

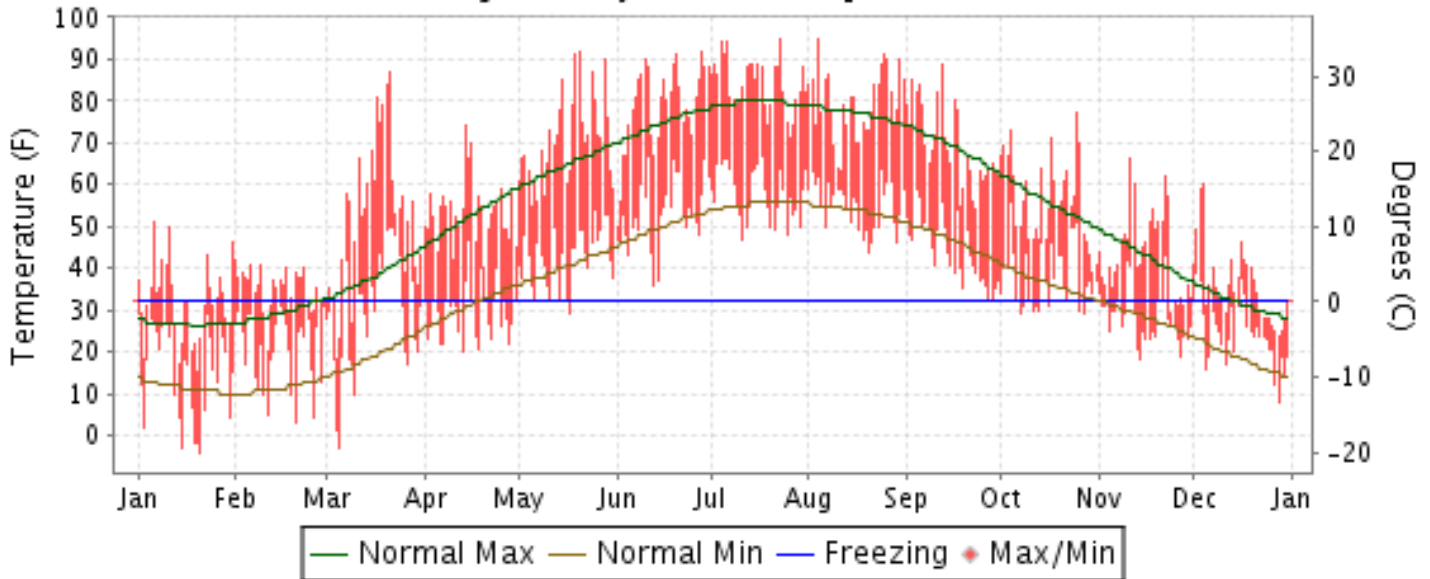


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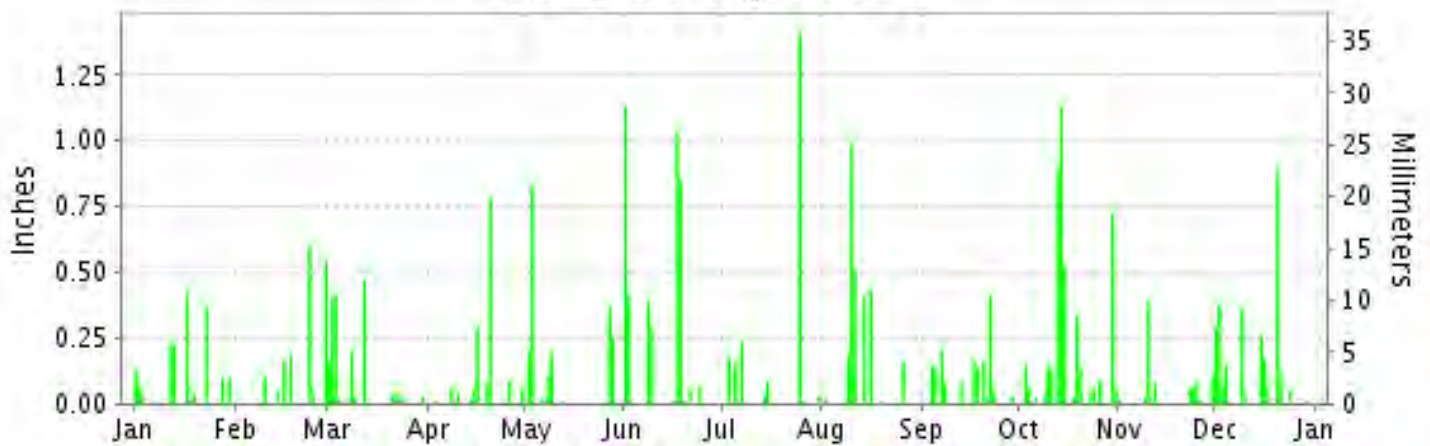
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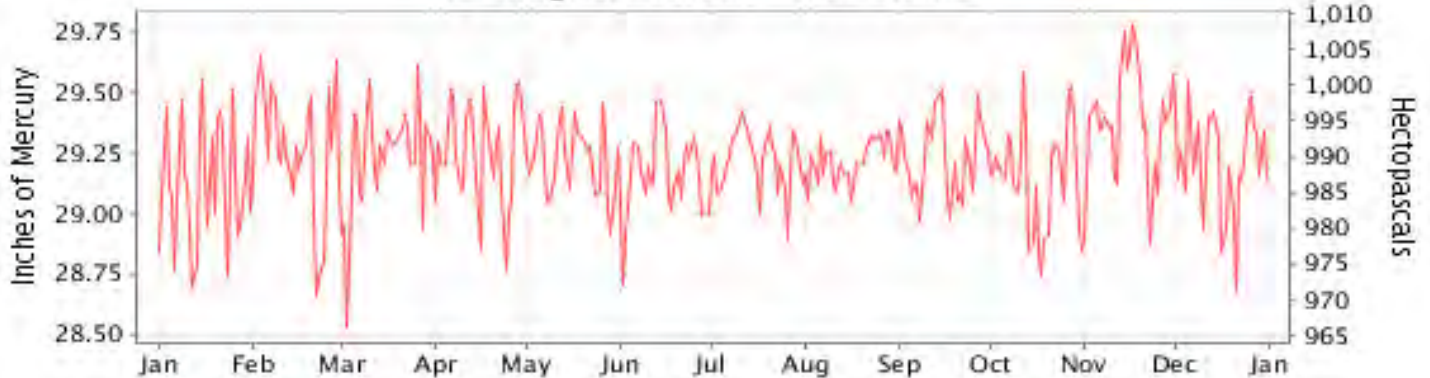
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# METEOROLOGICAL DATA FOR 2012

