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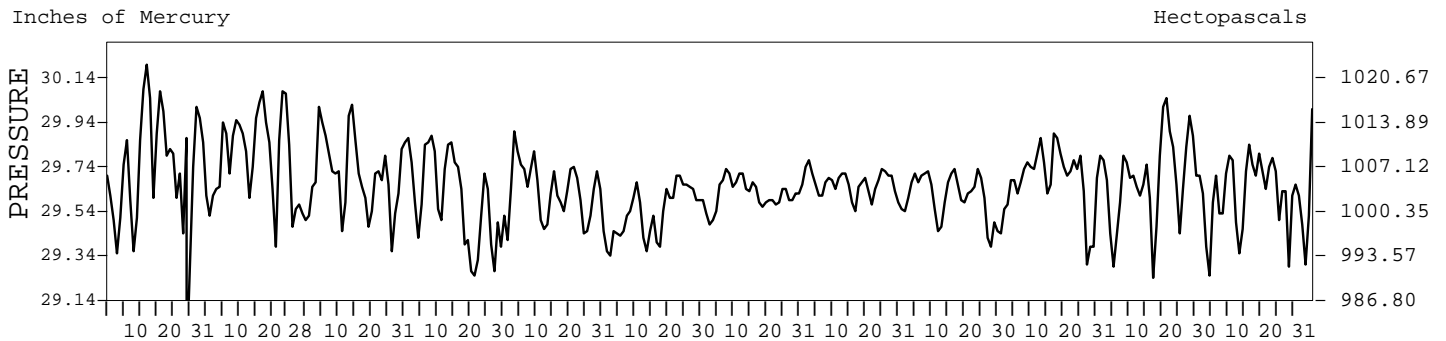
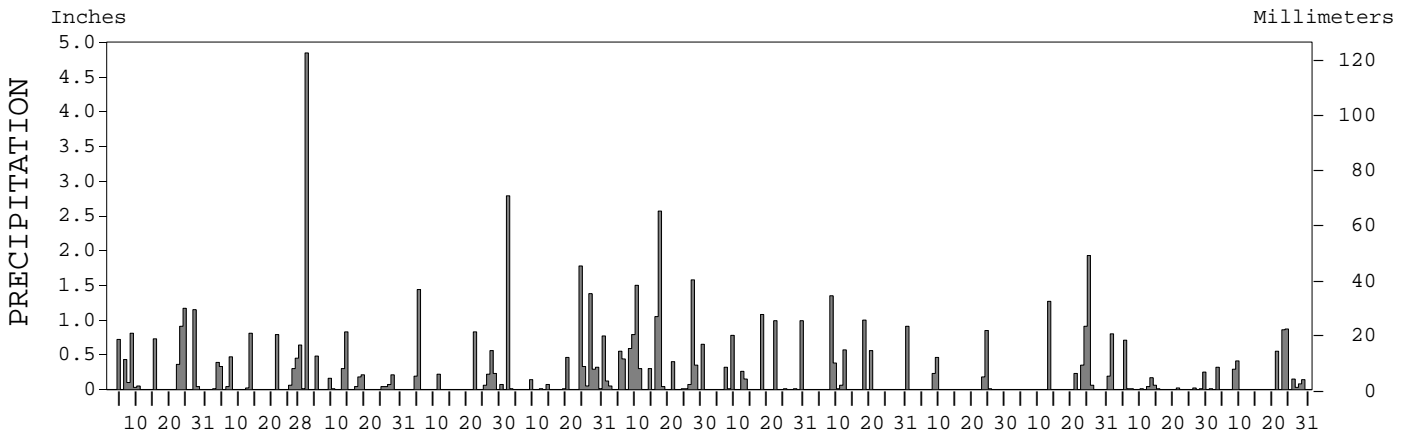
