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## INTRODUCTION

The combined area of the countries of Paraguay, Uruguay, Chile, and Argentina includes nearly all of the continent lying south of the Tropic of Capricorn and may be designated as southern South America.

For many years the collection of meteorological data has been under the supervision of central institutions at Buenos Aires (Argentina), Santiago (Chile), and Montevideo (Uruguay), with uniformity of method extending throughout the period of record to all of the subordinate stations of the respective services. Each of the central institutions issues annual reports and, at times, comprehensive climatological summaries.

With the recent extension of the Chilean network of stations to include many interior points throughout the northern half of that country no regions of the large area considered are now left unrepresented, except part of the Gran Chaco of Paraguay, the heights of the Andes, western Patagonia, and the adjoining inhospitable area of southern Chile.

The sources from which data were obtained in summarized form or for tabulation are noted in text or footnotes; the most important of these references and others of special value are given under "Bibliography," p. 23.

Throughout this paper temperatures are expressed in degrees Fahrenheit ( $^{\circ}$ F.), relative humidity in percentage of saturation, cloudiness on the scale 0-10, precipitation in inches, and wind velocity in miles per hour.

## GENERAL CONDITIONS

The diversified surface of southern South America may be divided into six divisions as follows: (1) The eastern lowland with a width decreasing from about 600 miles at the Tropic of Capricorn to about 100 miles in northern Tierra del Fuego; (2) the plateau of Argentina with an elevation of 1,000 to 2,000 feet and extending from  $27^{\circ}$  to  $48^{\circ}$  S.; (3) the high, rugged Andean region with its lofty volcanic peaks in the north; (4) the elevated Atacama desert of northern Chile; (5) the central valley of Chile stretching between latitudes  $30^{\circ}$  and  $42^{\circ}$  S.; and (6) the narrow Pacific highland, whose southern half is indented by numerous inlets and broken, in large part, into countless islands.

From this brief description and in view of the wide range in latitude from northern Chile ( $17^{\circ}$  S.) to southern Tierra del Fuego ( $55^{\circ}$  S.) we may well expect marked contrasts in the values of meteorological elements, some important features of which will now be set forth.

*Temperature.*—Over the eastern lowland temperature distribution is normal, with isotherms directed approx-

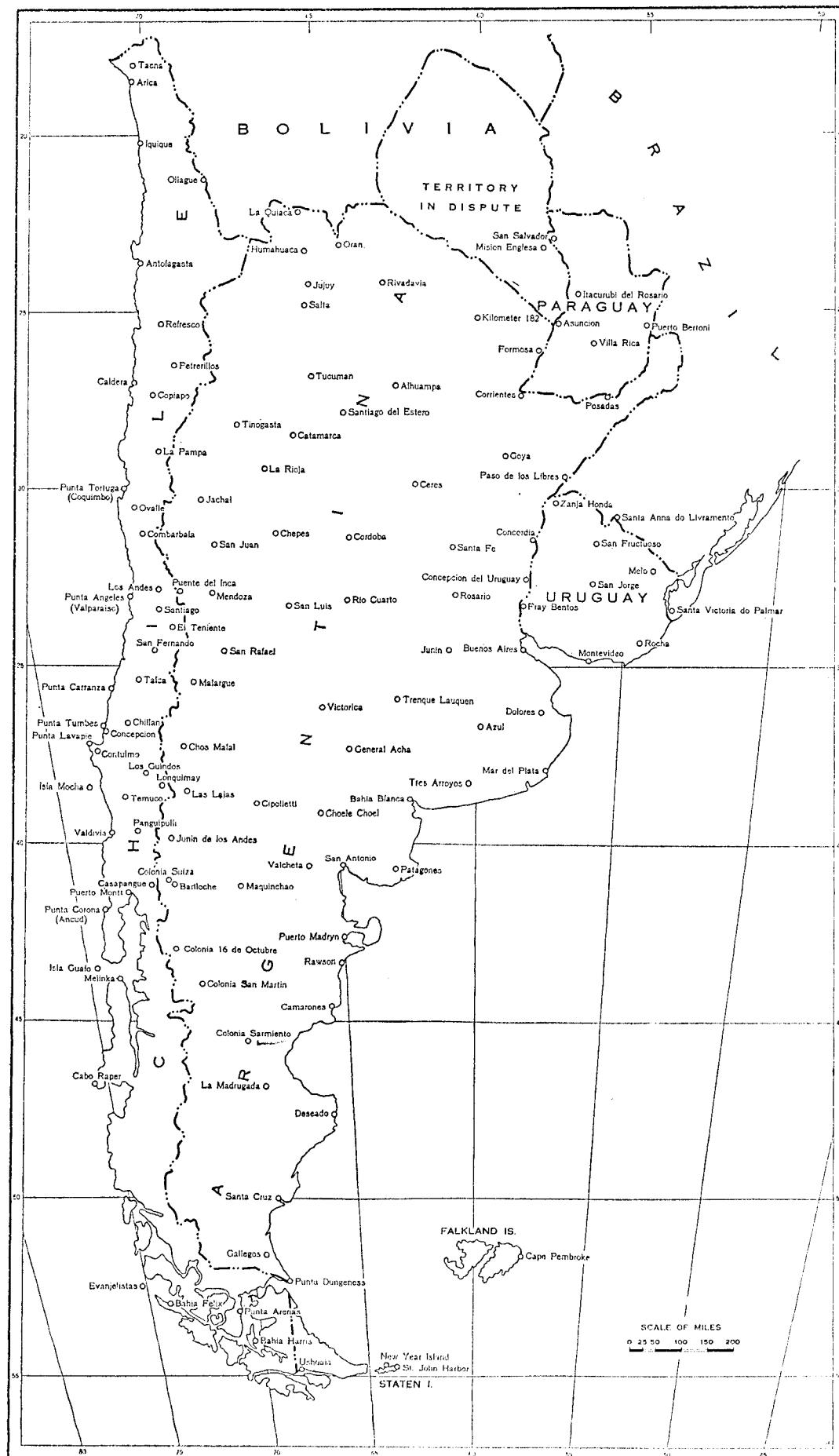
imately east-west, but with advance to higher levels the isotherms bend northward and from the eastern foothills of the Andes on to the Pacific Ocean they have the abnormal north-south direction.

