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#### Abstract

Regression equations were developed and graphed to provide an estimate of the number of days in a month the temperature was above or below selected temperature thresholds. These included: the mean number of days when the maximum temperature is equal to or greater than the following temperatures: $65^{\circ} \mathrm{F}, 70^{\circ} \mathrm{F}, 75^{\circ} \mathrm{F}, 80^{\circ} \mathrm{F}, 85^{\circ} \mathrm{F}, 90^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$, $95^{\circ} \mathrm{F}, 100^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$ and when the maximum temperature was less than $32^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$. In addition, this study included estimation of the mean number of days when the minimum temperature is equal to or less than the following levels: $0^{\circ} \mathrm{F}, 10^{\circ} \mathrm{F}, 20^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$, and $32^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$. The procedure involved regressing the probit transformation of the percent of days with the monthly mean maximum or mean minimum temperature. The developed equations were tested for the Columbia Basin states and Nevada. Results indicate that this procedure provides a reliable and rapid method for estimation and gives field climatologists a useful tool to meet users' requests.


## I. INTRODUCTION

The "mean number of days" table found readily in monthly national climatological publications is usually associated with four threshold temperatures. These are: (a) the mean number of days when the maximum temperature equals or exceeds $90^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$; (b) the mean number of days when the maximum temperature is $32^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$ or below; (c) the mean number of days when the minimum temperature is equal or less than $32^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$; (d) the mean number of days when the minimum temperature is $0^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$ or less. For comparative purposes over the United States, these threshold temperatures may be valid and useful. In some instances, however, the table for a specific temperature, e.g., $90^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$, may not be meaningful when this threshold is not often reached. Other low temperature levels may be of interest. Also, requests are sometimes received for a threshold level not readily tabulated.

Computer facilities have expedited the availability of this type of information, but analysis of daily observations over a long period is still time-consuming. Climatologists need a rapid means of estimating the mean number of days above or below a selected temperature level to meet users' requests and also to provide this information without resorting to analysis of voluminous data at a field station. This study provides a rapid and simple method for estimating
the number of days above or below selected threshold temperatures. These temperatures include mean number of days when the maximum temperature is equal to or greater than the following temperatures: $65^{\circ} \mathrm{F}, 70^{\circ} \mathrm{F}, 75^{\circ} \mathrm{F}, 80^{\circ} \mathrm{F}, 85^{\circ} \mathrm{F}, 90^{\circ} \mathrm{F}, 95^{\circ} \mathrm{F}, 100^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$ and when the maximum temperature is less than $32^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$. In addition, this study includes estimation of the mean number of days when the minimum temperature is equal to or less than the following levels: $0^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$, $10^{\circ} \mathrm{F}, 20^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$, and $32^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$.

## 11. PROCEDURE

The initial procedure involved plotting the percent of days in the month with maximum temperature equal to or greater than the following temperatures: $65,70,75,80,85,90,95$ or 100 degrees $F$, versus the monthly mean temperatures; percent days in the month when the maximum femperature is equal to or less than 32 degrees $F$, versus the mean temperature; and the percent of days with minimum temperature equal to or less than the following temperature thresholds: 32, 20, 10 or 0 degrees $F$ versus the mean minimum temperature. This was done for the Columbia Basin states and Nevada. Percentage of the days in a month was utilized to provide a homogenous scale for all months involved. An example of the plot of percent of days in month with maximum temperature equal to or greater than 65 degrees versus monthly mean maximum temperature is shown in Figure 1. The $I D=65$ is the identification of the plot; $N O=356$ represent the sample size, which is not plotted completely because some of the data points represent more than one datum point. The mean temperature laverage of maximum and minimum) was also plotted to explore the relationship, but the resulting variation was greater than that of using only the maximum or minimum temperature. Therefore, the mean temperature was not used.

A study of the plots revealed that the curve is sigmoid and suggests a normal distribution. Analysis based directly on this distribution, would have been simple, but other factors need be considered. (a) There are temperature limits above or below which the number of days is zero or 100 percent of the days in a month. (b) These need to be eliminated to minimize a bias in a prediction line; data avallable for analysis in some instances may not be distributed to provide samples covering a sufficiently broad range. Therefore, the mean and variance, even though possible to calculate, may be meaningless.

It was hypothesized that if the range and distribution of samples were sufficient, the curve would follow a normal distribution, but because of (b) in the previous paragraph, another approach was necessary to obtain a prediction model. This approach involved the probit transformation of the original data, in this case, the percent of days in a month. Discussion of the probit transformation is detalled by Finney (2). An example of the data plot, of the transformed data for the percent of days when the maximum temperature is greater than $65^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$ is given in Figure 2. Essentially, the probit transformation linearizes the normal sigmold curve to obtain a straight line.(See Figure 3.)

