



### Synopsis

April 2020 was mostly tranquil with relatively few windy days and no severe weather. Only one significant weather event impacted the region during the month. A late season winter storm on April 13-14, 2020 dumped widespread snowfall of 3 to 6" in the area from the Sandia and Manzano mountains eastward to Clovis and Portales. Locally heavier amounts over 12" were reported around Edgewood and Sandia Park. The month ended with very low humidity and record hot temperatures.



Abiquiu Blue Sky - April 5, 2020  
Courtesy of @84elcamino (Twitter)



Clovis Snowfall - April 14, 2020  
Courtesy of Christi Vineyard (Facebook)



Tijeras Snowfall - April 13, 2020  
Courtesy of Jill Hankins Bigley (Twitter)

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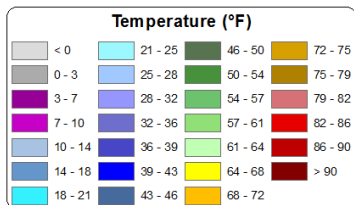
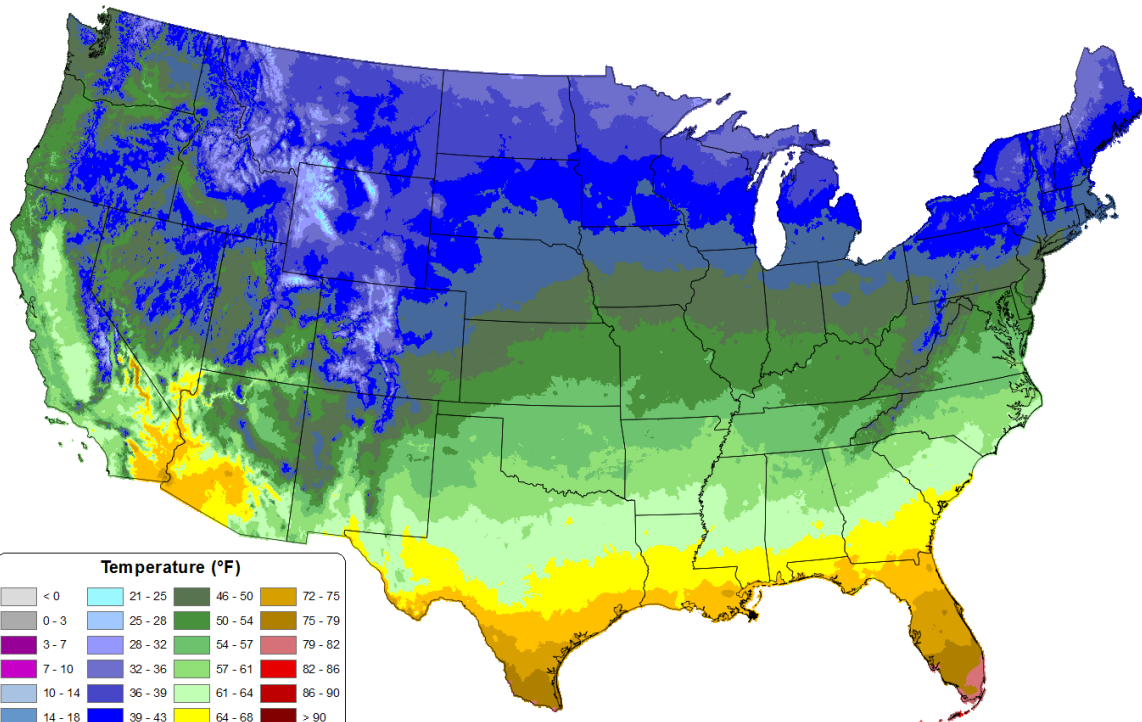
## State Temperatures