Judging from values at Ollague ( $48.0^{\circ}$ ), La Quiaca ( $48.9^{\circ}$ ), Puent del Inca ( $44.0^{\circ}$ ), Lonquimay ( $47.1^{\circ}$ ), Bariloche ( $47.9^{\circ}$ ), and Colonia 16 de Octubre ( $48.0^{\circ}$ ), the cordilleran region of the Andes from within the Tropics to northern Patagonia has a mean annual temperature more or less below  $50^{\circ}$  F., the condition prevailing over nearly all of the continent south of Melinka on the Pacific coast and Deseado on the Atlantic coast. West of this strip of greatly elevated land and south to Melinka the mean annual temperature is  $50^{\circ}$  to  $60^{\circ}$  over nearly all of Chile, except the coastal region north of Caldera, where it is  $60^{\circ}$  to  $65^{\circ}$ . East of the cordilleran area the region with mean annual temperature of  $50^{\circ}$  to  $60^{\circ}$  is a narrow strip south to about latitude  $35^{\circ}$ , beyond which it widens abruptly and includes the eastern coast from near Buenos Aires to Deseado. As is shown more in detail in the discussion of temperatures in Argentina, the regions having mean temperature of  $60^{\circ}$  to  $70^{\circ}$  and  $70^{\circ}$  to  $75^{\circ}$  are narrow just east of the Andes, but widen immediately to include nearly all of the northern half of Argentina, Uruguay, all of Paraguay except the Gran Chaco, which, with the adjacent part of Argentina, has a mean annual temperature slightly above  $75^{\circ}$ .

Table 2 gives monthly and annual temperature means for two or more stations in each of eight thermal regions found in this territory. The effect of great elevation is shown in striking manner when we note that La Quiaca (11,358 feet), in latitude  $22^{\circ}$ , has approximately the same mean annual temperature as Santa Cruz (39 feet), in latitude  $52^{\circ}$ , and that Puent del Inca (8,948 feet), in latitude  $33^{\circ}$ , has a mean annual temperature corresponding to that found at Punta Arenas (92 feet) in latitude  $53^{\circ}$ .

A prominent feature of temperature distribution is the difference between mean temperatures at eastern stations, in the interior and along the Atlantic coast, and those at stations along the Pacific coast. This difference is set forth in Table 3 for several pairs of stations having approximately the same latitude. There we find in January the following remarkable differences: Mision Ingresa-Antofagasta,  $13.7^{\circ}$  F.; Corrientes-Caldera,  $15.5^{\circ}$ ; Paso de los Libres-Punta Tortuga,  $16.5^{\circ}$ ; Bahia Blanca-Valdivia,  $12.5^{\circ}$ ; Puerto Madryn-Punta Corona,  $12.2^{\circ}$ . In June the differences, while much smaller, are still considerable in the north; Mision Ingresa-Antofagasta,  $8.4^{\circ}$ , Corrientes-Caldera,  $6.2^{\circ}$ .

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TABLE 1.—*Elevation of stations*

Stations	Eleva-tion in feet	Stations	Eleva-tion in feet
<i>Paraguay</i>			
Asuncion	305	Azul	446
Mision Inglesa	361	Bahia Blanca	82
Puerto Bertoni	515	Bariloche	2,579
<i>Uruguay</i>			
Minas	392	Buenos Aires (Chacarita)	82
Montevideo (Prado)	82	Catamarca	1,673
Rocha	105	Ceres	285
San Fructuoso	440	Choele Choel	456
San Jorge	400	Chos Malal	2,644
Santa Anna do Livramento <sup>1</sup>	689	Cipolletti	889
Santa Victoria do Palmer <sup>1</sup>	16	Colonia 16 de Octubre	1,827
<i>Chile</i>			
Antofagasta	16	Colonia Sarmento	899
Arica	16	Concepcion del Uruguay	46
Bahia Felix	49	Concordia	79
Bahia Harris	39	Cordoba	1,388
Cabo Raper	131	Corrientes	177
Caldera	92	Formosa	194
Casapangue	1,050	General Acha	715
Chillan	374	Goya	85
Combarbalá	3,494	Humahuaca	9,925
Concepcion	49	Jachal	3,950
Contulmo	164	Jujuy	4,167
Copiapo	1,214	Junin	259
El Teniente	6,801	Las Lajas	2,339
Evangelistas	180	La Quiaca	11,358
Iquique	30	La Rioja	1,676
Isla Guafio	459	Malargue	4,659
Isla Mocha	66	Mar del Plata	82
La Pampa	3,937	Mendoza	2,477
Los Andes	2,680	New Year Island	164
Los Guindos	1,444	Oran	1,181
Lonquimay	3,182	Paso de los Libres	194
Melinka	16	Patagones	105
Ollague	12,123	Posadas	453
Ovalle	820	Puente del Inca	8,948
Panguipulli	459	Puerto Madryn	46
Potrerillos	2,789	Rio Cuarto	1,444
Puerto Montt	328	Rivadavia	682
Punta Angeles (Valparaiso)	134	Rosario	85
Punta Arenas	92	Salta	3,865
Punta Carranza	98	San Antonio	95
Punta Corona (Aneud)	157	San Juan	2,178
Punta Dungeness	16	San Luis	2,323
Punta Lavapie	151	Santa Cruz	39
Punta Tortuga (Coquimbo)	89	Santa Fe	85
Punta Tumbes	299	Santiago del Estero	613
Refresco	6,070	Staten Island	39
San Fernando	1,148	Tinogasta	4,653
Santiago	1,706	Trenque Lauquen	328
Taena	1,837	Tros Arroyos	354
Talca	322	Tucuman	1,466
Temuco	367	Ushuaia	39
Valdivia	30	Valcheta	636
		Victoria	1,027

<sup>1</sup> In Brazil.

In summer the contrast between northern stations is mainly due, of course, to difference in exposure—continental as against maritime. It is to be noted, however, that the cold Peruvian current immediately off the western coast chills the waters and the westerly winds to such an extent that the stations on the Chilean coast have temperatures much below those normal for latitude and thus intensifies the contrast.

In the south in this same season the almost uninterrupted winds sweeping in from the cool coastal waters lose the greater part of their vapor content as they rise over the mountains; they probably undergo some adiabatic heating as they descend to the eastern plains, where they are further warmed during passage over the dry "rain shadow" to the Atlantic coast.

From summer to winter there is a very considerable fall in temperature over the northeastern lowland, but in this interval the cooling effect of the western waters has likewise increased and the contrast, much modified, remains for the northern stations.

Southward from about latitude 45° the winter difference between temperatures on opposite coasts is small. In June the mean temperature for Bahia Blanca is 2.2° above that for Valdivia, but farther south the eastern coast is somewhat cooler than the western due to the chilling of the prevailing westerly winds in their passage over the now strongly cooled land.

In view of the recurrence of inquiry relative to comparative temperatures at equal latitudes in South America and North America, the data in Table 4 will probably prove interesting and instructive.

On the Atlantic coast the South American stations have much higher temperatures in winter, the difference increasing from 5° for latitude 35° to 35° for latitude 55°, but they have nearly the same temperatures in summer; on the Pacific coast, on the contrary, the South American stations have, as a rule, lower temperatures in both winter and summer, with greatest contrast in low latitudes (Antofagasta—Mazatlan, 14°). In the interior at middle latitude South America contrasts with North America in being moderately cooler in summer and considerably warmer in winter (Cipolletti—Kansas City, 14°).

The outstanding contrasts in Table 4 are due to the narrow width of the southern continent which does not permit the full development of the continental type of climate, especially as regards cooling in winter, found in the far wider northern continent, and also to powerful cooling effects of two ocean streams, the Labrador and Peruvian currents.

