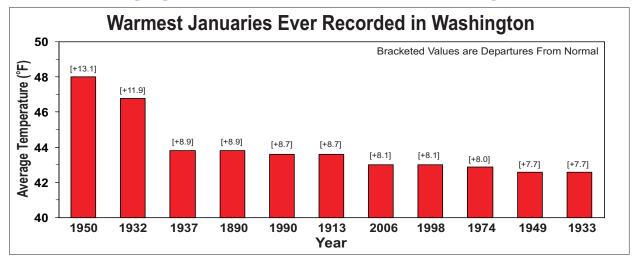
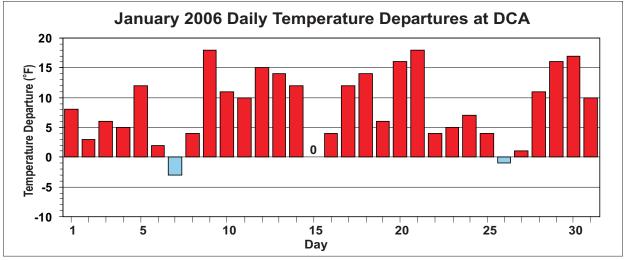




JANUARY 2006: Seventh Warmest January in Washington, Negligible Snowfall Across the Region





January Highlights

- Warmest January on record at IAD, 2nd at BWI, 7th at DCA (tied with 1998), warmest January since 1990 at DCA and BWI
- Nine days with 60° F+ temps at DCA, the most (tied with 1974) since 1950 (8 such days at BWI, 9 at IAD)
- No days with highs at or below freezing at DCA for the first time since January 2002
- Only 11 days with at or below freezing lows at DCA, the fewest since 1998
- January average monthly temperature nearly 7°F higher than December 2005 at DCA and BWI, 8°F at IAD
- Extreme monthly low of 23°F at DCA is the highest low temperature reading since 1990
- Near to slightly below normal precipitation and subnormal snowfall across the local area
- Only a trace of snow reported at all three airports, the least January snowfall since 1998
- Least January snowfall ever recorded at IAD, tied with January 1972 and 1973
- Wind gusts to 63 mph in Culpeper County, VA.; 60 mph in Calvert County, MD, 55 mph at Andrew AFB and 54 mph at DCA on 15th, knocking out power to 30,000 customers across area and injuring two people, according to press reports;
- Wind gusts to 45 mph at IAD; 44 mph at BWI and 43 mph at DCA on 25th
- Many locations observed as many as three thunderstorms during month (3rd, 14th, 24th);
- Month's heaviest rain event occurs on 22nd-23rd with more than an inch recorded in some locations including BWI (1.05")