BIG APPLE'S COLD SUMMER

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Many cities in the east and central will be reporting top 5 or ten coolest June and July periods in the next few days and we will summarize them. Here is one – New York City's Central Park.

With an average daily temperature of 72.7...3.8 degrees below normal... This is the sixth coolest July on record at Central Park.

Daily average temperatures have been at or below normal every day but two this month (the 28th and 30th)...for 46 of 48 days dating back to June 13th...and for 54 of the 60 days since June 1st.

Central Park has had only one day reach above 85 degrees so far this summer (86 on July 17th). This is the fewest number of days above 85 on record at Central Park since records began being taken in 1869. The old record was 7 in 1996.

Central Park has yet to reach 90 degrees this summer...for only the second time on record. The only other year not to have at least one 90 degree day in June or July was 1996.

For the months of June and July...the average temperature in 2009 is 70.1 degrees, making this the third coolest June and July on record in 151 years at Central Park.

NYC Central Park Coldest Summers

JULY		JUNE/JULY	
AVG. TEMP.	YEAR	AVG. TEMP.	YEAR
70.7	1888	69.4	1881
71.9	1884	69.8	1903
72.1	1914	70.1	2009
72.3	2000/1871	70.3	1902
72.4	1891	70.6	1916
72.6	1895	70.7	1927
72.7	2009	71.0	1915/1924/1926
72.8	1902/1869	71.2	1888/1918
72.9	1956	71.5	1893/1920
73.1	1890	71.7	1928/1958
73.2	2001	71.8	2000

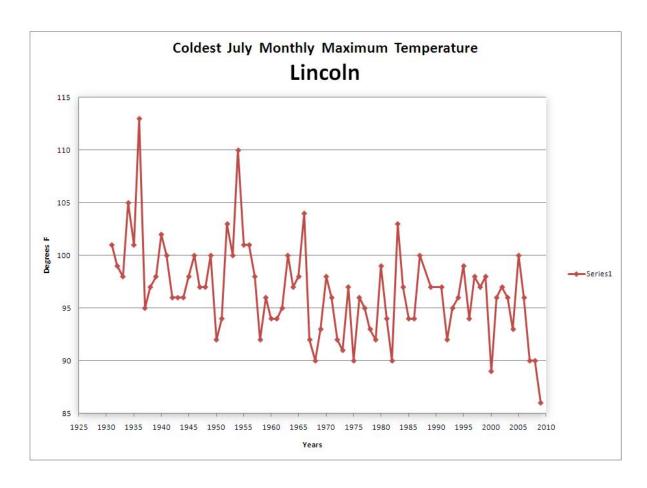
It is also the second wettest June and July on record and on track to become perhaps the wettest summer in history.

Also Boston's Logan ended with the fourth coldest June/Julys since records began in 1872. It averaged 69.15 in June/July ranking it behind only 1903, 1881 and 1902. Notice all the other years came from the 1800s and early 1900s.

Boston's Ten Coldest June/Julys

- 1.65.7 in 1903
- 2.66.0 in 1881
- 3.66.1 in 1902
- 4 66.9 in 2009
- 5 67.0 in 1915,1897,1891
- 6 67.3 in 1886
- 7 67.5 in 1926
- 8 67.6 in 1918,1890
- 9 67.7 in 1916,1904
- 10 67.8 in 1888,1879

Also note the record cold July in Rockford, IL .Also in other areas of central and northwest IL and northeast IA .



July 2009 will go down as the coldest in recorded history for Madison, Wisconsin (records go back to 1869). The previous record was July 1891. The highest temperature recorded in July 2009 was 82 degrees. This is also a record. The previous record was 84 in July 1869.

It was the Indianapolis, IN, and coldest in several other locations in northern Indiana. It was the coldest ever in Grand Rapids, MI. It may be the coldest July ever statewide in Iowa. It was the third coldest summer in Kansas City.

