

NWS FORM E-5 U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE NOAA, NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE MONTHLY REPORT OF RIVER AND FLOOD CONDITIONS TO: NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE (W/OH12x1) HYDROMETEOROLOGICAL INFO CENTER 1325 EAST-WEST HIGHWAY, RM 7116 SILVER SPRING, MD 20910	HSA OFFICE: Marquette, MI
	REPORT FOR (MONTH / YEAR): December 2015
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When no flooding occurs, include miscellaneous river conditions, such as significant rises, record low stages, ice conditions, snow cover, droughts, and hydrologic products issued (WSOM E-41).	

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An X inside this box indicates no flooding occurred within this Hydrologic Service Area.

December Flooding

No flooding was reported to the National Weather Service.

December Precipitation

An abnormal weather pattern impacted conditions across Upper Michigan through most of December. The pattern brought warm, moist air to the area, which resulted in well above normal to record temperatures and liquid precipitation amounts and well below normal snowfall amounts.

Below is a chart of some of the larger cities in the Upper Peninsula, with monthly precipitation in inches, the amount of inches above or below normal for the month and any applicable record high or low rank.

Location	Precipitation	Above/Below	Rank	Snow	Above/Below	Rank
WFO Marquette	4.87	2.30	4 th	18.9	-23.9	
Marquette City	3.83	1.86	8 th	5.6	-19.7	5 th
Houghton Airport	3.07	1.18		No Data	No Data	
Ironwood	4.68	2.57	3 rd	24.4	-21.9	
Iron Mountain	4.05	2.50	1 st	5.3	-8.6	
Manistique	5.33	3.73	1 st	4.0	No Data	8 th
Munising	5.02	1.27	5 th	5.5	-35.7	1 st
Newberry	4.10	No Data	4 th	8.4	No Data	

Other monthly precipitation totals from coop observers:

Location	Precipitation (inches)	Snow (inches)
Ahmeek 1SW (Keweenaw County)	Missing	Missing
Amasa (Iron County)	2.81	4.4
Atlantic Mine (Houghton County)	5.45	35.0
Baraga 7NW (Baraga County)	3.03	14.8
Big Bay (Marquette County)	5.02	14.4
Chatham (Alger County)	5.14	9.8
Clarksburg (Marquette County)	3.15	9.3
Cooks (Schoolcraft County)	Missing	Missing
Copper Harbor (Keweenaw County)	Missing	Missing
Garden Corners (Delta County)	5.59	5.8
Gladstone (Delta County)	5.24	6.4
Greenland 6N (Ontonagon County)	4.92	19.9
Gwinn (Marquette County)	Missing	Missing
Harvey (Marquette County)	3.00	5.6
Herman (Baraga County)	Missing	Missing
Houghton (Houghton County)	Missing	Missing
Jacobsville (Houghton County)	4.63	25.0
Mohawk (Keweenaw County)	5.12	13.7
Menominee (Menominee County)	3.29	6.0
Norway (Dickinson County)	4.39	5.6
Paulding (Ontonagon County)	3.76	10.9
Stambaugh (Iron County)	3.83	5.3

Drought Discussion

The December 24, 2015 release of the U.S. Drought Monitor indicated that drought conditions did not exist across Upper Michigan. For the latest drought status, please go to <http://www.drought.gov>.

December Temperatures

Below is a table of some of the larger cities in the Upper Peninsula, with average monthly temperature and number of degrees above or below normal for the month, and the rank of an all-time warmest or coldest month, where applicable.

Location	Temperature (degrees)	Above/Below	Rank
WFO Marquette	28.9	10.4	1 st
Marquette City	32.9	9.4	2 nd
Houghton Airport	30.7	10.5	1 st
Ironwood	27.7	11.1	4 th
Iron Mountain	30.6	11.2	2 nd
Manistique	33.2	9.9	1 st
Munising	32.7	9.8	1 st
Newberry	32.4	11.4	1 st

December River Levels

According to the United States Geological Survey, Upper Michigan December average streamflow ranged from normal (25-75 percentile) to record high (for monthly values).

December Products Issued

31 – Daily River and Lake Summary

31 – Hydrologic Summary

1 – Hydrologic Outlook

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