## ALPENA (KAPN)

LATITUDE: 45° 4'N      LONGITUDE: 83° 33'W      ELEVATION (FT): GRND: 684 BARO: 680      TIME ZONE: EASTERN (UTC -5)      WBAN: 94849

ELEMENT		JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	YEAR	
TEMPERATURE °F	MEAN DAILY MAXIMUM	32.1	35.2	52.5	53.4	70.8	78.6	84.1	79.3	69.4	56.5	43.8	35.7	57.6	
	HIGHEST DAILY MAXIMUM	51	42	87	74	92	92	95	95	89	77	66	60	95	
	DATE OF OCCURRENCE	06	01	21	14	20	28	23	04	12	25	11	04	AUG 04	
	MEAN DAILY MINIMUM	15.8	20.6	29.3	29.5	42.6	53.3	57.9	55.0	44.3	38.2	28.0	24.4	36.6	
	LOWEST DAILY MINIMUM	-4	3	-3	20	29	36	47	44	33	29	18	8	-4	
	DATE OF OCCURRENCE	21	20	05	13	17	13	11	20	28+	27+	14	28	JAN 21	
	AVERAGE DRY BULB	24.0	27.9	40.9	41.5	56.7	66.0	71.0	67.2	56.9	47.4	35.9	30.1	47.1	
	MEAN WET BULB	23.1	25.6	37.3	36.6	49.9	59.3	64.0	61.0	51.6	43.6	33.0	28.6	42.8	
	MEAN DEW POINT	19.0	20.1	31.7	28.5	42.7	53.9	59.2	56.7	47.4	39.5	28.7	25.1	37.7	
	NUMBER OF DAYS WITH:														
	MAXIMUM >= 90°	0	0	0	0	3	3	4	4	0	0	0	0	0	14
	MAXIMUM <= 32°	16	8	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	13	44	
MINIMUM <= 32°	31	29	18	21	2	0	0	0	0	8	26	27	162		
MINIMUM <= 0°	4	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5		
H/C	HEATING DEGREE DAYS	1265	1068	744	697	269	84	5	37	261	537	861	1075	6903	
	COOLING DEGREE DAYS	0	0	6	0	20	118	201	113	24	0	0	0	482	
RH	MEAN (PERCENT)	79	73	71	63	63	67	69	72	75	78	76	81	72	
	HOUR 01 LST	81	80	81	78	82	84	86	86	89	85	83	84	83	
	HOUR 07 LST	84	80	80	70	64	70	72	79	87	86	83	85	78	
	HOUR 13 LST	71	63	57	46	44	52	51	50	52	65	64	74	57	
	HOUR 19 LST	79	71	72	62	59	64	64	64	73	79	76	82	72	
W/O	NUMBER OF DAYS WITH:														
	HEAVY FOG(VISBY <= 1/4 MI)	7	3	5	0	3	1	2	2	2	4	5	3	37	
	THUNDERSTORMS	1	0	4	0	6	5	8	3	3	1	2	0	33	
PR	MEAN STATION PRESS. (IN.)	29.13	29.26	29.24	29.25	29.23	29.16	29.22	29.21	29.24	29.16	29.38	29.21	29.22	
	MEAN SEA-LEVEL PRESS. (IN.)	29.91	30.04	30.01	30.02	29.98	29.91	29.96	29.95	29.99	29.91	30.15	29.98	29.98	
WINDS	RESULTANT SPEED (MPH)	2.7	2.6	0.8	3.2	0.3	1.6	0.8	1.1	1.6	1.2	2.1	1.3	1.3	
	RES. DIR. (TENS OF DEGS.)	25	27	20	34	23	26	34	28	26	25	23	29	28	
	MEAN SPEED (MPH)	7.4	7.2	7.6	8.3	6.9	6.9	5.1	5.9	5.5	8.1	6.7	7.4	6.9	
	PREVAIL.DIR.(TENS OF DEGS.)	18	24	20	32	33	31	35	29	22	35	19	31	32	
	MAXIMUM 2-MINUTE WIND														
	SPEED (MPH)	26	28	30	32	28	31	23	23	24	35	31	31	35	
	DIR. (TENS OF DEGS.)	01	11	17	34	16	15	15	32	21	35	18	33	35	
	DATE OF OCCURRENCE	17	29	27	24	24	18	25	16	24	30	11	21	OCT 30	
	MAXIMUM 3-SECOND WIND:														
	SPEED (MPH)	39	38	41	49	35	44	30	32	37	46	40	44	49	
DIR. (TENS OF DEGS.)	20	11	32	33	15	15	32	28	20	36	18	10	33		
DATE OF OCCURRENCE	09	29	25	24	24	18	23	05	24	30	11	20	APR 24		
PRECIPITATION	WATER EQUIVALENT:														
	TOTAL (IN.)	1.77	1.71	1.88	1.50	2.00	4.27	2.15	2.72	1.64	4.56	0.85	2.84	27.89	
	GREATEST 24-HOUR (IN.)	0.43	0.65	0.81	0.87	0.83	1.42	1.41	1.34	0.44	1.80	0.40	1.01	1.80	
	DATE OF OCCURRENCE	17	24-25	02-03	19-20	03	01-02	25	10-11	21-22	13-14	10	20-21	OCT 13-14	
	NUMBER OF DAYS WITH:														
PRECIPITATION 0.01	12	7	13	10	9	10	8	8	12	17	9	13	128		
PRECIPITATION 0.10	7	5	5	2	6	6	4	6	7	9	2	8	67		
PRECIPITATION 1.00	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	0	0	1	0	0	4		
SNOWFALL	SNOW,ICE PELLETS,HAIL	20.7	20.2	7.2	T	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	T	2.2	11.5	61.8	
	TOTAL (IN.)	6.0	6.4	3.0	T	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	T	0.9	4.4	6.4	
	GREATEST 24-HOUR (IN.)	17	29	03	20+						30+	30	09	FEB 29	
	DATE OF OCCURRENCE	9	10	14	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	5	14	
	MAXIMUM SNOW DEPTH (IN.)	21+	25	06+								29+	11+	MAR 06+	
	DATE OF OCCURRENCE														
	NUMBER OF DAYS WITH:														
SNOWFALL >= 1.0	6	5	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	17		

