

March 2016

...Above normal temperatures and below normal precipitation characterized Richmond weather in March...

...10th Warmest March on Record...

...3rd Driest March on Record...

The average temperature at Richmond International Airport was 53.4°, which was 4.8° above normal. The average high temperature was 65.2°, which was 5.2° above normal. The average low temperature was 41.7°, which was 4.6° above normal. The highest temperature was 84° on the 16th. The lowest temperature was 23° on the 3rd. There were 0 days with a maximum temperature at or below 32°, which was 0.2 days below normal. There were 7 days with a minimum temperature at or below 32°, which was 2.4 days below normal.

Precipitation was measured at 1.02 inches, or 3.02 inches below normal. The greatest 24 hour total was 0.25 inches from the 14th to the 15th. There were 12 days with measurable rainfall, which was 1.7 days above normal. Snowfall was measured at 1.2 inches, or 0.6 inches above normal.

There were 257 accumulated growing degree days (GDD), which was 101 GDD above the 1981-2010 normal of 156 GDD. Base temperature of 50°.

No daily records were set during the month.

...Above normal temperatures and near normal precipitation characterized Norfolk weather in March...

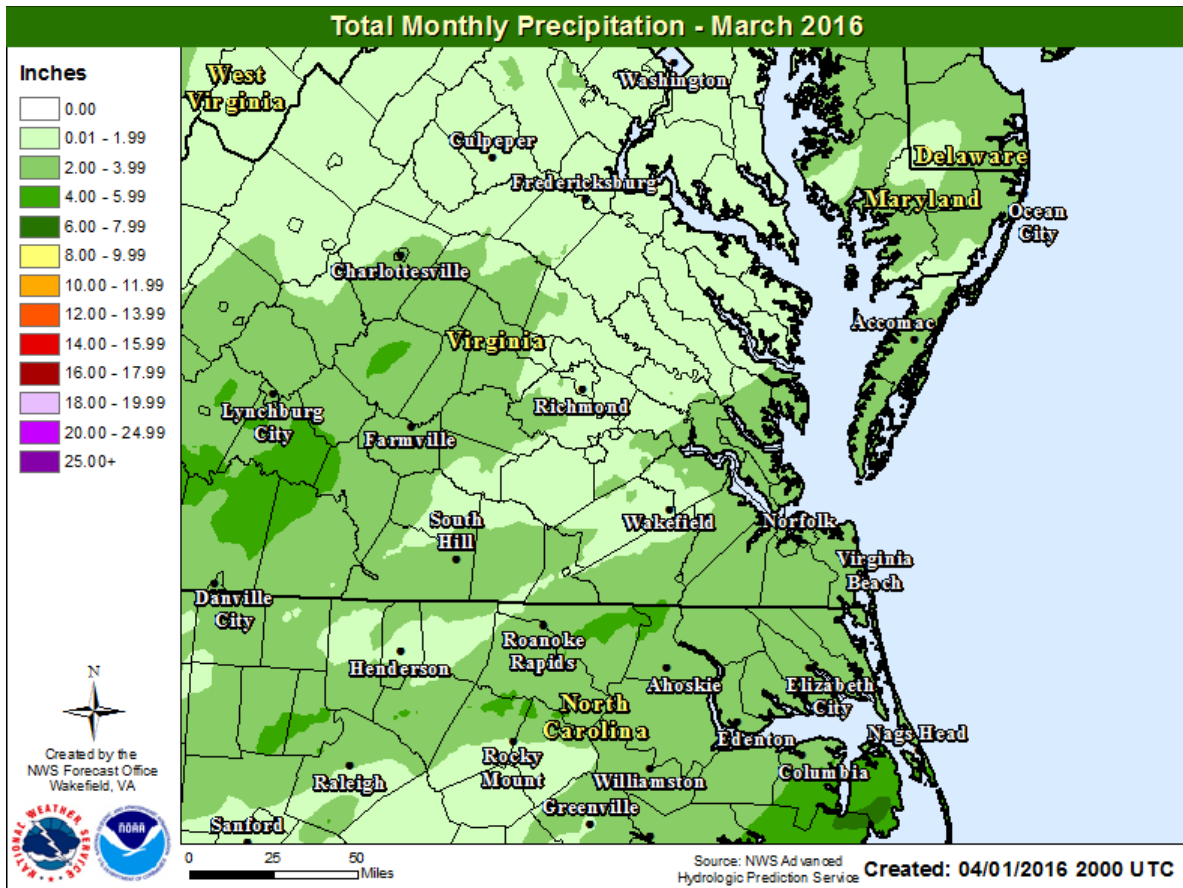
...4th Warmest March on Record...