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### Actual

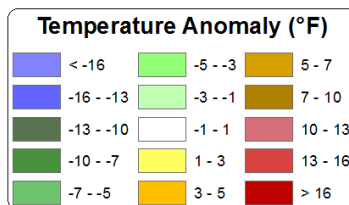
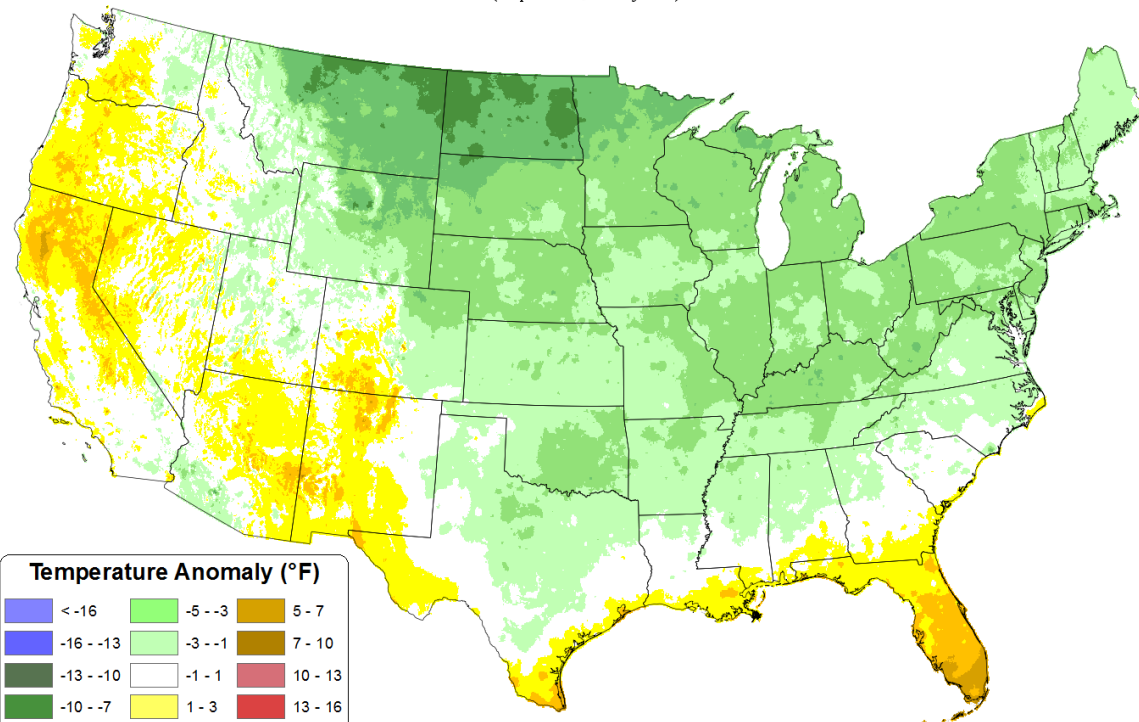
Average Daily Mean Temperature: 01 Apr 2020 - 30 Apr 2020  
Period ending 7 AM EST 30 Apr 2020  
(Map created 01 May 2020)



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### Anomaly

Daily Mean Temperature Anomaly: Apr 2020  
Period ending 7 AM EST 30 Apr 2020  
Base period: 1981-2010  
(Map created 02 May 2020)



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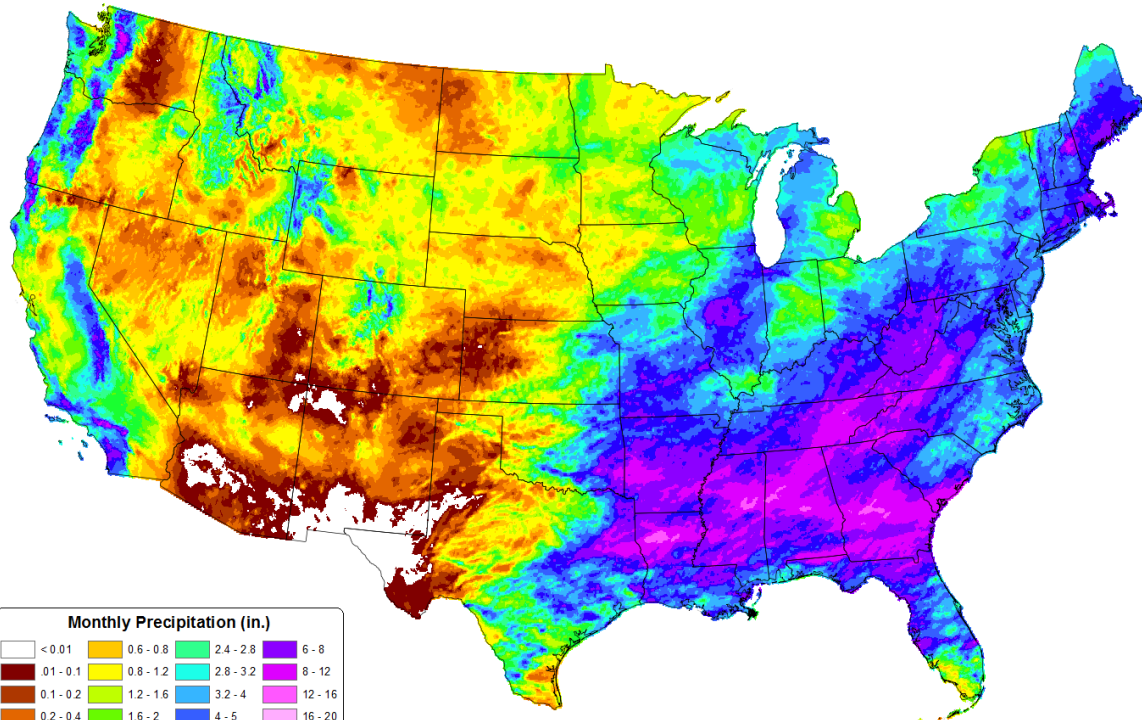
## State Precipitation

