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## The Pennsylvania State Climatologist



## FEATURED CLIMATE HIGHLIGHT

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The first highlight shows temperature and precipitation anomalies for October and November that follow when Pennsylvania experiences a cool May, warmer than average June, and a relatively dry July.

The second highlight compares the frequency of flip between October and November temperature anomalies.



### **October and November Temperature and Precipitation Anomalies**

Figure 1: Graph showing average temperatures for the month of May in Pennsylvania.



Figure 2: Graph showing average temperatures for the month of June in Pennsylvania.



Figure 3: Graph showing average precipitation values for the month of July in Central Pennsylvania.

Analog Years: 1966, 1967, 1968, 1973, 1983, 1994, 1997, 2005

#### **October Temperature:**



Composite Standardized Temperature Anomalies Oct 1967,1997,2005,1968,1966,1994,1973,1983 Versus 1895–2000 Longterm Average

#### **October Precipitation:**





#### **November Temperatures:**



Composite Standardized Temperature Anomalies Nov 1967,1997,2005,1968,1966,1994,1973,1983 Versus 1895–2000 Longterm Average

#### **November Precipitation:**





The temperature anomalies above suggest that Pennsylvania will see a cooler than average October while temperatures rise above the normal threshold for the month of November. Precipitation amounts are also greater than normal during November, but hover around the average mark during October.

Temperature Departure from		Temperature Departure from
Normal for October		Normal for November
-4.45	1895	0.73
-3.25	1896	4.23
1.45	1897	-0.87
1.45	1898	-1.97
2.15	1899	-2.07
1.45	1903	-5.37
1.45	1905	-3.47
2.55	1908	-0.97
-3.85	1909	4.63
3.65	1910	-5.77
0.25	1911	-4.67
4.65	1914	-1.87
2.15	1915	-0.97
5.35	1919	-0.97
5.95	1920	-1.57
0.95	1924	-1.57
-6.15	1925	-2.67
0.15	1926	-1.57
1.65	1932	-2.87
2.25	1936	-3.27
2.05	1939	-2.27
2.05	1942	-1.17
7.05	1947	-4.37
-1.05	1948	3.13
2.05	1949	-1.07
2.30	1950	-1.07
2.33	1951	-0.//
-5:95	1952	1.13
2.00	1955	1.23
2.05	1954	-1.27
1.45	1956	-0.17
-0.85	1958	0.73
1.55	1959	-2.97
-1.85	1960	0.93
0.35	1962	-3.17
-3.65	1964	1.93
0.95	1968	-0.37
5.75	1971	-0.77
-3.65	1974	1.03
-2.05	1977	2.23
-2.75	1978	0.33
-0.05	1979	3.63
5.05	1984	-2.47
1.55	1986	-2.97
-4.15	1987	1.53
-4.65	1988	0.83
0.85	1989	-1.87
1.25	1991	-0.77
-3.45	1992	0.63
-1.95	1994	3.33
3.95	1995	-4.27
0.35	1996	-4.07
0.85	1997	-2.27
-0.25	1999	4.73
1.85	2000	-1.17
-2.05	2003	4.73
-1.45	2006	3.43
7.15	2007	-0.77

## **October and November Temperature Anomalies**



When the temperature anomalies for October and November differed by an absolute value greater than  ${\bf 5}$ 

For a period of 113 years, 58 years (~51%) showed a flip in the temperature anomalies between for October and November. The years in which the greatest difference in the anomalies occurred are 1896, 1909, 1910, 1920, 1947, 1951, 1984, 1995, and 2007.

