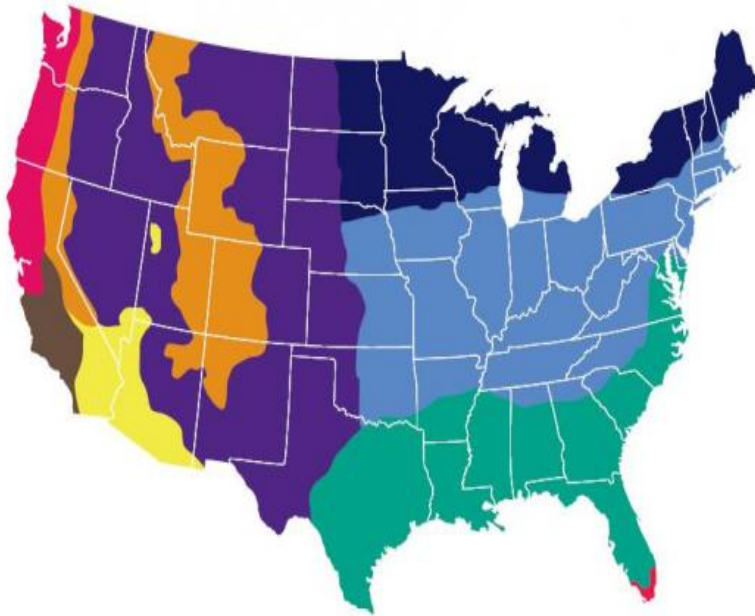


Weather Vocabulary

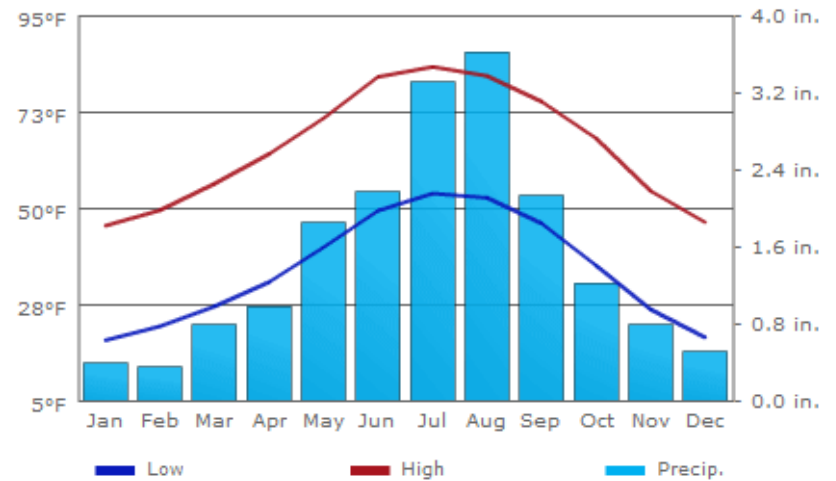
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climate

Climate Zones of the Continental United States



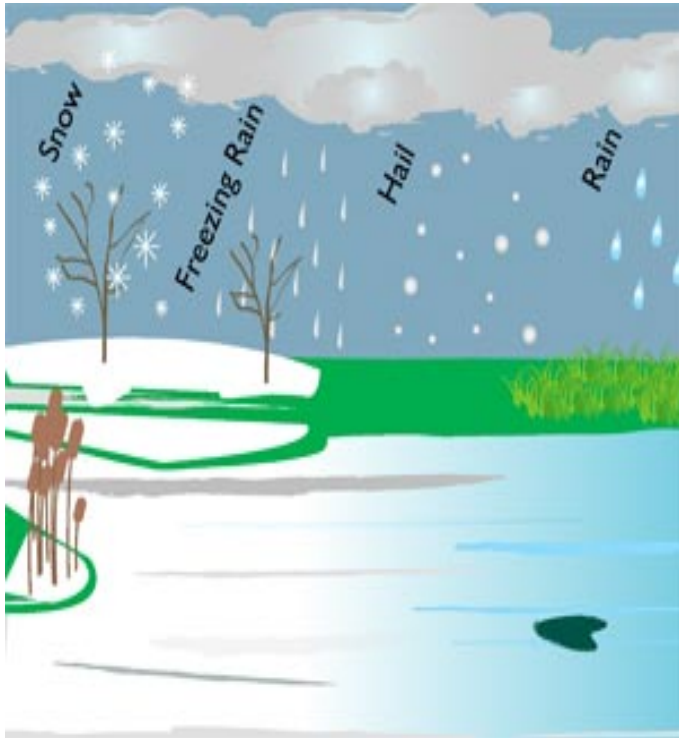
- Semi-arid Steppe climate
- Humid Subtropical climate
- Marine Westcoast climate
- Mediterranean climate
- Humid Continental (warm summer) climate
- Humid Continental (cool summer) climate
- Highland (alpine) climate
- Tropical Wet/Dry Season climate
- Midlatitude Desert climate