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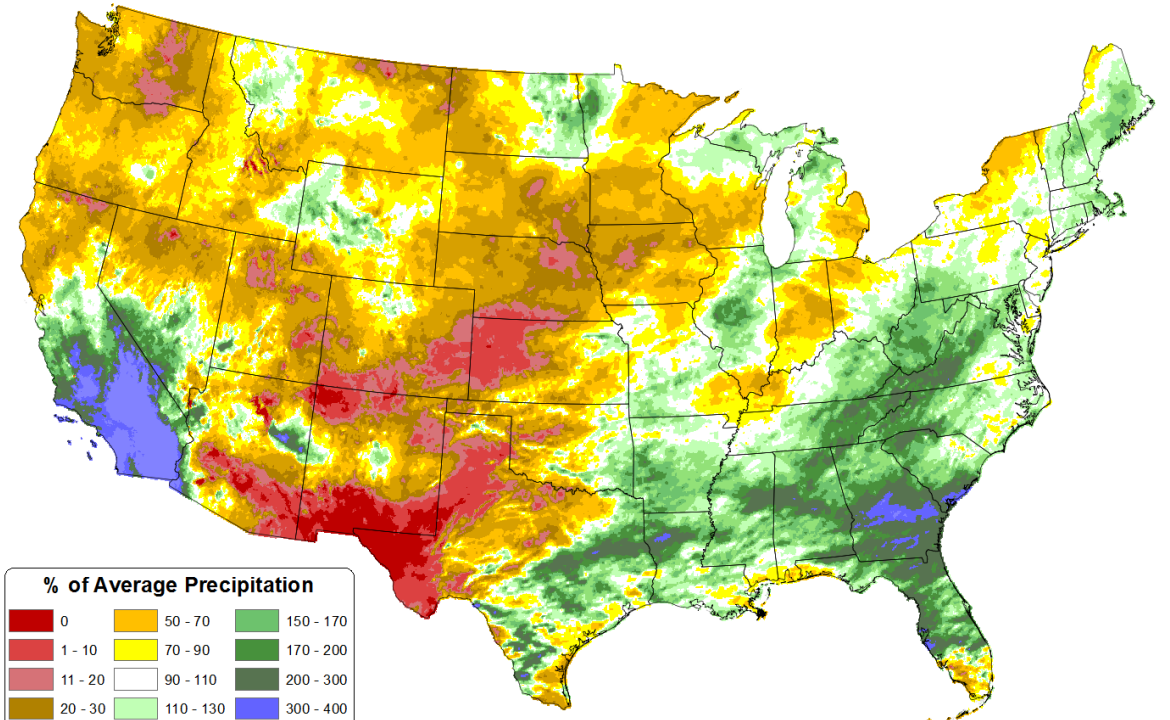
Total Precipitation: 01 Apr 2020 - 30 Apr 2020  
Period ending 7 AM EST 30 Apr 2020  
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Total Precipitation Anomaly: Apr 2020  
Period ending 30 Apr 2020  
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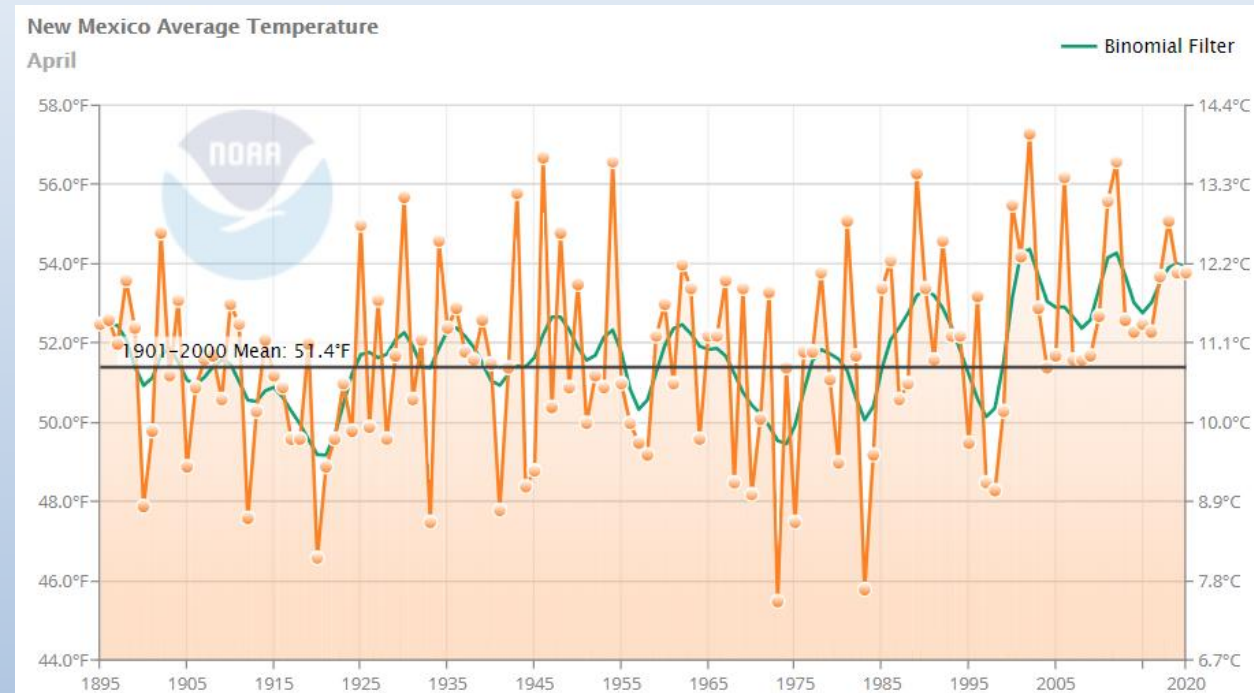
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## Statewide Temperature & Precipitation Trends