*Precipitation.*—In Table 5, where selected stations in the several countries are arranged in the order of the amount of annual precipitation, we find the variation in yearly totals rather moderate in the small Republics of Paraguay and Uruguay, considerable in Argentina (extremes: San Juan, 3 inches and Posadas, 59 inches) and phenomenal in Chile (extremes; Arica, 0.02 inch and Bahia Felix, 200 inches).

East of the Andes the heaviest annual rainfall (70 inches) is found in eastern Paraguay at Puerto Bertoni; in all directions from that point there is a gradual decrease, with amounts falling to less than 10 inches (locally to less than 5 inches) in a narrow strip of territory from Humahuaca to Las Lajas and over practically all of the area south of the latitude of Bahia Blanca.

West of the Andes conditions are reversed; in the north there is extreme aridity, while in the south precipitation is moderate to abundant, becoming even greatly excessive over limited regions. The desert region, that in which annual rainfall averages less than 5 inches, extends southward along the Chilean coast to Copiapo and to some distance inland. Beyond the area of gradual increase in annual total to 30 to 50 inches in the region around Concepcion there is an abrupt increase to 80 inches or more over the remainder of the coast, where under favorable local conditions the yearly means are greatly increased, for example, to 105 inches at Valdivia, 124 inches at Melinka, and 200 inches at Bahia Felix.

No data are available for extremely elevated points south of Ollague and La Quiaca, but, judging from conditions on either side of the Andes and especially from the small annual means of 0.31 inch at Refresco (6,070 feet), 4.57 inches at La Pampa (3,940 feet), and 4.14 inches at Puente del Inca (8,950 feet), it seems highly probable that precipitation is very light, perhaps not more than 10 inches, in the highest mountain regions southward nearly to the latitude of Santiago. However, at El Teniente (6,800 feet), just south of Santiago, the annual total has increased to 41 inches, and farther south at much lower levels, Los Guindos (1,450 feet) and Casapangue (1,050 feet) the yearly means are 139 and 140 inches, respectively.

Two features of rainfall distribution merit special mention; these are the extreme aridity of the northern Chilean coast and the great "rain shadow" of southern Argentina.

The arid condition of the northern Chilean coast, truly remarkable from Arica to Caldera (stations whose annual precipitation means are 0.02 and 0.59 inch, respectively), is sometimes explained by stating that the cordilleras of the Andes rear an impassable barrier to moist easterly winds. It is true that forced ascent such as air currents must undergo on the eastern slopes of the Andes would necessarily deprive them of almost all of their water-vapor content, which can not be considerable in view of the moderate to heavy rainfall precipitated from these currents over a vast area covering most of the eastern half of southern South America; but why, with prevailing southwest (ocean) winds, moderately high relative humidity and cloudiness (see Tables 20, 16, and 17), does this coast and the interior even to considerable elevations remain one of the most outstanding regions of deficient rainfall to be found here and there over the surface of the earth?

The cause of this precipitation anomaly, which is coincident with the temperature anomaly previously noted, is to be found in the cold waters transported far northward by the Peruvian current, one of the ocean streams referred to by Julius Hann<sup>1</sup> in the following statement:

Cool, ocean currents flowing from higher to lower latitudes diminish precipitation in their vicinity since the moist air over them has a temperature lower than that corresponding to the latitude. The air is warmed over the land and thereby the saturation deficit is increased. In addition, these cool currents are accompanied by winds blowing in the same direction, from higher to lower latitudes, which thus at the same time have a tendency to reduce rainfall rather than to produce it.

The cool ocean currents of the inner subtropical and tropical circulation on the eastern side of oceanic areas of pressure maximum cause striking deficiency in rainfall on the continental coasts washed by them. This is most marked on the western coasts of South Africa and South America, which are washed by the mightiest of these cool currents. The western coast of South America north of the point where the westerly drift bends northward and flows toward lower latitudes becomes more and more arid until the extreme condition of aridity is reached in northern Chile and Peru. This is connected with the fact that the negative temperature anomaly becomes greater and greater the farther the current pushes into lower latitudes, as the temperature of the water rises very slowly. The arid region does not end until the cold current leaves the coast.

Even when south and southwest winds prevailing on the coast bring moist sea air over to the land rain seldom occurs, since the land in such low latitudes is strongly heated (there is, as a matter of fact, an increase in temperature even up to a considerable elevation above sea level), and with the higher temperature of the land the cool sea air has a greater saturation deficit.

In middle Chile, from Punta Angeles to Punta Lavapie, summer conditions relative to the Peruvian current and the land area are very much similar to those prevailing throughout the year farther north, and consequently there is scant rainfall, but in winter the land undergoes much greater cooling than the sea; hence the saturation deficit of the moist ocean winds disappears and precipitation shows a marked increase in amount, with abundant supply in the months of maximum, May, June, and July.

West of the Andes from the latitude of Contulmo southward the summers are no longer dry and the winters are excessively wet; conditions are now favorable for precipitation over the land and especially at elevations in the interior. During forced ascent to the crests of the southern Andes the westerly winds undergo such depletion of their water-vapor content that they are dry when they reach the eastern, leeward side. The mountains can, therefore, be looked upon as casting a great "rain shadow" over southern Argentina.

The striking contrast between conditions without and within the "rain shadow" are set forth by the annual means of precipitation (in inches) for several pairs of stations, more or less adjacent, as follows: Los Guindos, 139, and Chos Malal, 9; Panguipulli, 104, and Junin de los Andes, 18; Casapangue, 140, and Maquinchao, 8; Melinka, 124, and Colonia Sarmiento, 8; Cabo Raper, 81, and La Madrugada, 8; Bahia Felix, 200, and Punta Arenas, 19.

*Winds.*—Summarization of tabular wind data presented and discussed later in connection with other climatic data for the several countries taken separately will not be attempted here; reference to positions and influences of "centers of action" will, it is thought, be of more interest and value, and will incidentally touch upon the principal features of wind circulation.

Relative to Argentina, W. G. Davis writes:<sup>2</sup>

As regards the atmospheric circulation, the Republic may be divided into two general systems. In the section to the north of the territory of Rio Negro, where the continent begins to widen from east to west, the continental or cyclonic movement is found; while to the south of the Rio Negro the circulation corresponds to the Antarctic or anticyclonic movement. These two divisions may be designated, respectively, as continental and Antarctic.

The region of the continental circulation lies between two permanent high-pressure areas, one in the Atlantic<sup>3</sup> and the other in the Pacific, the former being farther from the continent than the latter; so that the greatest depression between these two highs is found, on the mean of the year, in the interior of the continent, and in summer the dividing line is represented by a narrow area of low pressure extending from north to south at the foot of the Cordilleras. In this region of continental circulation high and low pressure areas are formed, exercising their respective influences on the climate. In the Antarctic division, to the south of 42° south latitude, the general movement of the air is much more constant, the isobars are parallel, running east and west, and the prevailing wind is westerly. It is but seldom that cyclonic areas form over the comparatively limited extension of land in this region.<sup>4</sup>

"The climate of Chile," writes R. C. Mossman,<sup>5</sup> "apart from oceanic effects, is largely governed by the position and intensity of the South Pacific anticyclone central to the west of Juan Fernandez, and a corresponding low-pressure area in the far south located about the latitude of the Antarctic Circle, some distance to the west of Grahams Land."

