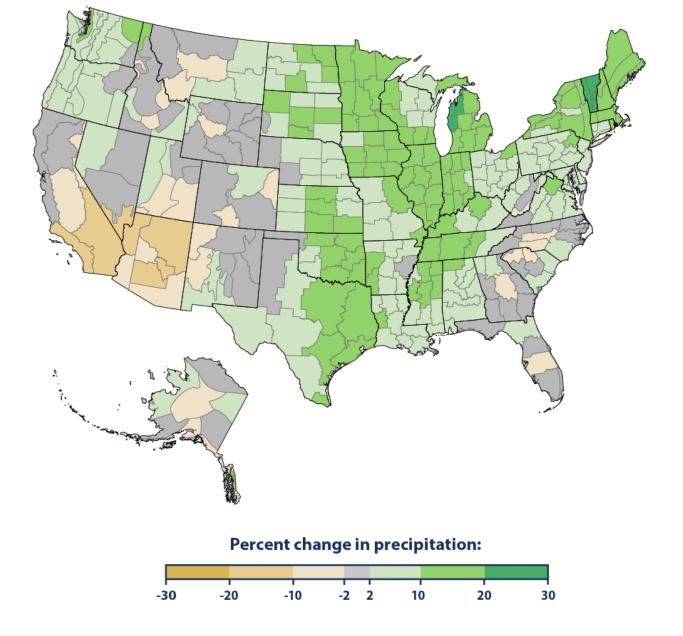
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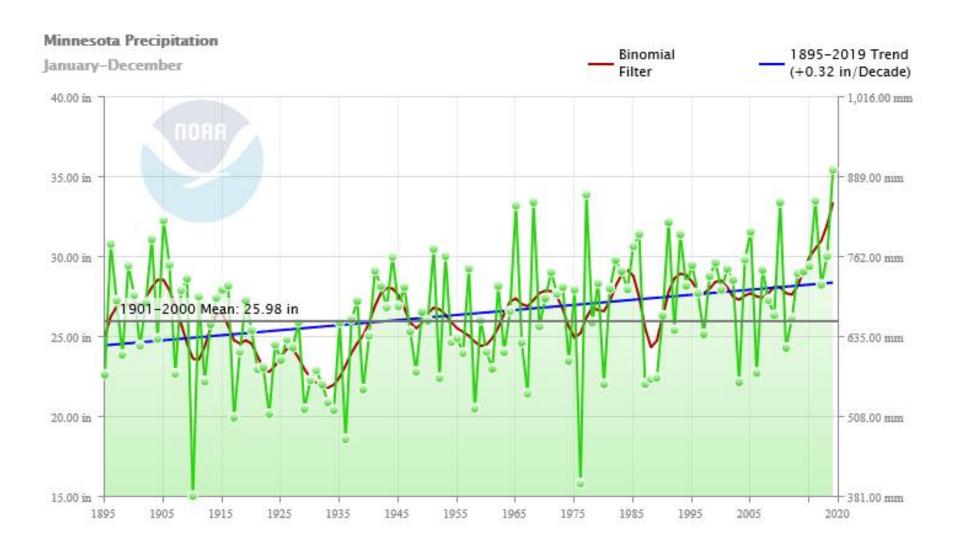
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Change in Annual Precipitation in the United States, 1901-2015 (via NOAA) shows geographic disparity. Minnesota is getting wetter.

Average Annual PPT 1891-1920, Average Annual PPT 1921-1950, in Avg. Annual PPT, in < 20 21 - 25 26 - 28 29 - 30 > 30 Average Annual PPT 1981-2010, in Average Annual PPT 1951-1980, in