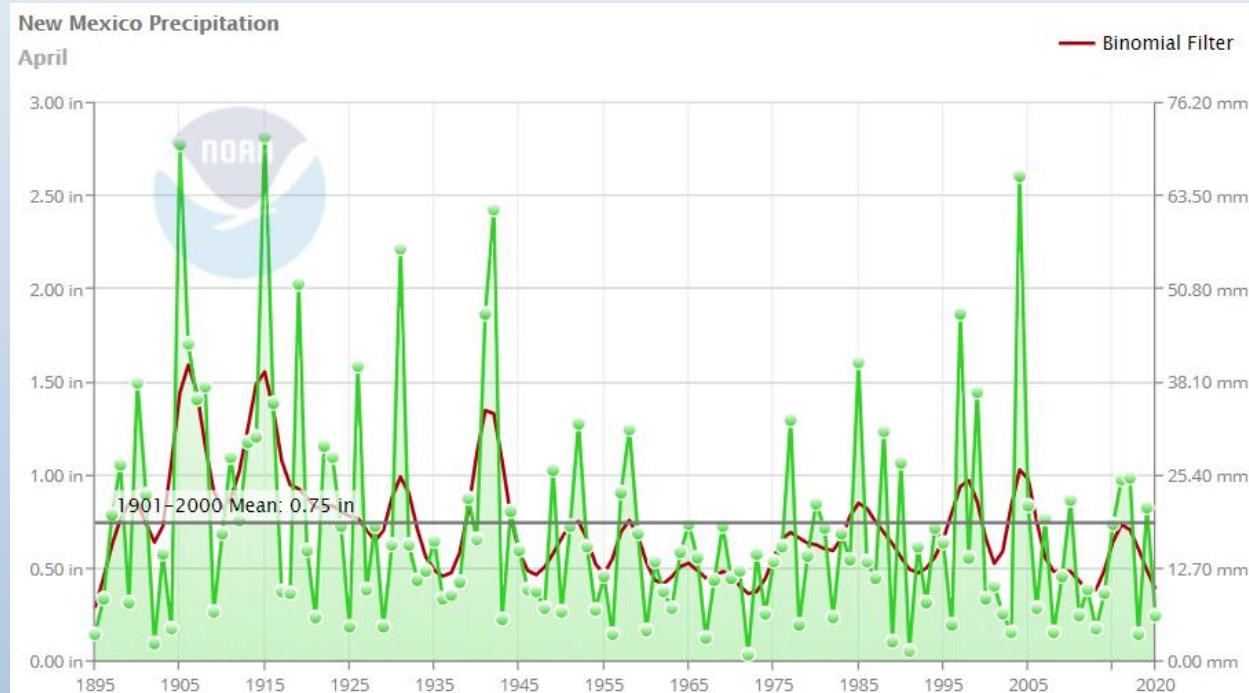
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### Temperature

