (MPH)	33	30	37	40	36	33	36	25	31	35	33	35	40	
	DIR. (TENS OF DEGS.)	27	24	27	25	25	34	01	27	27	24	17	33	25	
	DATE OF OCCURRENCE	28	21	02	16	02	18	31	31	21	11	11	21	APR 16	
	MAXIMUM 3-SECOND WIND:														
	SPEED (MPH)	41	38	48	52	44	45	45	32	38	48	46	49	52	
DIR. (TENS OF DEGS.)	28	27	27	25	25	33	36	28	25	23	17	34	25		
DATE OF OCCURRENCE	28	27	03	16	02	18	31	31	21	05	11	21	APR 16		
PRECIPITATION	WATER EQUIVALENT:														
	TOTAL (IN.)	3.20	2.00	3.14	3.09	2.72	2.17	2.56	3.34	1.97	6.32	0.49	2.85	33.85	
	GREATEST 24-HOUR (IN.)	0.81	0.68	1.19	1.18	0.71	1.14	0.78	2.27	1.11	1.51	0.33	1.06	2.27	
	DATE OF OCCURRENCE	23	29	22-23	15-16	06-07	18	27	09-10	04	22-23	11-12	20	AUG 09-10	
	NUMBER OF DAYS WITH:														
PRECIPITATION 0.01	13	11	10	11	16	6	7	8	9	17	3	17	128		
PRECIPITATION 0.10	12	5	6	6	9	2	5	6	6	14	2	8	81		
PRECIPITATION 1.00	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	1	1	2	0	1	8		
SNOWFALL	SNOW,ICE PELLETS,HAIL														
	TOTAL (IN.)	27.0	16.2	2.8	T	T	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	T	0.3	7.2	53.5	
	GREATEST 24-HOUR (IN.)	6.0	6.2	2.0	T	T	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	T	0.1	3.1	6.2	
	DATE OF OCCURRENCE	14	10	03	28+	09					31+	28+	26	FEB 10	
	MAXIMUM SNOW DEPTH (IN.)	7	6	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	T	3	7	
	DATE OF OCCURRENCE	15	11	04								28	27+	JAN 15	
	NUMBER OF DAYS WITH:														
SNOWFALL >= 1.0	9	4	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	16		

PRECIPITATION (inches) 2012 GRAND RAPIDS (KGRR)