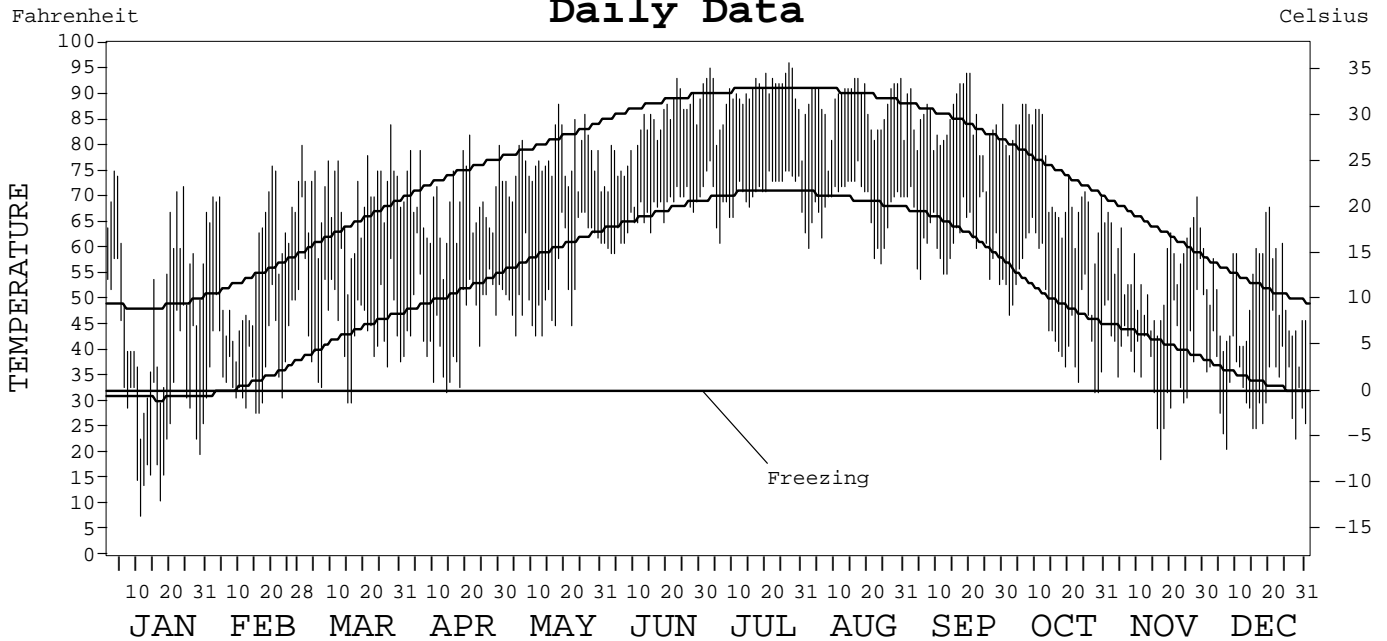
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TUPELO, MS (TUP)

