

Regional Climate Summary

October 2020

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October began with above normal temperatures and little to no precipitation across the region. Hot and dry weather exacerbated the ongoing drought. However, big changes occurred during the latter part of the month when a major arctic intrusion brought record breaking cold temperatures and winter precipitation to the region. From the 26th thru the 28th Midland Int'l Airport tallied 3 record lows and 2 record cold highs including the coldest all time October high temperature of 31°F on the 27th. Intermittent freezing rain and sleet occurred throughout the 3 day period which covered trees, roads, and powerlines in ice. Light snow accumulated in some locations including at MAF which received its earliest measurable snowfall on record (0.2" on the 27th).

Midland Int'l Airport October Statistics:

- Warmest Day: 98°F on the 10th *record high
- Coolest Night: 26°F on the 27th *record low
- Average Temperature: 64.9°F (Normal: 64.8°F)
- Precipitation Total: 0.03" (Normal: 1.73")
- Average Wind Speed: 11.3 mph
- Highest Wind Gust: 40 mph on the 28th

October	Precip Ranking	Temp Ranking
Big Spring (1948-2020)	(0.24") 16 th Driest	(64.8°F) Outside Top 25
Carlsbad (1930-2020)	(0.02") 8 th Driest	(63.0°F) 25 th Coolest
Fort Stockton (1940-2020)	(0.03") T-4 th Driest	(70.4°F) 6 th Warmest
Midland (1930-2020)	(0.03") T-6 th Driest	(64.9°F) Outside Top 25
Seminole (1930-2020)	(0.52") Outside Top 25	(61.3°F) Outside Top 25
Snyder (1910-2020)	(1.08") Outside Top 25	(63.1°F) Outside Top 25
Van Horn (1940-2020)	(0.00") T-1 st Driest	(63.9°F) Outside Top 25