climate

A region's most common weather conditions throughout the year then averaged over a series of years.

precipitation

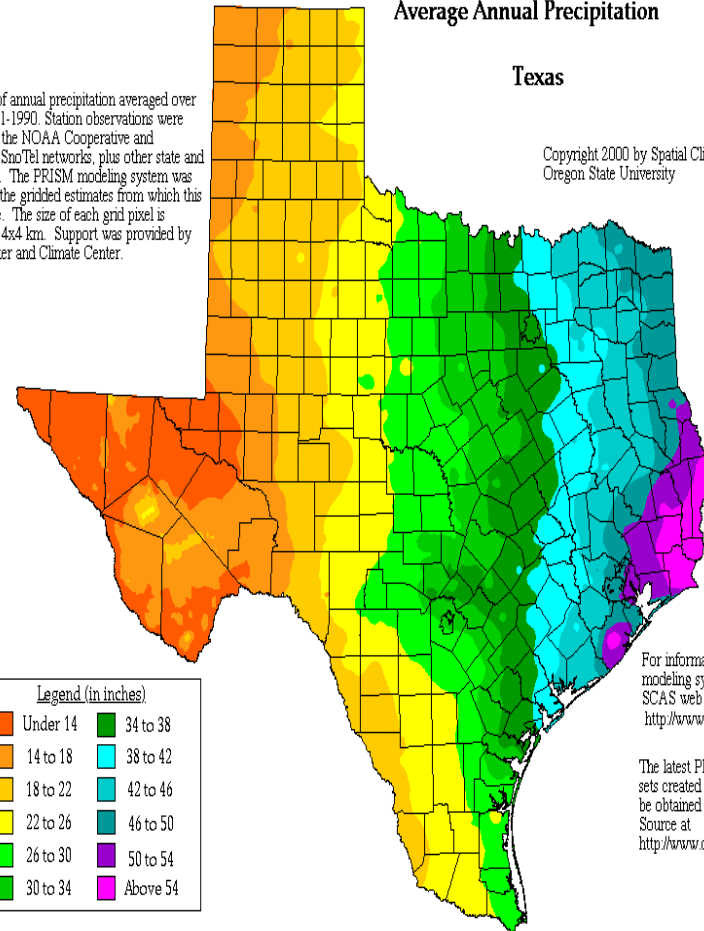


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Average Annual Precipitation

Texas

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Legend (in inches)	
Under 14	34 to 38
14 to 18	38 to 42
18 to 22	42 to 46
22 to 26	46 to 50
26 to 30	50 to 54
30 to 34	Above 54

