

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

ITEM	Sept. 1991	Oct. 1991	Nov. 1991	Dec. 1991	Jan. 1992	Feb. 1992	Mar. 1992	Apr. 1992	May 1992	June 1992	July 1992	Aug. 1992	Total or Average
Precipitation (Inches)													
Current Year	0.80	0.75	2.26	0.58	1.17	0.61	0.83	1.18	1.65	5.34	2.24	0.94	18.35
Avg. 1949 to 1991-92	1.59	1.36	1.50	1.63	1.49	1.16	1.17	1.39	2.31	2.88	1.57	1.60	19.65
Mean Temperature (F)													
Current Year	54.4	40.6	32.1	29.3	28.7	34.5	39.7	45.1	53.5	55.5	61.2	61.8	44.7
Avg. 1949 to 1991-92	53.5	43.2	32.7	25.5	22.3	27.9	33.8	43.3	51.6	58.4	64.0	63.0	43.3
Last killing frost in spring													
1992	May 17 (30 degrees F)												
Avg. 1949-92	May 25												
First killing frost in fall													
1992	August 24 (32 degrees F)												
Avg. 1949-92	September 14												
Frost Free Period													
1992	99 days												
Avg. 1949-92	93 degrees F on August 15, 1992												
Maximum summer temperature													
1992	93 degrees F on August 15, 1992												
Avg. 1949-92	-5 degrees F on November 2, 1991												
Minimum winter temperature													
1992	-5 degrees F on November 2, 1991												
Avg. 1949-92	-5 degrees F on November 2, 1991												

In this summary 32 degrees is considered a killing frost.