# NORMALS, MEANS, AND EXTREMES

## ALPENA (KAPN)

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ELEMENT		POR	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	YEAR
<b>TEMPERATURE °F</b>	NORMAL DAILY MAXIMUM	30	26.8	29.3	38.3	52.3	64.5	74.5	79.4	77.0	68.9	55.9	43.1	31.7	53.5
	MEAN DAILY MAXIMUM	53	26.8	28.8	38.3	51.8	64.9	74.5	79.7	77.2	69.0	56.7	43.3	31.7	53.6
	HIGHEST DAILY MAXIMUM	54	52	65	87	90	94	103	102	102	94	90	76	65	103
	YEAR OF OCCURRENCE		1998	1984	2012	2002	1962	1995	1983	1988	1983	2007	1978	2001	JUN 1995
	MEAN OF EXTREME MAXS.	53	43.9	46.8	61.8	76.5	85.6	91.1	92.5	90.4	85.1	77.6	62.4	49.5	71.9
	NORMAL DAILY MINIMUM	30	11.5	11.4	19.2	31.0	40.5	49.7	55.3	53.7	46.5	36.4	28.3	18.4	33.5
	MEAN DAILY MINIMUM	53	10.3	9.8	18.3	30.3	40.0	49.0	54.7	53.3	46.0	36.6	28.0	17.6	32.8
	LOWEST DAILY MINIMUM	54	-28	-37	-27	-7	20	28	34	30	25	16	-6	-18	-37
	YEAR OF OCCURRENCE		1994	1979	1962	2003	1966	1966	1965	1982	1993	1997	1995	1985	FEB 1979
	MEAN OF EXTREME MINS.	53	-11.6	-12.4	-5.2	15.7	26.5	35.3	41.7	39.9	30.8	22.7	11.6	-3.8	15.9
	NORMAL DRY BULB	30	19.1	20.3	28.7	41.6	52.5	62.1	67.4	65.4	57.7	46.2	35.7	25.0	43.5
	MEAN DRY BULB	53	18.6	19.3	28.3	41.1	52.5	61.9	67.2	65.3	57.5	46.7	35.7	24.7	43.2
	MEAN WET BULB	29	18.1	18.6	25.0	35.2	45.9	55.9	60.8	60.0	53.2	42.5	32.8	23.4	39.3
	MEAN DEW POINT	29	16.1	15.9	22.3	31.7	42.9	53.5	58.8	58.3	51.4	40.1	30.7	21.5	36.9
	NORMAL NO. DAYS WITH: MAXIMUM >= 90	30	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	1.2	2.2	1.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	4.6
	MAXIMUM <= 32	30	21.4	17.8	8.6	0.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	3.9	15.7	68.4
MINIMUM <= 32	30	30.0	26.7	27.9	17.0	4.5	0.1	0.0	0.0	1.1	9.6	20.6	28.3	165.8	
MINIMUM <= 0	30	5.8	5.4	2.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	1.8	15.3	
<b>H/C</b>	NORMAL HEATING DEG. DAYS	30	1421	1250	1124	703	398	143	44	71	242	587	879	1238	8100
	NORMAL COOLING DEG. DAYS	30	0	0	0	2	11	56	116	81	23	2	0	0	291
<b>RH</b>	NORMAL (PERCENT)	30	78	76	73	67	68	71	73	77	79	77	79	80	75
	HOURLY 01 LST	30	81	80	80	77	81	87	88	90	89	84	82	83	84
	HOURLY 07 LST	30	83	82	84	80	79	82	86	91	92	87	84	84	85
	HOURLY 13 LST	30	72	67	61	53	52	54	55	59	61	62	69	73	62
	HOURLY 19 LST	30	77	73	68	60	58	61	62	69	76	76	78	80	70
<b>S</b>	PERCENT POSSIBLE SUNSHINE	37	36	45	53	53	59	63	63	57	50	41	27	27	48
<b>W/O</b>	MEAN NO. DAYS WITH: HEAVY FOG(VISBY <= 1/4 MI)	48	2.1	2.0	3.1	2.3	2.7	2.4	2.3	3.3	3.1	2.9	2.7	2.1	31.0
	THUNDERSTORMS	48	0.2	0.1	1.0	2.2	4.1	5.3	7.1	5.8	3.6	1.5	0.3	0.1	31.3
<b>CLOUDINESS</b>	MEAN: SUNRISE-SUNSET (OKTAS)	37	6.2	5.9	5.4	5.4	5.0	4.7	4.4	4.5	5.1	5.5	6.4	6.5	5.4
	MIDNIGHT-MIDNIGHT (OKTAS)	31	6.3	5.8	5.2	5.0	4.6	4.4	4.2	4.1	4.6	5.3	6.2	6.4	5.2
