

Local Climatological Data

Annual Summary With Comparative Data

1978

HOUSTON, TEXAS



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Narrative Climatological Summary

Houston, the largest city in Texas, is located in the flat Coastal Plains, about 50 miles from the Gulf of Mexico and about 25 miles from Galveston Bay. The climate is predominantly marine. The terrain includes numerous small streams and bayous which, together with the nearness to Galveston Bay, favor the development of both ground and advective fogs. Prevailing winds are from the southeast and south, except in January, when frequent passages of high pressure areas bring invasions of polar air and prevailing northerly winds.

Temperatures are moderated by the influence of winds from the Gulf, which results in mild winters and, on the whole, relatively cool summer nights. Another effect of the nearness of the Gulf is abundant rainfall, except for rare extended dry periods. Polar air penetrates the area frequently enough to provide stimulating variability in the weather.

The average number of days with minimum temperatures of 32° or lower is only 7 per year at the City Office, about 15 at William P. Hobby Airport located in southeast Houston, and about 23 at Intercontinental Airport located in north Houston. Most freezing temperatures last only a few hours since they are usually accompanied by clear skies. The extreme persistence of freezing temperatures was in January-February 1951, when the temperature remained 32° or below for 123 consecutive hours.

Monthly rainfall is evenly distributed throughout the year. Annual downtown rainfall has varied from 72.86 inches in 1900 to 17.66 in 1917; 72.86 inches was also recorded at William P. Hobby Airport in 1946. About 75 percent of the years have total precipitation between 30 and 60 inches. Monthly precipitation at the city office has ranged from 17.64 inches to only a trace. Since thundershowers are the main source of rainfall, precipitation may vary substantially in different sections of the City on a day-to-day basis.

Records of sky cover for daylight hours indicate about one-fourth of the days per year as clear, with a maximum of clear days in October and November. Cloudy days are relatively frequent from December to May and partly cloudy days are the more frequent for June through September. Sunshine averaged near 60 percent of the possible amount for the year at the Federal Building for 1938-1960, ranging from 46 percent for the winter months to 69 percent for the summer. Data from the airport locations since 1961 indicate slightly higher percentages of sunshine. Snow rarely occurs; however, on February 14-15, 1895, 20.0 inches of unmelted snow was measured, but 24-hour amounts were not reported. In only one winter season, 1972-73, were as many as three measurable snows recorded.

Heavy fog occurs on an average of 16 days a year and light fog occurs about 62 days a year in the City, but the frequency of heavy fog is considerably higher at William P. Hobby Airport and at Intercontinental Airport.

Destructive windstorms are fairly infrequent, but both thundersqualls and tropical storms occasionally pass through the area.

At the city office, the average date of the last temperature 32° or lower in spring is February 5. The average date of the first 32° temperature in fall is December 11. The average period from the last 32° temperature in spring to the first in fall is 309 days. The latest date of 32° temperature in spring is March 27, 1955, and the earliest date in fall is October 25, 1892.