As a supplement to the above brief statement there will be quoted two paragraphs on wind conditions on the Chilean coast by Dr. J. Hann.<sup>6</sup>

The permanent barometric maximum off the middle coast of Chile determines the prevailing winds, which are southwest in the north and west in the south. The yearly shifting of the maximum determines the yearly march of the prevailing winds.

In January and February the axis of the area of high pressure (30.22 inches) lies in latitude 35° S. In July and August it moves to 30° S. Consequently, west winds are first met in January and February in latitude 42° S. (north of this latitude southwest winds prevail), but in July and August we find them in latitude 35° S., the west wind belt south of the barometric maximum having advanced nearly 10° toward the north. That part of the coast which lies north of 25°–30° has the barometric maximum always to the south. Toward the south the pressure fall is great; in latitude 55° S. we find the isobar of 29.53 inches (in summer the pressure in latitude 35° is 30.22 inches, while that in latitude 55° is 29.23 inches). This explains the constant, strong west winds south of latitude 40°.

<sup>2</sup> Climate of the Republic of Argentina. Buenos Aires, 1909.

<sup>3</sup> This center of action has considerable influence in causing easterly wind movement over much of the littoral and mediterranean regions of Argentina.

<sup>4</sup> Following this the author gives a classification of types of pressure areas, highs and lows, with movements and effects upon the weather.

<sup>5</sup> The Climate of Chile. Quarterly Journal of the Scottish Meteorological Society, November, 1911. Edinburgh.

<sup>6</sup> Handbuch der Klimatologie (third edition), Vol. III, p. 556.

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 TABLE 2.—Mean monthly and annual temperatures ( $^{\circ}\text{F}$ .) at selected stations in southern South America

Station	Country	Latitude south	Elevation in feet	Length of record in years	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	Annual
Mision Inglesa	Paraguay	6°	361	6	83.2	82.7	80.4	74.8	69.5	66.4	67.2	68.5	72.8	75.6	78.8	81.2	75.1
Rivadavia	Argentina	23 23	682	8	86.4	84.0	80.2	75.0	68.6	60.6	60.9	66.2	74.1	76.8	82.4	86.0	75.1
Asuncion	Paraguay	25 32	305	20	82.0	82.2	79.9	73.2	67.0	63.6	65.6	67.0	70.4	73.8	77.3	80.8	73.6
Corrientes	Argentina	27 27	177	39	81.6	81.2	78.9	71.6	65.6	61.6	62.0	62.8	67.4	71.2	76.0	80.0	71.7
Ceres	—do—	29 55	285	16	78.8	77.8	74.6	67.6	61.4	56.5	55.6	56.4	62.7	67.8	72.6	76.2	67.3
Tucuman	—do—	26 30	1,466	40	77.6	76.4	72.8	66.8	60.5	55.5	55.3	57.2	64.8	69.7	73.0	75.3	67.1
Tacna	Chile	18 00	1,837	5	73.4	74.0	71.6	68.6	64.4	60.4	59.3	60.0	61.7	64.4	66.7	70.0	66.2
Concepcion del Uruguay	Argentina	32 30	46	11	78.4	77.8	74.0	66.2	58.6	54.2	52.8	54.8	50.7	64.8	70.0	75.0	65.5
Iquique	Chile	20 12	30	13	69.4	69.2	67.2	64.5	62.2	60.6	59.4	59.8	61.0	63.2	65.6	67.6	64.1
Santa Anna do Livramento	Brazil	30 53	689	7	74.6	72.6	68.6	69.4	60.1	53.8	55.7	54.9	59.1	63.0	67.2	72.0	64.0
Cordoba	Argentina	31 25	1,388	41	73.8	73.2	69.4	62.7	56.6	51.0	51.7	54.2	58.8	63.6	68.4	72.2	63.0
Buenos Aires	—do—	34 36	82	13	74.1	72.4	69.1	62.8	55.4	48.8	48.8	51.1	55.3	59.2	65.3	71.0	61.1
Montevideo	Uruguay	34 32	82	10	72.4	72.0	66.6	62.8	55.6	49.9	50.0	51.4	54.6	58.6	64.6	69.8	60.7
Caldera	Chile	27 03	92	13	66.1	66.4	64.2	60.8	58.2	55.4	54.7	55.2	56.6	58.9	61.8	64.5	60.2
Patagones	Argentina	40 48	105	15	73.0	69.9	67.4	60.2	52.4	47.2	42.2	48.2	53.6	54.8	64.8	69.9	59.3
Santiago	Chile	33 27	1,706	14	69.3	68.2	64.6	59.2	53.2	47.6	48.1	50.5	53.5	58.3	63.4	67.3	58.6
Cipolletti	Argentina	38 56	889	9	72.6	69.2	64.2	55.7	48.2	42.0	41.8	45.8	51.4	56.8	64.6	68.7	56.8
Punta Lavapie	Chile	37 08	151	12	61.4	60.6	59.3	56.6	52.4	51.2	50.8	50.6	51.4	53.8	56.0	58.8	55.4
Valdivia	—do—	39 48	30	11	62.3	61.1	58.8	53.8	50.0	46.0	46.2	46.8	48.6	53.0	55.0	59.1	53.4
Malargue	Argentina	35 24	4,659	8	66.2	64.3	59.2	53.8	45.6	36.7	37.0	40.8	43.8	51.0	58.4	63.8	51.9
Colonia Sarmiento	—do—	45 30	899	8	64.8	64.2	58.6	51.9	45.0	38.6	37.4	42.0	46.6	52.6	57.4	61.2	51.7
Punta Corona	Chile	41 47	157	14	56.6	55.8	54.7	51.6	48.6	46.6	46.0	45.8	46.8	49.4	51.0	54.0	50.6
La Quinica	Argentina	22 10	11,358	11	55.3	55.9	54.5	50.2	42.6	38.2	37.8	42.2	47.6	51.6	54.8	56.5	48.9
Santa Cruz	—do—	52 22	39	9	50.4	57.9	54.8	47.1	40.6	35.4	35.6	38.5	44.6	49.6	53.4	56.8	47.8
Lonquimay	Chile	38 26	3,182	9	58.2	57.1	53.6	48.0	42.7	34.9	34.6	37.6	42.8	49.0	51.5	55.2	47.1
Puente del Inca	Argentina	32 48	8,948	7	55.2	53.0	51.4	45.9	41.4	32.2	32.3	34.8	38.3	43.4	48.1	51.4	44.0
Punta Arenas	Chile	53 10	92	14	52.6	51.4	49.0	43.6	38.9	35.8	35.4	36.2	40.8	45.3	47.2	50.8	43.9
Ushuaia	Argentina	54 50	39	6	48.6	48.4	45.5	40.0	35.5	30.6	30.8	33.6	38.6	42.6	44.8	46.4	40.4