LATITUDE: 34° 15' 39" N LONGITUDE: 88° 46' 16" W ELEVATION (FT): GRND: 349 BARO: 352 TIME ZONE: CENTRAL (UTC+ 6) WBAN: 93862

	ELEMENT	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	YEAR	
TEMPERATURE °F	MEAN DAILY MAXIMUM	51.3	58.5	69.8	68.8	76.9	82.4	90.1	87.9	84.7	73.2	56.4	50.7	70.9	
	HIGHEST DAILY MAXIMUM	75	76	84	82	88	93	96	93	94	88	70	68	96	
	DATE OF OCCURRENCE	3	20	28	21	18	23	27	30+	20+	07+	28	20	JUL 27	
	MEAN DAILY MINIMUM	31.5	38.8	45.5	45.3	54.2	66.2	71.1	67.9	61.9	48.2	39.0	32.7	50.2	
	LOWEST DAILY MINIMUM	8	28	30	32	43	59	61	57	53	32	19	21	8	
	DATE OF OCCURRENCE	11	16+	16+	14	13+	04+	06	24	29	29+	17	07	JAN 11	
	AVERAGE DRY BULB	41.4	48.7	57.7	57.1	65.6	74.3	80.6	77.9	73.3	60.7	47.7	41.7	60.6	
	MEAN WET BULB		44.9	51.5	51.3	60.0	69.5	74.7	71.6	67.0	54.8	44.7	38.7		
	MEAN DEW POINT		40.3	45.4	44.3	55.2	67.4	72.5	68.7	63.8	50.6	41.1	34.5		
	NUMBER OF DAYS WITH:														
	MAXIMUM ≥ 90°	0	0	0	0	0	3	20	16	7	0	0	0	0	46
	MAXIMUM ≤ 32°	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4
	MINIMUM ≤ 32°	17	7	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	2	8	14	51	
MINIMUM ≤ 0°	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
H/C	HEATING DEGREE DAYS	728	451	238	239	61	0	0	0	0	203	513	714	3147	
	COOLING DEGREE DAYS	3	0	17	9	84	289	492	407	256	77	0	0	1634	
RH	MEAN (PERCENT)	71	76	68	66	72	83	80	78	76	74	80	78	75	
	HOUR 00 LST	79	83	79	79	87	92	92	91	91	91	87	86	86	
	HOUR 06 LST	81	87	83	84	87	94	94	94	93	93	91	88	89	
	HOUR 12 LST	61	66	54	51	55	71	65	59	57	52	67	68	60	
	HOUR 18 LST	65	67	55	54	58	77	70	68	66	65	74	72	66	
S	PERCENT POSSIBLE SUNSHINE														
W/O	NUMBER OF DAYS WITH:														
	HEAVY FOG (VISBY ≤ 1/4 MI)	1	2	2	0	1	3	2	2	1	1	4	0	19	
	THUNDERSTORMS	5	6	6	5	10	18	12	5	3	4	3	0	77	
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.)		29.79	29.69	29.60	29.62	29.54	29.62	29.65	29.60	29.69	29.66	29.63		
	MEAN SEA-LEVEL PRESS. (IN.)		30.18	30.07		30.00	29.91	30.00	30.03		30.07	30.05	30.02		
WINDS	RESULTANT SPEED (MPH)		0.4	0.3	2.1	1.4	0.9	0.5	0.6	1.7	1.1	1.3	1.7		
	RES. DIR. (TENS OF DEGS.)		04	17	36	23	19	01	26	36	06	27	31		
	MEAN SPEED (MPH)	8.4	7.6	7.6	7.1	6.2	5.2	4.2	4.9	4.9	6.2	5.8	6.8	6.2	
	PREVAIL. DIR. (TENS OF DEGS.)	01	16	17	36	19	17	01	36	01	36	17	33	36	
	MAXIMUM 2-MINUTE WIND:														
	SPEED (MPH)	31	31	31	29	33	41	36	29	22	38	31	24	41	
	DIR. (TENS OF DEGS.)	29	16	26	12	25	02	01	01	01	25	14	24	02	
	DATE OF OCCURRENCE	04	26	05+	27	02	27	15	20	03	25	29	24	JUN 27	
	MAXIMUM 5-SECOND WIND:														
	SPEED (MPH)	45	46	48	37	46	52	47	36	26	53	41	31	53	
DIR. (TENS OF DEGS.)	29	24	26	17	23	12	02	36	02	26	14	34	26		
DATE OF OCCURRENCE	04	21	05	05	02	27	15	20	03	25	29	31+	OCT 25		
PRECIPITATION	WATER EQUIVALENT:														
	TOTAL (IN.)	6.50	4.31	7.43	3.82	8.42	11.37	4.60	4.84	1.73	4.94	2.12	3.71	63.79	
	GREATEST 24-HOUR (IN.)	2.00	0.83	4.85	1.59	2.80	3.52	1.08	1.68	1.03	1.99	0.80	1.73	4.85	
	DATE OF OCCURRENCE	23-24	12-13	02	04-05	02-03	16-17	18	08-09	23-24	25-26	01	23-24	MAR 02	
	NUMBER OF DAYS WITH:														
	PRECIPITATION ≥ 0.01	12	12	14	9	15	19	10	8	5	7	13	11	135	
PRECIPITATION ≥ 0.10	9	8	8	7	9	14	7	6	4	6	4	8	90		
PRECIPITATION ≥ 1.00	2	0	1	1	3	4	1	2	0	2	0	0	16		
SNOWFALL	SNOW, ICE PELLETS, HAIL:														
	TOTAL (IN.)	0.6	T	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.8	
	GREATEST 24-HOUR (IN.)	0.5	T	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.5	
	DATE OF OCCURRENCE	10	10										29	JAN 10	
	MAXIMUM SNOW DEPTH (IN.)	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	
	DATE OF OCCURRENCE	11												JAN 11	
NUMBER OF DAYS WITH:															
SNOWFALL ≥ 1.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		