In this study, the transformed data was regressed on temperature, using the least squares method. The result was a linear regression equation for each of the threshold temperatures. For some threshold levels, e.g., $90^{\circ} \mathrm{F}, 95^{\circ} \mathrm{F}, 100^{\circ} \mathrm{F}, 0^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$, the same size was insufficient to provide a stable equation. Therefore, it was decided to combine the data for all states (ldaho, Oregon, Washington, Nevada, and parts of Moritana) and run a combined model at each level in addition to a model for each level at each state.

## \|\|. DATA

Data for this study were extracted from the Climatological Handbook, Columbia Basin States, Volume I, Parts A and B (this handbook covered the states of Idaho, Oregon, Washington, and parts of Montana) (3, 4). For Nevada, data for the sites were determined by examining daily temperature observations (5). These states were selected to cover the spectrum of temperature range which has potential interest. Identical period data were not included in this analysis. Sites selected were based on length of record available which consisted of at least 29 years for the Columbia Basin states and at least 20 years for Nevada, as well as the general coverage of the states involved. Approximate location and name of the stations are shown in Figures 4, 5, 6, and 7.

## IV. RESULTS

Tables 1 through 4 are the summary of the final regression equations based on the transformed data (percent of days) for the individua! states. Note that the percent of variation explained by the model $\left(R^{2}\right)$ is generally excellent, except for the extreme threshold values, i.e., $95^{\circ} \mathrm{F}, 100^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$, and $0^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$. For the combined states model (Table 5), significant improvement is achieved. This results from combining data which cover a broader temperature range and, hence, data which cover a larger range of percent of days above or below a specified threshold. This suggests that for the states involved in this study, the combined model is a better predictor than the individual model for temperature levels $95^{\circ} \mathrm{F}, 100^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$, and $0^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$. For other thresholds, it is recommended that the individual model for each state be applied.

The models were subsequently tested on an independent sample for independent data sites (Table 6). The observed and computed values (probit transformation) were compared, using the correlation coefficient as a measure of their association. Again, the poorest association was obtained with the extreme threshold levels, $95^{\circ} \mathrm{F}, 100^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$, and $0^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$.

To expedite the analysis where computer facilities may not be available, the models were graphically charted. These are shown in Figures 8 through 17. Figures 8 and 9 are for Idaho and northwest Montana; Figures 10 and 11 for Nevada; Figures 12 and 13 for Oregon; Figures 14 and 15 for Washington, and Figures 16 and 17 are for the combined states.

These graphs are used to determine the probit value (dependent variable). For example, Figure 8 is used to determine the probit. value for the number of days when the maximum temperature equals or exceeds selected temperatures at Idaho and northwest Montana. The mean monthly maximum temperature on the left ordinate is used as the indeperident variable to determine the probit value. For $32^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$. (number of days when the maximum temperature is less than $32^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$ ), the ordinate scale to the right is used. Having determined that probit value, Figure 18 is used to retransform the probit values to either the precent of days (left ordinate scale) or the approximate number of days (right ordinate scale). For example, in Figure 8, if the mean monthly maximum temperature was $90^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$ and it was desired to determine the mean number of days when the maximum temperature was $85^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$ or higher, proceed right from the left ordinate at $90^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$ until the line ${ }^{\prime} 85^{\prime}$ is intersected. From the point of intersection, proceed down until the value is found on the probit scale (abscissa). In this case, the value is 5.7. Enter 5.7 in Figure 18 on the abscissa and proceed upward until the curved line is intersected. The value for percent of month is 75 percent; for the number of days with a month having 30 days, it is 22.5 days.

Values for the number of days when the minimum temperature is below selected levels is similarly determined. For example, Figure 9 is used to find the probit value for Idaho and northwest Montana. The value is then entered in Figure 18 for the desired information.

The confidence interval for the estimate of a mean is calculated, in the case of the 95 percent confidence interval (C.l.), by:

$$
\begin{equation*}
\text { C.l. }=\bar{y}+b x \pm+.05 s^{s} y \cdot x \sqrt{\frac{1}{n}+\frac{x^{2}}{\Sigma x^{2}}} \tag{1}
\end{equation*}
$$

where the term $\bar{y}+b x$ is the estimated mean determined previously in the above example; $x=x-\bar{x}$ where $\bar{x}$ is the mean and $x$ is the observed independent variable (the observed mean maximum or mean minimum temperature); $\Sigma x^{2}$ is the corrected sum of squares for $x$ from which the model was derived; $s_{y}$ is the standard deviation of the estimate $y$ and ${ }^{t}{ }_{.05}$ is student's ' + ' for $n-2$ degrees of freedom. These values have been tabulated for each model (See Tables 8 through 12). Equation (1) is used in the case where a value of mean femperature is derived from analysis of several years. In some cases, interest may be on a particular year's data. To determine the confidence interval for this, the following is used:

$$
\begin{equation*}
\text { C.1. }=\bar{y}+b x \pm+.05 s y \cdot x \sqrt{1+\frac{1}{n}+\frac{x^{2}}{\sum x^{2}}} \tag{2}
\end{equation*}
$$