The average temperature at Norfolk International Airport was 55.9°, which was 6.5° above normal. The average high temperature was 65.5°, which was 7.3° above normal. The average low temperature was 46.3°, which was 5.8° above normal. The highest temperature was 86° on the 16th. The lowest temperature was 32° on the 7th. There were 0 days with a maximum temperature at or below 32°, which was 0.1 days below normal. There was 1 day with a minimum temperature at or below 32°, which was 3.1 days below normal.

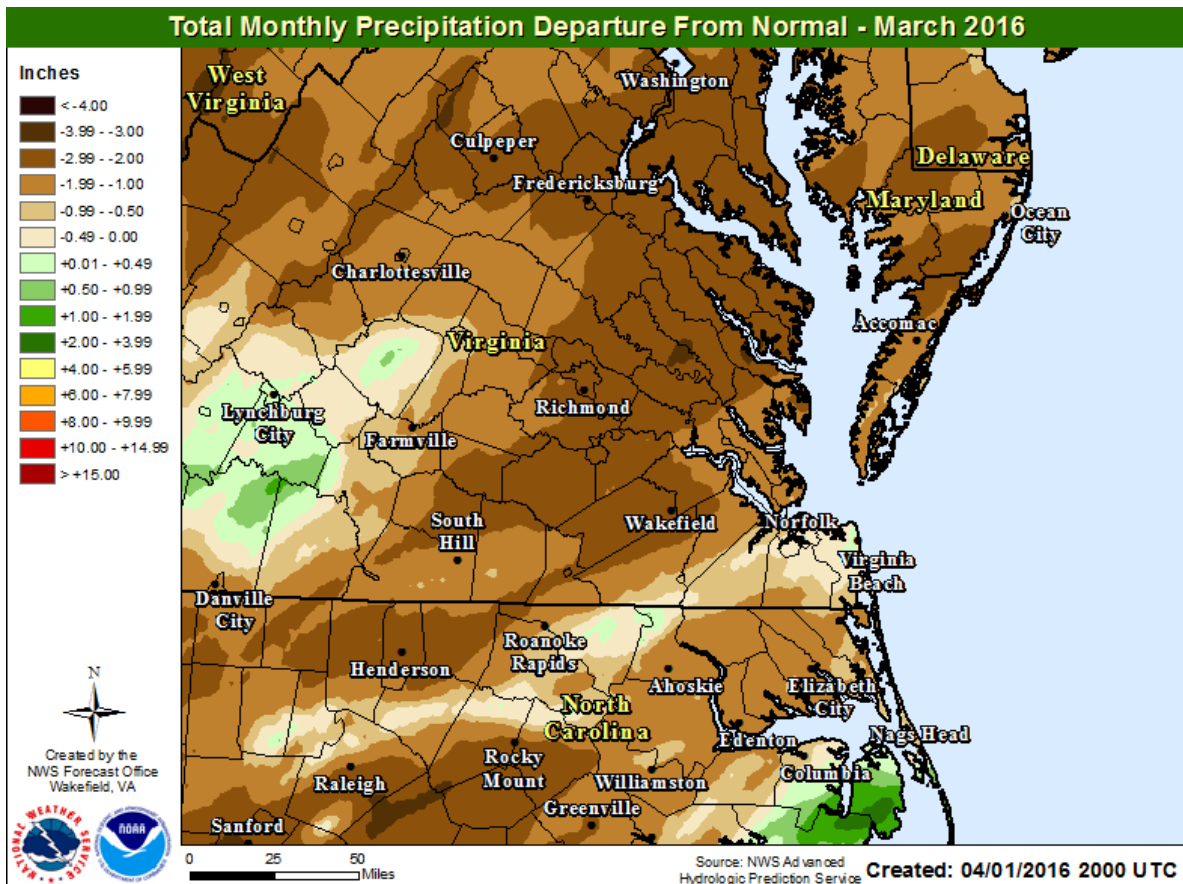
Precipitation was measured at 3.46 inches, or 0.22 inches below normal. The greatest 24 hour total was 1.08 inches from the 27th to the 28th. There were 12 days with measurable rainfall, which was 1.4 days above normal. A trace of snowfall was measured, which was 0.2 inches below normal.

There were 272.5 accumulated growing degree days (GDD), which was 145 GDD above the 1981-2010 normal of 127.5 GDD. Base temperature of 50°.

A record high temperature of 81° was set on the 10th, breaking the old record of 80° set in 1964. A record high temperatures of 86° was set on the 16th, breaking the old record of 84° set in 1945.