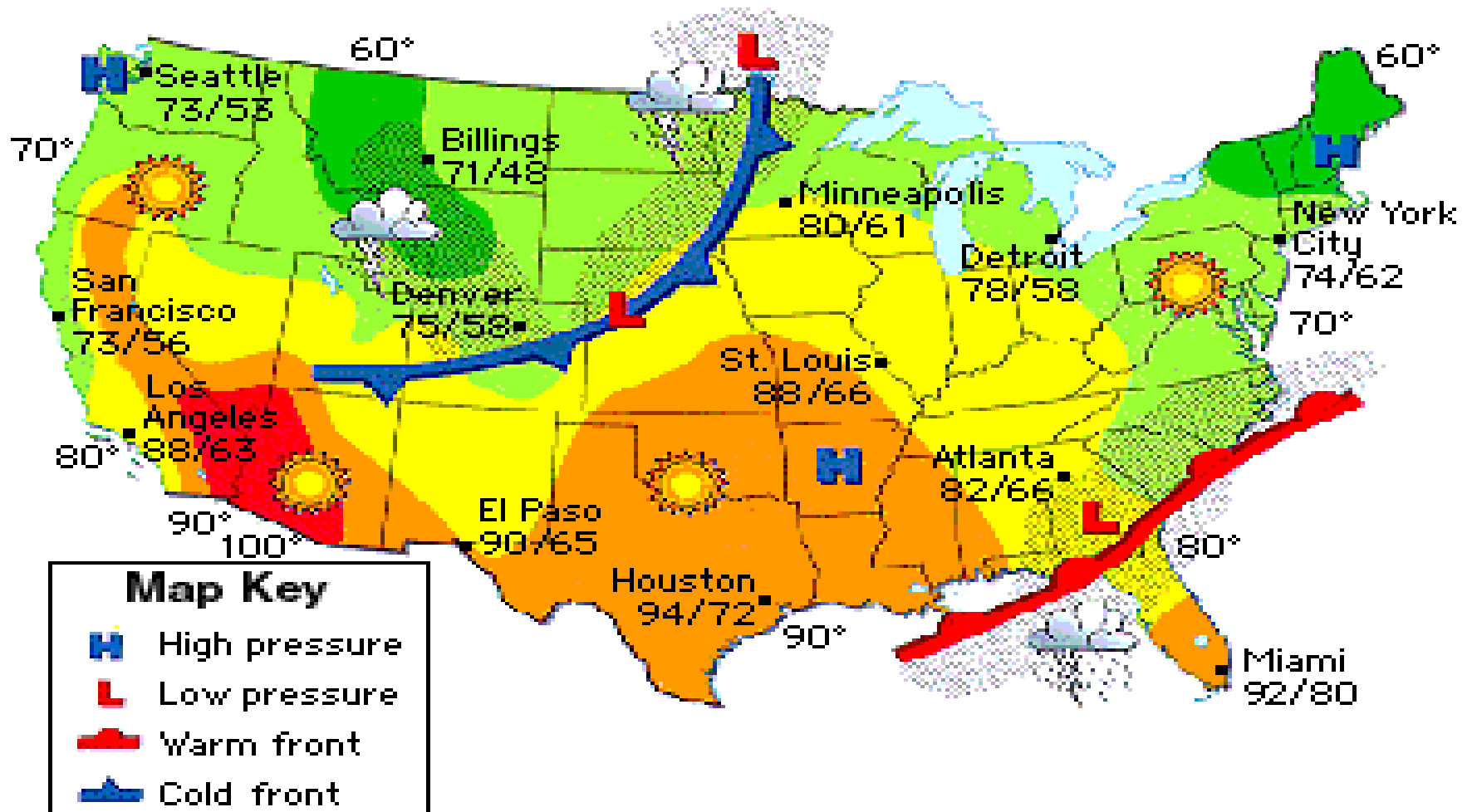
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precipitation

Products of condensation that fall from clouds, such as rain, sleet, hail or snow.