Meteorological Data For The Current Year

Station: HOUSTON, TEXAS # 12960	INTERCONTINENTAL AIRPORT		Standard time used: CENTRAL	Latitude: 29° 58' N	Longitude: 95° 21' W	Elevation (ground): 96 feet	Year: 1978																															
Month	Temperature °F				Degree days Base 65 °F	Precipitation in inches				Relative humidity, pct.				Wind				Number of days				Average station pressure mb																
	Averages		Extremes			Water equivalent		Snow, ice pellets		Resultant		Fastest mile		Sunrise to sunset		Temperature °F		Maximum		Minimum																		
	Daily maximum	Daily minimum	Monthly	Highest Date	Lowest Date	Heating Cooling	Total	Greatest in 24 hrs.	Date	Hour 00	Hour 06	Hour 12	Hour 18	Direction	Speed m.p.h.	Average speed m.p.h.	Speed m.p.h.	Percent of possible sunshine	Average sky cover, tenths sunrise to sunset	Percent 0.1 inch or more	Snow, ice pellets 0.1 inch or more	Thunderstorms	Heavy fog visibility % mile or less	Elev. 108 feet m.s.l.														
JAN	48.2	33.3	40.8	77	7	21 20	752	10	7.15	2.06	16	0.4	0.4	19-20	87	89	76	79	02	4.1	9.3	32	31	25	8.2	15	0	2	20	0	1019.3							
FEB	55.2	35.0	45.1	81	28	21 22	553	5	3.07	1.50	7-8	0.0	0.0		85	91	66	64	02	3.3	9.0	30	13	12	6.5	8	0	0	9	0	1017.3							
MAR	70.6	44.0	57.3	85	15	28 5	250	19	1.70	0.93	23-24	0.0	0.0		87	93	54	54	14	0.7	8.9	23	18	7	6.3	7	0	0	4	3	0	0	1014.9					
APR	78.2	57.0	67.6	87	18	42 21	33	120	0.57	0.17	22	0.0	0.0		91	95	59	62	14	5.3	9.3	45	14	22	6.7	5	10	15	7	0	1	0	0	1011.2				
MAY	87.5	64.5	76.0	95	27	44 4	17	369	4.15	3.59	29-30	0.0	0.0		92	95	56	61	13	4.8	8.9	29	35	2	6.2	6	11	14	6	4	4	13	0	1008.5				
JUN	91.0	69.8	80.4	101	12	67 10	0	471	9.37	4.95	6-7	0.0	0.0		92	96	61	65	12	3.2	6.9	25	25	03	6	72	4.5	14	11	5	9	0	8	0	1012.2			
JUL	95.4	71.9	83.7	102	16	69 31	0	584	2.35	1.51	28	0.0	0.0		89	96	56	63	18	3.5	7.2	24	09	27	5.8	5	18	8	11	0	8	2	29	0	1011.5			
AUG	94.2	71.9	83.1	98	27	68 4	0	568	3.66	1.08	12-13	0.0	0.0		89	95	58	64	15	3.1	7.1	28	14	31	5.5	8	17	6	6	7	0	28	0	1012.2				
SEP	88.3	70.3	79.3	94	3	59 25	0	437	4.27	1.86	10-11	0.0	0.0		90	94	65	74	09	3.9	7.5	23	12	20	6.4	7	12	15	12	0	8	1	14	0	1011.5			
OCT	83.8	54.0	68.9	91	5	39 18	22	150	0.05	0.05	25-26	0.0	0.0		88	92	47	60	08	2.9	6.3	18	02	14	4.4	11	15	5	2	0	1	3	1	0	1015.6			
NOV	75.5	53.8	64.7	89	2	36 9	111	108	5.99	2.60	26-27	0.0	0.0		94	96	66	79	07	2.5	7.3	35	28	5	6.9	8	4	18	11	4	10	0	0	1014.9				
DEC	64.7	41.1	52.9	83	2	20 10	393	25	2.60	0.87	28-29	0.0	0.0		88	89	64	77	07	1.7	8.3	25	29	31	39	7.1	5	8	18	12	0	1	7	0	1015.2			
YFAR	77.7	55.6	66.7	102	16	JUL 20	2131	2866	44.93	4.95	6-7	0.4	0.4	19-20	89	93	61	67	10	2.2	8.0	45	14	22	56	6.3	84	123	158	108	0	50	36	109	2	42	0	1013.7