	MEAN NO. DAYS WITH: CLEAR	37	3.1	4.1	6.4	6.3	7.5	7.6	7.6	8.4	6.0	4.8	2.3	1.8	65.9
	PARTLY CLOUDY	37	7.3	7.1	7.9	7.6	9.6	10.6	12.9	10.5	9.3	8.1	5.8	6.3	103.0
	CLOUDY	37	20.6	17.1	16.6	16.2	14.0	11.7	9.7	11.4	13.8	17.3	21.0	22.0	191.4
<b>PR</b>	MEAN STATION PRESSURE(IN)	29	29.24	29.27	29.28	29.22	29.22	29.20	29.22	29.27	29.28	29.26	29.25	29.25	29.25
	MEAN SEA-LEVEL PRES. (IN)	29	30.02	30.05	30.05	29.98	29.97	29.94	29.96	30.01	30.03	30.02	30.02	30.02	30.01
<b>WINDS</b>	MEAN SPEED (MPH)	29	8.4	8.4	8.5	8.9	8.0	7.1	6.5	6.3	6.8	7.6	8.3	8.1	7.7
	PREVAIL.DIR.(TENS OF DEGS)	37	30	31	31	31	12	31	31	31	24	25	25	25	25
	MAXIMUM 2-MINUTE: SPEED (MPH)	16	31	33	38	38	36	32	34	31	38	36	38	36	38
	DIR. (TENS OF DEGS)		02	24	09	16	19	36	18	22	19	25	20	22	09
	YEAR OF OCCURRENCE		2005	2001	2007	1997	2011	2011	1997	2001	2002	2009	1998	2008	MAR 2007
	MAXIMUM 3-SECOND SPEED (MPH)	16	47	49	49	52	45	47	41	43	46	55	56	54	56
	DIR. (TENS OF DEGS)		27	22	10	28	24	32	24	25	30	24	22	23	22
	YEAR OF OCCURRENCE		2008	2001	2007	2002	2011	2011	2005	2009	1998	2009	1998	2008	NOV 1998
<b>PRECIPITATION</b>	NORMAL (IN)	30	1.66	1.32	1.86	2.39	2.67	2.62	3.03	3.23	2.92	2.61	2.10	1.75	28.16
	MAXIMUM MONTHLY (IN)	54	4.12	3.88	7.37	6.54	8.29	8.37	7.17	6.26	7.12	6.53	7.45	5.07	8.37
	YEAR OF OCCURRENCE		1997	1997	1998	2011	1983	1969	1975	1994	1986	1991	1966	1996	JUN 1969
	MINIMUM MONTHLY (IN)	54	0.16	0.12	0.34	1.18	0.90	0.20	0.22	0.92	0.28	0.61	0.61	0.39	0.12
	YEAR OF OCCURRENCE		1961	1982	1993	1978	2005	1991	1989	1970	1979	1971	1986	1994	FEB 1982
	MAXIMUM IN 24 HOURS (IN)	54	1.83	1.51	1.97	1.62	2.50	2.65	3.15	3.18	3.02	3.56	1.93	1.63	3.56
	YEAR OF OCCURRENCE		1978	1997	1998	2011	1973	1969	1974	1968	1968	1998	1966	1971	OCT 1998
	NORMAL NO. DAYS WITH: PRECIPITATION >= 0.01	30	14.9	11.2	11.2	11.4	11.8	10.8	10.5	10.2	12.0	13.4	13.8	14.2	145.4
PRECIPITATION >= 1.00	30	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.3	0.3	0.6	0.7	0.6	0.3	0.2	0.1	3.5	
<b>SNOWFALL</b>	NORMAL (IN)	30	21.3	17.5	12.2	5.8	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.4	7.7	19.2	84.3
	MAXIMUM MONTHLY (IN)	46	43.5	35.3	35.8	16.7	3.7	T	T	T	T	4.3	34.8	48.1	48.1
	YEAR OF OCCURRENCE		1978	2006	1971	2007	1974	2011	2007	1996	1995	1969	1995	2008	DEC 2008
	MAXIMUM IN 24 HOURS (IN)	46	16.3	13.7	17.3	12.2	4.2	0.9	T	T	T	3.8	16.1	16.4	17.3
	YEAR OF OCCURRENCE		1978	1994	1985	1992	1994	1994	1996	1991	1995	1969	1966	1989	MAR 1985
	MAXIMUM SNOW DEPTH (IN)	44	610	632	566	59	3	0	0	0	0	3	111	451	632
	YEAR OF OCCURRENCE		1979	1985	1962	1972	1994					1969	1995	1989	FEB 1985
	NORMAL NO. DAYS WITH: SNOWFALL >= 1.0	30	7.7	5.7	3.6	1.8	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	2.3	6.2	27.5

