

Annual Weather Summary 2011
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2011 came in two parts, the first half of the year had below average temperatures and above average precipitation, the second half had above average temperatures and below average precipitation, resulting in an average year. The year ended with the September through December period the 5th driest on record (1.70 inches of precipitation compared to a fall normal of 5.83 inches of precipitation). 2011 precipitation totaled 24.20 inches, 0.02 inches above normal. The annual mean temperature was 42.0°F, 0.1°F below normal. For the May through August growing months, GDD's were slightly below average (1969 compared to an average of 1996) while precipitation was well above average (18.47 inches compared to an average of 13.61 inches). We had 6 days of 90°F or greater maximum temperatures and 43 days of 0°F or below minimum temperatures. The high temperature for the year was 95°F on June 8th and July 1st, and the low was -27°F on January 21st.