Normals, Means, And Extremes

Month	Temperatures °F				Normal Degree days Base 65 °F	Precipitation in inches				Relative humidity pct.				Wind				Mean number of days				Average station pressure mb																			
	Normal		Extremes			Water equivalent		Snow, ice pellets		Resultant		Fastest mile		Sunrise to sunset		Temperature °F		Max.		Min.																					
	Daily maximum	Daily minimum	Monthly	Record highest Year	Record lowest Year	Heating Cooling	Normal	Maximum monthly	Year	Normal	Maximum monthly	Year	Normal	Hour 00	Hour 06	Hour 12	Hour 18	Mean speed m.p.h.	Precipitation	Mean sky cover, tenths sunrise to sunset	Mean top visibility % mile or less																				
(a)	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	15	9	9	9	9	6																		
J	62.0	41.5	52.1	84	1975	18	1977	416	16	3.57	7.68	1974	0.36	1971	2.06	1978	2.0	1973	2.0	1973	85	88	66	71	8.3	32	31	1970	42	6.9	8	18	11	2	0	1017.3					
F	66.0	44.6	53.3	84	1977	21	1978	294	22	3.54	3.40	1973	0.38	1976	1.55	1973	2.8	1973	1.4	1973	84	87	57	58	8.7	35	29	1974	55	6.0	8	13	7	2	0	1016.3					
M	71.0	49.8	60.8	92	1971	25	1971	189	39	2.68	8.52	1972	1.21	1971	7.47	1972	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	85	89	60	62	9.4	32	24	1972	47	6.9	7	18	10	0	4	0	1011.5				
A	79.4	59.3	69.4	89	1973	31	1973	23	155	3.54	10.92	1976	0.57	1978	8.16	1976	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	90	91	60	64	9.2	45	14	1978	52	6.6	7	16	7	0	4	0	1012.2				
M	85.6	65.6	75.8	93	1979	44	1978	0	335	5.10	14.39	1970	0.79	1977	4.69	1970	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	91	94	60	63	8.0	36	13	1973	59	6.1	7	11	13	0	2	0	1009.4				
J	91.3	70.9	81.1	101	1978	52	1970	0	483	4.52	13.46	1973	0.26	1970	6.61	1973	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	90	93	59	62	7.4	55	15	1973	66	5.5	9	7	0	8	1	0	1011.1				
J	93.8	72.8	83.3	102	1978	62	1972	0	567	4.12	6.77	1973	1.42	1971	3.99	1973	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	89	93	58	63	6.5	5	46	10	10	12	26	0	0	0	1012.7						
A	94.2	72.4	83.1	101	1969	62	1970	0	570	4.35	6.95	1971	1.59	1976	3.21	1974	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	91	94	60	67	5.5	52	18	1973	63	5.9	6	15	10	11	0	24	0	1012.3			
S	90.1	68.2	79.2	97	1971	48	1975	0	426	4.65	11.32	1976	0.80	1975	7.98	1976	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	92	94	65	73	6.6	35	10	1973	58	6.2	6	12	11	0	8	2	0	1011.3			
O	83.5	58.3	70.9	93	1975	33	1976	24	207	4.05	9.31	1973	0.45	1978	4.06	1970	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	92	93	57	73	6.4	35	92	1973	62	5.1	11	10	8	0	3	2	0	1015.0			
N	73.0	49.1	61.1	89	1978	19	1976	155	38	4.03	7.90	1975	1.54	1970	3.55	1974	T	1976	89	91	60	76	7.6	55	93	1972	53	5.6	10	8	12	9	0	3	0	1015.4					
D	65.8	43.4	54.6	83	1978	20	1978	333	11	4.04	7.33	1971	0.64	1973	3.43	1971	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	85	88	62	73	7.8	35	91	1973	62	6.6	8	17	9	0	2	6	0	1015.9			
YR	79.8	58.0	68.9	102	1978	18	1977	1434	2889	48.19	14.39	MAY	0.05	1978	8.16	1970	2.0	1976	2.0	1973	88	91	60	67	7.6	55	61	1969	57	6.1	93	114	158	106	*	66	38	88	1, 27	0	1013.4

Means and extremes above are from existing and comparable exposures. Annual extremes have been exceeded at other sites in the locality as follows: Highest temperature 108 in August 1909; lowest temperature 5 in January 1940 and earlier; maximum monthly precipitation 22.31 in October 1949; minimum monthly precipitation trace in October 1952 and May 1937; maximum precipitation in 24 hours 15.65 in August 1945; maximum monthly snowfall 4.4 in February 1960; maximum snowfall in 24 hours 4.4 in February 1926.

(a) Length of record, years, through the current year unless otherwise noted, based on January data.

NORMALS - Based on record for the 1941-1970 period.

DATE OF AN EXTREME - The most recent in cases of multiple occurrence.

(b) 70° and above at Alaskan stations.

* Less than one half.

T Trace.

WIND DIRECTION - Numerals indicate tens of degrees clockwise from true north. 00 indicates calm.

FASTEAST MILE WIND - Speed is fastest observed 1-minute value when the direction is in tens of degrees.