YEAR	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	ANNUAL
1983	1.33	1.12	3.30	5.06	4.64	2.09	4.76	1.49	4.87	2.66	3.00	2.79	37.11
1984	0.94	1.15	2.77	2.10	4.77	0.62	2.12	1.49	2.16	3.34	2.85	4.37	28.68
1985	1.94	3.26	4.20	2.54	1.36	1.68	3.09	6.48	4.26	4.64	5.45	2.00	40.90
1986	1.07	3.34	2.35	2.58	3.88	7.14	5.27	5.30	11.85	2.76	0.95	1.04	47.53
1987	0.67	0.37	1.15	2.40	0.94	3.56	2.93	8.46	4.47	2.33	2.49	3.29	33.06
1988	2.39	1.14	2.12	3.11	1.07	0.25	3.69	3.04	7.49	5.37	4.82	1.88	36.37
1989	0.95	1.01	2.47	1.79	4.33	5.02	1.29	4.78	4.90	1.53	4.86	0.97	33.90
1990	2.39	2.08	1.96	2.23	4.39	3.00	3.73	3.40	4.22	5.05	7.14	2.97	42.56
1991	1.32	0.64	3.58	5.58	4.44	1.76	6.24	3.79	2.93	5.61	6.41	2.63	44.93
1992	1.52	1.06	3.51	3.98	1.45	1.61	8.83	3.55	5.60	2.34	5.64	3.27	42.36
1993	4.21	1.13	2.31	4.93	2.17	6.05	1.83	7.73	8.20	4.32	2.12	1.47	46.47
1994	2.68	1.70	1.46	3.25	2.64	7.17	8.07	7.39	2.38	3.29	5.44	1.11	46.58
1995	2.73	0.94	1.49	3.85	2.85	3.97	6.11	3.10	1.54	2.78	4.37	1.52	35.25
1996	1.18	0.90	0.96	2.41	4.83	6.33	1.28	.33	2.72	2.76	1.40	2.45	27.55
1997	2.63	4.80	1.40	1.70	3.05	2.76	1.95	1.99	4.85	2.02	1.49	0.98	29.62
1998	4.09	1.50	4.93	2.75	1.86	2.11	2.49	1.70	2.49	2.98	2.27	1.20	30.37
1999	3.54	1.49	0.96	6.69	2.46	3.81	2.88	3.22	3.21	1.00	0.95	2.31	32.52
2000	1.02	1.09	1.33	3.98	8.65	4.67	4.06	2.31	6.31	1.85	2.82	2.07	40.16
2001	0.71	2.58	0.54	2.05	10.01	3.35	2.00	3.48	3.76	7.38	2.26	2.37	40.49
2002	1.12	1.48	2.65	3.72	4.32	2.06	2.09	4.67	0.97	2.04	2.40	1.97	29.49
2003	0.91	0.61	1.58	2.96	5.68	1.72	3.56	3.75	2.45	1.76	7.90	1.23	34.11
2004	2.01	1.03	4.79	2.04	9.29	3.09	2.56	3.41	0.67	3.98	4.03	2.38	39.28
2005	4.67	2.54	1.41	0.77	2.04	7.35	4.08	1.42	3.82	0.71	5.29	2.43	36.53
2006	4.30	2.39	3.31	2.22	4.92	1.77	6.90	1.62	5.38	5.02	2.80	3.76	44.39
2007	2.19	1.98	3.50	4.27	1.68	3.39	1.24	6.10	1.21	3.13	1.06	3.03	32.78
2008	3.76	4.16	2.47	3.56	2.13	5.66	5.42	1.05	9.54	2.71	2.07	6.27	48.80
2009	1.74	3.31	2.66	5.56	2.65	6.17	2.35	4.74	1.56	7.64	1.48	2.99	42.85
2010	0.85	1.80	1.17	3.81	3.80	8.04	4.66	1.74	2.80	2.61	2.81	1.78	35.87
2011	1.31	2.96	4.01	7.19	4.54	3.34	6.87	4.42	2.23	3.13	2.50	2.59	45.09
2012	3.20	2.00	3.14	3.09	2.72	2.17	2.56	3.34	1.97	6.32	0.49	2.85	33.85
POR= 76 YRS	2.15	1.77	2.57	3.36	3.35	3.74	3.44	3.14	3.60	2.86	3.05	2.63	35.66

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AVERAGE TEMPERATURE (°F) 2012 GRAND RAPIDS (KGRR)