For example, if the $90^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$ occurred this year, the estimated mean number of days determined earlier is 22.5 days (probit value of 5.7). From Table 8 for Idaho and northwest Montana, and for temperature level $85^{\circ} \mathrm{F},{ }_{.05}=1.998 ; \mathrm{s}_{\mathrm{y} \cdot \mathrm{x}}=.149 ; n=95 ; \bar{x}=77.6$ and $\Sigma x^{2}=5118.6$. Therefore, the 95 percent confidence interval is:

$$
\text { C.1. }=5.7 \pm 1.998(.149) \sqrt{1+\frac{1}{95}+\frac{(91-77.6)^{2}}{5118.6}}
$$

or between 5.4 and 6.0 probit value. This corresponds to between 19 and 25 days for a month with 30 days. Other state values are shown in Tables 9 through 12.

Examination of the regression coefficients (slope) of the models suggest they may be the same. Two slopes may be compared with the student's + with $n_{1}+n_{2}-4$ degrees of freedom. The test was conducted for threshold temperatures $65,70,75,80,85$, and 90 F only. The test is:

$$
\begin{equation*}
+=\frac{b_{1}-b_{2}}{\sqrt{s_{p}^{2}\left(\frac{1}{\Sigma x_{1}{ }^{2}}+\frac{1}{\Sigma x_{2}{ }^{2}}\right)}} \tag{4}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $b_{1}$ and $b_{2}$ are the regression coefficients for samples 1 and 2 respectively; $\Sigma x_{1}{ }^{2}$ and $\Sigma x_{2}{ }^{2}$ are the corrected sum of squares for the respective samples and $s_{p} 2$ is the pooled variance determined by:
$s_{p}^{2}=\frac{\left\{\Sigma y_{1}{ }^{2}-\left[\left(\Sigma x_{1}, y_{1}\right)^{2} / \Sigma x_{1}^{2}\right]\right\}+\left\{\Sigma y_{2}{ }^{2}-\left[\left(\Sigma x_{2} y_{2}\right)^{2} / \Sigma x_{2}^{2}\right]\right\}}{n_{1}-2+n_{2}-2}$

If $t$ in equation (4) is less than the tabulated + with $n_{1}+n_{2}-$ 4 degrees of freedom at the .05 level of significance, it is concluded that the slope of the two lines are the same.

This test was conducted for the largest and smallest regression coefficient value for each model from 65 degrees to 90 degrees $F$. The statistical results show that the slopes between the largest and smallest value were significantly different and, hence, could not be considered to have the same slope. Consequently, for the samples used in this study, it is recommended that the slope for each individual model be retained in the prediction equation. One possible explanation for the surprising statistical difference is the small
range dealt with for the probit values, which range from about 3.5 , to 7.5 (see Figure 3 ).

## V. COMPUTER ANALYSIS

Bliss (I) prepared a table of the relationship between percentages and probits. When plotted graphically, the relationship appears as in Figure 19. In the computer program, the curve in Figure 19 was divided. into three sections: (a) 1.0 to 29.0 percnet, (b) from greater than 29.0 percent to 70 percent, (c) from greater than 70.0 percent to less than or equal to 99.9 percent. A model was developed between percentages and probits for each section of the curve. For curve (a), a logarithmic model was developed,

$$
\begin{equation*}
Y=2.51573+.547465 \ln X \tag{6}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $Y$ is the probit and $X$ is the percentage. The coefficient of determination ( $R^{2}$ ) was 98.61 percent which means that the data "explained" is . 9861 of the variation of the data around the model. For curve (b), a linear model gave the best fit:

$$
\begin{equation*}
Y=3.71121+.0257758 X \tag{7}
\end{equation*}
$$

$R^{2}$ was .9998. For curve (c), the exponential models were attempted. The 4th polynomial yielded the best fit with $R^{2}=.9855$.

$$
\begin{equation*}
Y=1074.32-51.8832 x+.940684 X^{2}-.00755276 X^{3}+.0000226766 X^{4} \tag{8}
\end{equation*}
$$

Although relatively laborious to calculate by hand, computer-usage with these models posed no problem.

As indicated previously, all values of $0 \%$ or $100 \%$ of month were not included in the analysis of "the regression model.

Each card (one card per month) included the mean maximum, mean minimum and mean temperature and the number of days for each of the threshold temperatures.

## VI. CONCLUDING REMARKS

The procedure developed in this study provides a convenient method for estimating the number of days in a month with temperatures above or below selected temperature thresholds. The only variable necessary is the mean monthly maximum or the mean minimum temperature.