 TABLE 3.—Mean monthly and annual temperatures ( $^{\circ}\text{F}$ ) at contrasted eastern and western stations of southern South America

Station	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	Annual
Mision Inglesa	83.2	82.7	80.4	74.8	69.5	66.4	67.2	68.5	72.8	75.6	78.8	81.2	75.1
Antofagasta	69.5	69.8	67.8	64.4	62.0	58.0	56.7	57.4	58.8	60.9	63.7	66.0	63.0
Difference	13.7	12.9	12.6	10.4	7.5	8.4	10.5	11.1	14.0	14.7	15.1	14.3	12.1
Corrientes	81.6	81.2	78.9	71.6	65.6	61.6	62.0	62.8	67.4	71.2	76.0	80.0	71.7
Caldera	66.1	66.4	64.2	60.8	58.2	55.4	54.7	55.2	56.6	58.9	61.8	64.5	60.2
Difference	15.5	14.8	14.7	10.8	7.4	6.2	7.3	7.6	10.8	12.3	14.2	15.5	11.5
Paso de los Libres	79.9	80.4	77.6	68.9	62.2	58.4	58.8	59.1	64.2	68.1	73.8	77.4	69.1
Punta Tortuga	63.4	63.5	61.6	58.4	56.6	54.2	53.2	53.0	55.0	56.5	58.8	61.3	58.0
Difference	16.5	16.9	16.0	10.5	5.6	4.2	5.6	5.2	9.2	11.0	15.0	16.1	11.1
Bahia Blanca	74.8	71.2	68.1	60.6	53.2	48.2	48.0	49.6	54.6	59.2	66.2	71.5	60.4
Valdivia	62.3	61.1	58.8	53.8	50.0	46.0	46.2	46.8	48.6	53.0	55.0	59.1	53.4
Difference	12.5	10.1	9.3	6.4	3.2	2.2	1.8	2.8	6.0	6.2	11.2	12.4	7.0
Puerto Madryn	68.8	69.4	64.0	58.6	51.2	44.9	44.5	47.0	50.8	55.0	59.8	66.3	56.7
Punta Corona	56.6	55.8	54.7	51.6	48.6	46.6	46.0	45.8	46.8	49.4	51.0	54.0	50.6
Difference	12.2	13.6	9.3	7.0	2.6	-1.7	-1.5	1.2	4.0	5.6	8.8	12.3	6.1
Punta Dungeness	53.0	52.8	50.8	45.7	41.6	38.4	37.4	37.8	40.6	44.6	47.0	50.8	45.0
Evanjelistas	47.0	47.1	46.9	44.7	42.4	40.3	39.3	39.6	40.4	42.2	43.0	45.2	43.2
Difference	6.0	5.7	3.9	1.0	-0.8	-1.9	-1.9	-1.8	0.2	2.4	4.0	5.6	1.8

 TABLE 4.—Extreme monthly mean temperatures ( $^{\circ}\text{F}$ ) at contrasted stations in South America and North America, paired according to location and latitude

Station	Latitude	Elevation in feet	Highest monthly mean	Month	Lowest monthly mean	Month
<i>Atlantic coast</i>						
Buenos Aires	35° S.	82	74.4	January	51.2	July
Wilmington, N. C.	34° N.	78	79.1	July	46.5	January
<i>Pacific coast</i>						
Bahia Blanca	39° S.	82	74.8	January	48.0	July
Atlantic City, N. J.	39° N.	52	72.5	August	32.5	January
Deseado	48° S.	61.4	January	39.0	July	February
St. Johns, N. F.	48° N.	125	59.8	August	22.5	February
Ushuaia	55° S.	39	48.6	January	30.6	June
Hopedale, Lab.	55° N.	26	50.4	August	-4.9	January
<i>Interior</i>						
Antofagasta	24° S.	16	69.8	February	56.7	July
Mazatlan, Mex.	23° N.	25	83.1	August	69.1	February
Punta Angeles	33° S.	134	64.4	January	53.1	July
San Diego, Calif.	33° N.	87	68.7	August	54.3	January
Valdivia	40° S.	30	62.3	January	46.0	June
San Francisco, Calif.	38° N.	155	60.9	September	49.9	January
Melinka	44° S.	16	56.0	February	45.2	August
Seattle, Wash.	48° N.	125	63.1	August	39.5	January
Evanjelistas	52° S.	180	47.1	February	39.3	July
Masset, Q. C. I.	54° N.	10	58.2	August	35.3	January

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TABLE 5.—*Mean monthly and annual precipitation (in inches) at selected stations in southern South America*