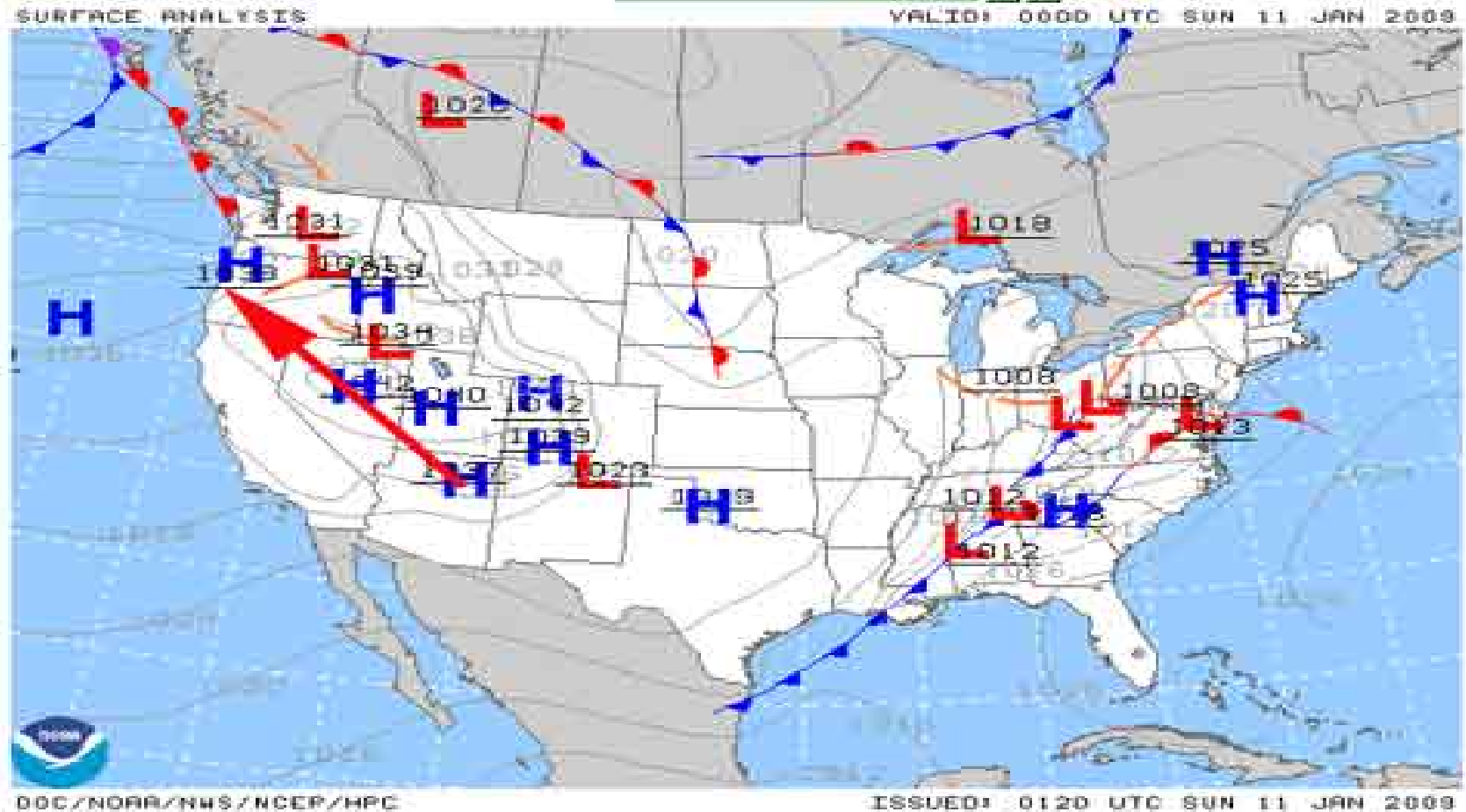
weather map



weather map

A map showing current and forecasted weather conditions indicated by symbols and images.