YEAR	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	ANNUAL
1983	27.6	30.9	36.9	42.6	52.8	67.7	74.7	72.2	62.4	50.7	40.7	19.2	48.2
1984	17.1	34.0	28.9	47.3	53.5	70.1	70.1	73.0	60.5	54.2	40.3	32.2	48.4
1985	18.6	21.3	36.2	51.7	60.4	63.8	70.7	67.4	63.6	50.6	38.4	22.3	47.1
1986	22.7	22.5	36.7	49.7	58.8	64.4	72.5	66.0	62.8	50.2	35.0	29.8	47.6
1987	25.4	29.9	37.3	50.1	62.6	71.2	74.1	69.3	62.2	45.0	41.1	31.5	50.0
1988	20.8	20.7	34.1	47.1	60.9	68.5	74.7	73.4	61.3	44.2	40.7	27.3	47.8
1989	30.5	19.7	31.8	43.9	55.8	65.9	71.9	68.4	59.4	51.1	35.7	17.2	45.9
1990	32.1	28.1	37.1	47.7	55.0	67.1	70.3	69.0	62.8	49.9	43.3	30.0	49.4
1991	22.2	29.2	37.9	50.8	64.6	71.2	72.4	70.5	60.1	52.0	35.7	29.4	49.7
1992	27.5	30.3	33.7	44.0	57.4	64.3	67.2	65.0	59.7	48.2	38.2	30.5	47.2
1993	25.9	21.9	32.4	44.0	58.2	65.2	72.7	71.4	56.5	48.0	37.9	27.8	46.8
1994	14.5	19.2	34.1	47.9	56.1	68.6	71.1	66.6	63.8	51.7	42.3	33.2	47.4
1995	26.5	23.2	37.0	42.8	56.4	69.8	72.5	74.8	59.1	51.4	32.0	24.2	47.5
1996	21.7	24.4	28.4	43.0	55.6	67.7	68.2	72.2	62.3	50.2	33.2	28.7	46.3
1997	21.6	27.3	34.6	44.1	50.3	68.3	70.8	66.1	61.1	49.9	35.6	31.1	46.7
1998	29.6	34.1	36.1	48.6	64.3	67.4	72.2	72.2	66.0	52.7	42.1	33.3	51.6
1999	21.2	31.4	32.9	48.8	61.0	69.4	74.7	67.8	62.7	49.5	43.6	30.4	49.5
2000	23.4	31.4	42.2	45.9	59.6	66.1	68.6	69.1	60.4	53.6	37.6	19.0	48.1
2001	25.5	25.9	32.5	50.0	59.6	66.3	71.3	71.6	59.3	50.4	46.8	33.9	49.4
2002	30.2	30.7	31.0	47.0	52.7	69.4	74.9	70.4	65.6	47.0	36.2	28.2	48.6
2003	19.1	20.0	33.3	45.7	54.9	64.7	70.1	71.2	61.3	48.9	41.1	31.6	46.8
2004	19.5	25.7	39.3	49.9	59.7	66.3	70.5	66.1	65.5	50.5	40.4	27.9	48.4
2005	21.7	28.2	29.9	50.6	54.7	72.9	72.8	72.2	66.7	52.7	40.5	25.8	49.1
2006	33.2	26.4	36.5	50.6	58.2	67.7	74.7	71.2	60.1	47.2	41.3	35.2	50.2
2007	27.3	18.7	39.6	45.1	62.7	70.6	72.3	73.3	66.1	58.1	39.0	29.2	50.2
2008	26.6	22.3	32.8	50.5	55.5	68.9	72.2	70.7	64.7	49.9	39.0	26.2	48.3
2009	17.5	27.8	37.4	47.5	58.3	67.6	67.1	69.0	63.6	48.3	44.1	27.9	48.0
2010	25.1	27.2	41.2	53.7	61.6	69.2	75.5	74.9	62.7	53.6	41.8	27.4	51.2
2011	21.4	25.7	33.8	46.6	60.1	69.1	77.1	71.8	61.9	52.5	43.7	35.0	49.9
2012	29.7	31.9	50.7	48.3	63.2	70.8	79.3	70.9	63.0	50.8	40.1	35.1	52.8
POR= 75 YRS	23.3	24.4	34.1	46.7	58.0	67.3	72.0	70.0	61.8	51.0	38.7	28.1	47.9

HEATING DEGREE DAYS (base 65°F) 2012 GRAND RAPIDS (KGRR)

YEAR	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	TOTAL
1983-84	16	2	149	440	721	1413	1480	892	1107	532	353	13	7118
1984-85	16	4	189	333	735	1014	1431	1216	886	428	173	81	6506
1985-86	9	17	157	436	790	1316	1302	1186	871	466	214	75	6839
1986-87	11	56	118	452	894	1084	1220	978	849	440	178	20	6300
1987-88	18	36	118	610	712	1032	1364	1277	950	531	169	60	6877
1988-89	3	21	135	639	722	1162	1062	1263	1023	625	297	51	7003
1989-90	2	23	203	424	874	1477	1014	1026	865	549	306	45	6808
1990-91	11	15	139	475	645	1077	1323	997	830	430	157	18	6117
1991-92	5	4	211	404	871	1098	1155	1001	964	626	262	75	6676
1992-93	25	66	197	512	794	1060	1204	1203	1004	624	227	84	7000
1993-94	1	16	259	524	810	1150	1561	1274	950	520	297	42	7404
1994-95	0	46	94	405	675	980	1186	1165	860	659	265	28	6363
1995-96	14	0	212	417	982	1260	1337	1166	1130	653	320	29	7520
1996-97	10	2	147	451	944	1119	1338	1048	935	616	448	24	7082
1997-98	8	43	136	473	876	1046	1091	858	899	486	76	98	6090
1998-99	0	2	58	380	682	975	1353	940	989	481	156	49	6065
1999-00	1	17	116	474	634	1066	1282	971	706	567	213	64	6111
2000-01	15	19	199	348	815	1420	1218	1089	1001	444	189	80	6837
2001-02	20	1	194	449	538	955	1072	955	1048	561	399	43	6235
2002-03	0	4	69	559	857	1132	1416	1255	976	579	309	72	7228
2003-04	3	5	152	495	709	1025	1407	1135	789	462	194	53	6429
2004-05	7	50	61	443	733	1149	1334	1023	1082	433	321	15	6651
2005-06	4	3	56	404	727	1206	979	1073	876	426	264	20	6038
2006-07	0	0	163	547	706	919	1159	1290	787	589	137	25	6322
2007-08	2	11	83	263	770	1102	1185	1231	990	431	298	20	6386
2008-09	1	3	62	468	776	1194	1466	1035	850	524	216	47	6642
2009-10	25	28	80	513	622	1142	1229	1053	732	345	193	20	5982
2010-11	1	1	117	346	689	1160	1344	1095	962	551	204	25	6495
2011-12	0	0	157	385	631	922	1088	954	463	494	131	28	5253
2012-	0	9	125	436	739	919							