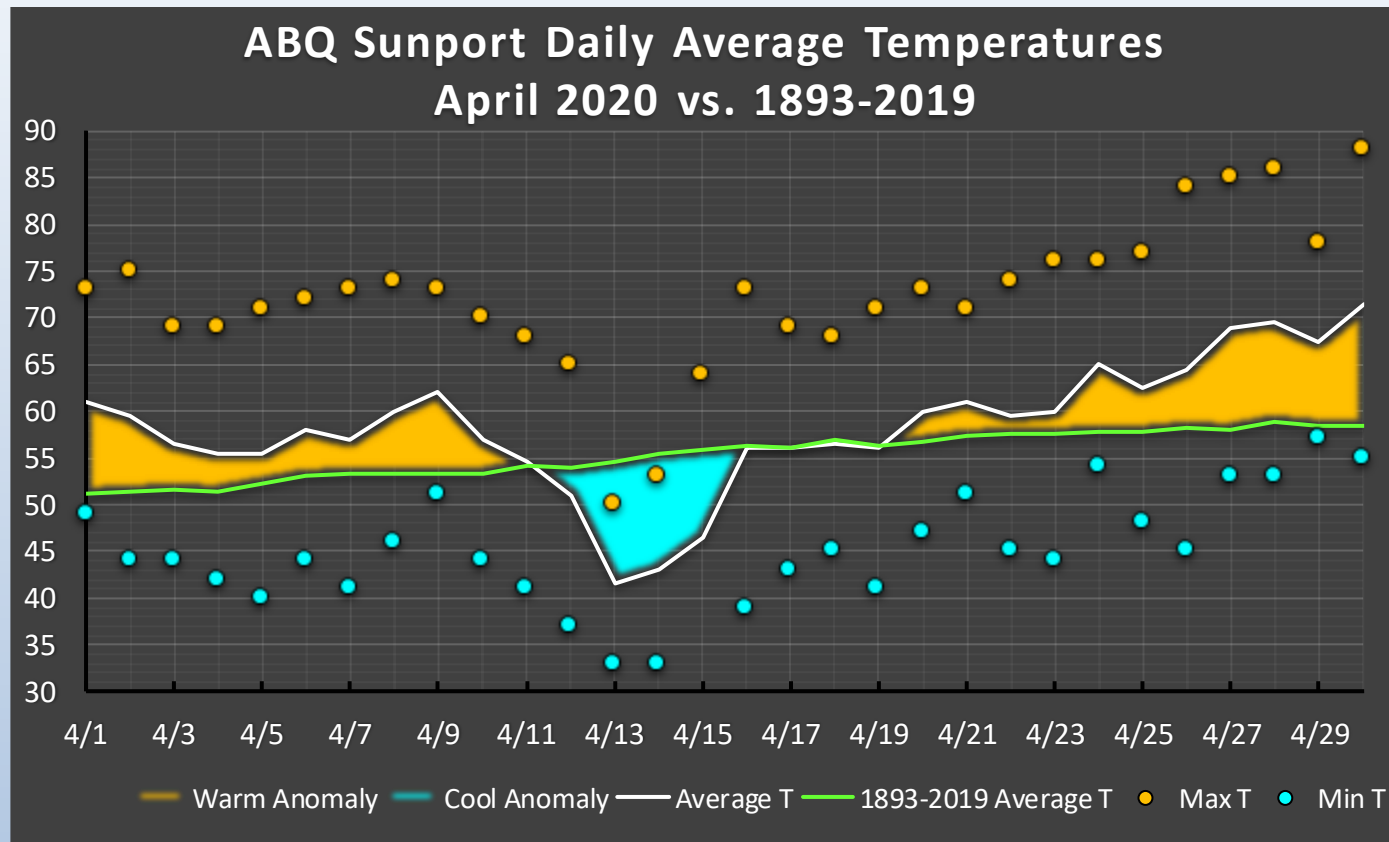


### Precipitation

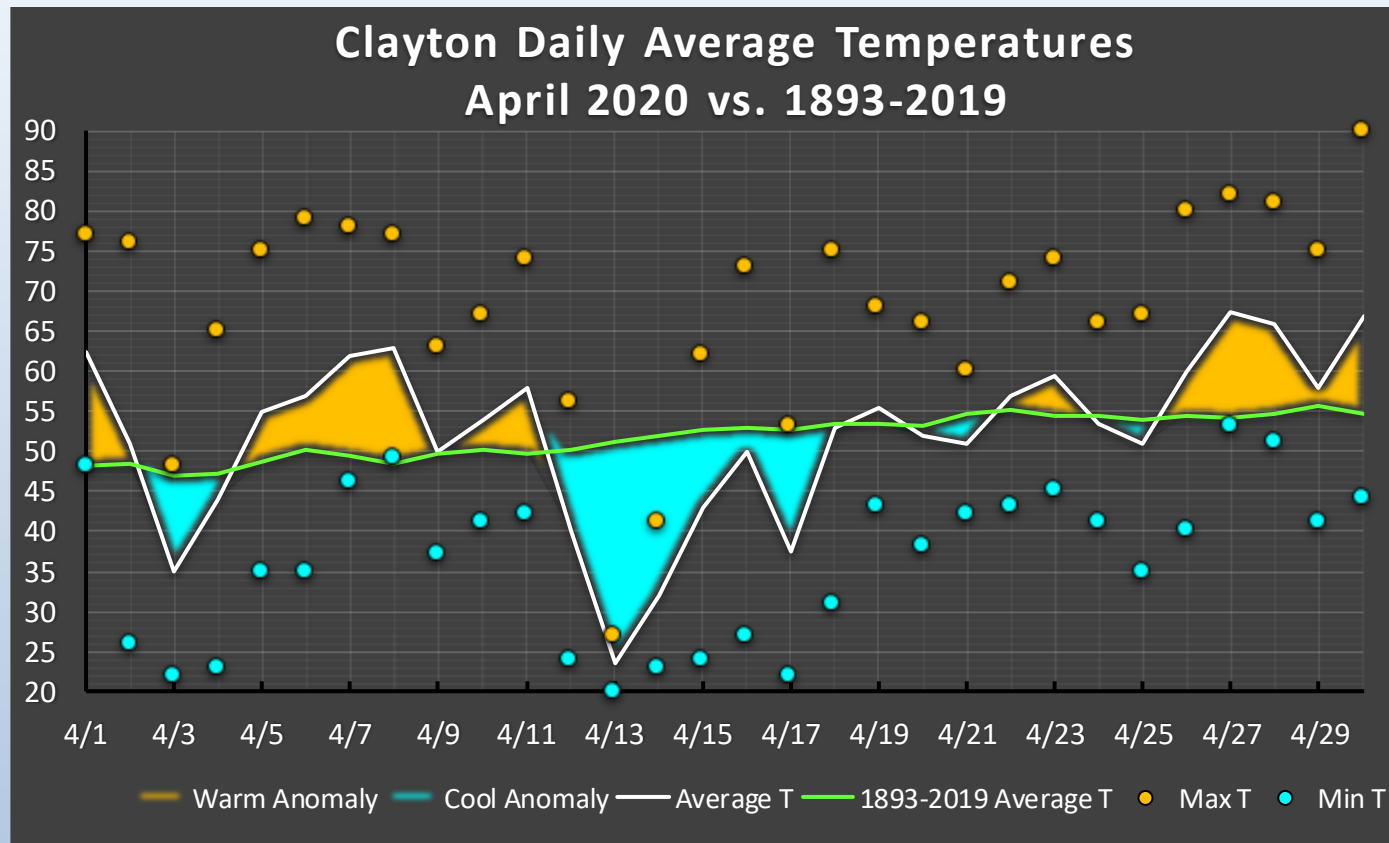


The average statewide temperature was 53.8°, which was 2.4° above the long-term normal of 51.4° (1901-2000). This ranked as the 21<sup>st</sup> warmest April on record.