Station	Length of record in years	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	Annual
<i>Paraguay</i>														
Mision Ingresa	29	6.07	4.80	5.11	4.44	3.61	3.29	1.55	0.76	2.15	4.48	5.56	5.01	46.83
Asuncion	40	5.92	4.93	5.27	5.74	4.85	2.88	2.38	1.63	3.40	5.87	5.63	6.11	54.61
Villa Rica	27	4.96	4.63	6.10	6.12	5.34	4.68	3.09	2.96	4.63	5.87	6.47	5.85	60.70
Puerto Bertoni	13	6.39	5.77	5.33	6.59	5.80	6.04	3.35	4.43	6.89	5.88	7.63	6.04	70.14
<i>Uruguay</i>														
Montevideo	20	2.77	2.82	3.21	4.62	3.84	2.72	2.52	3.06	3.36	2.46	3.21	3.40	37.99
San Jorge	23	3.72	2.15	4.41	4.56	3.03	2.84	3.45	3.87	2.82	3.67	2.93	3.45	40.90
San Fructuoso	22	2.70	3.07	4.77	4.36	4.68	3.24	4.23	3.97	4.54	3.35	3.93	4.16	46.90
Santa Anna do Livramento <sup>1</sup>	7	4.52	4.10	6.22	4.25	5.61	3.31	4.62	3.79	4.98	3.83	3.73	3.92	52.88
<i>Chile</i>														
Arica	17	0.02	T.	0.00	0.00	0.00	T.	T.	T.	0.00	T.	T.	0.00	0.02
Iquique	25	T.	T.	T.	T.	T.	0.03	0.01	0.01	T.	T.	0.00	0.05	
Antofagasta	16	0.00	0.00	T.	T.	0.01	0.02	0.04	0.01	0.02	0.02	0.03	0.01	0.16
Caldera	25	0.01	T.	T.	T.	0.14	0.13	0.15	0.08	0.03	0.02	0.02	0.01	0.50
Ollague	5	0.80	0.98	0.06	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.02	0.04	T.	0.24	0.20	2.84
Punta Tortuga	25	T.	T.	0.06	0.03	1.15	1.54	1.16	0.55	0.15	0.02	0.04	0.01	4.71
Combarbalá	6	0.00	0.00	0.02	0.03	1.62	2.37	2.28	1.41	0.25	0.00	0.00	0.00	7.98
Punta Dungeness	21	1.05	0.69	0.84	1.00	0.78	0.67	0.80	0.59	0.43	0.38	0.45	1.05	8.73
Santiago	58	0.03	0.06	0.19	0.57	2.44	3.29	3.11	2.17	1.23	0.54	0.26	0.20	14.09
Punta Arenas	20	1.26	1.02	1.59	2.03	2.59	1.78	2.13	1.61	1.50	0.85	1.28	1.32	18.86
Punta Angeles	32	0.01	0.01	0.37	0.50	4.29	5.70	4.00	2.70	1.22	0.44	0.33	0.11	19.68
Talca	15	0.16	0.15	0.57	1.64	6.72	6.50	5.02	3.20	2.05	0.82	0.96	0.25	28.04
Bahia Harris	10	2.48	3.00	3.43	3.41	3.68	2.70	2.94	2.61	2.32	1.29	2.26	2.83	32.95
Chillan	11	0.39	0.51	1.58	2.32	7.85	8.24	6.54	5.30	3.46	1.41	1.80	0.77	40.17
Concepcion	45	0.69	0.84	2.40	3.32	7.78	9.81	9.80	7.28	4.00	2.27	1.81	1.03	51.03
Lonquimay	11	1.54	1.78	4.28	5.30	13.27	10.20	11.72	10.07	6.23	2.46	4.54	2.38	73.86
Cabo Raper	12	6.18	6.34	6.66	8.00	7.39	6.43	6.73	7.73	6.74	5.42	6.51	6.41	80.60
Puerto Montt	40	4.73	4.10	6.27	7.56	11.21	9.53	10.70	9.43	6.22	5.28	5.48	5.56	86.07
Valdivia	52	2.46	2.80	5.63	9.17	15.53	16.94	16.63	13.38	8.22	5.28	4.88	4.21	105.13
Evanjelistas	26	11.78	9.59	11.43	11.16	9.61	9.31	9.56	8.59	9.35	8.88	9.91	10.16	119.33
Melinika	11	5.99	6.62	8.54	10.63	13.76	14.48	15.06	12.80	10.11	7.54	9.72	9.68	124.93
Los Guindos	7	3.30	2.96	8.76	9.80	26.76	20.11	21.74	17.64	8.60	6.45	8.89	8.20	139.11
Bahia Felix	12	17.64	17.98	18.77	18.89	17.04	14.46	16.34	13.63	16.46	13.26	18.14	17.72	200.33
<i>Argentina</i>														
San Juan		0.79	0.71	0.43	0.08	0.04	0.04	0.28	0.12	0.12	0.24	0.24	0.30	3.48
Tinogasta	10	1.54	1.87	0.83	0.16	0.12	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.32	0.51	4.35	
Humahuaca	11	1.69	1.22	0.87	0.12	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.47	0.83	0.91	0.11	
Deseado	8	0.59	0.61	0.28	0.71	1.61	0.59	1.30	0.51	0.12	0.32	0.16	0.47	7.17
Mendoza		0.87	1.18	1.10	0.47	0.39	0.35	0.24	0.32	0.51	0.75	0.71	0.75	7.64
Chos Malal		0.32	0.28	0.24	0.55	1.97	1.97	0.91	1.18	0.55	0.35	0.47	0.32	9.11
La Quiaca		3.27	2.36	2.01	0.28	0.00	0.00	0.04	0.00	0.00	0.20	1.06	2.13	11.35
Catamarca		2.64	2.44	2.20	0.59	0.47	0.20	0.08	0.32	0.36	0.87	1.18	1.93	13.27
Ushuaia		1.77	1.93	1.69	1.81	1.57	1.54	1.26	0.91	1.18	1.50	1.89	1.80	18.85
Bahia Blanca		2.20	2.24	2.24	3.46	1.14	0.63	0.91	0.71	1.65	2.48	1.81	2.05	21.52
Cordoba		4.17	4.32	3.50	1.68	0.99	0.28	0.33	0.51	0.90	2.38	4.02	4.65	27.73
Jujuy		6.67	5.12	5.63	1.26	0.51	0.16	0.12	0.35	1.54	2.56	5.20	29.26	
Rio Cuarto		4.06	3.42	3.86	2.36	1.18	0.32	0.47	0.79	1.10	3.39	4.21	4.88	30.04
Rosario		2.99	2.76	3.46	4.33	1.77	1.22	1.42	1.38	2.20	3.82	4.21	3.98	33.54
Buenos Aires		3.11	2.60	3.94	4.72	2.83	2.01	2.16	2.24	2.87	3.35	3.94	4.09	37.86
Bariloche		1.42	0.83	2.20	3.54	8.23	5.67	4.92	5.00	2.72	1.46	1.85	1.18	39.02
Corrientes		4.21	4.33	6.02	5.59	4.02	0.77	2.05	1.57	2.72	5.04	5.24	5.87	48.43
Formosa		4.09	5.12	5.63	5.75	3.70	2.76	1.85	1.38	2.91	6.42	7.28	6.50	53.39
Paso de los Libres		3.94	4.84	5.79	6.73	5.59	4.06	3.27	3.19	4.88	5.98	4.88	5.12	58.27
Posadas		4.61	5.24	5.35	6.08	4.96	4.92	4.53	3.27	3.58	5.91	5.24	5.04	58.71

<sup>1</sup> In Brazil.

## CLIMATIC CONDITIONS IN THE SEVERAL SUBDIVISIONS

Meteorological data in greater detail follow for the four continental divisions of southern South America, Paraguay, Uruguay, Chile, and Argentina, and also for some adjacent areas, Juan Fernandez Islands, Falkland Islands, South Georgia, and South Orkney Islands.

## PARAGUAY

The general level of the lowlands in the west and of the Chaco (west of the Paraguay River) may be taken as 250 to 300 feet above the sea; eastern Paraguay is much higher, yet it is not, by any means, a mountainous country, but in contrast with the monotonously level pampas of Argentina its diversified surface may well seem so. No part of this region appears to be higher than 2,000 feet.<sup>7</sup>

<sup>7</sup> Paraguay (second edition). International Bureau of American Republics. Washington. 1902.

The data presented here for stations representing all except the highest regions are taken almost entirely from the works of W. G. Davis, published in 1902, 1910, and 1914 by the Oficina Meteorológica Argentina, Buenos Aires.

The highest mean annual temperature is 75° at Mision Ingresa (361 feet), in the Gran Chaco, and the lowest is 71° at Puerto Bertoni (515 feet), on the eastern border. There is considerable change in temperature from summer to winter; at the first of the stations just named the mean for January and February is 83°, while that for June is 66°, and at the second the values are 79° for the midsummer months and 61° for July. Temperatures of about 110° have been recorded in all regions and are rather frequent at Mision Ingresa, where temperatures of 100° or above have probably been recorded in all months of the year. Readings of 32° or slightly lower have been noted at all stations except Asuncion.