NORMALS, MEANS, AND EXTREMES

TUPELO, MS (TUP)

LATITUDE: 34° 15' 39" N LONGITUDE: 88° 46' 16" W ELEVATION (FT): GRND: 349 BARO: 352 TIME ZONE: CENTRAL (UTC+ 6) WBAN: 93862

ELEMENT		POR	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	YEAR
TEMPERATURE °F	NORMAL DAILY MAXIMUM	30	48.8	54.5	64.3	73.9	80.9	87.8	90.7	89.9	84.7	74.9	63.5	52.8	72.2
	MEAN DAILY MAXIMUM	32	50.5	56.2	65.6	75.0	81.7	88.7	91.7	90.7	85.1	75.3	63.6	54.7	73.2
	HIGHEST DAILY MAXIMUM	13	75	84	84	93	94	101	105	102	103	92	84	78	105
	YEAR OF OCCURRENCE		1997	1996	1997	1987	1996	1988	1986	1990	1990	1986	1987	1987	JUL 1986
	MEAN OF EXTREME MAXS.	14	67.8	75.0	81.9	86.4	90.8	95.6	97.4	96.9	94.2	86.1	78.1	70.3	85.0
	NORMAL DAILY MINIMUM	30	30.9	34.0	43.2	51.0	59.5	66.5	70.6	69.3	63.3	49.8	41.8	34.1	51.2
	MEAN DAILY MINIMUM	32	29.9	32.6	40.8	48.9	57.2	65.2	69.3	67.6	61.5	48.4	40.0	33.5	49.6
	LOWEST DAILY MINIMUM	13	-6	4	16	29	40	49	58	52	43	29	19	-3	-6
	YEAR OF OCCURRENCE		1985	1996	1996	1992	1994	1984	1990	1986	1994	1993	1997	1989	JAN 1985
	MEAN OF EXTREME MINS.	14	14.5	17.2	26.2	33.1	45.4	56.4	62.7	59.5	47.0	35.4	25.7	17.4	36.7
	NORMAL DRY BULB	30	39.9	44.3	53.7	62.4	70.2	77.2	80.6	79.6	74.0	62.4	52.6	43.5	61.7
	MEAN DRY BULB	14	40.8	46.2	53.9	61.4	70.1	77.7	81.1	79.8	73.5	62.6	52.5	44.1	62.0
	MEAN WET BULB	12	36.8	41.9	47.8	54.6	63.4	70.4	73.2	71.9	66.6	56.6	48.0	40.6	56.0
	MEAN DEW POINT	12	31.3	36.3	41.3	48.4	59.1	66.8	70.2	68.7	63.0	52.1	43.0	35.6	51.3
	NORMAL NO. DAYS WITH:														
MAXIMUM ≥ 90°	30	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.7	2.7	15.7	21.4	21.1	9.3	0.5	0.0	0.0	71.4	
MAXIMUM ≤ 32°	30	2.0	1.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.5	5.9	
MINIMUM ≤ 32°	30	18.3	10.1	4.3	0.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.4	4.9	15.4	54.1	
MINIMUM ≤ 0°	30	0.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.4	0.7	
H/C	NORMAL HEATING DEG. DAYS	30	778	580	365	130	27	0	0	0	9	144	379	667	3079
	NORMAL COOLING DEG. DAYS	30	0	0	15	52	188	366	484	453	279	64	7	0	1908
RH	NORMAL (PERCENT)	30	70	70	65	63	70	70	72	72	72	72	71	72	70
	HOUR 00 LST	30	76	76	72	74	82	83	85	84	84	83	78	77	80
	HOUR 06 LST	30	80	82	80	83	87	88	90	91	90	88	84	82	85
	HOUR 12 LST	30	61	62	54	48	55	53	56	54	55	54	59	62	56
	HOUR 18 LST	30	62	61	53	48	58	57	59	59	60	62	64	66	59
S	PERCENT POSSIBLE SUNSHINE	11	54	51	57	74	72	74	75	73	71	63	52	47	64
W/O	MEAN NO. DAYS WITH:														
	HEAVY FOG (VISBY ≤ 1/4 MI)	13	2.7	1.7	1.5	0.9	1.0	1.1	0.8	2.0	1.3	3.3	2.3	2.0	20.6
	THUNDERSTORMS	13	1.4	2.8	4.4	5.4	7.6	9.9	9.4	6.9	4.5	2.9	3.1	1.9	60.2
CLOUDINESS	MEAN:														
	SUNRISE-SUNSET (OKTAS)	1	7.2	5.6		4.0	3.2	4.8	3.2	2.4	3.2	5.6	5.6	6.4	
