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# EASTERN NORTH CAROLINA MONTHLY CLIMATE REPORT

# JUNE 2025

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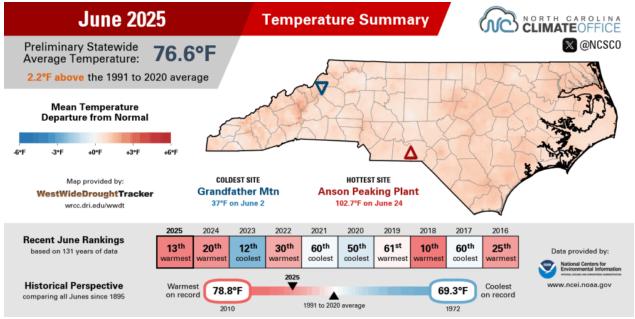
# **MONTHLY SUMMARY**

une in eastern North Carolina continued the prolonged streak of above average temperatures, and was complimented by above-normal rainfall. The precipitation pattern in June was highly variable owing to the hit-and-miss nature of convection. Where it did rain, it poured – torrential downpours in Greenville on July 15<sup>th</sup>-16<sup>th</sup> brought multiple reports of flash flooding. Overall, precipitation across the region was 1.5" above the 1991-2020 normal, or about 130% of average. The heavy rainfall further eroded the drought, and by the beginning of July no part of the forecast area was experiencing abnormally dry conditions.

Temperatures remained above average in July, and were warmer than the rest of the state. The average temperature was 79.3°F, or 2.8°F above the 1991-2020 normal. This was about 3 degrees higher than the rest of the state, and all 15 counties in the forecast area experienced among their top 10 warmest Junes on record. Cape Hatteras tied multiple high temperature records in the last week of June as the mercury there climbed into the low to mid 90s.

#### **TEMPERATURES**

Above average temperatures extended into yet another month across North Carolina, according to the North Carolina State Climate Office. The average temperature statewide for June was 76.6°F or 2.2°F above the 1991-2020 average. This was the 13<sup>th</sup> warmest May statewide since records began in 1895, with 131 years of data.



June 2025 Temperature Summary | Source: NC State Climate Office

Eastern North Carolina temperature anomalies were warmer compared to the rest of the state, with temperatures across our 15 counties 2.8°F above the 1991-2020 average. Since their respective records began, June 2025 was the 6<sup>th</sup> warmest for Cape Hatteras and 7<sup>th</sup> warmest for New Bern. **Temperature** data at Beaufort from June 14-16 was augmented with the official backup site in Morehead City.

MHX Select Site Temperature Statistics: June 2025

Site	Avg. High (°F)	Avg. Low (°F)	Avg. Temp (°F)	Normal (°F)	Departure (°F)
Beaufort (KMRH)	84.6	74.5	79.6	77.3	2.3
Hatteras (KHSE)	84.0	73.0	78.5	77.5	1.0
New Bern (KEWN)	89.1	70.9	80.0	77.0	3.0

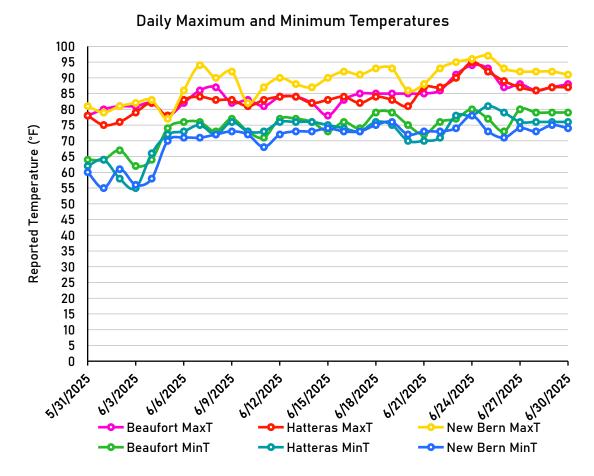
Normals are based on a period from 1990-2020.

County-averaged statistics are presented in the following table. **Mean and departure calculations are based on the 1991-2020 climate normals.** Data courtesy of the National Centers for Environmental Information (NCEI).

County	Avg. Temperature (°F)	Mean (°F)	Departure (°F)	Rank
Beaufort	79.6	76.6	3.0	6 W
Carteret	80.0	77.0	3.0	3 W
Craven	79.6	76.6	3.0	5 W
Dare	78.7	76.0	2.7	6 W
Duplin	79.0	76.3	2.7	8 W
Greene	79.0	76.5	2.5	7 W
Hyde	79.4	76.8	2.6	8 W
Jones	79.3	76.3	3.0	5 W
Lenoir	79.2	76.5	2.7	7 W
Martin	78.6	75.8	2.8	6 W
Onslow	79.6	76.5	3.1	4 W
Pamlico	80.2	77.0	3.2	5 W
Pitt	79.1	76.4	2.7	6 W
Tyrrell	79.0	76.1	2.9	6 W
Washington	78.8	76.0	2.8	8 W
Area Average	79.3	76.4	2.8	

Means are based on a period from 1991-2020. For rankings, "C" designates coldest and "W" designates warmest.