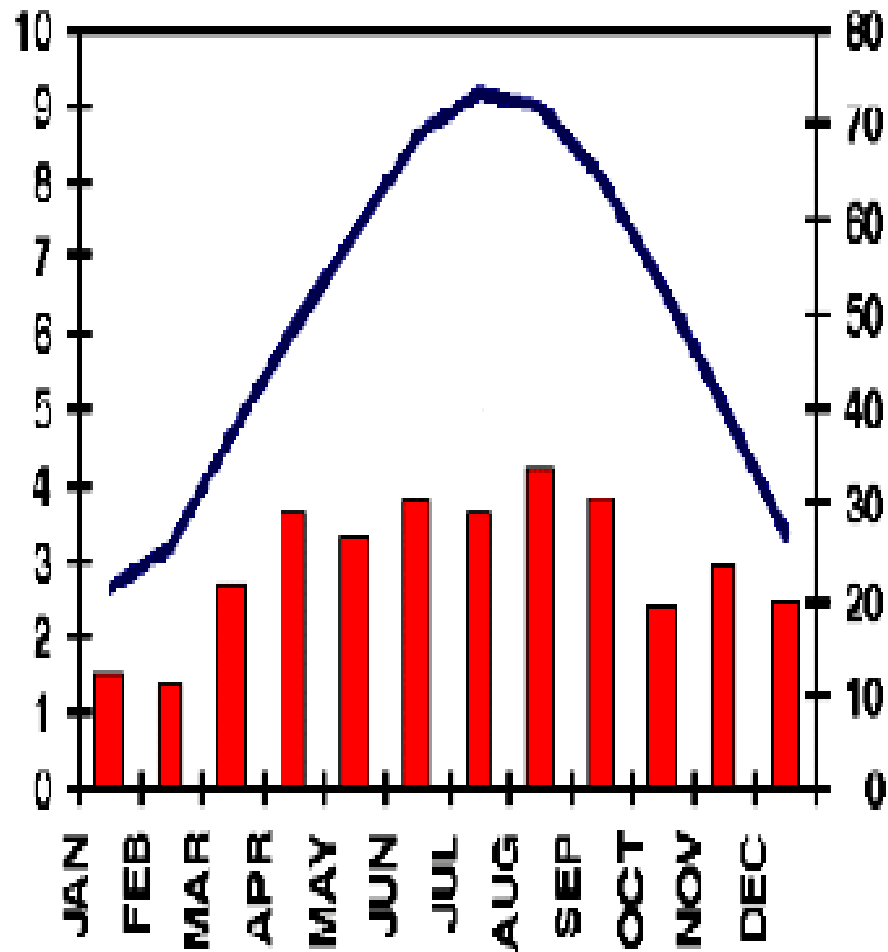
weather map symbols



weather map symbols

Icons used on a map to represent specific weather conditions such as temperature, cold and warm fronts, precipitation, and wind.

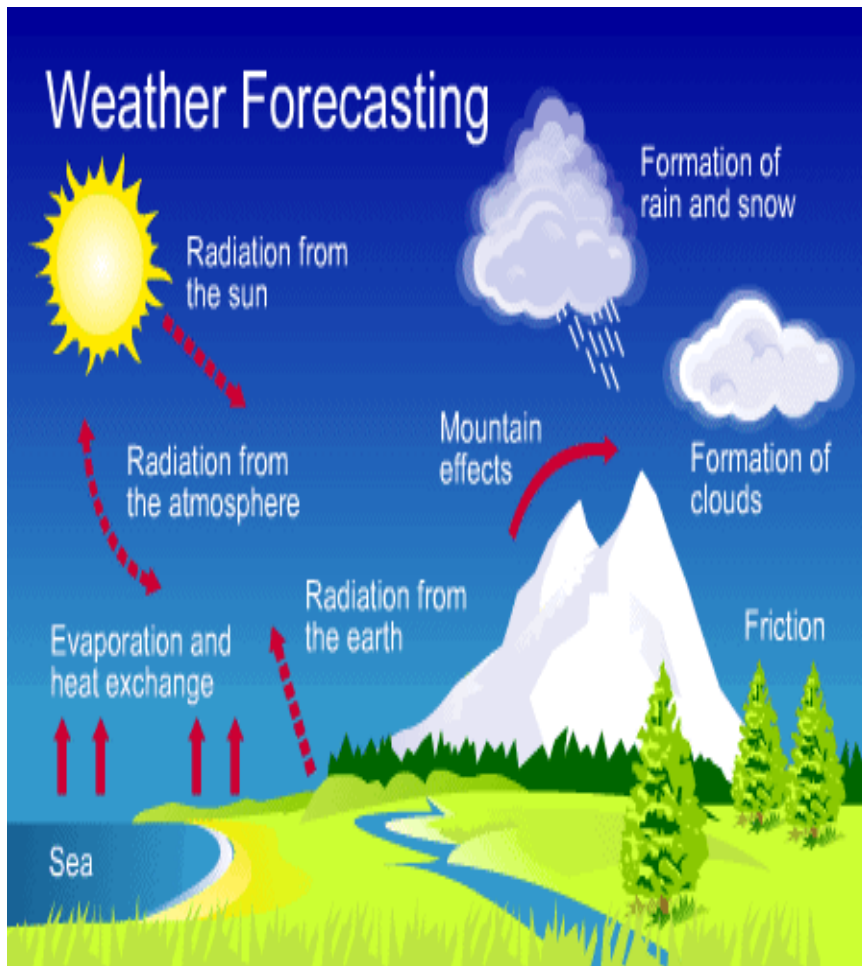
record



record

A permanent account kept as data charts, bar graphs, and in writing, to preserve a history of weather patterns.

predict



predict

**To declare or tell in
advance.**