	MIDNIGHT-MIDNIGHT (OKTAS)	1	7.2	5.6		3.2	3.2	4.0	3.2	2.4	3.2	5.2	6.4	6.4	
	MEAN NO. DAYS WITH:														
CLEAR	2	9.5	9.0	9.5	14.0	17.5	7.0	8.0	10.0	4.0	7.0	5.0	3.0	103.5	
PARTLY CLOUDY	1	3.0	4.0		4.0	4.0	11.0	7.0	7.0	1.0	2.0	1.0	3.0		
CLOUDY	2	14.5	13.5	8.0	5.0	8.5	6.5	11.0	3.0	1.0	9.0	9.0	7.0	96.0	
PR	MEAN STATION PRESSURE (IN)	12	29.77	29.73	29.66	29.61	29.62	29.60	29.65	29.64	29.66	29.71	29.72	29.77	29.68
	MEAN SEA-LEVEL PRES. (IN)	10	30.17	30.13	30.06	30.00	30.00	29.97	30.03	30.02	30.03	30.10	30.11	30.17	30.07
WINDS	MEAN SPEED (MPH)	14	7.8	8.3	8.4	7.8	6.9	5.6	5.4	5.1	5.8	5.9	7.2	7.5	6.8
	PREVAIL. DIR (TENS OF DEGS)	15	36	36	18	18	18	18	19	36	36	36	16	18	36
	MAXIMUM 2-MINUTE:														
	SPEED (MPH)	4	39	31	31	29	34	41	41	29	30	38	31	24	41
	DIR. (TENS OF DEGS)		24	02	26	12	33	02	25	07	30	25	14	24	02
	YEAR OF OCCURRENCE		1996	1996	1997	1997	1996	1997	1996	1996	1996	1997	1997	1997	JUN 1997
	MAXIMUM 5-SECOND:														
SPEED (MPH)	4	53	46	48	37	46	52	54	36	43	53	41	31	54	
DIR. (TENS OF DEGS)		23	24	26	17	23	12	25	36	29	26	14	31	25	
YEAR OF OCCURRENCE		1996	1997	1997	1997	1997	1997	1996	1997	1996	1997	1997	1996	JUL 1996	
PRECIPITATION	NORMAL (IN)	30	4.89	4.72	6.07	5.25	5.72	3.84	4.30	3.05	3.60	3.42	4.85	6.16	55.87
	MAXIMUM MONTHLY (IN)	13	6.98	10.90	9.34	12.16	17.56	11.37	7.33	6.22	6.31	7.90	9.64	14.49	17.56
	YEAR OF OCCURRENCE		1989	1991	1994	1991	1991	1997	1996	1985	1988	1984	1986	1990	MAY 1991
	MINIMUM MONTHLY (IN)	13	0.30	2.33	2.13	0.46	1.34	0.17	0.48	0.59	1.27	0.36	1.50	1.57	0.17
	YEAR OF OCCURRENCE		1986	1988	1985	1986	1992	1988	1986	1983	1994	1989	1985	1984	JUN 1988
	MAXIMUM IN 24 HOURS (IN)	13	2.20	5.91	4.85	3.09	8.59	3.52	3.60	3.64	3.13	3.27	3.71	7.17	8.59
	YEAR OF OCCURRENCE		1989	1991	1997	1991	1991	1997	1993	1985	1993	1985	1987	1983	MAY 1991
	NORMAL NO. DAYS WITH:														
PRECIPITATION ≥ 0.01	30	9.4	10.4	9.1	9.0	10.7	9.9	8.0	7.4	6.9	7.3	8.1	11.0	107.2	
PRECIPITATION ≥ 1.00	30	0.9	1.7	1.1	0.9	1.4	1.0	0.3	0.5	1.0	1.6	2.0	2.3	14.7	
SNOWFALL	NORMAL (IN)	30	1.9	1.2	0.2	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	T	0.5	3.9	
	MAXIMUM MONTHLY (IN)	13	7.2	5.3	1.7	0.4	T	0.0	T	0.0	0.0	T	0.1	2.2	7.2
	YEAR OF OCCURRENCE		1988	1985	1993	1987	1989		1990			1993	1991	1983	JAN 1988
	MAXIMUM IN 24 HOURS (IN)	13	6.9	3.1	1.7	0.4	T	0.0	T	0.0	0.0	T	0.1	1.9	6.9
	YEAR OF OCCURRENCE		1988	1985	1993	1987	1989	0	1990	0	0	1993	1991	1983	JAN 1988
	MAXIMUM SNOW DEPTH (IN)	14	6	4	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	T	2	6
	YEAR OF OCCURRENCE		1988	1985	1984								1991	1983	JAN 1988
NORMAL NO. DAYS WITH:															
SNOWFALL ≥ 1.0	30	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	36.0	