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COOLING DEGREE DAYS (base 65°F) 2012 GRAND RAPIDS (KGRR)

YEAR	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	TOTAL
1983	0	0	0	0	2	146	325	234	76	5	0	0	788
1984	0	0	0	7	5	174	179	259	60	6	0	0	690
1985	0	0	0	36	39	52	193	99	119	0	0	0	538
1986	0	0	0	14	26	64	252	94	61	0	0	0	511
1987	0	0	0	2	110	213	306	174	38	0	0	0	843
1988	0	0	0	0	50	170	310	289	29	2	0	0	850
1989	0	0	0	0	19	84	223	135	40	0	0	0	501
1990	0	0	6	37	6	115	185	144	83	13	0	0	589
1991	0	0	0	12	155	211	240	182	71	7	0	0	878
1992	0	0	0	2	36	60	99	74	44	1	0	0	316
1993	0	0	0	0	21	94	244	222	10	5	0	0	596
1994	0	0	0	13	29	159	196	102	65	1	0	0	565
1995	0	0	0	0	5	179	252	315	40	6	0	0	797
1996	0	0	0	0	33	118	116	230	74	0	0	0	571
1997	0	0	0	0	0	131	194	81	26	13	0	0	445
1998	0	0	9	0	62	177	230	233	95	4	0	0	810
1999	0	0	0	3	39	186	308	110	55	0	0	0	701
2000	0	0	2	0	48	102	132	154	66	2	0	0	506
2001	0	0	0	0	27	128	223	212	30	3	0	0	623
2002	0	0	0	29	23	180	316	179	96	10	0	0	833
2003	0	0	0	8	3	69	165	205	46	1	0	0	497
2004	0	0	0	15	38	103	186	92	83	0	0	0	517
2005	0	0	0	4	8	259	255	234	112	30	0	0	902
2006	0	0	0	2	59	108	306	200	21	0	0	0	696
2007	0	0	5	1	73	199	234	279	124	56	0	0	971
2008	0	0	0	3	8	143	229	186	61	5	0	0	635
2009	0	0	0	6	16	129	97	160	47	0	0	0	455
2010	0	0	0	12	95	153	335	313	56	0	0	0	964
2011	0	0	0	5	59	151	381	218	73	7	0	0	894
2012	0	0	26	1	81	208	449	197	73	4	0	0	1039

SNOWFALL (inches) 2012 GRAND RAPIDS (KGRR)

