

TABLE 1. Summary of climatic data by months for the 2005-2006 crop year (September to August) and averages for the period 1916-2006 at the Northern Agricultural Research Center, Havre, Montana.

Month Year	Sep 2005	Oct 2005	Nov 2005	Dec 2005	Jan 2006	Feb 2006	Mar 2006	Apr 2006	May 2006	Jun 2006	Jul 2006	Aug 2006	Crop Year
<u>Precipitation (inches)</u>													<u>Total</u>
Current Year	0.60	1.02	0.91	0.36	0.42	0.30	0.29	1.07	1.79	2.54	0.31	0.95	10.56
91-Year Average (1916 to 2005-06)	1.17	0.68	0.43	0.45	0.44	0.32	0.56	0.98	1.80	2.65	1.48	1.25	12.21
<u>Mean Temperature (°F)</u>													<u>Average</u>
Current Year	56.7	56.9	36.4	18.8	22.3	25.3	29.8	48.3	57.0	65.0	75.8	69.5	46.8
91-Year Average (1916 to 2005-06)	57.7	46.9	30.7	20.1	15.3	20.2	30.2	44.1	54.7	62.5	69.9	68.0	43.4

Last killing frost in spring*

2006 _____ May 5th
 Ave. 1916-2006 _____ May 15th

First killing frost in fall*

2006 _____ October 8th
 Ave. 1916-2006 _____ September 20th

Frost free period

2005 _____ 156 days
 Ave. 1916-2006 _____ 129 days

Growing degree days (base 50)

May 1-Oct 31, 2006 _____ 2490.5
 Ave. 1951-2006 _____ 2385.4

Maximum summer temperature _____ 100° on July 23 & 24 and August 8, 2006

Minimum winter temperature _____ -24° on December 7 & 8, 2005

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