The procedure can be used to develop models for states other than those included in this study. It is suggested, however, that the combined model developed in this study can be utilized for gross value estimation at other locations.

The regression coefficients from $65^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$ to $90^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$ are similar in magnitude, and in some cases, identical. However, analysis of the data show that the slopes (regression coefficients) cannot statistically be considered identical to each other.

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FIGIRE 3. SAPIE PLOT OF MEAN TEPPERATURE VERSUS PROBIT TRANSFORMATION OF PERCENTAGES,


FIGURE 5. LOCATION OF STATIONS IN NEVADA USED TO DEVELOP REGRESSION MODEL.


FIGURE 6. LDCATION OF STATIONS IN OREGON USED TO DEVELOP REGRESSION MODEL.


FIGURE 7. LOCATION OF STATIONS IN WASHINGTON USED TO DEVELOP REGRESSION MODEL,


FIGURE 8., REGRESSIONU LIE RELATING:NEAN MONTHLY MAXIMMM TEPFEATUPE WITH PROBIT FOR IDAHO AND MORTHESTERN MONTANA.


TETPGRATURE WITH PROBIT FOR IDAHO AN IORTHWESTERN MONTANA


FIGURE 10. REGRESSION LINE RELATING MEAN MONTHLY MAXIMMM TEPERATIUE WITH PROBIT FOR NEVADA,


FIGURE 11, REGRESSION LINE RELATING MEAN MONTHLY MINIMUM TEMPERATURE WITH PROBIT FOR NEVADA.



FIGURE 12. REGRESSION LINE RELATING MEAN MONTTHLY MAXIMMM TEMPERATURE WITH PRCBIT FOR OREGON.


FIGLRE 14, REGRESSION LINE RELATING MEAN MONTHLY MAXIMUM TEPPERATURE WITH PROBIT FOR WASHINGTON.


FIGURE 13, REGRESSION LINE RELATING MEAN MOITHLY MINIIMM TEMPERATURE WITH PROBIT FOR OREGON.


FIGURE 15. REGRESSION LINE RELATING MEAN MORTHLY MIDIMM IEPERATUPE WITH PROBIT FOR WASHINGTON.


FIGURE 16. REGPESSION LINE RELATING MEAN MDNTHLY MAXIMUM TEPERATURE WITH PROBIT FOR ALL STAIES COMBINED.


FIGIIFE 17. REGRESSION LINE RELATING MEAN MONTHLY MINIMMM TEPEEATURE WITH PROBIT FOR ALL STATES COMBINED.


FIGURE 18. GRAPHICAL RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN PROBIT AND PERCENT DAYS OF MONTH AND NHMER OF DAYS.


FIGURE 19. REEATIONSHIP BETNEEN PERCENAGES AND PROBITS.

Table 1 . Summary of Intercept and Regression Coefficients of Probit Transformation for Linear Model, Sample Size and Percent of Variation explained by the Model ( $\mathrm{R}^{2}$ ). for Estimating the Number of Days above or below selected Temperatures in Idaho-Montana.

| TEMPERATURE ( $\mathrm{F}^{0}$ ) |  | INTERCEPT | REGRESSION COEFFICIENT | SAMPIE SIZE (Months) | $\mathrm{R}^{2}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| MAX | 65 | $-1.236$ | . 096 | 130 | . 984 |
|  | 70 | -1.888 | . 100 | 128 | . 984 |
|  | 75 | -2.777 | . 106 | 128 | . 984 |
|  | 80 | $-3.512$ | . 109 | 115 | . 986 |
|  | 85 | -4.131 | .109 | 95 | . 988 |
|  | 90 | -4.295 | . 103 | 75 | .903 |
|  | 95 | -4.013 | . 091 | 46 | . 812 |
|  | 100 | -0.101 | . 039 | 15 | . 300 |
|  | 321* | 8.024 | -. 098 | 93 | . 951 |
| MIN | 32 | 8.692 | -. 118 | 180 | . 951 |
|  | 20 | 6.842 | -. 104 | 128 | . 958 |
|  | 10 | 5.928 | -. 097 | 96 | . 962 |
|  | 0 | 5.084 | -. 081 | 80 | . 889 |

[^0]Table 2 . Summary of Intercept and Regression Coefficients of Probit Transformation for Linear Model, Sample Size and Fercent of Variation explained by the Kodel $\left(R^{2}\right)$ for Estimating the Number of Days above or below selected Temperatures in Nevada.

*number of days max temperature was. $32^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$ or less

Table 3 . Summary of Intercept and Regression Coefficients of Probit Transformation for Linear Model, Sample Size and Percent of Variation explained by the Model ( $\mathrm{R}^{2}$ ). for Estimating the Number of Days above or below selected Temperatures in Oregon.