**PRECIPITATION (inches) 2012 ALPENA (KAPN)**

YEAR	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	ANNUAL
1983	1.80	1.48	2.82	2.70	8.29	1.76	2.48	2.62	3.50	3.90	1.74	1.92	35.01
1984	0.89	0.81	2.22	2.89	1.89	2.88	2.35	5.92	3.76	2.79	2.01	2.22	30.63
1985	1.71	2.77	2.77	2.63	2.70	1.00	3.80	4.74	3.07	2.80	3.24	2.60	33.83
1986	1.04	1.06	2.30	1.86	2.41	3.36	5.28	1.83	7.12	2.83	0.61	0.95	30.65
1987	0.94	0.87	0.94	1.20	1.75	3.38	1.17	4.77	3.29	2.00	2.21	2.17	24.69
1988	1.51	1.04	2.72	3.25	0.99	0.84	2.61	4.48	1.50	3.43	3.54	1.24	27.15
1989	1.42	0.61	2.68	2.20	1.89	2.67	0.22	2.29	1.90	2.20	2.27	1.53	21.88
1990	2.44	1.17	2.89	2.32	2.88	4.18	3.69	2.35	1.58	3.07	2.89	1.79	31.25
1991	0.96	0.49	3.04	2.57	6.26	0.20	5.16	3.38	2.24	6.53	1.50	1.44	33.77
1992	1.70	1.70	1.50	2.61	1.10	1.69	3.37	2.65	2.53	2.34	4.01	1.24	26.44
1993	1.33	0.81	0.34	3.16	2.49	4.00	1.71	5.67	1.51	1.98	2.56	0.41	25.97
1994	1.95	1.04	1.29	2.64	1.58	3.23	5.53	6.26	1.61	1.38	2.90	0.39	29.80
1995	1.77	0.84	0.99	3.16	1.29	2.01	2.96	2.34	1.72	1.89	4.17	1.36	24.50
1996	1.42	1.51	0.49	2.78	1.20	2.29	4.06	1.75	6.16	2.37	.76	5.07	29.86
1997	4.12	3.88	2.49	1.77	2.66	0.42	3.05	5.83	2.86	1.82	1.31	0.73	30.94
1998	3.73	0.82	7.37	1.24	2.36	2.91	1.09	2.47	2.92	4.61	2.24	1.41	33.17
1999	2.32	1.39	0.73	1.39	1.56	3.32	2.07	1.32	2.30	1.39	0.78	1.64	20.21
2000	1.69	2.05	0.92	1.65	3.82	2.75	1.34	1.38	3.60	0.87	3.22	0.67	23.96
2001	0.78	1.37	0.36	2.46	4.19	2.01	0.39	2.74	6.46	3.32	1.48	1.46	27.02
2002	0.39	1.82	2.11	2.66	3.87	2.95	3.72	1.99	1.24	2.20	1.32	0.53	24.80
2003	0.19	0.31	1.61	2.16	3.05	2.45	4.68	1.70	2.58	1.15	3.18	1.39	24.45
2004	0.73	0.50	1.25	2.17	4.89	1.62	3.96	2.21	0.40	2.76	1.61	1.90	24.00
2005	2.44	1.37	1.08	2.16	0.90	2.66	2.83	4.93	2.45	0.74	2.74	1.62	25.92
2006	2.87	1.74	1.66	1.78	3.67	2.47	2.80	4.12	2.81	4.02	2.09	2.48	32.51
2007	1.08	0.57	1.81	4.13	1.75	2.59	4.38	2.05	1.86	3.28	1.27	2.10	26.87
2008	3.30	1.88	1.27	2.08	1.91	4.71	4.86	1.20	3.79	1.36	1.72	3.85	31.93
2009	1.39	2.69	1.78	2.95	2.90	3.30	3.78	6.08	2.68	4.91	0.82	2.21	35.49
2010	0.42	0.70	0.43	1.97	2.85	5.38	4.27	2.62	4.10	1.81	0.77	1.33	26.65
2011	1.41	0.78	2.07	6.54	2.95	5.15	1.89	3.58	4.83	4.13	1.87	1.00	36.20
2012	1.77	1.71	1.88	1.50	2.00	4.27	2.15	2.72	1.64	4.56	0.85	2.84	27.89
POR= 53 YRS	1.67	1.33	1.90	2.41	2.74	2.93	2.99	3.26	2.98	2.38	2.10	1.87	28.56

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**AVERAGE TEMPERATURE (°F) 2012 ALPENA (KAPN)**