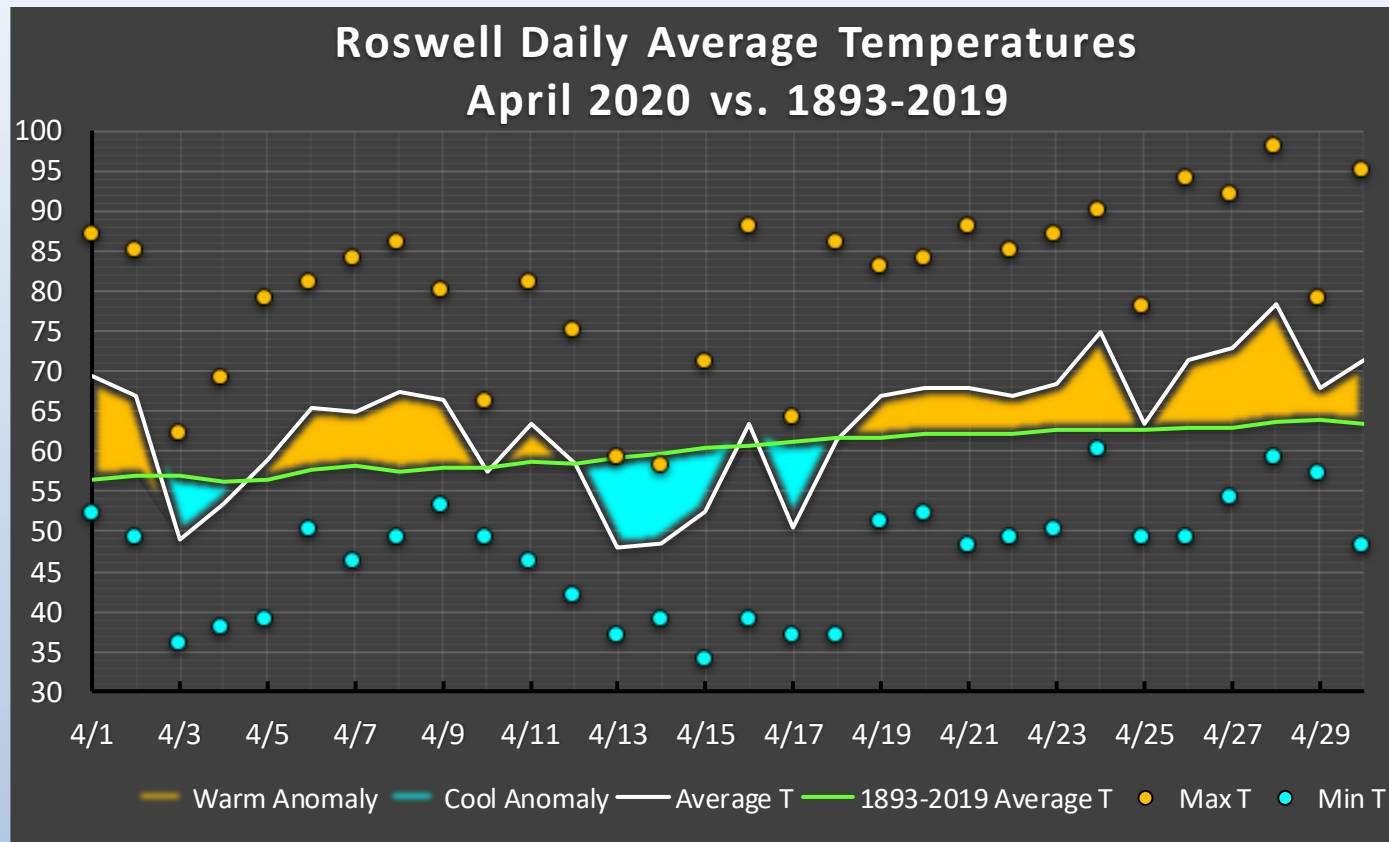
The average statewide precipitation was 0.25", which was 0.50" below the long-term normal of 0.75" (1901-2000). This ranked as the 21<sup>st</sup> driest April on record.



