

May 2026 Temperature Summary

Sault Ste. Marie

Avg. Temperature: 48.3°F

Deficit: -3.8°F

Warmest Temp: 78°F May 25th

Coldest Temp: 29°F May 3, 6, 12, & 21

Alpena

Avg. Temperature: 51.1°F

Deficit: -2.3°F

Warmest Temp: 87°F May 18 & 26

Coldest Temp: 25°F May 12th

Houghton Lake

Avg. Temperature: 52.3°F

Deficit: -2.4°F

Warmest Temp: 85°F May 26th

Coldest Temp: 26°F May 8th

Gaylord

Avg. Temperature: 50.8°F

Deficit: -2.3°F

Warmest Temp: 82°F May 26th

Coldest Temp: 23°F May 2nd

Pellston

Avg. Temperature: 48.8°F

Deficit: -3.4°F

Warmest Temp: 81°F May 25 & 26

Coldest Temp: 19°F May 2nd

Traverse City

Avg. Temperature: 52.1°F

Deficit: -3.2°F

Warmest Temp: 86°F May 26th

Coldest Temp: 25°F May 2nd

Photo: Overlooking Glen Lake and Lake Michigan from one of the stops on the Pierce Stocking Scenic Drive at Sleeping Bear Dunes National Recreation Area on May 16th, 2026.

National Weather Service Gaylord, MI



May 2026 Snowfall & Precipitation

Sault Ste. Marie

Observed Precip: 1.06"

Deficit: -1.58"

Wettest Day: 0.27" May 12th

Observed Snow: Trace

Deficit: -0.4"

Alpena

Observed Precip: 3.43"

Anomaly: +0.65"

Wettest Day: 1.02" May 17th

Observed Snow: Trace

Deficit: -0.2"

Houghton Lake

Observed Precip: 2.34"

Deficit: -0.79"

Wettest Day: 1.21" May 18th

Observed Snow: 0.0"

Deficit: -0.1"

Gaylord (NWS Office)

Observed Precip: 3.91"

Anomaly: +0.62"

Wettest Day: 1.53" May 18th

Observed Snow: Trace

Deficit: -0.5"

Traverse City

Observed Precip: 3.02"

Anomaly: -0.43"

Wettest Day: 1.03" May 18th

Observed Snow: Trace

Anomaly: +Trace

Note- snowfall / precip data not available for Pellston

Photo: An ominous shelf cloud as seen from the NWS Gaylord webcam on May 18th, 2026. This storm would produce a brief tornadic waterspout on Big Bradford Lake near Waters.

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