

# Winter 2025-26 Temperature Summary

December 2025 through February 2026

## Sault Ste. Marie

Avg. Temperature: 17.1°F

Deficit: -2.2°F

Warmest Temp: 42°F Feb. 27th

Coldest Temp: -19°F Jan. 29th

## Alpena

Avg. Temperature: 20.5°F

Deficit: -1.9°F

Warmest Temp: 53°F Jan. 9th

Coldest Temp: -18°F Jan. 24th

## Houghton Lake

Avg. Temperature: 20.1°F

Deficit: -1.6°F

Warmest Temp: 51°F Jan. 9th

Coldest Temp: -20°F Jan. 24th

## Gaylord

Avg. Temperature: 19.1°F

Anomaly: +0.8°F

Warmest Temp: 48°F Jan. 9th

Coldest Temp: -14°F Feb. 8th

## Pellston

Avg. Temperature: 19.2°F

Deficit: -1.1°F

Warmest Temp: 49°F Jan. 9th

Coldest Temp: -21°F Jan. 24 & 29

## Traverse City

Avg. Temperature: 23.6°F

Deficit: -1.7°F

Warmest Temp: 55°F Jan. 9th

Coldest Temp: -5°F Jan. 25 & Feb. 1

Photo: Looking north on a frozen Walloon Lake on January 31st, 2026. Below normal temperatures allowed for many lakes to easily freeze during the winter of 2025-26... including portions of the Great Lakes, which reached a peak ice coverage of 58.3% on February 9th, 2026.

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# Winter 2025-26 Snowfall & Precipitation

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## Sault Ste. Marie

Observed Snow: 146.7"

Anomaly: +65.2"

**2nd Snowiest**

Observed Precip: 11.26"

Anomaly: +4.74"

**3rd Wettest**

## Alpena

Observed Snow: 64.7"

Anomaly: +11.5"

Observed Precip: 5.82"

Anomaly: +0.62"

## Traverse City

Observed Snow: 99.0"

Anomaly: +20.7"

Observed Precip: 8.31"

Anomaly: +0.90"

## Houghton Lake

Observed Snow: 49.1"

Anomaly: +4.0"

Observed Precip: 6.00"

Anomaly: +1.13"

## Gaylord **(NWS Office)**

Observed Snow: 104.7"

Anomaly: +9.5"

Observed Precip: 8.48"

Anomaly: +0.68"

Photo: An arctic-like landscape in the parking lot of a shopping center in Gaylord on January 26th, 2026. Several waves of cold allowed for outbursts of lake effect snow, along with snowfall in the non-snowbelt locales. This drove an above average snowfall season during the meteorological winter of 2025-26.

Note- snowfall data not available for Pellston

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