

Table 1. Summary of climatic data by months for the 1991-92 crop year (September thru August) and averages for the period 1949-92 at the Eastern Agricultural Research Center, Sidney, Montana.

	Month and Year												Total or Average
	Sept. 1991	Oct. 1991	Nov. 1991	Dec. 1991	Jan. 1992	Feb. 1992	Mar. 1992	Apr. 1992	May 1992	June 1992	July 1992	Aug. 1992	
Precipitation (inches)													
Current year	6.41	0.39	0.39	0.07	0.52	0.17	0.63	3.76	1.07	2.73	2.16	1.98	20.28
Avg. 1949 to 1991-92	1.41	0.82	0.44	0.42	0.38	0.35	0.51	1.21	1.98	2.80	1.80	1.52	13.64
Mean Temperature (F°)													
Current year	59.1	43.7	29.0	27.1	27.5	32.4	39.9	46.3	59.9	64.9	64.6	65.5	46.7
Avg. 1949 to 1991-92	56.7	45.7	29.7	17.3	11.8	19.3	29.4	43.8	55.7	64.3	69.6	67.9	42.6
Last killing frost in spring*													
1992 - - - - -													May 25, 1992 (29°)
Avg. 1949 to 1992 - - - - -													May 16
First killing frost in fall													
1992 - - - - -													September 28, 1992 (27°)
Avg. 1949 to 1992 - - - - -													September 20
Frost-free period - - - - -													125
Avg. 1949 to 1992 - - - - -													127
Maximum summer temperature - - - - -													98° on August 15, 1992
Minimum winter temperature - - - - -													21° below zero on January 15, 1992

\* In this summary 32° is considered a killing frost.