PRECIPITATION (inches) 1997 TUPELO, MS (TUP)

YEAR	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	ANNUAL
1983							3.05	0.59	2.56	3.61	7.03	13.69	
1984	2.87	3.39	3.53	5.88	8.44	0.59	1.90	1.79	1.30	7.90	5.54	1.57	44.70
1985	3.75	5.18	2.13	4.94	5.35	3.02	2.82	6.22	2.86	7.35	1.50	1.68	46.80
1986	0.30	3.47	3.38	0.46	5.19	6.57	0.48	3.36	2.86	5.81	9.64	5.18	46.70
1987	2.68	6.37	2.40	1.20	5.49	3.96	1.50	2.08	2.13	1.03	6.26	4.78	39.88
1988	2.41	2.33	3.59	3.37	2.92	0.17	2.32	1.23	6.31	3.88	4.05	5.05	37.63
1989	6.98	9.88	3.68	2.31	3.79	11.08	6.27	2.78	5.48	0.36	4.07	2.89	59.57
1990	5.84	9.40	6.35	2.50	4.26	2.57	2.01	1.02	2.41	3.40	3.07	14.49	57.32
1991	3.12	10.90	6.25	12.16	17.56	6.22	0.76	3.16	3.06	1.58	5.36	10.92	81.05
1992	1.53	3.17	4.05	2.38	1.34	7.11	2.99	4.54	2.46	2.65	6.70	4.13	43.05
1993	2.94	3.24	4.05	4.63	5.78	2.67	3.80	6.05	5.45	2.45	2.88	4.80	48.74
1994	4.59	6.49	9.34	2.51	3.78	5.60	6.51	0.93	1.27	4.33	3.35	4.76	53.46
1995	3.90	4.08	8.97	7.14	3.60	6.79	2.63	4.74	0.61	3.18	5.02	6.39	57.05
1996	5.91	3.66	4.65	6.09	2.05	8.71	7.33	2.91	6.05	2.46	6.97	6.41	63.20
1997	6.50	4.31	7.43	3.82	8.42	11.37	4.60	4.84	1.73	4.94	2.12	3.71	63.79
POR= 14 YRS	3.80	5.41	4.98	4.24	5.57	4.83	3.29	3.09	3.11	3.66	4.90	6.01	52.89

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AVERAGE TEMPERATURE (°F) 1997 TUPELO, MS (TUP)