Average Temperature

Year	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Annual	
1939	55.6	55.6	63.4	67.4	75.6	80.6	82.4	82.1	79.5	71.2	57.6	56.6	69.0	
#1940	42.1	32.9	61.4	65.3	72.8	78.4	81.7	81.8	76.0	70.0	60.6	57.4	66.8	
1941	56.1	52.4	56.7	69.3	74.3	80.6	83.3	83.4	79.7	75.2	58.4	56.1	68.5	
1942	50.1	53.7	59.6	67.1	74.9	81.2	81.4	82.4	76.2	71.2	63.3	55.8	68.0	
1943	52.4	58.3	58.6	70.2	77.0	81.6	83.0	83.6	76.0	70.6	57.8	55.2	68.4	
1944	52.3	61.4	61.7	69.5	73.3	82.0	84.4	83.8	79.4	69.9	61.8	52.2	69.3	
1945	52.4	58.6	67.8	68.8	73.1	80.9	83.0	83.0	79.5	68.5	65.3	51.4	69.4	
1946	51.6	50.4	64.0	70.6	75.6	79.2	82.2	82.5	78.4	72.1	62.2	57.8	69.4	
1947	52.2	48.8	56.0	69.4	73.5	81.6	82.5	82.5	80.0	75.0	59.0	55.0	68.1	
1948	46.2	54.8	61.7	71.4	76.7	82.4	84.3	84.5	77.3	69.6	60.5	59.0	69.0	
1949	52.5	59.7	62.3	66.1	78.0	82.6	83.2	82.0	80.0	71.6	62.8	58.2	69.9	
1950	59.2	61.3	60.1	67.7	78.0	80.4	82.3	82.4	79.3	73.0	60.7	55.1	70.2	
1951	55.8	55.2	62.9	67.0	75.0	82.1	84.3	85.8	79.8	72.6	58.2	58.1	69.5	
1952	62.0	58.8	60.1	64.9	73.3	81.3	82.7	84.6	78.5	65.9	59.0	53.7	68.1	
1953	55.6	55.9	60.5	69.7	76.7	83.9	84.1	82.1	79.4	71.3	60.0	51.4	69.9	
1954	56.4	60.6	60.9	71.5	72.7	81.3	84.6	84.2	81.4	73.0	60.0	37.4	70.3	
1955	54.1	56.1	64.7	71.2	77.0	79.4	83.1	82.8	80.3	70.1	61.9	56.2	69.8	
1956	54.2	59.2	62.8	67.7	77.2	80.6	84.4	83.8	80.4	73.7	59.9	50.0	70.4	
1957	57.9	62.0	61.2	68.6	76.0	80.8	85.4	83.9	78.6	67.8	61.3	37.3	70.0	
1958	50.3	49.5	57.0	62.9	77.2	82.3	84.6	84.2	79.7	69.0	65.2	52.6	68.4	
1959	50.3	50.3	60.3	67.6	76.0	82.3	82.3	82.3	77.0	72.8	55.0	35.0	68.5	
1960	51.2	49.7	57.4	65.8	73.9	82.4	84.7	82.4	77.3	69.3	64.3	52.8	68.5	
1961	49.5	57.9	65.8	68.0	77.0	80.4	82.6	82.2	79.7	70.3	59.8	56.3	69.2	
1962	49.3	63.9	58.9	69.1	75.7	79.8	84.1	85.9	81.3	74.6	60.1	54.8	69.7	
1963	48.3	52.4	64.9	74.3	77.5	82.0	84.3	84.1	80.4	73.0	64.1	47.1	69.6	
1964	51.4	49.4	60.4	70.2	75.8	80.4	83.7	84.4	79.3	67.8	65.0	55.9	68.7	
1965	56.0	55.1	58.7	73.9	77.1	83.0	85.1	83.5	81.2	69.4	69.1	58.9	70.9	
1966	48.4	52.8	61.9	70.6	75.9	80.0	84.3	82.4	79.6	69.7	64.7	54.2	68.7	
1967	54.9	54.3	67.6	75.7	75.9	82.6	82.1	81.1	77.6	70.3	64.1	55.4	70.2	
1968	52.7	50.4	59.0	71.1	76.3	80.0	82.3	84.0	78.4	73.5	59.7	55.7	68.7	
#1969	56.7	56.9	56.1	70.3	75.4	80.0	84.4	83.2	78.2	71.0	58.5	55.2	68.6	
1970	66.7	53.9	56.0	69.3	72.1	78.1	84.2	83.1	78.1	69.6	66.7	60.3	67.1	
1971	56.7	55.7	59.4	65.4	74.1	80.3	83.9	80.4	78.3	72.0	60.0	59.9	68.9	
1972	56.5	55.2	60.4	71.2	73.7	80.6	83.0	80.3	79.6	69.9	54.7	52.0	68.2	
1973	47.4	51.4	63.7	64.6	72.8	79.2	83.0	79.5	78.1	71.8	67.3	53.5	67.7	
1974	55.0	56.2	66.8	67.2	76.9	79.5	82.8	84.5	74.6	70.0	60.2	54.6	68.9	
1975	56.9	55.4	61.1	66.3	75.9	80.0	81.8	81.1	74.9	69.9	59.7	52.7	68.1	
1976	50.6	60.1	62.2	67.7	70.5	78.4	80.5	81.4	76.2	60.6	51.8	49.2	65.6	
1977	42.7	53.8	60.9	66.9	74.5	81.0	82.4	83.1	80.0	69.2	61.8	53.7	67.5	
1978	40.8	45.1	57.3	67.6	70.0	80.4	83.7	83.1	79.3	68.9	64.7	52.9	66.7	
RECORD	MEAN	50.4	54.1	61.4	67.7	74.1	79.9	82.4	81.7	77.6	69.1	59.6	54.6	67.7
MAX	60.7	60.3	72.6	78.3	84.3	90.3	93.2	92.2	87.6	74.0	73.1	66.0	78.7	74.7
MIN	40.0	41.8	50.2	57.1	63.8	69.4	71.5	71.8	68.0	57.0	47.8	42.8	56.7	66.7

