

Salem's Record Top 5 Driest/Wettest Months¹

January	
Wettest	Driest
15.40 1953	0.24 1985
13.72 1895	0.57 1949
13.47 1970	0.88 1977
13.37 2006	1.11 1962
12.68 1956	1.30 1917
<i>normal for month: 6.08"</i>	

February	
Wettest	Driest
13.41 2017	0.34 1920
13.01 1996	0.49 2005
12.31 1949	0.75 1988
11.66 1940	0.78 1964
11.40 1999	0.88 1903
<i>normal for month: 4.54"</i>	

March	
Wettest	Driest
10.13 1894	0.59 1911
9.98 2012	0.64 1926
9.96 1916	0.87 1965
9.04 1904	0.89 1992
8.56 1983	1.23 1978
<i>normal for month: 4.35"</i>	

April	
Wettest	Driest
7.68 1937	0.39 1939
7.50 1893	0.48 1933
6.12 1896	0.49 1926
5.72 1996	0.51 1909
5.64 1993	0.62 1977
<i>normal for month: 3.12"</i>	

May	
Wettest	Driest
6.23 1895	0.05 1992
5.56 1998	0.18 1947
5.54 1896	0.20 1952
4.65 2005	0.21 2018
4.61 1933	0.25 1920
<i>normal for month: 2.25"</i>	

June	
Wettest	Driest
4.61 1937	0.00 1918
4.19 1984	0.01 1951
3.60 1947	0.03 1922
3.50 1894	0.07 1940
3.48 1913	0.08 1938
<i>normal for month: 1.25"</i>	

July	
Wettest	Driest
2.72 1916	0.00 2017
2.63 1983	0.00 also in 2013, 1967, 1933, 1931, 1929, 1926,
2.51 1987	1925, 1922, 1914, 1910, 1899, 1896,
1.96 1909	1893
1.80 1974	
<i>normal for month: 0.25"</i>	

August	
Wettest	Driest
4.17 1968	0.00 1988
2.91 1899	0.00 also in, 1928, 1919,
2.56 1978	1917, 1915,
2.42 1926	1914, 1900,
2.14 1943	1894
<i>normal for month: 0.39"</i>	

September	
Wettest	Driest
7.05 2013	0.00 1975
4.84 1914	0.01 1993
4.56 1911	0.01 1942
4.45 1920	0.01 1932
3.98 1971	0.04 2012
<i>normal for month: 1.46"</i>	

October	
Wettest	Driest
11.25 2016	0.00 1917
11.17 1947	0.00 1895
10.74 1950	0.03 1925
8.31 1924	0.12 1988
7.96 1994	0.21 1936
<i>normal for month: 3.47"</i>	

November	
Wettest	Driest
16.99 1896	0.48 1936
15.23 1973	0.63 1929
15.15 2006	0.80 2019
13.38 1942	0.84 1939
12.70 1984	1.03 1956
<i>normal for month: 5.95"</i>	

December	
Wettest	Driest
17.54 1933	1.26 1976
15.24 2015	1.27 2013
15.01 1996	1.95 1903
14.03 1917	2.51 1985
13.60 1937	2.52 1914
<i>normal for month: 6.97"</i>	

¹Period of Record: Dec 1892 through Jan 2024. Normals are 1991-2020 normals.

Salem's Record Top 5 Driest and Wettest Years/Seasons

1892 through 2023, with 1991-2020 Normals

Calendar Year 1 January to 31 December		
Wettest	Driest	
66.96 1996	23.59 2013	
63.50 1937	23.74 1985	
56.55 1950	25.20 1944	
55.37 2012	26.40 1929	
55.35 1983	26.66 1908	
<i>normal: 40.08"</i>		

Water Year 1 October to 30 September		
Wettest	Driest	
61.65 1996-97	20.37 1976-77	
59.11 2016-17	21.82 2000-01	
58.48 1973-74	24.48 1923-24	
57.48 1995-96	24.97 1914-15	
57.25 1893-94	26.86 1993-94	
<i>normal: 40.08"</i>		

Late Spring 1 May to 30 June		
Wettest	Driest	
7.51 1984	0.75 1904	
6.83 2022	0.77 2018	
6.76 1993	0.77 1935	
6.73 1895	0.83 1924	
6.55 2005	0.86 1938	
<i>normal: 3.49"</i>		

Spring Season 20 March to 21 June		
Wettest	Driest	
14.35 1937	2.16 1909	
14.24 1993	2.29 1939	
14.15 2010	2.49 1924	
13.91 1896	2.63 1966	
13.87 1993	3.31 1901	
<i>normal: 7.93"</i>		

Winter Season 21 December to 20 March		
Wettest	Driest	
28.52 1998-99	3.61 2004-05	
27.98 1937-38	5.57 2000-01	
26.24 1952-53	5.85 1984-85	
25.92 2005-06	6.95 2012-13	
25.85 1955-56	7.20 1916-17	
<i>normal: 15.87"</i>		

Summer Season 21 June to 22 September		
Wettest	Driest	
7.23 1968	0.14 1929	
6.25 1978	0.26 2022	
6.14 1969	0.33 2018	
5.93 1983	0.45 1957	
5.66 1914	0.47 1902	
<i>normal: 1.90"</i>		

Early Autumn 15 September to 31 October		
Wettest	Driest	
12.44 2016	0.03 1917	
11.58 1950	0.31 1936	
11.18 1947	0.46 1895	
10.68 1924	0.55 1987	
10.17 1951	0.56 1978	
<i>normal: 4.51"</i>		

Rainy Season 1 October to 31 March		
Wettest	Driest	
53.50 1973-74	10.94 1976-77	
50.76 1955-56	14.40 2000-01	
49.80 2016-17	15.40 2004-05	
48.95 1998-99	17.98 1911-12	
48.64 1937-38	18.84 1914-15	
<i>normal: 31.49"</i>		

Deep Summer 5 July to 4 September		
Wettest	Driest	
4.56 1968	0.00 1914	
4.24 1983	0.00 1902	
4.12 1978	Trace 2018	
3.56 1899	Trace 2012	
3.30 1971	Trace 1967	
<i>normal: 0.67"</i>		

Autumn 22 September to 21 December		
Wettest	Driest	
28.51 1973	2.99 1976	
26.02 1950	3.68 1936	
25.15 1896	5.10 1911	
24.74 1955	6.76 1959	
22.50 2016	7.44 1944	
<i>normal: 14.80"</i>		

Deep Rainy Season 15 November to 15 January		
Wettest	Driest	
27.08 1955-56	2.63 1976-77	
26.12 1996-97	4.17 2013-14	
24.99 1973-74	5.61 2004-05	
22.38 1937-38	5.65 1956-57	
21.54 1933-34	5.72 1918-19	
<i>normal: 13.71"</i>		

Deep Winter 15 December to 10 February		
Wettest	Driest	
24.43 2005-06	1.87 1976-77	
20.74 1955-56	2.57 2004-05	
19.95 1952-53	3.22 1916-17	
19.58 1969-70	3.89 2013-14	
19.30 1937-38	4.45 2000-01	
<i>normal: 10.39"</i>		