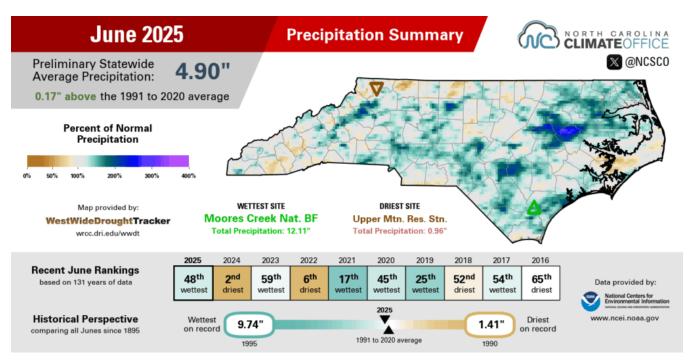
The upper air pattern across the United States in June was highly progressive, with multiple periods of ridging and troughing moving across the country. On a monthly scale, upper level heights were modestly above average across much of the east coast with temperature anomalies following the same trend. The coolest period was the first week of June, although anomalies were less than 3 degrees below normal. For the rest of the month, temperatures rose to 3-6 degrees above average.



**Cape Hatteras** tied two high temperature records in June: the 23<sup>rd</sup> (90, ties the record set in 2018) and the 24<sup>th</sup> (95, ties the record set in 1944). All 15 of our forecast area counties' average temperatures were among their top 10 warmest on record, per NCEI.

#### **PRECIPITATION**

Analysis conducted by the North Carolina State Climate Office indicated average statewide precipitation was 4.90" for June, or a mere 0.17" inches above average. This was the 48<sup>th</sup> wettest June since records began in 1895, and considerably wetter than June last year.



June 2025 Precipitation Summary | Source: NC State Climate Office

Eastern North Carolina was wetter on average than the rest of the state, although like in May precipitation amounts were highly variable owing to convective patterns. Pitt County saw substantial rainfall mid-month which lead to a flash flooding event in Greenville. Cape Hatteras recorded its  $61^{\rm st}$  driest June, while New Bern experienced its  $11^{\rm th}$  wettest. The average accumulation across the MHX forecast area was 6.47'', or 1.50'' above the 1991-2020 average.

MHX Select Site Precipitation Statistics: June 2025

Site	Total Precipitation (in.)	Normal (in.)	Departure (in.)
Beaufort (KMRH)	2.24	4.06	-1.82
Hatteras (KHSE)	3.57	4.41	-0.84
New Bern (KEWN)	7.78	4.60	3.18

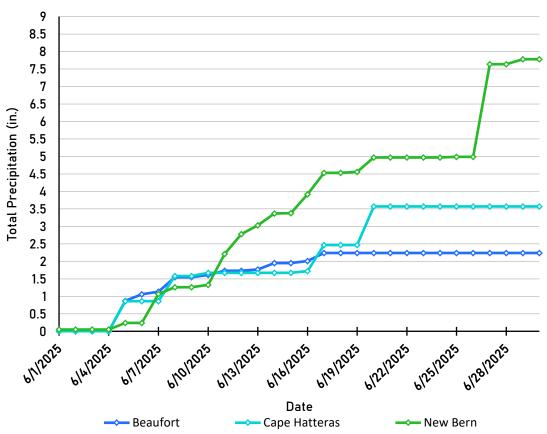
County-averaged statistics are presented in the following table. **Mean and departure calculations are based on the 1991-2020 climate normals.** Data courtesy of the National Centers for Environmental Information (NCEI).

County	Avg. Accum. (in.)	Mean (in.)	Departure (in.)	Rank
Beaufort	6.27	5.06	1.21	52 W
Carteret	5.57	4.98	0.59	43 W
Craven	6.87	5.06	1.81	23 W
Dare	5.81	4.59	1.22	33 W
Duplin	6.36	5.29	1.07	30 W
Greene	7.29	4.70	2.59	14 W
Hyde	5.46	4.84	0.62	48 W
Jones	7.29	5.24	2.05	20 W
Lenoir	7.70	5.03	2.67	13 W
Martin	6.28	4.83	1.45	27 W
Onslow	6.43	5.50	0.93	34 W
Pamlico	5.28	4.94	0.34	54 W
Pitt	7.45	4.76	2.69	16 W
Tyrrell	6.50	4.76	1.74	23 W
Washington	6.46	4.97	1.49	28 W
Area Average	6.47	4.97	1.50	

Means are based on a period from 1991-2020. For rankings, "W" designates wettest and "D" designates driest.