Precipitation

Year	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Annual
1939	3.16	1.98	1.21	1.10	5.86	2.55	8.27	2.39	1.42	3.36	1.98	2.04	35.32
1940	0.92	2.25	1.89	1.12	1.20	5.80	3.11	0.76	3.67	4.20	9.53	4.58	39.03
1941	1.97	2.57	6.45	6.56	4.51	9.25	5.70	3.24	11.17	11.48	2.41	2.35	67.66
1942	1.29	2.41	2.03	4.94	1.77	3.31	12.38	5.56	2.74	1.57	3.99	3.72	45.69
1943	3.69	1.31	3.98	1.76	3.91	2.43	9.14	1.92	3.19	1.04	12.14	4.79	49.30
1944	10.51	2.15	6.04	12.64	1.77	0.24	2.61	0.11	0.95	0.85	3.71	6.38	57.79
1945	1.97	2.58	2.18	4.33	7.35	5.69	2.29	18.51	3.44	4.44	0.51	7.15	60.44
1946	6.56	2.82	2.49	3.87	9.60	9.77	5.33	4.32	8.84	2.01	14.36	2.80	72.86
1947	4.39	1.09	2.79	2.05	8.56	2.14	2.77	8.86	2.74	2.74	5.47	3.82	38.20
1948	4.54	4.11	1.94	2.19	5.35	3.59	2.74	2.80	0.92	2.21	1.37	39.82	39.82
1949	4.76	5.26	4.63	2.18	2.35	9.39	2.87	1.31	22.31	0.18	9.80	71.19	71.19
1950	4.02	5.00	1.22	4.96	2.69	7.10	3.29	0.72	4.50	0.69	1.17	1.12	39.88
1951	5.37	1.42	4.84	1.28	3.23	3.32	1.06	2.01	5.60	1.18	1.55	2.23	33.28
1952	0.86	7.12	2.16	6.12	3.51	3.74	4.33	1.09	2.62	1.58	5.53	5.53	43.66
1953	1.57	3.40	0.07	1.27	7.86	3.49	2.06	8.88	0.14	2.62	5.27	7.24	43.37
1954	1.65	0.09	0.89	2.81	2.70	1.24	4.88	3.89	0.49	6.98	1.74	1.92	28.76
1955	5.57	6.03	0.93	3.31	5.54	3.56	2.01	10.10	5.34	0.63	1.06	1.60	41.88
1956	3.96	2.42	0.78	1.84	3.32	4.07	0.38	0.38	1.88	2.66	1.52	5.11	28.32
1957	0.91	2.46	11.42	8.07	1.87	3.96	0.84	2.39	2.89	11.29	6.70	1.63	61.11
1958	4.69	3.59	1.47	2.58	2.40	4.67	0.04	3.16	15.40	2.03	1.32	0.78	48.93
1959	2.70	11.33	1.58	7.76	2.20	2.78	9.67	8.45	4.67	5.76	1.90	5.34	68.23
1960	2.05	3.93	0.38	1.42	0.90	14.66	2.36	7.62	0.61	7.32	3.69	8.97	33.69
1961	4.44	3.88	1.84	2.42	3.59	11.11	10.07	4.17	7.89	0.05	10.20	3.31	62.97
1962	1.73	0.71	0.94	4.81	1.15	7.40	0.07	2.77	3.97	3.12	5.68	4.78	37.13
1963	3.09	2.60	0.58	0.92	0.62	7.79	2.08	1.89	1.94	0.30	5.72	4.89	32.29
1964	2.89	4.97	2.24	1.63	2.25	1.89	1.68	2.01	6.74	2.73	4.28	5.57	39.12
1965	1.87	3.27	0.81	0.95	0.95	3.33	0.05	1.57	2.92	3.56	3.09	4.82	37.97
1966	4.46	7.73	2.20	7.98	11.21	4.42	1.45	7.11	4.01	5.45	1.56	1.53	59.13
1967	2.41	2.17	1.29	4.42	2.54	0.17	7.77	1.00	4.84	2.18	0.50	5.02	36.45
1968	8.02	1.90	2.92	3.02	12.24	1.18	6.49	3.90	3.87	3.71	2.71	1.19	61.44
1969	2.74	5.31	3.14	3.34	4.73	1.51	3.89	2.67	6.08	3.20	2.13	4.58	43.26
1970	1.93	2.52	5.08	2.21	1.49	0.26	2.28	2.03	6.22	9.09	1.54	0.04	48.19
1971	0.36	2.41	1.21	2.14	3.41	2.42	1.42	0.95	5.17	3.49	1.82	7.33	37.83
1972	3.30	1.20	6.52	2.85	6.99	3.02	2.76	3.90	6.23	3.34	6.49	2.20	50.80
1973	5.00	3.40	3.68	7.15	6.22	13.66	6.77	3.79	9.38	9.31	1.39	2.47	70.16
1974	7.68	0.55	4.20	1.64	5.61	0.39	1.75	6.94	4.51	4.53	7.90	3.35	48.19
1975	1.97	2.63	3.19	4.80	7.57	7.30	5.48	5.72	0.80	5.02	2.08	3.61	30.97
1976	1.39	3.88	1.53	5.97	5.80	2.63	3.93	1.59	11.35	5.83	3.05	6.22	54.62
1977	2.67	1.70	1.95	4.34	0.79	3.55	2.69	4.45	3.92	0.82	5.17	2.89	34.95
1978	7.15	3.07	1.70	0.57	4.15	9.37	2.35	3.66	4.27	0.05	5.99	2.60	44.93
RECORD													
MEAN	3.69	3.02	2.63	3.49	4.70	4.49	4.10	4.15	4.70	3.71	4.06	4.18	46.92

