

NOVEMBER 1988 TEMPERATURES: Since 1973, November temperatures at DCA have averaged ABOVE NORMAL in 12 of the last 16 years, and 1988 was no exception (see table below). Similarly, temperatures at IAD and BWI have been above normal in 11 of the past 16 Novembers.

NOVEMBER 1988 WEATHER STATISTICS AT DCA, BWI, IAD, DAA, ADW:

Station Location	Temperatures (°F)					Extreme/Day		Precipitation (In)		
	AvMx	AvMn	AvgT	NmIT	DepNm	MaxT	MinT	Total	Norm	DepNm
National (DCA)	58.6	41.2	50.3	48.7	+1.6	69/5	32/25	5.33	2.82	+2.51
Baltimore (BWI)	58.7	37.2	48.2	46.3	+1.9	70/4	26/23	4.78	3.11	+1.67
Dulles (IAD)	58.2	33.3	46.0	44.8	+1.2	71/4	22/12	4.48	2.99	+1.49
Ft. Belvoir (DAA)	56.9	36.1	46.7	N/A	N/A	67/4	28/23,25	5.61	N/A	N/A
Andrews AFB (ADW)	57.1	39.1	48.4	N/A	N/A	68/4	28/23,25	5.31	N/A	N/A

(Note: N/A indicates Not Available)

AUTUMN (SEP-NOV) 1988: By the end of October, it appeared as though this Fall would be one of the coldest and driest on record in the Washington, D.C. area. September and October precipitation deficits at DCA, BWI, and IAD totaled 2.52", 2.93", and 2.87", while the two month temperature departures from normal were -3.6°F, -3.9°F, and -3.6°F, respectively. During November, however, excess rainfall and unseasonably mild weather brought this Fall's statistics to more normal levels (see table below) and pushed DCA's 1988 precipitation over 30".

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Station Location	Temperatures (°F)					Precipitation (Inches)		
	AvgMax	AvgMin	AvgT	NmIT	DepNmIT	Total	Normal	DepNmI
National (DCA)	66.8	48.6	57.9	59.7	-1.8	8.93	8.90	+0.03
Baltimore (BWI)	66.0	44.6	55.4	57.4	-2.0	8.42	9.62	-1.20
Dulles (IAD)	66.2	41.2	53.8	55.8	-2.0	7.88	9.26	-1.38
Ft. Belvoir (DAA)	64.9	43.5	54.2	N/A	N/A	9.61	N/A	N/A
Andrews AFB (ADW)	64.4	45.6	55.1	N/A	N/A	10.46	N/A	N/A

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CONJECTURE CORNER:

WHEN WILL THE FIRST INCH OF SNOW ACCUMULATE AT DCA? THE AVERAGE FIRST DATE IS DECEMBER 15. LOOKING BACK AT THE LAST 10 YEARS, THE FIRST INCH OF SNOW AT DCA FELL ON:

Winter Season	Date	Winter Season	Date
1987-1988	Nov.11	1982-1983	Dec.12
1986-1987	Jan.22	1981-1982	Dec.15
1985-1986	Dec.20	1980-1981	Dec.31
1984-1985	Jan. 4	1979-1980	Jan. 4
1983-1984	Jan.11	1978-1979	Nov.27