

Narrative Summary – April 2014

April 2014 was warmer than normal, averaging 55.4°F, 2.0° above normal (53.4°F). The warmest April (1994) averaged 58.2°F, while the coldest (1955) averaged 47.5°F. No daily temperature records were established in April 2014:

Precipitation for April 2014 totaled 0.38 inches, 69% of normal (0.55 inch). The wettest April (2003) received 2.23 inches, while the driest (1999 and earlier years) received only a trace. Total precipitation for 2014 (through April) is 2.87 inches, 104% of normal (2.76 inches).

The average wind speed for April 2014 was 9.7 miles per hour (mph), 1.5 miles per hour above normal (8.5 mph). The windiest April (1959 and 1972) averaged 11.1 mph, while the April with the lightest winds (2004) averaged 7.2 mph. The peak gust for April 2014 was 46 mph on April 19. The record wind gust for April was 73 mph in 1972.

The monthly climatological data summaries, as well as other information, are available on the Internet.

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Note: The data in this summary pertains specifically to the Hanford Meteorology Station (HMS), which is located approximately 25 miles northwest of Richland, WA. No attempt should be made to infer meteorological conditions at other locations from these data.