*number of days max temperature was $32^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$ or less

Table 4 . Summary of Intercept and Regression Coefficients of Probit Transformation for Linear Model, Sample Size and Percent of Variation explained by the Model ( $\mathrm{R}^{2}$ ) for Estimating the Number of Days above or below selected Temperatures in Washington.

| TEMPERATURE ( $\mathrm{F}^{\circ}$ ) |  | INTERCEPT | REGRESSION COEFFICIENT | SAMPIE SIZZ: (Months) | $\mathrm{R}^{2}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| MAX | 65 | - 2.093 | . 109 | 111 | . 941 |
|  | 70 | - 2.491 | . 107 | 105 | . 964 |
|  | 75 | - 3.184 | . 109 | 102 | . 962 |
|  | 80 | - 3.553 | . 108 | 89 | . 962 |
|  | 85 | - 3.816 | . 104 | 72 | . 941 |
|  | 90 | - 4.116 | . 102 | 50 | . 925 |
|  | 95 | - 4.419 | . 098 | 28 | . 925 |
|  | 100 | -11.507 | . 172 | 11 | . 867 |
|  | 321* | 8.325 | -. 109 | 47 | . 889 |
| MIN | 32 | 8.995 | -. 127 | 127 | . 949 |
|  | 20 | 6.819 | -. 104 | 65 | . 935 |
|  | 10 | 6.106 | -. 103 | 41 | . 828 |
|  | 0 | 5.199 | -. 080 | 23 | . 669 |

*number of days max temperature was $32^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$ or less

Table 5: Summary of Intercept and Regression Coefficients of Probit Transformation for Linear Model, Sample Size and Percent of Variation explained by the Model. ( $R^{2}$ ). for Estimating the Number of Days above or below selected Temperatures for Combined States.

| TEMPERATURE ( $F^{\circ}$ ) |  | INIERCEPT | REGRESSION COEFFICIENT | SAMPLE SIZE (Months) | $\mathrm{R}^{2}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| MAX | 65 | -1.704 : | . 103 | 356 | .958 |
|  | 70 | -2.319 | . 105 | 345 | .962 |
|  | 75 | -3.036 | . 109 | 328 | . 964 |
|  | 80 | -3.495 | . 108 | 294 | . 968 |
|  | 85 | -3.880 | . 106 | 236 | . 956 |
|  | 90 | -4.505 | . 106 | 225 | $\text { . } 910$ |
|  | 95 | -6.153 | . 118 | 160 | $.903$ |
|  | 100 | -7.415 | . 124 | 79 | . 821 |
|  | 321* | 7.859 | -. 095 | 216 | . 884 |
| MIN |  |  |  |  | $\therefore$ |
|  | 32 | 8.749 | -. 120 | 508 | . 951 |
|  | 20 | 6.891 | -. 106 | 256 | . 956 |
|  | 10 | 5.938 | -. 097 | 75 | . 939 |
|  | 0 | 5.011 | - -. 077 | $149 \ldots$ | . 806 |

[^1]Table 6. Independent Data Sites in Five States for Testing Prediction Models.

