



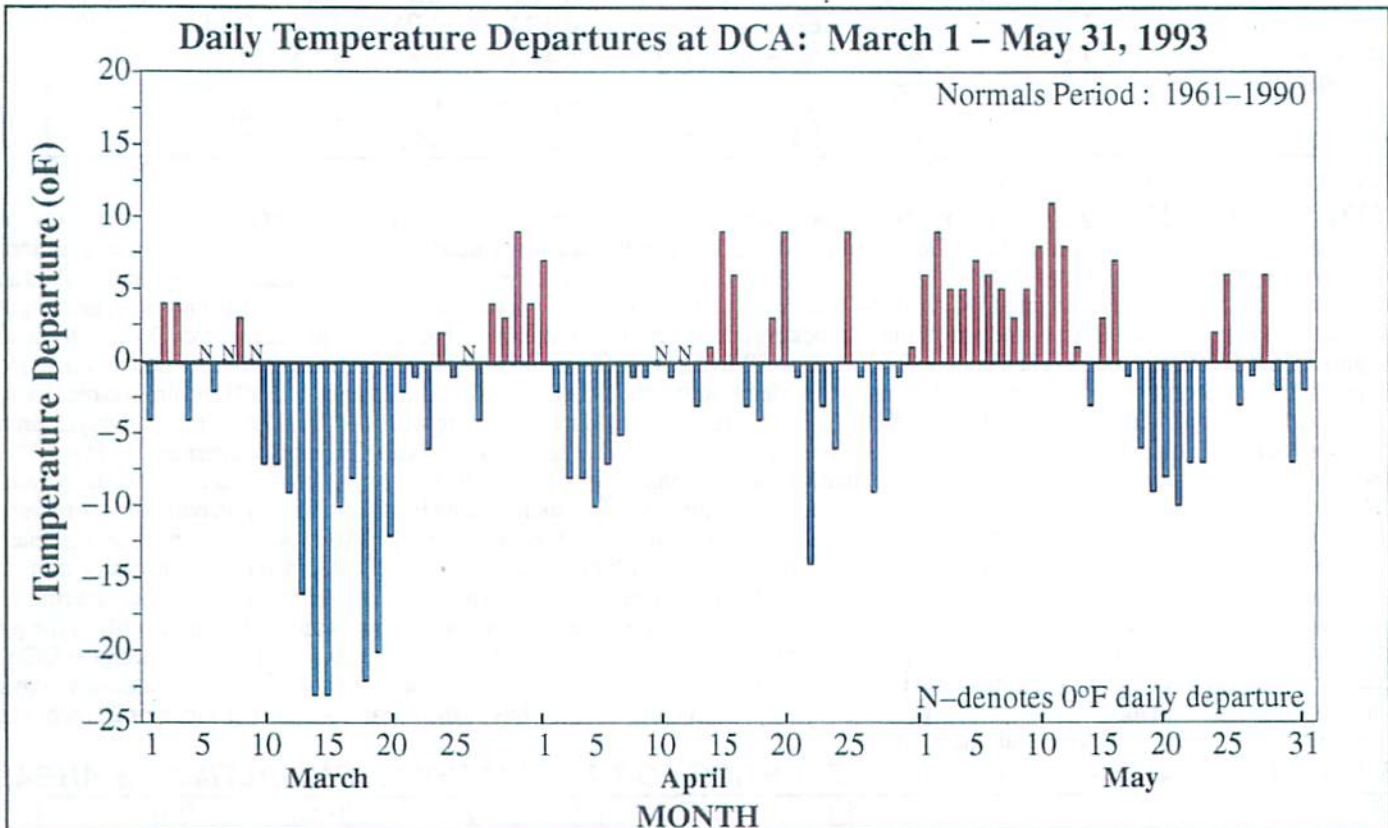
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PRECIPITATION SUMMARY AND TEMPERATURE OBSERVATIONS
FOR THE WASHINGTON, DC & BALTIMORE, MD AREA

MAY 1993 & SPRING REVIEW

UNSEASONABLY **COLD** AND WET SPRING ACROSS THE
WASHINGTON/BALTIMORE AREA



HIGHLIGHTS

- Cooler than normal Spring (March–May) at all 5 airports with seasonal departure to -2°F observed at DCA;
- 58 days (63%) in Spring with at or below normal temperatures at DCA (see graph above);
- Warmer than normal May temperatures at all 5 airports primarily due to 13 consecutive days (May 1–13) with above normal daily temperatures, but no days with 90°F or greater readings at 4 of the 5 airports (DCA, BWI, DAA, ADW);
- Subnormal May precipitation at 4 of the 5 airports with no measurable precipitation from the 21st – 30th at all 5 airports;
- Wettest Spring ever recorded at IAD (16.12") and the wettest since 1989 at both DCA (13.84") and BWI (15.46");
- Snowiest Spring on record at IAD, since 1978 at DCA, and 1964 at BWI due mainly to the "Blizzard of 1993" which battered the Washington/Baltimore area on March 13th ;
- Strong thunderstorms produce 4 confirmed tornadoes in northern Virginia during April.

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