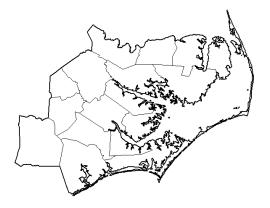
The bulk of precipitation across eastern North Carolina fell in convective episodes. The first half of the month was generally wetter than the back half, especially for areas along the immediate coast which are generally left on the dry side of sea and sound breezes. Overall, precipitation was roughly 130% of 1991-2020 normals for eastern North Carolina. No daily rainfall records were set at Cape Hatteras or New Bern in June.

#### Monthly Accumulated Precipitation



June's rainfall continued to eat away at drought conditions across eastern North Carolina. By the beginning of July, all of the forecast area was free of any level of drought per analysis from the U.S. Drought Monitor.

U.S. Drought Monitor
Newport/Morehead
City, NC WFO



July 1, 2025 Released Thursday, Jul. 3, 2025) Valid 8 a.m. EDT

	Drought Conditions (Percent Area)					
	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Last Week 06-24-2025	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
3 Month's Ago 04-01-2025	0.00	100.00	74.15	6.14	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year 01-07-2025	0.00	100.00	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Water Year 10-01-2024	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
One Year Ago 07-02-2024	0.00	100.00	91.91	32.76	0.00	0.00
Intensity:						
The Drought Monitor focuses on broad-scale conditions. Local conditions may vary. For more information on the Drought Monitor, go to https://droughtmonitor.unl.edu/About.aspx						
<u>Author:</u> Curtis Riganti National Droug	jht Miti	gation	Center			

droughtmonitor.unl.edu

#### ADDITIONAL CLIMATE RESOURCES

For a look at climate on the national scale, as well as statistics from a CONUS-wide to county and city level, please visit the **National Centers for Environmental Information** at <a href="https://www.ncei.noaa.gov/">https://www.ncei.noaa.gov/</a>. Additional maps and data, as well as teaching materials and a climate resiliency toolkit, can be found at **NOAA's** <a href="https://www.climate.gov">https://www.climate.gov</a>.

For additional drought information, including a wealth of maps of data focused on topics such as agriculture, fire, and water supply, please visit NOAA's National Integrated Drought Information System (NIDIS) at <a href="https://www.drought.gov">https://www.drought.gov</a>.

For climate statistics and real time observations across the state of North Carolina, please visit the **North Carolina State Climate Office** at <a href="https://climate.ncsu.edu/">https://climate.ncsu.edu/</a>.

For climate forecasts and outlooks, visit the Climate Prediction Center at https://www.cpc.ncep.noaa.gov/.

For community-based precipitation observations from across the United States, visit **CoCoRaHS** at https://www.cocorahs.org/.

For climate statistics relevant to various regions of North Carolina, please visit the following climate pages:

Eastern (WFO Morehead City): https://www.weather.gov/wrh/climate?wfo=mhx

Southeastern (WFO Wilmington): <a href="https://www.weather.gov/wrh/climate?wfo=ilm">https://www.weather.gov/wrh/climate?wfo=ilm</a>

Northeastern (WFO Wakefield, VA): https://www.weather.gov/wrh/climate?wfo=akq

Central (WFO Raleigh): https://www.weather.gov/wrh/climate?wfo=rah

Northwestern (WFO Blacksburg, VA): <a href="https://www.weather.gov/wrh/climate?wfo=rnk">https://www.weather.gov/wrh/climate?wfo=rnk</a>

Southwestern (WFO Greer, SC): https://www.weather.gov/wrh/climate?wfo=gsp

Cherokee and Clay Co. (WFO Knoxville, TN): https://www.weather.gov/wrh/climate?wfo=mrx

## APPENDIX A: ADDITIONAL TEMPERATURE DATA

Cooperative Observation Site Temperature Statistics: June 2025

Site	Avg. High (°F)	Avg. Low (°F)	Avg. Temp (°F)	Normal (°F)	Departure (°F)
Greenville	89.4	70.6	80.0	77.3	2.7
Kinston	88.7	70.6	79.7	77.7	2.0
Williamston	88.1	69.9	79.0	76.3	2.7
Plymouth	88.2	69.2	78.7	76.5	2.2
Bayboro	88.2	69.9	79.1	75.7	3.4
Manteo	85.5	73.8	79.7	75.5	4.2

Normals are based on a period from 1991-2020.