| State | SIte | LATITUDE (NORTH) | $\begin{gathered} \text { LONGITUDE } \\ (\mathrm{WESI}) \end{gathered}$ | $\underset{(F E E T)}{\text { ETEVATION }}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { NO. YEARS } \\ & \text { RECORD } \end{aligned}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| IDAHO | Ashton 1S | $44^{\circ} 04^{\prime}$ | $111^{\circ} 271$ | 5220 | 35 |
|  | Avery RS | $47^{\circ} 15^{\prime}$ | $115^{\circ} 48{ }^{\prime}$ | 2492 | 35 |
|  | Grace | $42^{\circ} 35^{\prime}$ | $111^{\circ} 44^{\prime}$ | 5400 | 35 |
|  | Hailey RS | $43^{\circ} 31^{\prime}$ | $114^{\circ} 191$ | 5328 | 35 |
|  | Idaho Falls AP | $43^{\circ} 31^{\prime \prime}$ | $112^{\circ} 04^{\prime}$ | 4730 | 35 |
|  | Oakley | $42^{\circ} 15^{\prime}$, | $113^{\circ} 5^{\prime}$ | 4191 | 35 |
|  | Sandpoint ES | $48^{\circ} 17^{\prime}$ | $216^{\circ} 34^{\prime}$ | 2100 | 35 |
| MONTANA | Missoula | $46^{\circ} 531$ | $114^{\circ} 021$ | 3172 | 35 |
| NEVADA | Battle Mountain | $40^{\circ} 391$ | $116^{\circ} 561$ | 4513 | 30 |
|  | Carson City | $39^{\circ} 09^{\prime}$ | $119^{\circ} 46^{\prime}$ | 4651 | 30 |
|  | Desert WL Range | $36^{\circ} 26$ | $115^{\circ} 22^{\prime}$ | 2920 | 30 |
|  | Fallon | $39^{\circ} 27^{\prime}$ | $118^{\circ} 47^{\prime}$ | 3965 | 30 |
|  | Lamoille | $40^{\circ} 411$ | $115^{\circ} 28$ ! | 6290 | 30 |
|  | Lovelock | $40^{\circ} 11^{\prime}$ | $118^{\circ} 29^{\prime}$ | 3977 | 30 |
|  | Mina | $38^{\circ} 23^{\prime}$ | $118^{\circ} .061$ | 4552 | 30 |
|  | Orovada | $41^{\circ} 34^{\prime}$ | $117^{\circ} 47^{\prime}$ | 4310 | 30 |
|  | Pioche | $37^{\circ} 56^{\prime}$ | $114^{\circ} 27^{\prime}$ | 6120 | 30 |
| OREGON | Forest Grove | $45^{\circ} 32^{\prime}$ | $123^{\circ} 06^{\prime}$ | 175 | 35 |
|  | Grants Pass | $42^{\circ} 26^{\prime}$ | $123^{\circ} 191$ | 925 | 35 |
|  | Heppner | $45^{\circ} 21$. | $119^{\circ} 331$ | 1950 | 35 |
|  | Madras 2N | $44^{\circ} 40$ | $121^{\circ} 0{ }^{\prime}$ | 2500 | 35 |
|  | Moro ES | $45^{\circ} 29^{\prime}$ | $120^{\circ} 43^{\prime}$ | 1858 | 35 |
|  | Parkdale | $45^{\circ} 35^{\prime}$ | $121^{\circ} 30^{\prime}$ | 1740 | 35 |
|  | Pendleton | $45^{\circ} 41$ ' | $118^{\circ}$ 51' | 1489 | 35 |
|  | Prineville $2 N W$ | $44^{\circ} 19$ ! | $120^{\circ} 52 \cdot$ | 2868 | 35 |
|  | Prospect 2SW | $42^{\circ} 44^{\prime}$ | $122^{\circ} .31^{\prime}$ | 2482 | 35 |
|  | Union | $45^{\circ} 13^{\prime}$ | $117^{\circ}$. $5^{\prime}$ | 2765 | 35 |
|  | Warm Springs R | $43^{\circ} 35^{\prime}$ | $118^{\circ} 13^{\prime}$ | 3352 | 35 |
| WASHINGTON | Concrete | $48^{\circ} 32^{\prime}$ | $121^{\circ} 45^{\prime}$ | 270 | 35 |
|  | Goldendale | $45^{\circ} 49^{\prime}$ | $120^{\circ} 50^{\prime}$ | 1635 | 35 |
|  | Kosmos | $46^{\circ} 30^{\prime \prime}$ | $122^{\circ} 39^{\prime}$ | 775 | 33 |
|  | Landsburg | $47^{\circ} 23^{\prime}$ | $121^{\circ} 58^{\prime}$ | 535 | 32 |
|  | Palmer 3SE | $47^{\circ} 18^{\prime}$ | $121^{\circ} 50^{\prime}$ | 895 | 35 |
|  | Rainier Longmire | $46^{\circ} 45^{\prime}$ | $121^{\circ} 49$, | 2762 | 27 |
|  | Snoqualmie Falls | $47^{\circ} 33^{\prime}$ | $121^{\circ} 51^{\prime}$ | 440 | 35 |
|  | Vancouver | $45^{\circ} 38^{\prime}$ | $122^{\circ} 41$ ! | 100 | 35 |
|  | Walla Walla 3W | $46^{\circ} 03!$ | $118^{\circ} 24$ | 800 | 32 |
|  | Wenatchee | $47^{\circ} 25^{\prime}$ | $120^{\circ} 19{ }^{\prime}$ | 634 | 35 |
|  | Wilbur | $47^{\circ} 45^{\prime}$ | $118^{\circ} 42{ }^{\prime}$ | 2163 | 35 |
|  | Wind River | $45^{\circ} 48^{\prime}$ | $121^{\circ} 56^{\prime}$ | 1145 | 35 |
|  | Winthrop IWSW | $48^{\circ} 28^{\prime}$ | $120^{\circ} \mathrm{Il}$ ' | 1755 | 36 |

Table 7. Correlation Coefficient (R) and Sample Size (Months) of Observed Versus Computed Percent Days Above or Below Selected Temperatures on Independent Samples for Combined Model and Individual State Model.

