America’s Changing Climate

2014 State Rankings*
Based on Period of Record 1895-2014

The northern swath of the country was wetter than usual. So was Florida. Oklahoma, Texas and West Virginia experienced a drier than average year.

*Maps courtesy of NOAA NCDC.

Precipitation

100-year trend -1914 to 2014

Precipitation either increased slightly (light blue) or stayed relatively the same (white) in most states. Arizona is an exception.

50-year trend - 1964 to 2014

Dry states in the Southwest became drier. Wet states in the Midwest and the Northeast are wetter. The traditionally wet Southeast is also drying.

Warming

100-year trend -1914 to 2014

Temperatures in 40 of 48 lower states are increasing.

50-year trend - 1964 to 2014

Temperatures in all lower 48 states are steadily increasing.