#### Maximum and Minimum Monthly Temperatures: June 2025

Site	Max High (°F)	Date Observed	Min Low (°F)	Date Observed
Beaufort (KMRH)	94	Jun 24	62	Jun 3
Hatteras (KHSE)	95	Jun 24	55	Jun 3
New Bern (KEWN)	97	Jun 25	55	Jun 1
Greenville	99	Jun 24-25	51	Jun 1
Kinston	99	Jun 26	53	Jun 1
Williamston	98	Jun 25-26	53	Jun 1
Plymouth	97	Jun 24-25	52	Jun 1-3
Bayboro	98	Jun 26	56	Jun 1-2, 4-5
Manteo	97	Jun 26	55	Jun 3

## APPENDIX B: ADDITIONAL PRECIPITATION DATA

Cooperative Observation Site Precipitation Statistics: June 2025

Site	Total Precipitation (in.)	Normal (in.)	Departure (in.)
Greenville	10.57	4.36	6.21
Kinston	4.83	5.53	-0.70
Williamston	8.47	5.13	3.34
Plymouth	6.72	5.42	1.30
Bayboro	4.35	5.40	-1.05

Sites in red have missing data in their record.

#### CoCoRaHS Monthly Accumulated Precipitation: June 2025

Site	County	Amount (in.)
Pantego 0.4 WSW	Beaufort	5.14
Aurora 4.8 NE	Beaufort	4.95
Cape Carteret 1.5 NE	Carteret	7.84
Swansboro 3.7 NNE	Carteret	6.82
Cedar Point 0.7 NNE	Carteret	6.42
Cedar Point 0.4 WSW	Carteret	6.11
Swansboro 2.7 NE	Carteret	6.07
Newport 1.0 N	Carteret	5.29
Emerald Isle 2.3 WSW	Carteret	4.81
Beaufort 3.4 NNW	Carteret	4.60
Beaufort 12.1 N	Carteret	4.57

CoCoRaHS Monthly Accumulated Precipitation: June 2025

Site	County	Amount (in.)
Morehead City 2.9 WNW	Carteret	4.42
Newport 1.7 SSE	Carteret	4.32
Newport 2.3 SE	Carteret	4.31
Newport 0.2 SW	Carteret	4.20
Beaufort 3.8 N	Carteret	3.91
Morehead City 0.6 NW	Carteret	3.90
Beaufort 5.3 N	Carteret	3.89
Pine Knoll Shores 0.3 NE	Carteret	3.58
Pine Knoll Shores 1.4 E	Carteret	3.52
Beaufort 0.5 W	Carteret	2.92
Trent Woods 1.2 ENE	Craven	9.38
Trent Woods 1.0 NNE	Craven	7.50
New Bern 3.8 S	Craven	6.89
Trent Woods 1.3 SSE	Craven	6.79
New Bern 7.3 ESE	Craven	5.69
New Bern 1.3 NNE	Craven	5.64
Manteo 2.8 NW	Dare	5.28
Southern Shores 0.5 NNE	Dare	3.99
Kill Devil Hills 0.9 NW	Dare	3.60
Duck 0.7 SSE	Dare	3.52
Rodanthe 1.0 SSE	Dare	3.20

CoCoRaHS Monthly Accumulated Precipitation: June 2025

Site	County	Amount (in.)
Mount Olive 2.4 SW	Duplin	6.24
Wallace 14.8 E	Duplin	5.91
Ayden 6.5 WNW	Greene	7.81
SQ Tower	Hyde	5.78
Ocracoke 0.6 SW	Hyde	4.15
EngeLhard 0.8 W	Hyde	4.05
Ocracoke 0.2 ESE	Hyde	4.01
Kinston 4.4 WNW	Lenoir	6.05
Kinston 5.1 WNW	Lenoir	5.43
Kinston 4.6 ESE	Lenoir	4.77
Kinston 7.0 SW	Lenoir	4.49
Pink Hill 2.5 NE	Lenoir	3.73
Williamston 8.9 SSE	Martin	7.54
Jamesville 6.1 SW	Martin	6.48
Sneads Ferry 3.3 SW	Onslow	10.79
Jacksonville 5.4 WSW	Onslow	7.70
Swansboro 2.8 WSW	Onslow	7.08
Hubert 4.9 SE	Onslow	6.59
Jacksonville 2.4 NNE	Onslow	4.88
Grantsboro 4.6 SSW	Pamlico	7.31
Merritt 1.5 WSW	Pamlico	5.74

CoCoRaHS Monthly Accumulated Precipitation: June 2025

Site	County	Amount (in.)
Oriental 4.3 NNW	Pamlico	5.14
Oriental 1.7 WNW	Pamlico	4.15
Greenville 2.8 ESE	Pitt	10.63
Greenville 4.6 W	Pitt	10.12
Greenville 1.4 ESE	Pitt	9.63
Fountain 0.1 NE	Pitt	9.30
Greenville 5.0 SE	Pitt	6.08
Winterville 3.5 W	Pitt	5.43
Greenville 7.1 SSE	Pitt	4.57

CoCoRaHS inclusion in this table is based on a complete 31-day liquid precipitation record. Thank you to all observers!