| TEMPERATURE | COMBINED STATES |  | IDAHO-MONTANA |  | OREGON |  | NEVADA |  | WASHINGION |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | R | MONTHS | R | MONTHS | R | MONTHS | R | MONTHS | R | MONTHS |
| MAX |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 65 | . 984 | 236 | . 989 | 54 | . 992 | 83 | -- | -- | . 978 | 99 |
| 70 | . 988 " | 235 | .986 | - 56 | . 993 | 85 | -- | -- | . 985 | 94 |
| 75 | . 988 | 225 | .986 | . 54 | - 9.94 | 80 | -- | -- | . 987 | 91 |
| 80 | . 963 | 20 | . 988 | 40 | . 937 | 78 | -- | -- | . 982 | 86 |
| 85 | . 959 | 162 - | . 981 | 34 | . 990 | . 62 | -- | -- | . 923 | 66 |
| 90 | .954. | 177 | .947 | 23 | . 973 | 53 | . 955 | 50 | . 953 | 51 |
| 95 | . 856 | 70 | .790 | 12 | . 892 | 34 | -- | -- | . 952 | 24 |
| 100 | . 712 | 26 | -- | 2 | . 742 | 15 | -- | -- | $.787$ | 9 |
| 32 | -902 | 46 | .948 | 40 | . 892 | 32 | . 694 | 30 | . 915 | 44 |
| MIN |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 32 | . 961 | 363 | .945 | 74 | . 977 | 103 | . 969 | 89 | . 967 | 97 |
| 20 | . 940 | 170 | . 910 | 53 | . 955 | 62 | -- | -- | . 940 | 55 |
| 10 | . 882 | 103 | . 845 | 39 | . 842 | 34 | -- | -- | . 829 | 30 |
| 0 | . 765 | 85 | .787 | 35 | . 626 | 19 | . 469 | 17 | . 882 | 14 |

Table 8. Variables for 95 Percent Confidence Interval ted Value (Probit Transformation of the Percent of Days Above or Eelow Selected Temperatures) from Individual Monthly Mean Maximum or Mean Minimum Temperatures for Idaho-Montana.

| TEMP | RATURE | $\begin{aligned} & { }^{t} .05 \\ & (n-2 d f) \end{aligned}$ | STANDARD DEviAIION | $\left(s_{y \cdot x}\right)$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { SAMPLEE } \\ & \text { SIZE }(\mathrm{n}) \end{aligned}$ | $\frac{\text { MEAN }}{(\bar{x})}$ |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| MAX | 65 | 1.980 | .139 |  | 130 | 66.4 | 16358.5 |
|  | 70 | 1.980 | . 131 |  | 128 | 70.9 | 12958.8 |
|  | 75 | 1.980 | . 141 |  | 128 | 72.6 | 12426.2 |
|  | 80 | 1.981 | . 120 |  | 115 | 74.9 | 9265.7 |
|  | 85 | 1.998 | . 149 |  | 95 | 77.6 | 5118.6 |
|  | 90 | 1.996 | . 213 |  | 75 | 80.1 | 2829.9 |
|  | 95 | 2.016 | . 202 |  | 46 | 83.6 | 932.5 |
|  | 100 | 2.160 | . 207 |  | 15 | 87.8 | 155.4 |
|  | 32 | 1.990 | . 138 |  | 93 | 38.3 | 3409.3 |
| MIN | 32 | 1.980 | . 261 |  | 180 | 29.1 | 16662.3 |
|  | 20 | 1.980 | . 168 |  | 128 | 21.3 | 7431.9 |
|  | 10 | 1.989 | . 119 |  | 96 | 18.2 | 3544.3 |
|  | 0 | 1.994 | . 159 |  | 80 | 16.7 | 2395.7 |
| a/ $95 \%$ C.I. $=\bar{y}+b x \pm t .05 s_{y x} \sqrt{1+\frac{1}{n}+\frac{x^{2}}{\sum x^{2}}}$ where $x=x-\bar{x} ; \bar{x}$ is the mean and $X$ the observed data. <br> * Corrected sum of squares |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

Table 9 Variabies a/
Pre 95 Percent (Probjit Transformation of the Percent of Days Above or Below Selected Temperatures) from Indiviaual Monthly Mean Maximum or Mean Minimum Temperatures for Nevada.

| TEMPERATURE |  | $\left.{ }_{\left(n-\frac{1}{2}\right.}^{t} \mathrm{df}\right)$ | STANDARD <br> DEVIATION | $\left(s_{y}, x\right)$ | SAMPIE <br> SIZE. (n) | $\frac{\mathrm{MEAN}}{(\overline{\mathrm{x}})}$ | $\Sigma_{x}{ }^{2 *}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| MAX | 90 | 2.016 | . 245 |  | 44 | 85.4 | 2210.5 |
|  | 95 | 2.011 | . 181 |  | 51 | 90.9 | 2795.2 |
|  | 100 | 2.036 | . 283 |  | 39 | 94.5 | 1365.2 |
|  | 32 | 2.037 | . 191 |  | 34 | 44.8 | 925.7 |
| MIN | 32 | 1.992 | . 263 |  | 83 | 30.4 | 8873.4 |
|  | 0 | 2.080 | . 202 |  | 23 | 17.4 | 356.5 |

a/ $95 \%$ C.I. $=\bar{y}+b x \pm t_{05} s_{y x x} \sqrt{1+\frac{1}{n}+\frac{x^{2}}{\sum x^{2}}}$ where $x=x-\bar{x} ; \bar{x}$ is the mean
and $x$ the observed data.