YEAR	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	TOTAL
1983-84	0.0	0.0	0.0	T	4.7	34.8	19.6	1.6	10.6	0.1	T	0.0	71.4
1984-85	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	T	15.7	22.6	21.3	6.7	3.3	0.0	0.0	69.6
1985-86	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	3.5	30.7	18.4	20.2	6.1	0.2	0.0	0.0	79.1
1986-87	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	5.3	12.7	19.2	0.9	5.7	3.8	0.0	0.0	47.6
1987-88	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.6	0.7	18.2	21.9	18.1	3.4	0.3	0.0	0.0	64.2
1988-89	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2	5.5	14.4	8.7	25.1	6.3	2.2	T	0.0	62.4
1989-90	0.0	0.0	0.0	5.8	19.4	25.2	10.6	23.8	2.7	2.1	0.2	0.0	89.8
1990-91	T	0.0	0.0	T	2.0	18.6	27.7	9.5	2.8	T	0.0	0.0	60.6
1991-92	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.3	25.3	27.9	13.4	3.5	15.1	2.3	0.0	0.0	87.8
1992-93	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.3	4.2	14.2	11.1	18.6	11.6	3.3	0.0	0.0	65.3
1993-94	0.0	T	0.0	T	1.9	17.7	25.3	29.6	1.9	T	0.1	0.0	76.5
1994-95	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.6	8.9	21.6	18.6	4.4	0.8	0.0	0.0	54.9
1995-96	0.0	0.0	0.0	T	20.8	17.4	13.5	6.9	19.3	1.8	0.0	0.0	79.7
1996-97	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	5.6	22.8	45.5	14.0	5.2	3.5	T	0.0	96.6
1997-98	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.4	10.1	11.5	20.3	0.5	13.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	58.6
1998-99	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2	7.5	46.8	8.0	14.2	T	T	0.0	76.7
1999-00	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	18.4	15.7	11.5	0.6	6.8	T	0.0	
2000-01	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	19.0	59.2	4.1	7.4	4.1	0.2	T	0.0	94.0
2001-02	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.5	T	53.9	17.5	7.5	22.6	2.0	T	T	104.0
2002-03	0.0	0.0	0.0	T	7.6	15.6	30.2	18.9	14.4	1.3	T	T	88.0
2003-04	0.0	0.0	T	T	4.3	8.4	44.2	13.0	3.9	0.2	T	0.0	74.0
2004-05	0.0	0.0	0.0	T	10.3	13.1	27.8	15.1	14.4	1.0	T	T	81.7
2005-06	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	17.3	28.9	9.6	10.1	3.3	T	0.0	0.0	69.2
2006-07	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.1	0.3	11.6	15.4	33.6	13.6	6.7	0.0	0.0	83.3
2007-08	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.9	25.0	28.3	41.6	9.2	T	0.0	0.0	107.0
2008-09	0.0	0.0	0.0	T	10.0	54.6	29.9	10.0	0.4	T	0.0	0.0	104.9
2009-10	0.0	0.0	0.0	T	0.7	35.4	9.3	24.8	2.0	T	0.0	0.0	72.2
2010-11	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	11.4	21.2	38.2	1.2	1.9	0.0	0.0	74.0
2011-12	0.0	0.0	0.0	T	0.7	4.5	27.0	16.2	2.8	T	T	0.0	51.2
2012-	0.0	0.0	0.0	T	0.3	7.2							
POR= 68 YRS	T	T	T	0.4	7.2	17.8	20.7	13.3	9.9	2.3	0.1	T	71.7

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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. 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.</p> <p>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</p>	<p>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.</p> <p>NOTE:</p> <p>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.</p> <p>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.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 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.
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2012 GRAND RAPIDS MICHIGAN (KGRR)

Grand Rapids, Michigan, is located in the west-central part of Kent County, in the picturesque Grand River valley about 30 air miles east of Lake Michigan. The Grand River, the longest stream in Michigan, flows through the city and bisects it into east and west sections. High hills rise on either side of the valley. Elevations range from 602 feet on the valley floor to 1,020 feet in the extreme southern part of Kent County, southwest of the airport.

Grand Rapids is under the natural climatic influence of Lake Michigan. In spring the cooling effect of Lake Michigan helps retard the growth of vegetation until the danger of frost has passed. The warming effect in the fall retards frost until most of the crops have matured. Fall is a colorful time of year in western Michigan, compensating for the late spring. During the winter, excessive cloudiness and numerous snow flurries occur with strong westerly winds. The tempering effect of Lake Michigan on cold waves coming in from the west and northwest is quite evident.

The tempering effect of the lake promotes the growth of a great variety of fruit trees and berries, especially apples, peaches, cherries, and blueberries. The intense cold of winter is modified, thus reducing winter kill of fruit trees. Summer days are pleasantly warm and most summer nights are quite comfortable, although there are about three weeks of hot, humid weather during most summers. Prolonged severe cold waves with below-zero temperatures are infrequent. The temperature usually rises to above zero during the daytime hours regardless of early morning readings.