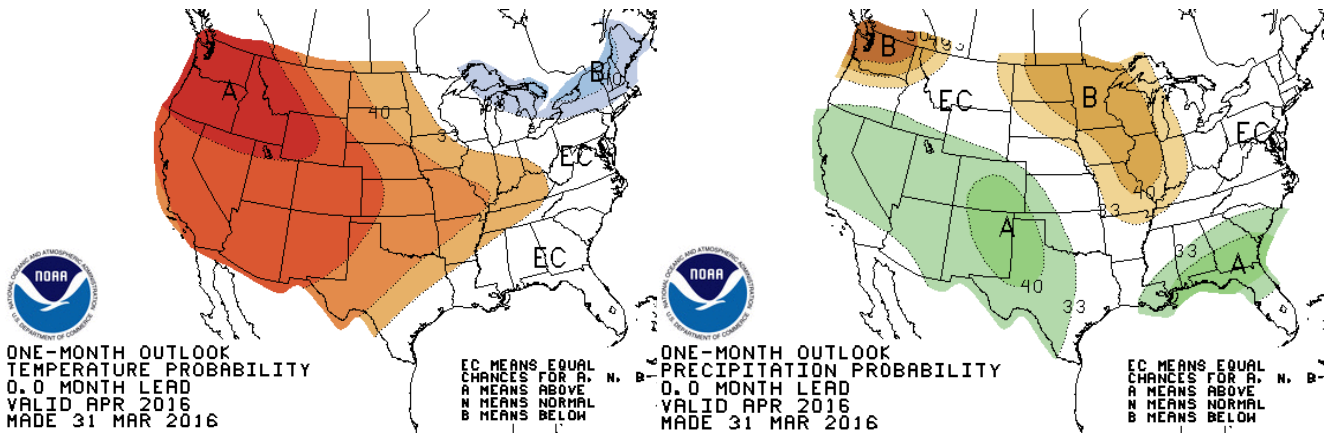
March 2016 Observed Rainfall. Additional Info: http://www.weather.gov/akq/MONTHLY_RAINFALL_ANALYSIS.



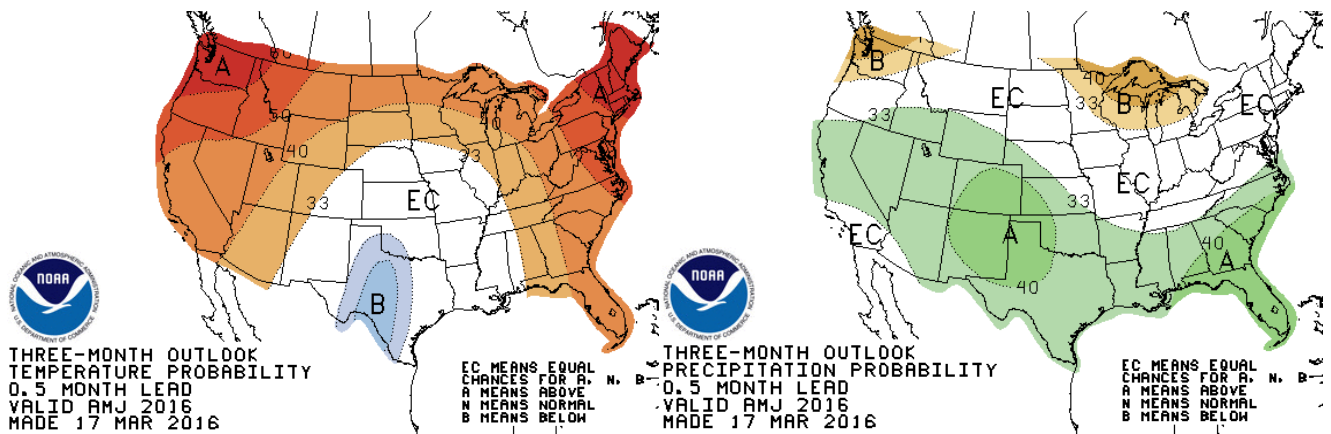
March 2016 Precipitation Departure from Normal.

Outlooks (see <http://www.cpc.ncep.noaa.gov/>)...

The **30 day outlooks** for temperature (left image) and precipitation (right image) predict equal chances for above, below, or near normal conditions.



The **90 day outlooks** for temperature (left image) and precipitation (right image) predict increased probabilities for above normal temperatures and above normal precipitation.



*These data are preliminary and have not undergone final quality control by the National Climatic Data Center (NCDC). Therefore, these data are subject to revision. Final and certified climate data can be accessed at the NCDC - <http://www.ncdc.noaa.gov>.

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