YEAR	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	ANNUAL
1983	22.2	25.1	30.8	39.8	47.0	61.9	72.2	68.5	59.8	45.6	35.0	18.7	43.9
1984	13.1	28.4	24.6	43.3	48.5	63.2	66.4	67.5	54.4	48.6	35.3	27.9	43.4
1985	16.3	17.6	30.5	44.8	53.7	58.5	65.8	63.9	59.1	46.8	35.3	19.6	42.7
1986	18.3	19.3	30.1	45.0	54.6	58.7	68.2	62.4	57.2	45.9	33.3	29.2	43.5
1987	23.2	22.4	32.5	44.9	55.5	65.3	70.4	65.6	59.8	43.4	38.0	29.4	45.9
1988	18.6	15.4	27.6	41.6	56.0	64.8	71.6	68.1	58.0	43.1	37.4	23.9	43.8
1989	25.7	16.8	23.9	39.2	53.7	60.8	68.7	64.8	56.2	47.8	31.1	12.5	41.8
1990	26.9	22.1	31.1	44.3	50.4	61.9	66.8	65.8	57.1	45.4	38.5	26.7	44.8
1991	18.6	26.2	31.2	45.4	58.4	65.6	67.7	68.3	55.5	47.9	33.9	25.0	45.3
1992	22.3	23.5	26.8	38.5	52.6	58.5	61.3	62.0	55.7	44.3	34.1	27.9	42.3
1993	21.5	16.1	26.8	39.1	51.4	59.8	69.5	67.8	52.2	43.7	34.6	25.9	42.4
1994	8.1	11.6	28.9	43.1	53.1	64.1	66.9	63.5	59.9	49.0	38.9	32.1	43.3
1995	24.0	16.8	32.0	37.9	53.1	65.6	68.6	68.5	55.2	49.0	29.4	20.6	43.4
1996	15.8	17.5	24.7	36.9	48.4	62.0	64.2	66.4	59.6	46.5	31.4	26.0	41.6
1997	17.4	20.7	26.1	39.1	46.0	64.4	66.1	62.0	57.6	46.0	33.0	29.4	42.3
1998	24.3	29.7	29.9	43.4	58.1	62.0	67.4	67.2	59.9	47.9	38.4	29.0	46.4
1999	18.1	24.6	28.9	43.2	54.4	65.0	70.1	63.3	58.4	45.8	40.5	26.5	44.9
2000	19.5	24.1	36.8	40.7	54.4	60.9	64.8	63.8	56.6	48.8	35.9	16.6	43.6
2001	23.6	20.5	27.4	44.1	56.9	64.5	67.0	69.3	57.2	47.2	42.8	32.2	46.1
2002	26.3	24.9	25.5	41.6	48.0	62.7	71.1	65.9	63.2	42.1	33.0	26.3	44.2
2003	16.3	13.4	26.9	37.5	50.0	60.3	66.6	67.5	57.6	45.1	37.3	27.5	42.2
2004	12.5	21.0	32.2	42.0	50.4	59.4	64.8	62.0	62.7	48.9	37.6	22.1	43.0
2005	16.9	23.6	23.8	42.7	49.5	67.6	68.8	66.6	61.5	49.9	37.3	22.7	44.2
2006	27.5	20.2	31.1	44.3	56.2	64.2	71.2	65.3	56.5	43.8	38.1	32.1	45.9
2007	23.3	14.2	31.9	40.3	55.5	65.5	66.6	67.5	61.3	53.1	33.9	23.6	44.7
2008	22.5	18.1	25.5	45.2	49.4	64.0	67.3	65.1	58.4	45.8	35.0	20.2	43.0
2009	12.0	20.5	28.3	41.2	51.2	60.3	63.0	64.6	59.0	44.3	40.6	23.8	42.4
2010	21.8	22.4	35.6	46.6	57.0	61.8	70.1	69.8	57.1	47.9	37.8	23.5	46.0
2011	14.3	20.8	25.5	39.1	53.3	61.6	72.2	67.6	57.2	48.2	40.0	29.3	44.1
2012	24.0	27.9	40.9	41.5	56.7	66.0	71.0	67.2	56.9	47.4	35.9	30.1	47.1
POR= 53 YRS	18.6	19.3	28.3	41.1	52.5	61.9	67.2	65.3	57.5	46.7	35.7	24.7	43.2

**HEATING DEGREE DAYS (base 65°F) 2012 ALPENA (KAPN)**

YEAR	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	TOTAL
1983-84	24	32	216	600	893	1427	1605	1054	1247	644	505	105	8352
1984-85	42	39	314	502	884	1144	1502	1321	1060	613	353	197	7971
1985-86	50	88	217	554	885	1401	1441	1272	1075	594	338	209	8124
1986-87	43	105	240	588	945	1100	1289	1188	1002	594	332	75	7501
1987-88	45	64	164	660	805	1096	1431	1433	1151	697	290	112	7948
1988-89	8	77	213	673	824	1269	1211	1342	1268	769	345	147	8146
1989-90	16	90	272	525	1010	1621	1173	1194	1045	639	443	131	8159
1990-91	39	38	259	600	787	1181	1433	1080	1040	595	262	63	7377
1991-92	34	40	304	525	927	1233	1317	1197	1177	784	392	213	8143
1992-93	123	136	286	639	919	1144	1341	1362	1178	772	418	170	8488
1993-94	9	39	378	655	902	1207	1767	1491	1114	655	376	105	8698
1994-95	37	90	177	488	774	1014	1264	1344	1018	805	369	74	7454
1995-96	25	21	303	490	1059	1369	1518	1373	1243	839	521	137	8898
1996-97	53	32	191	564	1004	1202	1469	1231	1198	771	584	85	8384
1997-98	73	125	225	583	952	1097	1255	984	1081	640	235	156	7406
1998-99	24	36	171	525	790	1109	1448	1125	1110	645	339	100	7422
1999-00	18	89	208	586	727	1188	1404	1180	867	725	347	157	7496
2000-01	76	80	267	495	863	1493	1276	1242	1161	620	254	100	7927
2001-02	55	20	255	543	661	1011	1192	1115	1219	710	520	144	7445
2002-03	21	45	132	709	950	1192	1503	1439	1173	819	455	167	8605
2003-04	23	40	223	608	824	1153	1623	1270	1011	685	460	184	8104
2004-05	65	130	126	497	815	1322	1484	1151	1269	663	472	54	8048
2005-06	32	32	138	488	824	1303	1118	1251	1042	614	285	77	7204
2006-07	6	62	259	647	800	1011	1286	1417	1021	733	323	76	7641
2007-08	43	41	164	382	928	1275	1310	1357	1219	587	475	95	7876
2008-09	33	62	198	594	890	1382	1638	1241	1130	709	428	185	8490
2009-10	80	83	175	634	729	1271	1333	1186	901	546	284	114	7336
2010-11	10	25	251	522	811	1281	1566	1232	1221	769	368	123	8179
2011-12	2	14	254	519	746	1097	1265	1068	744	697	269	84	6759
2012-	5	37	261	537	861	1075							

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**COOLING DEGREE DAYS (base 65°F) 2012 ALPENA (KAPN)**