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TABLE 6.—Temperature data ( $^{\circ}$ F.), Paraguay<sup>1</sup>

Station	Length of record in years												
		January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December
Mean maximum temperature													
Mision Ingresa	6	95.9	94.5	91.6	86.2	81.1	77.0	70.3	82.0	86.0	88.7	91.0	93.4
Itacurubi del Rosario, 2 p. m.	7	88.0	87.6	86.7	81.1	74.7	70.5	73.8	76.3	78.8	82.8	85.1	89.4
Ayacucho	20	92.8	93.2	90.5	82.6	76.3	72.3	74.7	77.4	80.8	84.6	88.2	92.3
Puerto Bertoni	4	93.2	90.9	89.2	82.9	77.7	72.7	73.0	72.3	79.2	85.5	88.7	92.8
Mean minimum temperature													
Mision Ingresa	6	70.5	70.9	69.3	63.5	57.9	55.8	55.2	55.0	50.5	62.0	66.7	68.9
Itacurubi del Rosario, 7 a. m.	7	77.7	76.3	73.9	67.3	60.6	57.2	58.8	60.6	62.2	68.9	73.4	77.0
Ayacucho	20	71.1	71.2	69.3	63.7	57.5	55.5	55.6	57.9	59.9	63.1	66.4	69.4
Puerto Bertoni	4	65.7	68.0	64.2	60.8	54.4	7.51.6	48.7	51.8	53.6	56.7	62.4	64.0
Mean temperature (maximum+minimum÷2)													
Mision Ingresa	6	83.2	82.7	80.4	74.8	69.5	66.4	67.2	68.5	72.8	75.6	78.8	81.2
Ayacucho	20	82.0	82.2	79.9	73.2	67.0	63.6	65.6	66.7	70.4	73.8	70.3	73.6
Puerto Bertoni	4	79.4	79.4	76.7	71.8	66.6	62.2	60.8	62.0	66.4	71.1	75.6	78.4
Mean temperature (7 a. m.+2 p. m.+9 p. m.÷3)													
Mision Ingresa	6	83.7	83.5	80.6	74.7	70.3	66.4	68.0	71.1	72.9	76.6	78.6	82.2
Itacurubi del Rosario	7	80.2	79.5	77.8	72.2	66.0	62.5	64.6	66.6	68.4	73.5	75.0	78.5
Ayacucho	20	80.4	80.6	78.3	71.8	66.6	62.4	66.0	66.6	70.9	73.8	76.7	79.7
Puerto Bertoni	4	78.1	77.7	75.6	70.2	64.0	60.6	59.7	63.5	65.5	70.2	74.1	77.4
Highest temperature													
Mision Ingresa	11	108	109	106	103	99	97	96	103	108	109	112	110
Itacurubi del Rosario, 2 p. m.	7	101	100	100	97	94	88	91	95	103	103	99	101
Ayacucho	20	105	109	103	101	94	90	92	100	103	106	106	107
Puerto Bertoni	4	108	100	97	94	89	86	90	92	95	102	100	108
Lowest temperature													
Mision Ingresa	11	52	52	48	37	28	28	28	30	32	39	45	53
Itacurubi del Rosario, 7 a. m.	7	61	59	53	48	34	33	34	32	44	50	54	46
Ayacucho	20	54	52	49	42	34	33	36	35	37	41	49	47
Puerto Bertoni	4	50	56	52	41	34	32	30	28	31	38	46	49

<sup>1</sup> Climate of the Argentine Republic (1902) and Argentine Meteorological Service: History and Organization, with a condensed summary of results (1914). Walter G. Davis.

<sup>2</sup> Monthly record of temperature and pressure in Smithsonian Miscellaneous Collections, vol. 79.

TABLE 7.—Relative humidity and cloudiness data, Paraguay

Station	Length of record in years												
		January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December
Mean relative humidity <sup>1</sup>													
Mision Ingresa <sup>2</sup>	5	71	71	78	77	78	80	77	73	70	72	76	73
Itacurubi del Rosario <sup>3</sup>	7	79	80	80	82	83	81	78	72	73	75	76	78
Ayacucho <sup>4</sup>	9	71	71	72	76	78	77	72	68	64	64	67	66
Mean relative humidity, 7 a. m.													
Mision Ingresa <sup>2</sup>	5	82	82	88	90	92	91	90	86	83	82	84	83
Itacurubi del Rosario <sup>3</sup>	7	83	84	86	89	90	89	88	83	80	79	80	84
Ayacucho <sup>4</sup>	9	81	82	84	86	89	88	84	79	76	73	74	81
Mean relative humidity, 2 p. m.													
Mision Ingresa <sup>2</sup>	5	53	54	62	58	58	64	57	55	54	56	60	55
Itacurubi del Rosario <sup>3</sup>	7	66	66	63	68	67	67	62	58	55	59	61	60
Ayacucho <sup>4</sup>	9	56	55	55	59	62	61	56	53	48	50	53	54
Mean cloudiness <sup>1</sup>													
Mision Ingresa <sup>2</sup>	5	4.0	4.6	4.4	5.0	4.3	5.6	4.0	5.0	4.3	5.1	5.1	5.3
Itacurubi del Rosario <sup>3</sup>	7	5.3	4.4	3.8	4.2	4.0	4.7	3.8	4.2	3.5	4.1	4.1	4.0
Ayacucho <sup>4</sup>	9	5.8	5.2	4.7	4.9	4.9	5.2	4.5	4.9	4.6	5.2	4.5	4.8

<sup>1</sup> Observations at 7 a. m., 2 p. m., and 9 p. m.

<sup>2</sup> Anales de la Oficina Meteorologica Argentina. Tomo XIV, p. 473.

<sup>3</sup> Idem, p. 402.

<sup>4</sup> Climate of the Argentine Republic. W. G. Davis, 1902.

From October to May, inclusive, the average monthly precipitation is over 4.50 inches and the mean for the wettest month, January, is 6.50 inches. In the driest months, July and August, the mean is over 2 inches. Precipitation is abundant and well distributed over the

country and through the year; the nearest approach to a dry season is found in the amounts for the winter months of July and August in the region extending from Itacurubi del Rosario to the northwestern border, but even here in the driest month, August, the average amount of precipitation received is 1 inch. The total annual rainfall is less than 50 inches in the Gran Chaco (Mision Ingresa, 47 inches), 50 to 60 inches over the remaining area exclusive of the higher eastern section, and 70 inches at Puerto Bertoni, the only station representing the eastern region drained by the Parana River.

