



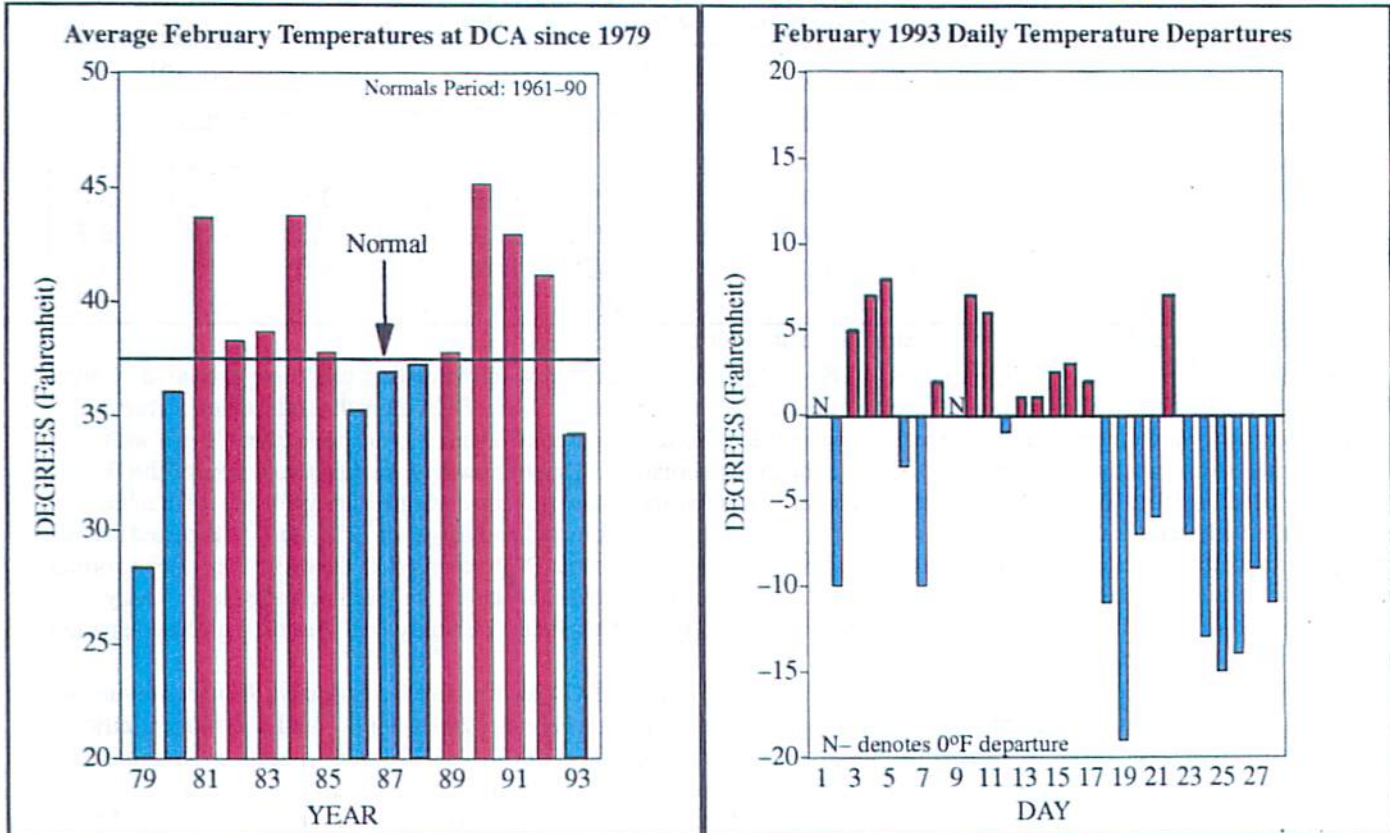
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## PRECIPITATION SUMMARY AND TEMPERATURE OBSERVATIONS FOR THE WASHINGTON, DC & BALTIMORE, MD AREA

### FEBRUARY 1993 & WINTER '92-93 REVIEW

#### COLDEST FEBRUARY SINCE 1979 AT DCA



### FEBRUARY & WINTER HIGHLIGHTS

- Subnormal February temperatures and precipitation at all 5 airports, and below normal snowfall at 3 of the 5 (DCA, DAA, and ADW) locations;
- First colder than normal February since 1988 at DCA (since 1987 at both BWI & IAD);
- 22 days in February with at or below freezing readings at DCA, the most since 1978;
- Four calendar days (midnight-midnight) during February with at or below freezing temperatures, and only five days during the Winter;
- Above normal Winter temperatures at 4 of the 5 airports (DCA, BWI, IAD, and DAA) and below normal Winter snowfall at all five locations;
- First winter month with below normal average temperatures at DCA since December 1989;
- Lowest Winter temperature at DCA: 11°F on Feb 19th (the lowest reading since Dec. 24, 1989);
- 5th consecutive winter with warmer than normal conditions at DCA (7th consecutive at BWI and IAD);
- 6th consecutive winter with below normal snowfall at DCA and the lowest winter snowfall total since 1980-81;
- 59 cloudy days (66%) during Winter at DCA, including the cloudiest December ever recorded.

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