July is the sunniest month and December is the month with the least sunshine. November through January is usually a period of excessive cloudiness and minimal sunshine.

Precipitation is usually ample for the growth and development of all vegetation. About one-half of the annual precipitation falls during the growing season, May through September. Droughts occur occasionally, but are seldom of protracted length. The snowfall season extends from mid-November to mid-March. Some winters have had continuous snow cover throughout this period, although there is usually a mid-winter thaw. The Grand River flows through the city and reaches critical heights a couple of times each year, generally once in January-February and again in March-April. Overflow is generally limited to the lowlands of the flood plain.

November is one of the windiest months and although violent windstorms are infrequent, gusts have on occasion exceeded 65 mph. Summer thunderstorms occasionally produce gusty winds over 60 mph.

Station History

GRAND RAPIDS, MI

NAME	Begin Date	End Date	Latitude	Longitude	Elevation Feet	Relocation	Platform
GRAND RAPIDS KENT COUNTY AP	1963-11-01	1964-01-01	42° 52'	-85° 31'	784		COOP
GRAND RAPIDS KENT COUNTY AP	1973-01-01	1981-06-17	42° 52'	-85° 31'	784		COOP, WXSVC
GRAND RAPIDS KENT COUNTY INTL AP	1999-05-27	2000-01-01	42° 52'	-85° 31'	803		ASOS, COOP, WXSVC
GRAND RAPIDS KENT COUNTY AP	1964-01-01	1973-01-01	42° 52'	-85° 31'	784		AIRWAYS, COOP
GRAND RAPIDS KENT COUNTY INTL AP	1981-06-17	1995-08-01	42° 52'	-85° 31'	784		COOP, WXSVC
GRAND RAPIDS GERALD R FORD INTL AP	2009-06-24	Present	42° 52'	-85° 31'	803		ASOS, COOP, WXSVC
GRAND RAPIDS KENT COUNTY INTL AP	1995-08-01	1999-05-27	42° 52'	-85° 31'	793		ASOS, COOP, WXSVC
GRAND RAPIDS KENT COUNTY INTL AP	2000-01-01	2000-08-25	42° 52'	-85° 31'	803		ASOS, COOP, WXSVC
GRAND RAPIDS GERALD R FORD INTL AP	2000-08-25	2009-06-24	42° 52'	-85° 31'	803		ASOS, COOP, WXSVC

Element History

Element	Begin Date	End Date	Frequency	Time Of Observation	Equipment *	Equipment * Modifications	Equipment Exposure
TEMP	1963-11-01	1982-01-01	DAILY	2400			
PRECIP	1982-01-01	1986-10-17	HOURLY	2400			
TEMP	1995-07-01	1999-05-27	DAILY	2400	MXMN		
PRECIP	1999-05-27	2000-01-01	DAILY	2400	TB	RCRD	
PRECIP	2000-01-01	Present	DAILY	2400	SRG		
PRECIP	1963-11-01	1982-01-01	DAILY		UNIV	RCRD	
TEMP	1982-01-01	1986-10-17	DAILY	2400			
PRECIP	1986-10-17	1995-07-01	DAILY		UNIV	RCRD	
TEMP	1986-10-17	1995-07-01	DAILY	2400	MXMN		
PRECIP	1986-10-17	1995-07-01	HOURLY	2400			
TEMP	2000-01-01	Present	DAILY	2400	HYGR		
PRECIP	2000-01-01	2009-06-24	DAILY	VAR	SRG		
PRECIP	1995-07-01	1999-05-27	HOURLY	2400	UNIV	RCRD	
PRECIP	1999-05-27	2000-01-01	HOURLY	2400	TB	RCRD	
PRECIP	1995-07-01	1999-05-27	DAILY	2400	UNIV	RCRD	
PRECIP	1982-01-01	1986-10-17	DAILY		UNIV	RCRD	
TEMP	1999-05-27	2000-01-01	DAILY	2400	HYGR		
PRECIP	2000-01-01	2009-06-24	HOURLY	VAR	AWPAG	RCRD;HTD	
PRECIP	2000-01-01	Present	HOURLY	2400	AWPAG	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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