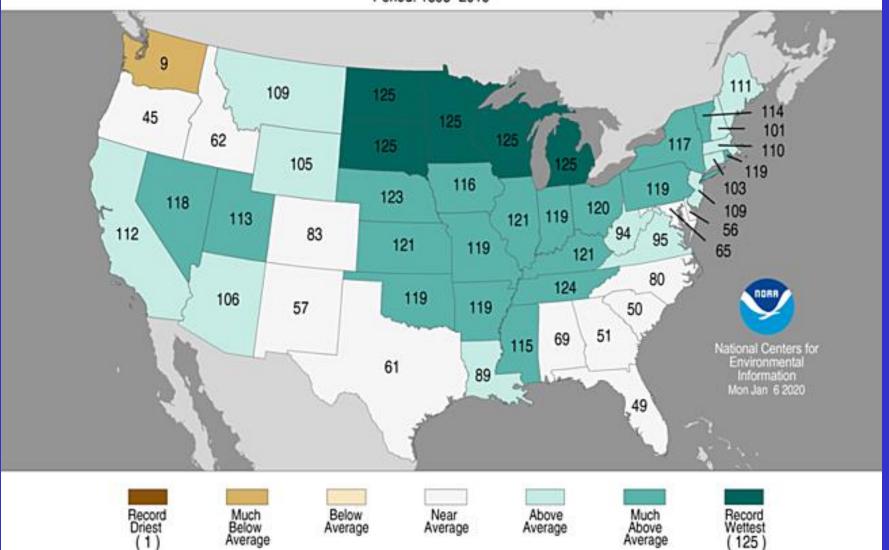


Trend in Average Annual Precipitation for Minnesota 1895-2019 (35.49" in 2019)

Statewide Precipitation Ranks

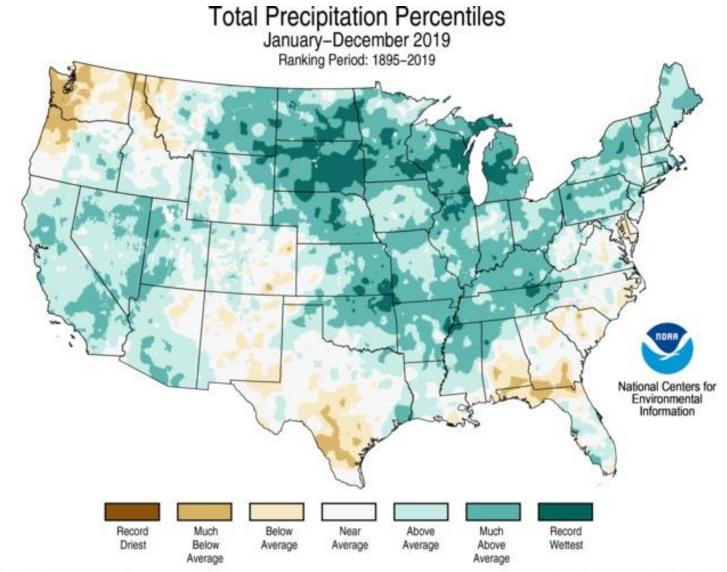
January-December 2019

Period: 1895-2019





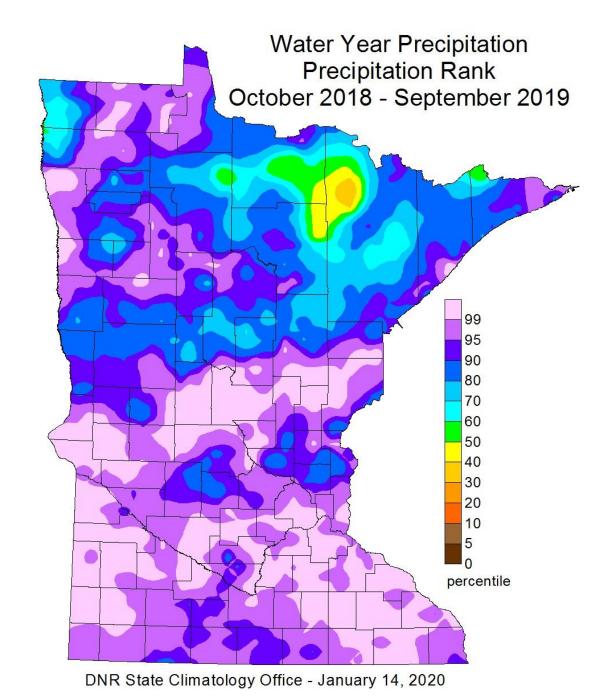
Record Precipitation for Jan-Dec 2019



A sample listing of Minnesota long-term climate stations recording their wettest year in 2019:

Pipestone	41.43"
Marshall	45.78"
Redwood Falls	45.20"
Canby	39.73"
Artichoke Lake	37.53"
Melrose	39.38"
Browns Valley	37.22"
Georgetown	35.80"
St Cloud	41.92"
Bird Island	46.28"
Hutchinson	44.16"
Rochester	55.16 "
MSP	43.17"

Wettest Water Year in State History



1990s wettest decade of the 20th Century in Minnesota will be surpassed by 2011-2020