The average April temperature for Albuquerque was 58.4°, which was 2.4° above the normal of 56.0°. The average maximum temperature for the month was 72.3°. This was 3.3° above the normal average maximum temperature of 69.0°. The average minimum temperature for the month was 44.6°. This was 1.6° above the normal average minimum temperature of 43.0°. April 2020 was the 16<sup>th</sup> warmest April on record.



The average April temperature for Clayton was 52.3°, which was 0.1° below the normal of 52.4°. The average maximum temperature for the month was 68.2°. This was 1.2° above the normal average maximum temperature of 67.0°. The average minimum temperature for the month was 36.4°. This was 1.3° below the normal average minimum temperature of 37.7°. April 2020 was the 63<sup>rd</sup> coolest April on record.



The average April temperature for Roswell was 63.5°, which was 2.7° above the normal of 60.8°. The average maximum temperature for the month was 80.5°. This was 3.7° above the average maximum temperature of 76.8°. The average minimum temperature for the month was 46.6°. This was 1.9° above the normal average minimum temperature of 44.7°. April 2020 was the 19<sup>th</sup> warmest April on record!

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## Precipitation – Climate Sites

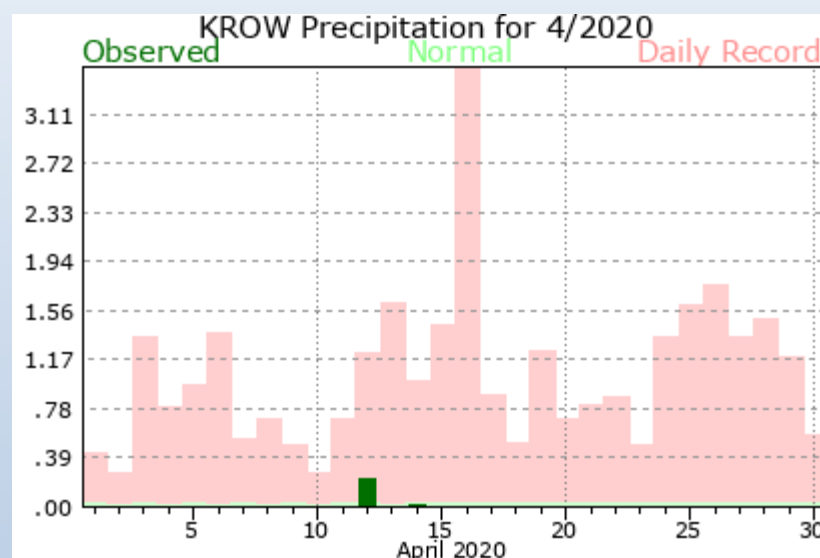
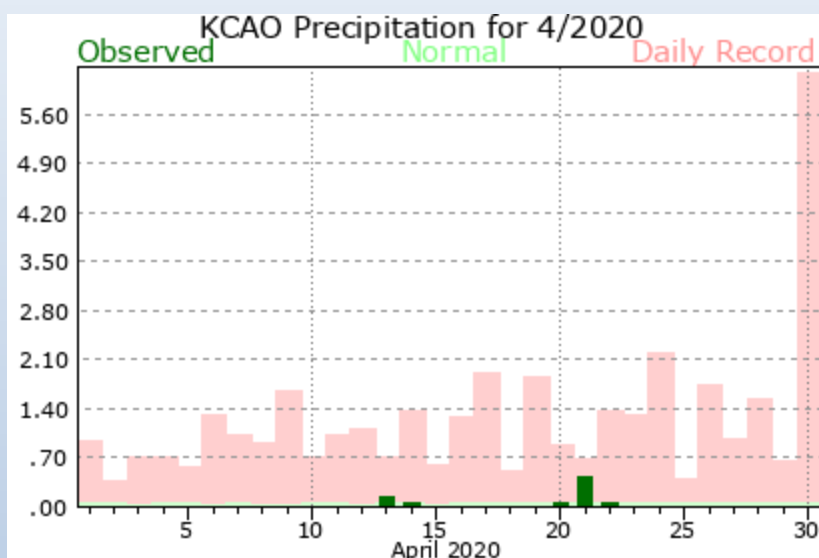
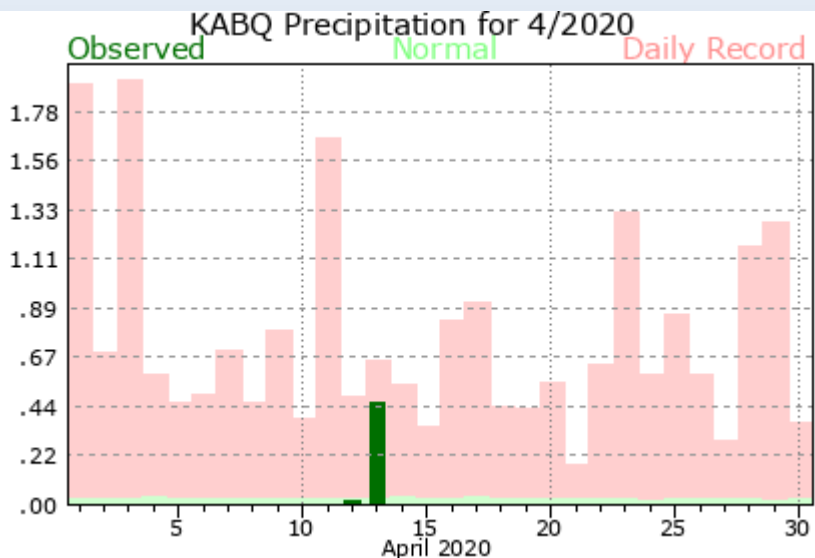
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### Albuquerque Sunport

### Clayton

### Roswell



There was 0.47" of precipitation measured at the Sunport, compared to the normal of 0.61", or 0.14" below normal. This ranks as the 76<sup>th</sup> driest April on record (1892-2020).