YEAR	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	TOTAL
1983	0	0	0	0	0	68	254	144	67	3	0	0	536
1984	0	0	0	0	0	58	92	123	5	0	0	0	278
1985	0	0	0	14	9	8	81	61	46	0	0	0	219
1986	0	0	0	0	24	26	150	34	10	0	0	0	244
1987	0	0	0	0	46	91	218	88	13	0	0	0	456
1988	0	0	0	0	18	113	217	179	9	0	0	0	536
1989	0	0	0	0	1	26	134	89	16	0	0	0	266
1990	0	0	0	25	0	45	101	70	30	0	0	0	271
1991	0	0	0	11	65	88	125	150	25	2	0	0	466
1992	0	0	0	0	13	25	14	51	16	4	0	0	123
1993	0	0	0	0	3	21	153	130	5	0	0	0	312
1994	0	0	0	2	17	83	107	51	30	0	0	0	290
1995	0	0	0	0	7	99	146	136	15	2	0	0	405
1996	0	0	0	0	10	51	36	82	36	0	0	0	215
1997	0	0	0	0	0	75	114	41	9	1	0	0	240
1998	0	0	0	0	28	71	105	111	26	0	0	0	341
1999	0	0	0	0	18	108	185	41	14	0	0	0	366
2000	0	0	0	0	28	42	75	49	22	0	0	0	216
2001	0	0	0	0	13	94	125	161	28	0	0	0	421
2002	0	0	0	16	2	82	218	83	85	10	0	0	496
2003	0	0	0	0	0	33	83	122	9	0	0	0	247
2004	0	0	0	0	8	20	65	47	62	2	0	0	204
2005	0	0	0	0	2	138	155	89	40	29	0	0	453
2006	0	0	0	0	26	59	206	77	8	0	0	0	376
2007	0	0	0	0	35	97	98	125	60	23	0	0	438
2008	0	0	0	0	0	72	111	74	7	3	0	0	267
2009	0	0	0	0	7	50	27	78	5	0	0	0	167
2010	0	0	0	0	42	23	178	184	20	0	0	0	447
2011	0	0	0	0	13	26	233	101	26	6	0	0	405
2012	0	0	6	0	20	118	201	113	24	0	0	0	482

**SNOWFALL (inches) 2012 ALPENA (KAPN)**

YEAR	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	TOTAL
1983-84	0.0	0.0	0.0	T	5.5	22.1	21.2	8.8	9.2	7.4	0.3	0.0	74.5
1984-85	0.0	0.0	T	0.0	4.5	15.3	40.6	30.7	26.8	4.8	0.0	0.0	122.7
1985-86	0.0	0.0	0.0	T	15.4	27.7	17.2	16.0	12.6	3.6	T	0.0	92.5
1986-87	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	4.1	11.1	12.3	17.2	3.5	7.9	0.0	0.0	56.2
1987-88	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.7	6.6	16.2	13.6	22.7	21.5	5.2	0.0	0.0	86.5
1988-89	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.9	3.3	15.3	17.0	12.7	29.8	8.0	0.1	0.0	87.1
1989-90	0.0	0.0	T	0.7	19.1	41.3	25.0	16.4	2.8	10.3	0.3	0.0	115.9
1990-91	0.0	T	0.0	0.3	10.2	19.7	17.1	12.8	6.5	1.7	0.0	0.0	68.3
1991-92	0.0	T	T	T	2.7	26.6	16.5	21.3	5.3	12.7	0.0	0.0	85.1
1992-93	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.8	10.2	8.1	16.3	19.3	7.9	12.5	T	0.0	77.1
1993-94	0.0	0.0	T	0.2	2.7	4.7	43.0	21.3	9.4	4.8	0.2	0.0	86.3
1994-95	0.0	0.0	0.0	T	11.9	1.8	18.1	18.5	8.7	2.9	0.0	0.0	61.9
1995-96	0.0	0.0	T	0.2	34.8	25.0	20.8	15.8	8.4	8.1	0.9	0.0	114.0
1996-97	T	T	0.0	0.2	6.6								
1997-98													
1998-99					4.7								
1999-00					2.2	6.5	19.4	15.6	2.0				
2000-01													
2001-02													
2002-03													
2003-04													
2004-05													
2005-06			0.0	0.0	8.5	23.1	15.3	35.3	0.9	1.7	T	T	
2006-07	0.0	0.0	0.0	T	5.2	12.1	22.9	13.0	11.6	16.7	0.0	0.0	81.5
2007-08	T	0.0	0.0	0.0	8.3	24.1	16.7	21.2	3.8	1.1	0.0	0.0	75.2
2008-09	0.0	0.0	0.0	T	12.4	48.1	30.0	22.6	10.5	0.1	T	0.0	123.7
2009-10	0.0	0.0	0.0	T	0.1	21.1	10.5	11.8	T	T	0.3	0.0	43.8
2010-11	0.0	0.0	0.0	T	0.6	22.9	25.9	12.6	21.1	11.1	0.0	T	94.2
2011-12	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2	5.0	20.7	20.2	7.2	T	0.0	0.0	53.3
2012-	0.0	0.0	0.0	T	2.2	11.5							
POR= 54 YRS	T	T	T	0.4	7.2	17.2	18.6	14.4	10.3	4.2	0.2	T	72.5

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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: <a href="http://www.ncdc.noaa.gov/homr/">http://www.ncdc.noaa.gov/homr/</a> SNOWFALL STOPPED MONTH &amp; YEAR INDICATED ABOVE. NO FURTHER YEARS INCLUDED UNLESS RESTARTED.</p> <p><b>NOTE:</b> 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"> <li>1) A small number of stations did not correctly show number of days with thunderstorms and heavy fog.</li> <li>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: <a href="http://www1.ncdc.noaa.gov/pub/data/normals/1981-2010/status.txt">http://www1.ncdc.noaa.gov/pub/data/normals/1981-2010/status.txt</a>.</li> </ol>
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# 2012 ALPENA MICHIGAN (KAPN)

The city of Alpena lies on the northwest shore of Thunder Bay, 8 miles from the open waters of Lake Huron. Lake Huron and Thunder Bay lie at an elevation of 580 feet above sea level. Generally, the land slopes up westward from the lakeshore to 689 feet at the airport. Farther to the west and southwest the land becomes higher and more rolling. A range of hills with tops 1,000 to 1,350 feet lies northwest to southeast about 25 miles southwest of the station.