Heating Degree Days

HOUSTON, TX

Season	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	Total
1958-59	0	0	0	46	145	375	452	254	163	98	0	0	1495
1959-60	0	0	0	7	309	306	416	441	260	88	1	0	1748
1960-61	0	0	0	17	104	390	473	227	56	61	0	0	1328
1961-62	0	0	0	16	184	342	429	99	209	32	0	0	1307
1962-63	0	0	0	8	157	313	515	351	88	7	0	0	1439
1963-64	0	0	0	0	108	551	413	446	158	19	0	0	1695
1964-65	0	0	0	31	114	315	300	284	250	0	0	0	1294
1965-66	0	0	0	20	23	212	516	934	144	12	0	0	1263
1966-67	0	0	0	27	99	359	342	298	68	0	0	0	1193
1967-68	0	0	0	18	99	312	390	415	229	17	0	0	1489
1968-69	0	0	0	5	199	297	284	234	281	1	0	2	1303
1969-70	0	D	0	29	238	304	579	309	252	31	12	0	1774
1970-71	0	0	0	72	274	209	298	273	219	72	3	0	1420
1971-72	0	2	6	183	194	315	255	85	17	0	0	0	1109
1972-73	0	0	2	50	320	410	540	379	75	117	5	0	1898
1973-74	0	0	0	74	364	330	273	95	60	0	0	0	1204
1974-75	0	0	0	15	196	336	290	270	179	48	0	0	1334
1975-76	0	0	0	26	217	399	441	178	155	26	7	0	1449
1976-77	0	0	173	398	484	687	312	166	25	0	0	0	2245
1977-78	0	0	0	34	150	365	732	553	230	33	17	0	2134
1978-79	0	0	0	22	111	393							
Cooling Degree Days													
Year	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
1969	35	13	11	167	328	456	608	569	402	222	48	9	2668
1970	18	3	7	188	238	409	513	567	423	131	38	76	2611
1971	48	18	55	126	292	466	594	483	409	229	52	44	2819
1972	58	20	71	208	275	480	480	482	457	206	17	12	2756
1973	1	4	41	111	233	434	564	458	401	225	151	12	2555
1974	24	33	156	132	374	454	558	519	295	196	60	18	2821
1975	47	8	61	155	342	455	514	505	303	174	68	24	2556
1976	5	43	75	110	182	408	490	520	341	42	9	0	2225
1977	0	5	44	91	302	487	547	565	456	173	58	23	2791
1978	10	5	19	120	369	471	584	568	437	150	108	25	2866