* Corrected sum of squares

Table 10 . Variables for 95 Percent Confidence Interval on the Predicted Value (Probit Transformation of the Percent of Days Above or Below Selected Temperatures) from Individual Monthly Mean Maximum or Mean Minimum Temperatures for Oregon.

| TEMPERATURE |  | $\begin{aligned} & \left.t^{n-25} d f\right) \end{aligned}$ | STANDARD <br> DEVIATIO | $\left(s_{y, x}\right)$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { SAMPLE } \\ & \text { SIZE (n) } \end{aligned}$ | $\frac{M E A N}{(\bar{x})}$ | $\Sigma \mathrm{x}^{2}{ }^{\text {* }}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| MAX | 65 | 1.982 | . 234 |  | 115 | 64.2 | 11770.3 |
|  | 70 | 1.983 | . 251 |  | 112 | 68.2 | 11474.2 |
|  | 75 | 1.988 | . 214 |  | 98 | 71.9 | 8433.3 |
|  | 80 | 1.991 | . 184 |  | 90 | 73.1 | 6839.1 |
|  | 85 | 1.998 | . 145 |  | 69 | 76.3 | 3771.5 |
|  | 90 | 2.004 | . 204 |  | 56 | 78.5 | 2197.9 |
|  | 95 | 2.031 | . 281 |  | 35 | 82.2 | 2875.5 |
|  | 100 | 2.179 | . 197 |  | 14 | 84.9 | 284.1 |
|  | 32 | 2.020 | . 221 |  | 42 | 42.8 | 883.8 |
| MIN | 32 | 1.981 | . 238 |  | 118 | 32.4 | 7845.0 |
|  | 20 | 1.999 | . 164 |  | 63 | 26.5 | 2330.6 |
|  | 10 | 2.025 | . 169 |  | 38 | 22.6 | 782.1 |
|  | 0 | 2.080 | . 197 |  | 23 | 20.0 | 302.3 |

a/ $95 \%$ C.I. $=\bar{y}+b x \pm t .05 s y \sqrt{1+\frac{1}{n}+\frac{x^{2}}{\sum x^{2}}}$ where $x=x-\bar{x} ; \bar{x}$ is the mean
and $X$ the observed data. * Corrected sum of squares.

Table 11. Variables for 95 Percent Confidence Interval on the Predicted Value (Probit Transformation of the Percent of Days Above or Below Selected Temperatures) from Individual Monthly Mean Naximum or Mean Mininum Temperatures for Washington.


Mable 12. Variables for 95 Percont Confidence Interval Variables for 95 Percent Confidence Interval on the Predicted Value (Probit Transformation of the Percent of Days Above or Below Selected Temperatures) from Individual Monthly Mean Maximum or Mean Minimum Temperatures for Combined States.

| TEMPERATURE |  | $\begin{gathered} t .05 \\ (n-2 d f) \end{gathered}$ | STANDARD DEVIATIO | $\begin{aligned} & \text { SAMPLE } \\ & \text { SIZE ( } \mathrm{n} \text { ) } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { MEAN } \\ & (\bar{x}) \end{aligned}$ | $\Sigma \mathrm{x}^{2}{ }^{*}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| MAX | 65 | 1.960 | . 223 | 356 | 65.6 | 38470.2 |
|  | 70 | 1.960 | . 202 | 345 | 69.2 | 33085.4 |
|  | 75 | 1.960 | . 195 | 328 | 71.8 | 29063.5 |
|  | 80 | 1.960 | .170 | 294 | 73.6 | 22086.3 |
|  | 85 | 1.960 | . 167 | 236 | 73.4 | 12866.9 |
|  | 90 | 1.960 | . 233 | 225 | 80.2 | 10689.9 |
|  | 95 | 1.970 | . 268 | 160 | 85.3 | 7545.6 |
|  | 100 | 1.993 | . 368 | 79 | 90.6 | 3097.4 |
|  | 32 | 1.960 | . 205 | 216 | 40.6 | 7595.5 |
| MIN | 32 | 1.960 | . 252 | 508 | 31.1 | 42016.4 |
|  | 20 | 1.960 | . 164 | 256 | 24.1 | 13509.9 |
|  | 10 | 1.960 | .147 | 175 | 20.5 | 6110.7 |
|  | 0 | 1.970 | . 193 | 249 | 18.1 | 3805.8 |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { a/ } 95 \% \text { C.I. }=\bar{y}+b x \pm t .05 \\ & \text { and } X \text { the observed data. } \\ & \text { * Corrected sum of squares } \end{aligned}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |

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