Summer showers moving from the southwest weaken and sometimes dissipate as they approach Alpena. Winter storms often bring winds with an easterly component. Precipitation from these is increased by moisture and instability picked up from Lake Huron and by forced upslope flow.

The climate of Alpena is influenced by its location with respect to major storm tracks and the effects of the Great Lakes. The normal wintertime storm track is south of the city, and most passing storms bring snow. Rain, freezing rain, and sleet are uncommon, but not unknown, in winter. In summer, most storms pass to the north, often bringing brief showers to the area, but occasionally, heavy thunderstorms with damaging winds occur. The Great Lakes modify most climatic extremes. Precipitation amounts are distributed evenly throughout the year. The lake effect is most pronounced in early winter, before ice forms. Minimum temperatures during this season are higher than would be expected at this latitude. But as nearby waters, particularly the Straits of Mackinac, freeze over, sub-zero temperatures become fairly common by February.

Summers in Alpena are warm and sunny. Brief showers usually occur every few days, often falling on only part of the area. Hailstorms average less than one a year. During prolonged heat waves the highest temperatures in Michigan often occur in the forest area southwest of Alpena. Winter months are cloudy and marked by frequent snow flurries. Storms bring heavier snowfall. Snow cover is sufficiently deep and persistent to provide good protection for grasses and winter grains.

The climate along the immediate Lake Huron shore is semi-maritime and lacks the temperature extremes experienced just a few miles inland. Maximum temperatures near the lake shore average 1.6 degrees lower than those at the airport, minimum temperatures average 5 degrees higher. Afternoon lake breezes which are strongest in the late spring and early summer cause lake shore maximum temperatures to average 3.6 degrees lower during the month of May.

Freezing temperatures have occurred as late as late June and as early as late August. Principal crops in the area are hay, potatoes, berries, and apples.

Prevailing winds are from the northwest except during May and June when southeast winds predominate. Southeast winds are common in the afternoon during all the summer months.

# Station History

ALPENA, MI

NAME	Begin Date	End Date	Latitude	Longitude	Elevation Feet	Relocation	Platform
ALPENA AP	1959-01-01	1959-08-25	45° 4'	-83° 34'	689		AIRWAYS, COOP
ALPENA COUNTY REGIONAL AP	2007-04-17	Present	45° 4'	-83° 33'	684		ASOS, COOP
ALPENA PHELPS COLLINS FIELD	1959-08-25	1973-01-01	45° 4'	-83° 34'	689		AIRWAYS, COOP
ALPENA COUNTY REGIONAL AP	1996-04-01	2007-04-17	45° 4'	-83° 33'	684	800 FT NE	ASOS, COOP
ALPENA PHELPS COLLINS FIELD	1973-01-01	1976-10-01	45° 4'	-83° 34'	689		COOP, WXSVC
ALPENA PHELPS COLLINS AP	1981-12-31	1993-01-01	45° 4'	-83° 34'	689		COOP
ALPENA COUNTY REGIONAL AP	1993-01-01	1996-04-01	45° 4'	-83° 34'	689		COOP
ALPENA PHELPS COLLINS AP	1976-10-01	1981-12-31	45° 4'	-83° 34'	689		COOP, WXSVC

# Element History

Element	Begin Date	End Date	Frequency	Time Of Observation	Equipment *	Equipment * Modifications	Equipment Exposure
PRECIP	1982-01-01	1992-02-26	HOURLY	2400			
PRECIP	1995-07-01	1996-04-01	DAILY	2400	UNIV	SHLD;RCRD	
PRECIP	1992-02-26	1992-07-23	DAILY	2400	UNIV	RCRD	
TEMP	1982-01-01	1992-02-26	DAILY	2400			
TEMP	1995-07-01	1996-04-01	DAILY	2400	HYGR		
PRECIP	1996-04-01	2007-04-17	DAILY	2400	PCPNX		
PRECIP	2010-09-30	Present	HOURLY	2400	AWPAG	SHLD;RCRD;HTD	
TEMP	1959-01-01	1982-01-01	DAILY	2400			
TEMP	1992-02-26	1992-07-23	DAILY	2400	HYGR		
PRECIP	1992-07-23	1995-07-01	HOURLY	2400			
PRECIP	1996-04-01	2007-04-17	HOURLY	2400	AHTB	RCRD;HTD	
TEMP	1996-04-01	2007-04-17	DAILY	2400	ATEMP		
TEMP	2007-04-17	2010-09-30	DAILY	2400	ATEMP		
PRECIP	2010-09-30	Present	DAILY	2400	PCPNX	SHLD	
PRECIP	1959-01-01	1982-01-01	DAILY	2400	UNIV	RCRD	
PRECIP	2007-04-17	2010-09-30	HOURLY	2400	AWPAG	RCRD;HTD	
TEMP	2010-09-30	Present	DAILY	2400	ATEMP		
PRECIP	1992-02-26	1992-07-23	HOURLY	2400			
TEMP	1992-07-23	1995-07-01	DAILY	2400	HYGR		
PRECIP	2007-04-17	2010-09-30	DAILY	2400	PCPNX		
PRECIP	1982-01-01	1992-02-26	DAILY	2400	UNIV	RCRD	
PRECIP	1992-07-23	1995-07-01	DAILY	2400	UNIV	SHLD;RCRD	
PRECIP	1995-07-01	1996-04-01	HOURLY	2400	UNIV	SHLD;RCRD	

\* 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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