

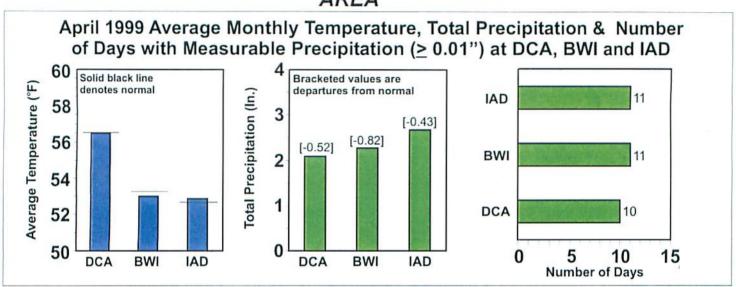




<u>PRECIPITATION SUMMARY AND TEMPERATURE OBSERVATIONS</u> FOR THE WASHINGTON, DC & BALTIMORE, MD AREA

APRIL 1999

NEAR-NORMAL TEMPERATURES AND SUBNORMAL PRECIPITATION ACROSS THE WASHINGTON/BALTIMORE AREA



HIGHLIGHTS

- Near-normal temperatures and subnormal precipitation across the Washington/Baltimore area;
- 18 days with at or below-normal temperatures at DCA;
- 3 days with 80°F+ highs at both DCA and IAD (4th, 8th, 22nd), 2 (8th, 22nd) at BWI;
- Temperature rise of 46°F at IAD on the 8th from a low of 39°F to a high of 85°F;
- 2 days with lows of 32°F or lower at IAD. 1 at BWI, but none at DCA;
- Last freeze of the season at BWI on the 6th (32°F) and IAD on the 25th (31°F);
- · 10 days with measurable precipitation observed at DCA, 11 such days at both BWI and IAD;
- Strong thunderstorms produced brief heavy rains and large hail across parts of northern Virginia on the 23rd;
- · Majority of monthly precipitation fell during the first half of the month at most locations;
- Abnormally high levels of pollen reported across most of the area late in the month;
- Near- to slightly above-normal precipitation for the first two months (March-April) of spring at DCA, BWI and IAD, with 2-month departures of +0.08", +2. 12" and -0.16", respectively;
- Slightly below-normal temperatures for the March-April 1999 period at the three major airports, with 2-month departures around -1°F.