

## Narrative Summary – April 2019

April 2019 was warmer than normal, averaging 55.5°F, 2.0° above normal (53.5°F). The warmest April (2016) averaged 61.0°F. The coldest April (1955) averaged 47.5°F.

The following daily temperature record was established during April 2019.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Category</u>	<u>New Record</u>	<u>Old Record</u>	<u>Year</u>
19	High Minimum	57	56	1994

Precipitation for April 2019 totaled 0.71 inches, 129% of normal (0.55 inches). The wettest April (2003) received 2.23 inches, while the driest (1999 and earlier years) received only a trace. Total precipitation for 2019 (through April) is 3.97 inches, 144% of normal (2.76 inches).

The average wind speed for April 2019 was 9.5 miles per hour (mph), 1.0 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 2019 was from the west-northwest at 53 mph on April 27. The record wind gust for April is 73 mph, which occurred in 1972.

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

Address: <http://www.hanford.gov/page.cfm/hms>

Or contact:

HMS staff: 373-2716 [hms@rl.gov](mailto:hms@rl.gov)

Grant Gutierrez: 376-5736 [Grant\\_E\\_Gutierrez@rl.gov](mailto:Grant_E_Gutierrez@rl.gov)

**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.