Snowfall

Season	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	Total
1970-71	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.6	0.0	0.0	T	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	7
1971-72	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.6	0.0	0.0	T	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	7
1972-73	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.6	0.0	0.0	2.0	2.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	6.8
1973-74	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
1974-75	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.6	0.0	0.0	T	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	7
1975-76	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
1976-77	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.6	T	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	7
1977-78	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.6	0.0	0.0	0.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.4
1978-79	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.6	0.0	0.0							
RECORD													
MEAN	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.6	T	T	0.2	0.2	T	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.4

Indicates a station move or relocation of instruments. See Station Location table.

Record mean values above are means through the current year for the period beginning in June 1969 for temperature, January 1933 for precipitation, and 1935 for snowfall. Data are from airport locations.

STATION LOCATION

HOUSTON, TEXAS

Location	Occupied from	Occupied to	Airs distance and direction from previous location	Latitude North	Longitude West	Ground at tem- perature site	Elevation above Sea level						Remarks
							Ground						
				Wind instruments	Extreme thermometers	Psychrometer	Telepsychrometer	Tipping bucket rain gage	Weighing rain gage	8" rain gage	Hygrothermometer		
<u>Cotton Station</u>	7/14/81	9/15/09											Location of cotton station not available.
<u>CITY</u>													
4th Floor, Stewart Bldg. Preston & Fannin Sts.	9/16/09	12/13/09		29° 46'	95° 22'	51	122	111	111	104	104		
8th Floor, Stewart Bldg. Preston & Fannin Sts.	12/14/09	2/28/26		29° 46'	95° 22'	51	122	111	111	104	104		
19th Floor, Shell Bldg. Texas & Fannin Sts.	3/01/26	12/22/32	1/8 mi. SW	29° 46'	95° 22'	52	314	293	293	287	287		
22nd Floor, Shell Bldg. Texas & Fannin Sts.	12/23/32	6/21/35		29° 46'	95° 22'	52	314	293	293	287	287		
14th Floor, Shell Bldg. Texas & Fannin Sts.	6/22/35	8/25/38		29° 46'	95° 22'	52	314	293	293	287	287		
10th Floor, Federal Building Franklin & Fannin Sts.	8/26/38	Present	1/4 mi. NE	29° 46'	95° 22'	41	190	162	158	160	159		Temperature and precipitation data telemetered to airport office 3/31/61 to 6/14/67. Summary published through August 1967.
<u>COOPERATIVE</u>													
Harrisburg, Texas	11/01/23	2/29/32		29° 42'	95° 17'	38		4			4		Suburb of the City of Houston.
<u>AIRPORT</u>													
Houston Municipal AP	7/16/30	8/01/40		29° 39'	95° 17'	50	37	30	30		25		
Houston International Airport	8/01/40	7/29/60	1000 ft. S	29° 39'	95° 17'	50	87	28	28		21		Known as Houston Municipal Airport until 4/15/55.
Houston International Airport William P. Hobby Air- port effective 9/1/67.	7/29/60	5/31/69		29° 39'	95° 17'	50	20	23	23	e23	22	4	Moved from third to ground floor of same building and hygrothermometer installed 1500 feet E of thermometer site. a - Added 9/1/68.
Trailer, NW corner of Houston Intercontinental Airport	6/01/69	8/15/72	23 mi. NNW	29° 59'	95° 22'	96	20	5	5	c4	3	b4	b - Commissioned 11/14/69. c - Commissioned 1/1/70.
Qualitron Building Intercontinental Airport 17795 J. F. Kennedy Blvd.	8/15/72	Present	1.6 mi. SE	29° 58'	95° 21'	96	d20			e45	45	d4	d - Same site as prior to 8/15/72. e - Added 10/15/74.

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