



February 2015 Climate Summary



Location		Average Temp (°F)	Precip (inches)	Snowfall (inches)
Sault Ste. Marie	Observed	2.9°	1.37"	19.7"
	Normal	17.6°	1.34"	18.6"
	Departure	-14.7°	+0.03"	+1.1"
	Rank *	3 rd Coldest	*	*
Houghton Lake	Observed	5.8°	0.62"	10.9"
	Normal	20.0°	1.21"	12.4"
	Departure	-14.2°	-0.59"	-1.5"
	Rank *	Coldest	*	*
Alpena	Observed	6.6°	0.60"	10.7"
	Normal	20.3°	1.32"	17.5"
	Departure	-13.7°	-0.72"	-6.8"
	Rank *	Coldest	*	*
Traverse City	Observed	9.6°	1.34"	23.0"
	Normal	22.7°	1.76"	18.9"
	Departure	-13.1°	-0.42"	+4.1"
	Rank *	3 rd Coldest	*	*
Gaylord	Observed	3.2°	0.70"	15.8"
	Normal	18.8°	2.02"	25.4"
	Departure	-15.6°	-1.32"	-9.6"
	Rank *	Coldest	8 th Driest	*

February Highlights:

One Bitter Cold Month!

- Cold from start to finish, with several record low temperatures and record cold daily highs set during the month. Below zero highs were common, as were highs in the single digits and teens. The coldest stretch of weather occurred on the 19th and 20th, when daytime highs remained mostly below zero, and overnight lows exceeded 30 below in many areas.
- The extremely cold temperatures resulted in a south displaced storm track, with nearly all of northern Michigan observing a drier and less snowy February than normal. Only the immediate coastal areas of Lake Superior and Lake Michigan reported near to above normal snowfall.

* Only top ten ranks will be included

* Normals from the 1981-2010 base period