There was 0.63" of precipitation measured at Clayton, compared to the normal of 0.94", or 0.31" below normal. This was the 45<sup>th</sup> driest April on record (1892-2020).

There was 0.23" of precipitation measured at Roswell, compared to the normal of 0.61", or 0.38" below normal. This ranks as the 53<sup>rd</sup> driest April on record (1892-2020).



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## Severe Weather\*








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Event	Date	County/Zone Name	Magnitude	Type	Narrative
Winter Weather	4/13/2020	West Central Mountains	5-10"		Continental Divide to El Morro. Difficult travel reported.
Winter Weather	4/13/2020	De Baca County	1-4"		Yeso to Fort Sumner.
Winter Storm	4/13/2020	Central Highlands	2-6"		Clines Corners to Pedernal.
Winter Weather	4/13-4/14/2020	Roosevelt County	2-4"		Portales area.
Heavy Snow	4/13-4/14/2020	Curry County	4-8"		Clovis area.
Heavy Snow	4/13/2020	Glorieta Mesa & Glorieta Pass	5-8"		Pecos to Glorieta.
Heavy Snow	4/13/2020	Sandia/Manzano Mountains	6-12"		Edgewood to Sandia Park southward.
Winter Weather	4/13/2020	Santa Fe Metro Area	2-5"		Santa Fe area.
Heavy Snow	4/13/2020	Jemez Mountains	6-18"		Valles Caldera to Wolf Canyon.
High Wind	4/23/2020	Central Highlands	51 kt	Gust	Clines Corners peak wind gust to 59 mph.

\*Storm reports are considered preliminary until a final review is certified in the NWS Storm Data publication. Certified data is available three to four months post-event at: <https://www.ncdc.noaa.gov/stormevents/>



-  NCEI Climatological Rankings: <https://www.ncdc.noaa.gov/cag/national/rankings>
-  PRISM Climate Data: <http://www.prism.oregonstate.edu/>
-  NWS Local Climate Pages: <https://w2.weather.gov/climate/index.php?wfo=abq>
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