

## Champaign-Urbana Weather Highlights - August 2009

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**Temperatures** for August were below normal. The average high temperature of 80.5°F was 2.7°F below normal and the 10<sup>th</sup> coldest on record for August. The average low temperature of 60.4°F was 2.3°F below normal and the 20<sup>th</sup> coldest on record for August. The average mean temperature of 70.5°F was 2.5°F below normal and the 14<sup>th</sup> coldest on record for August. Only three 90-degree days were reported in August. August records began in 1889.

The average summer (June-August) temperature was 71.7°F, 1.3°F below normal and the 15<sup>th</sup> coolest summer on record.

**Precipitation** for August was 5.62 inches, 1.25 inches above normal. While on the wet side, it was far from the record of 10.02 inches set in August 1993. The 2.67 inches of rain on August 28 set a new record for that date.

The average summer precipitation was 16.33 inches, 3.08 inches above normal and the 12<sup>th</sup> wettest summer on record.

## **Additional Information**

Additional information for August can be found at the Illinois Climate Network site that is collocated with our cooperative weather observer site at <a href="http://www.sws.uiuc.edu/warm/data/2009/August/Champaign.txt">http://www.sws.uiuc.edu/warm/data/2009/August/Champaign.txt</a>.

For detailed rainfall reports, check out the new volunteer raingage network in Illinois called the Community Collaborative Rain, Hail and Snow Network (CoCoRaHS) at <a href="http://www.cocorahs.com/">http://www.cocorahs.com/</a>.

For more information on the climate of Illinois, visit the web site at <a href="http://www.isws.illinois.edu/atmos/statecli/">http://www.isws.illinois.edu/atmos/statecli/</a>.

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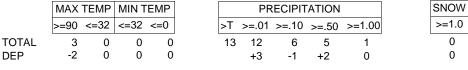
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	TEMPERATURE			PRECIP (in)	SNOW (in)		WEATHER		WIND			REE D	E DAYS	
DATE	Max	Min	Mean		Amnt	Depth	TYPES		Speed (mph)	Peak Gust Gust Dir	Heat	Cool	Corn	
1	77	56	67	0.00	0.0	0			М	M	0	2	17	
2	77	56	67	0.03	0.0	0	RW-		M	M	0	2	17	
3	82	57	70	0.00	0.0	0			M	M	0	5	20	
4	78	64	71	0.01	0.0	0	RW-		M	M	0	6	21	
5	81	62	72	0.55	0.0	0	RW+,TRW-,F		M	M	0	7	22	
6	80	58	69	0.00	0.0	0			M	M	0	4	19	
7	77	60	69	0.00	0.0	0			M	M	0	4	19	
8	90	64	77	0.09	0.0	0	RW-		M	M	0	12	25	
9	91	74	83	0.00	0.0	0			M	M	0	18	30	
10	85	67	76	0.00	0.0	0			M	M	0	11	26	
11	85	67	76	0.00	0.0	0	F(AM)		M	M	0	11	26	
12	81	62	72	Т	0.0	0	RW-		M	M	0	7	22	
13	84	56	70	0.00	0.0	0			M	M	0	5	20	
14	86	62	74	0.00	0.0	0	F(AM)		M	M	0	9	24	
15	88	62	75	0.00	0.0	0			M	M	0	10	24	
16	90	66	78	0.00	0.0	0			M	M	0	13	26	
17	87	67	77	0.63	0.0	0	RW-,T,RW+		M	M	0	12	27	
18	83	66	75	0.72	0.0	0	TRW+		M	M	0	10	25	
19	83	65	74	0.01	0.0	0	RW-		M	M	0	9	24	
20	78	62	70	0.61	0.0	0	TRW,RW-		M	M	0	5	20	
21	76	58	67	0.06	0.0	0	RW-		M	M	0	2	17	
22	70	57	64	0.07	0.0	0	RW-,T		M	M	1	0	14	
23	74	59	67	0.00	0.0	0			M	M	0	2	17	
24	77	54	66	0.00	0.0	0	F(AM)		M	M	0	1	16	
25	81	55	68	0.00	0.0	0	F(AM)		M	M	0	3	18	
26	83	56	70	0.00	0.0	0	F(AM)		M	M	0	5	20	
27	87	64	76	0.00	0.0	0	F(AM)		М	M	0	11	25	
28	73	64	69	2.67	0.0	0	RW-,RW,T		М	M	0	4	19	
29	73	53	63	0.17	0.0	0	RW-,F(AM)		М	M	2	0	13	
30	67	52	60	0.00	0.0	0			М	M	5	0	10	
31	70	47	59	0.00	0.0	0			М	M	6	0	10	
AVG/TOT	80.5	60.4	70.5	5.62	0.0						14	190	633	
DEP.	-2.7	-2.3	-2.5	+1.25	0.0			NE			+13	-65	-58	

## **NUMBER OF DAYS and DEPARTURE**



	WEATHER TYPES										
	R	L	S	Z	ΙP	Α	Т	F	D	Н	BS
TOTAL	13	0	0	0	0	0	6	8	0	0	0
DEP	+2	-1	0	0			0	+2			

SEASONAL DEGREE DAYS								
HEATING	COOLING	CORN						
14	744	2787						
+13	-117	-18						

	PRECIPITATION
Ι	JAN-August
	33.96
	+5.15

Averages based on 1971-2000 data.

Temp midnight-midnight, Precip and Snow at 7 am LST

M = Missing

**WEATHER TYPES:** 

R = Rain

L = Drizzle

Z = Freezing rain/drizzle D = DustIP = Ice pellets (sleet) H = Haze

A = HailBS = Blowing snow S = SnowT = Thunder F = FogRW = Rainshower SW = Snowshower

Precip amount "T" =Trace PRECIP INTENSITY - Light Moderate

+ Heavy

DEGREE DAYS Heat and Cool base 65F. Corn Growing base 50F, ceiling 86F. Heating DD season July-June. Cool and Corn DD season January-December.