YEAR	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	ANNUAL
1983							82.1	83.1	72.8	64.2	55.6	36.5	
1984	36.2	46.8	51.5	59.9	68.7	79.3	79.7	78.9	72.0	69.0	49.7	53.3	62.1
1985	32.1	40.4	57.0	63.8	70.6	78.1	80.3	78.4	71.7	66.1	59.1	37.7	61.3
1986	40.7	48.8	54.4	63.0	71.9	79.3	84.6	79.0	77.8	63.3	54.1	42.9	63.3
1987	40.9	47.4	55.6	61.1	75.0	78.5	81.4	82.8	74.4	57.6	54.3	48.0	63.1
1988	37.3	42.6	52.6	62.7	69.7	78.1	80.9	83.1	75.9	58.3	55.0	45.0	61.8
1989	48.0	43.3	55.2	61.2	68.8	76.4	79.6	79.5	71.7	62.2	53.3	34.8	61.2
1990	48.2	52.6	56.1	61.1	68.5	79.0	80.9	81.1	77.6	61.7	56.1	46.7	64.1
1991	42.3	47.9	55.1	64.8	73.8	79.1	83.3	80.6	75.4	64.5	49.2	47.7	63.6
1992	42.3	48.5	53.0	61.9	69.2	75.2	80.6	76.0	72.5	62.1	51.0	44.7	61.4
1993	44.9	43.8	50.9	58.5	68.9	77.4	83.6	80.6	71.4	60.2	49.8	43.3	61.1
1994	36.9	46.0	52.7	64.2	66.7	78.3	77.9	77.5	71.0	62.7	55.1	47.3	61.4
1995	42.3	44.2	55.4	62.3	70.7	75.0	80.3	82.7	72.0	61.9	46.6	42.9	61.4
1996	40.1	44.2	48.3	58.7	72.9	77.5	79.4	78.2	71.6	62.6	50.3	47.4	60.9
1997	41.4	48.7	57.7	57.1	65.6	74.3	80.6	77.9	73.3	60.7	47.7	41.7	60.6
POR= 14 YRS	40.9	46.1	54.0	61.5	70.1	77.6	81.0	79.9	73.5	62.4	52.2	44.0	61.9

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HEATING DEGREE DAYS (base 65°F) 1997 TUPELO, MS (TUP)

YEAR	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	TOTAL
1983-84	0	0	29	91	405	876	886	524	421	181	37	0	3450
1984-85	0	0	22	36	458	363	1016	685	272	119	7	0	2978
1985-86	0	0	19	63	216	838	749	451	328	115	14	0	2793
1986-87	0	0	0	115	324	676	740	487	289	165	0	0	2796
1987-88	0	0	0	229	323	521	852	642	388	106	6	0	3067
1988-89	0	0	0	216	300	612	518	607	320	193	55	0	2821
1989-90	0	0	27	135	359	931	512	350	292	176	43	0	2825
1990-91	0	0	14	177	276	557	699	473	331	59	9	0	2595
1991-92	0	0	18	106	477	531	699	472	366	159	33	0	2861
1992-93	0	0	12	102	418	624	617	588	432	209	22	3	3027
1993-94	0	0	21	190	464	665	864	529	375	114	50	0	3272
1994-95	0	0	17	114	298	541	695	576	305	120	28	0	2694
1995-96	0	0	18	142	545	679	760	607	514	215	13	0	3493
1996-97	0	0	10	121	439	541	728	451	238	239	61	0	2828
1997-	0	0	0	203	513	714							

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COOLING DEGREE DAYS (base 65°F) 1997 TUPELO, MS (TUP)

YEAR	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	ANNUAL
1983							537	566	276	73	8	0	
1984	0	0	8	38	159	437	465	438	239	165	4	8	1961
1985	0	1	32	89	188	400	480	423	228	105	44	0	1990
1986	0	1	6	61	237	433	616	443	389	71	5	0	2262
1987	0	0	5	55	318	409	513	559	288	6	10	0	2163
1988	0	0	9	43	159	399	500	568	334	14	4	0	2030
1989	0	5	24	88	182	347	461	458	236	54	12	0	1867
1990	0	6	25	65	158	427	499	506	397	80	14	0	2177
1991	0	0	29	61	287	433	575	491	334	98	7	0	2315
1992	0	0	1	72	170	316	494	346	242	18	5	0	1664
1993	0	0	2	23	151	381	583	490	219	52	12	0	1913
1994	0	1	1	94	108	406	404	393	205	52	7	0	1671
1995	1	0	16	48	217	309	482	554	238	57	0	0	1922
1996	0	10	5	33	262	382	455	416	217	57	5	0	1842
1997	3	0	17	9	84	289	492	407	256	77	0	0	1634

