



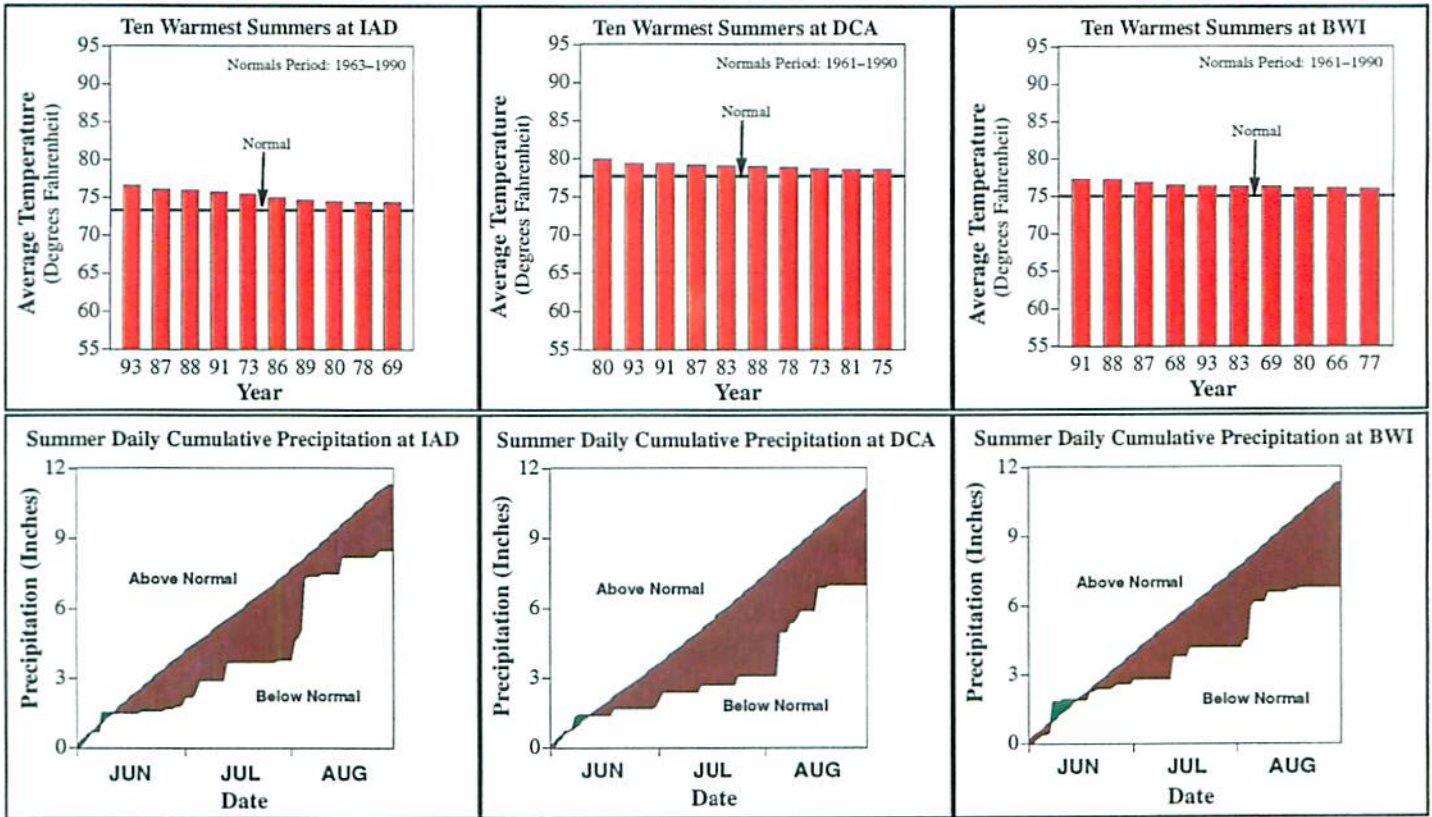
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PRECIPITATION SUMMARY AND TEMPERATURE OBSERVATIONS FOR THE WASHINGTON, DC & BALTIMORE, MD AREA

AUGUST 1993 & SUMMER REVIEW

**ABNORMALLY HOT AND DRY SUMMER (JUNE–AUGUST)
ACROSS MOST OF THE WASHINGTON/BALTIMORE AREA**



HIGHLIGHTS

- Second warmest August ever recorded at IAD and 9th at DCA (tied w/ 1900);
- 14 days in August with 90°F+ readings at DCA;
- Above normal monthly rainfall at IAD, near normal at DCA, and below normal at BWI, DAA, and ADW;
- Heavy showers on the 6th provide more than 50% of the August precipitation totals at DCA, BWI, DAA, and ADW;
- Strongest tornado (gusts to 210 mph; F4 on a F0–F5 scale) ever recorded in Virginia batters Petersburg and Colonial Heights on the 6th, causing extensive damage;
- Warmer and drier than normal Summer at all 5 airports;
- Warmest summer ever recorded at IAD, 2nd at DCA (tied w/ 1991), and 5th at BWI;
- 47 Summer days with readings at or above 90°F at DCA and 4 days with highs of 100°F, the most since 1988;
- Latest first 90°F or greater reading (June 9th) at DCA since 1983;
- Hottest month (July 1993) on record at both DCA and IAD;
- 24 days with 90°F+ readings during July at DCA, tying (July 1987) the most ever recorded in any month;
- A July record 16 consecutive days (3rd–18th) with readings at or above 90°F at DCA, surpassing both 1872 and 1987 (14 days);
- Driest summer at DCA since 1980.

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