



Southern New England Thanksgiving Climatology



By proclamation of President Abraham Lincoln on October 3rd, 1863, Thanksgiving was to be celebrated on the final Thursday of the month of November. This was modified by President Franklin D. Roosevelt between 1939 and 1941 as renewed proclamations on a year to year basis. In 1942, with the passage of a joint resolution by both houses of Congress and an amendment by the Senate, later signed into law by President Roosevelt, the fourth Thursday of the month of November was declared as Thanksgiving.

Despite the variance of the date, here are the weather statistics for Thanksgiving for each station's period of record.

	Boston, MA		Hartford, CT		Providence, RI		Worcester, MA	
Record High	71°F	Nov. 20 th , 1941	69°F	Nov. 30 th , 1933	70°F	Nov. 20 th , 1941	69°F	Nov. 20 th , 1941
Record Low	11°F	Nov. 27 th , 1873	9°F	Nov. 22 nd , 2018	14°F	Nov. 23 rd , 1972	7°F	Nov. 22 nd , 2018
Coldest High	24°F	Nov. 22 nd , 2018	21°F	Nov. 22 nd , 2018	24°F	Nov. 22 nd , 2018	16°F	Nov. 22 nd , 2018
Warmest Low	56°F	Nov. 20 th , 1941	52°F	Nov. 29 th , 1934	51°F	Nov. 26 th , 1964	49°F	Nov. 20 th , 1941
Record Precip	2.59"	Nov. 25 th , 1971	1.56"	Nov. 25 th , 1971	3.31"	Nov. 23 rd , 2006	1.49"	Nov. 23 rd , 2006
Record Snowfall	4.4"	Nov. 23 rd , 1989	7.6"	Nov. 25 th , 1971	8.0"	Nov. 23 rd , 1989	14.8"	Nov. 25 th , 1971

	Boston, MA	Hartford, CT	Providence, RI	Worcester, MA
Chance High \leq 32°F	8%	5%	3%	12%
Chance Low \leq 32°F	49%	65%	54%	70%
Chance of Precip	40%	36%	38%	39%
Chance of Snow	7%	7%	8%	11%