

Table 1. Summary of climatic data by months for the 1995-96 crop year (Sept.- Aug.) and averages for the period 1909-1995.
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	Sept. 1995	Oct. 1995	Nov. 1995	Dec. 1995	Jan. 1996	Feb. 1996	Mar. 1996	Apr. 1996	May. 1996	June 1996	July 1996	Aug. 1996	Total or Ave.
Precipitation													
(inches)													
Current Year	1.71	1.01	0.52	0.16	0.49	0.26	0.93	1.02	3.06	1.26	0.32	0.44	11.18
Ave. 1909-95	1.41	0.89	0.58	0.57	0.58	0.48	0.74	1.16	2.61	3.18	1.73	1.61	15.54
Mean Temp.													
(degrees F)													
Current Year	55.4	43.4	35.3	27.6	14.8	26.6	24.2	42.7	45.5	60.0	66.0	67.6	42.4
Ave. 1909-95	54.3	44.6	32.5	24.8	21.1	24.2	30.0	40.9	50.3	58.1	65.6	64.4	42.6
Last killing frost in Spring													
1996	----- May 11 (29 degrees F)												
Average 1909-1996	----- May 28												
First killing frost in Fall													
1996	----- September 23 (29 degrees F)												
Average 1909-1996	----- September 14												
Frost free period													
1996	----- 135 days												
Average 1909-1996	----- 110 days												
Maximum summer temperature	----- 97 degrees F on August 11, 1996												
Minimum winter temperature	----- -30 degrees F on January 30, 1996												

In this summary 32 degrees is considered a killing frost.