SNOWFALL (inches) 1997 TUPELO, MS (TUP)

YEAR	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	TOTAL
1983-84	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.2	1.8	0.8	1.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	6.5
1984-85	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	3.7	5.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	9.0
1985-86	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.2	T	0.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.1
1986-87	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1	T	T	0.4	0.0	0.0	0.6
1987-88	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	7.2	1.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	8.3
1988-89	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.6	0.3	T	0.0	T	0.0	0.9
1989-90	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	T	0.3	0.0	0.0	T	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.3
1990-91	T	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	T	T	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1
1991-92	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.3
1992-93	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	T	1.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.7
1993-94	0.0	0.0	0.0	T	0.0	T	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1
1994-95	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.7	2.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	4.3
1995-96	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	T	T	T	1.2	T	T	T	0.0	1.2
1996-97	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.5	0.6	T	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.1
1997-	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2							
POR= 15 YRS	T	0.0	0.0	T	T	0.3	0.1	0.8	T	T	T	0.0	1.2

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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 (1961 - 1990). 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 EIGHTHS(OKTAS) FOR REPORTING THE AMOUNT OF SKY COVER.</p>
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TUPELO,
MISSISSIPPI (TUP)

Tupelo is located in the Black Prairie physiographic region of Mississippi. The surface is flat to gently undulating, underlain by soft limestone which has weathered into dark, fertile soils. The Black Prairie is largely devoid of trees, although precipitation in the region is more than sufficient for forest growth. The Black Prairie is bordered by the Fall Line Hills on the east and the Pontotoc Ridge on the west, thus being situated as a low, flat region from 20 to 25 miles wide trending northwest-southeast in the northeastern corner of Mississippi.

Agricultural interests are varied, but the region is a major producer of soybeans and livestock. Tupelo is the dominant urban center of the region, and population is projected to continue to increase in the future. Manufacturing and industry are growing rapidly in the area, enhanced by recent completion of the Tenn-Tom Waterway. Water supply for the growing municipal and industrial demand has been identified as a potential problem in the region as ground water is being used faster than it can be replenished by natural processes.

Average annual precipitation of over 50 inches is well distributed throughout the year. On average,

about half the annual total falls between April and September, with March being the wettest month and October the driest month. There is a 90 percent probability that the freeze-free period will be longer than six months, with a 50 percent chance for a freeze before the end of October and after the first of April. Maximum temperatures over 90 degrees are expected on 78 days between May and September, with freezes expected on 66 days between October and March.

Record temperatures of over 105 degrees and below -10 degrees have been observed at Tupelo. Snow is not infrequent during the winter, although amounts average less than two and one-half inches each year. However, accumulations greater than 10 inches have been recorded. Frontal passages are common features of the climate from fall through spring, and there are seasonal occurrences of thunderstorms. Tornadoes, though quite rare, have occurred in the region, particularly during late spring. Precipitation amounts of one-half inch or more are expected on 37 days each year, with one-tenth inch or more expected on 73 days. Daily totals of precipitation have exceeded six inches on several occasions.

STATION LOCATION

TUPELO, MISSISSIPPI

LOCATION	OCCUPIED FROM	OCCUPIED TO	AIRLINE DISTANCES AND DIRECTIONS FROM PREVIOUS LOCATION	LATITUDE NORTH	LONGITUDE WEST	ELEVATION ABOVE										AUTOMATED	* Type	REMARKS
						SEA LEVEL	GROUND											
							WIND	EMERGENCY	EMERGENCY	EMERGENCY	EMERGENCY	EMERGENCY	EMERGENCY	EMERGENCY	EMERGENCY			
C.D. Lemmons Airport	4/1/83	Present	NA	34°16'	88°46'	349	M25 b30	5	5	M25 a6	5	5	5	M5 c5	M d	M - RAMOS installed 12/3/82. First LCD published 7/1983. First LCD annual 1984. a - Moved to a site 250' NW of crash station 10/16/83. b - Moved to same site as above 8/01/85. c - Moved to same site as "a" & type change 9/07/85. d - RAMOS removed 10/22/85. S ASOS commissioned 06/01/93		

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