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...Record setting July at Charleston and Savannah...

July 2016 will be remembered across the area for its record setting warmth.

The climate site at the Charleston International Airport had its warmest month and warmest July on record by average temperature.

Here are the top 3 warmest months on record by average temperature at the Charleston International Airport, with records back to 1938.

- ***1. 86.2 - July 2016***
- 2. 86.1 - July 1986
- 3. 85.5 - July 1993

During the month, there were 22 days with a temperature of 95 degrees or higher, which is the greatest amount of times during any month of 95 degrees or greater.

There were also 29 days of 90 degrees or warmer and 2 days where the temperature hit 100 degrees.

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The climate site at the Savannah/Hilton Head International Airport had its second warmest month and 2nd warmest July on record by average temperature.

Here are the top 3 warmest months on record by average temperature at the Savannah/Hilton Head International Airport, with records back to 1874.

- 1. 86.7 - July 1993
- ***2. 86.1 - July 2016***
- 3. 85.7 - July 1875 and 1986

During the month, every day reached at least 90 degrees, making it the second time on record that this occurred. The other time was July 1993.

There were also 25 days that the high temperature reached 95 degrees or higher, plus 2 days where it hit 100 degrees.

The Savannah/Hilton Head International Airport also had its second driest July on record with only 1.21 inches of rain. Measurable rain occurred only 7 times during the month. The driest July was 1888 when only 0.82 inches fell.

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The Downtown Charleston SC climate site had its third warmest month and 2nd warmest July on record.

Here are the top 3 warmest months on record by average temperature at Downtown Charleston, with records back to 1893.

- 1. 86.0 - July 1998
- 2. 85.5 - June 1998
- ***3. 85.0 - July 2016***

The temperature hit 90 degrees or higher 20 times during the month and 2 days of at least 95 degrees.

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