TABLE 8.—Precipitation data, Paraguay

Station	Length of record in years												
		January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December
Mean precipitation (in inches)													
San Salvador <sup>1</sup>	10	7.06	8.87	5.87	5.77	4.82	2.78	1.37	1.09	2.60	5.86	5.89	5.72
Mision Ingresa <sup>2,3</sup>	29	6.07	4.80	5.11	4.44	3.61	3.29	1.55	0.76	2.15	4.48	5.50	5.01
Itacurubi del Rosario <sup>4</sup>	7	8.83	5.73	5.01	4.02	3.68	2.98	3.06	1.22	2.27	8.18	5.89	6.17
Ayacucho <sup>5,6</sup>	40	5.924	0.93	5.27	5.74	4.85	2.88	2.38	1.63	3.40	5.875	6.38	6.11
Villa Rica <sup>6,8</sup>	27	4.964	6.38	6.10	6.125	3.44	6.83	3.09	2.98	4.63	5.87	4.75	5.85
Puerto Bertoni <sup>7</sup>	13	6.39	5.77	5.33	6.59	5.80	6.04	3.35	4.43	6.89	5.88	7.63	6.04
Maximum precipitation in 24 hours (in inches)													
Mision Ingresa	5	5.90	2.76	1.70	3.69	1.10	4.86	2.35	1.26	5.04	2.62	3.50	3.07
Itacurubi del Rosario	7	4.53	2.94	2.95	3.29	2.30	3.69	3.02	1.54	3.52	5.28	3.68	3.54
Ayacucho	8	5.24	4.33	4.79	4.38	2.70	4.59	2.93	2.11	2.02	2.52	3.37	2.60
Mean number of days with precipitation													
Mision Ingresa	11	7	7	7	6	5	4	3	2	4	6	8	7
Itacurubi del Rosario	7	13	10	7	6	7	5	6	5	6	9	9	9
Ayacucho	20	8	7	7	7	6	5	4	6	6	8	8	8
Puerto Bertoni	4	13	11	8	7	5	8	6	8	9	9	9	10
Prevailing wind direction													
Mision Ingresa <sup>1</sup>	5	e.	e.	e.	e.	e.	s.	e.	e.	e.	e.	e.	e.
Itacurubi del Rosario <sup>1</sup>	7	n.	ne.	e.	ne.	e.	ne.	n.	s.	s.	s.	n.	n.
Ayacucho <sup>1</sup>	9	s.	s.	s.	s.	s.	s.	s.	s.	s.	s.	s.	s.
Mean wind velocity, miles per hour													
Ayacucho <sup>2</sup>	2.0	3.0	3.0	3.2	3.6	4.0	4.6	4.7	5.0	4.5	3.5	3.0	3.8
Mean number of days with fog													
Mision Ingresa <sup>1</sup>	5	1.2	1.0	0.8	2.4	2.8	3.2	2.4	2.0	1.8	1.		

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in elevation, represent conditions over all except the rather limited higher areas, some of which approach the 2,000-foot level.

The climatic tables have been compiled from bulletins of the Observatorio del Prado, Instituto Nacional Físico-Climatológico and the Observatorio Central, both in Montevideo, supplemented by data from the Brazilian Boletim de Normas, in order to extend the survey to the northern and eastern borders. Conditions in the west, along the Uruguay River, may be learned in greater detail by reference to data for stations in the littoral region of Argentina.

With its small area and lack of featured topography Uruguay presents, of course, no marked contrasts in temperature. The extreme range in mean annual temperature can be little more than  $3^{\circ}$  ( $64^{\circ}$  to  $61^{\circ}$  F.), extreme conditions represented by Santa Anna do Livramento, Brazil, and Montevideo). The change in mean temperature from summer to winter is about  $20^{\circ}$  (Montevideo, January and February,  $72^{\circ}$ ; June and July,  $50^{\circ}$ ). Maximum temperatures of  $100^{\circ}$  or above and minimum temperatures slightly below  $25^{\circ}$  have been recorded in all regions.

TABLE 10.—Temperature data ( $^{\circ}$ F.), Uruguay

Station	Length of record in years												
		January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December
Mean maximum temperature													
Santa Anna do Livramento, Brazil <sup>1</sup>	7	86.4	82.2	79.0	76.6	69.3	62.2	64.8	65.7	69.3	74.3	70.5	84.2
San Jorge	17	85.7	84.6	81.5	72.1	64.8	59.3	59.9	63.1	66.0	70.9	78.2	83.0
Santa Victoria do Palmar, Brazil <sup>1</sup>	7	82.4	81.7	77.0	74.5	67.3	60.6	60.4	61.5	63.0	68.0	74.1	79.2
Montevideo <sup>2</sup>	10	62.6	61.8	71.6	72.3	64.2	57.7	57.9	59.2	62.8	67.8	74.8	80.4
Mean minimum temperature													
Santa Anna do Livramento <sup>1</sup>	7	62.8	63.1	58.3	56.1	50.9	45.3	46.6	44.1	48.9	51.8	55.0	59.9
San Jorge	17	59.5	58.0	56.6	48.9	42.9	39.7	40.3	43.0	44.5	47.9	52.8	56.9
Santa Victoria do Palmar <sup>1</sup>	7	62.4	63.7	59.4	58.3	52.3	44.6	45.1	45.1	49.1	50.2	55.0	58.6
Montevideo <sup>2</sup>	10	62.1	62.2	56.7	53.4	47.1	42.1	42.1	43.5	46.4	49.5	54.5	59.2
Mean temperature (maximum + minimum + 2)													
Santa Anna do Livramento <sup>1</sup>	7	74.0	72.6	68.6	66.4	60.1	53.8	55.7	54.9	59.1	63.0	67.2	72.0
San Jorge	17	72.6	71.1	69.0	60.5	53.8	49.5	50.1	53.0	55.2	59.4	65.5	70.0
Santa Victoria do Palmar <sup>1</sup>	7	72.4	72.7	68.2	66.4	59.9	52.6	52.8	53.3	56.5	59.1	64.6	68.9
Montevideo <sup>2</sup>	10	72.4	72.0	66.6	62.8	55.6	49.9	50.0	51.1	45.4	6.6	64.6	69.8
Mean temperature, 24 hours													
Montevideo <sup>2</sup>	15	71.6	71.4	68.0	63.0	56.5	52.0	50.5	51.1	45.5	52.1	59.0	64.6
Highest temperature													
Santa Anna do Livramento <sup>1</sup>	7	105	97	93	99	83	82	85	89	92	96	97	101
San Jorge	17	102	100	99	89	86	78	80	83	92	93	98	103
Santa Victoria do Palmar <sup>1</sup>	7	101	95	94	94	86	80	80	83	82	88	97	100
Montevideo <sup>2</sup>	20	109	103	101	98	85	80	83	84	90	94	98	102
Montevideo <sup>3</sup>	19	102	96	95	90	82	74	79	82	83	85	88	92
Montevideo <sup>4</sup>	20	105											105
Lowest temperature													
Santa Anna do Livramento <sup>1</sup>	7	48	52	45	40	32	26	23	26	34	34	40	43
San Jorge	17	40	41	38	33	24	23	22	24	24	29	33	37
Santa Victoria do Palmar <sup>1</sup>	7	44	49	44	43	37	23	24	32	35	34	37	40
Montevideo <sup>2</sup>	20	46	46	40	36	29	25	26	25	28	29	38	45
Montevideo <sup>3</sup>	19	52	51	50	42	36	34	33	34	36	41	43	46
Montevideo <sup>4</sup>	20												25
Mean number of days with maximum temperature $95^{\circ}$ or above													
Montevideo <sup>2</sup>	17	3.4	2.6	0.5	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2	1.2	5.5
Mean number of days with minimum temperature $32^{\circ}$ or below													
Montevideo <sup>2</sup>	17	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.4	1.6	2.4	1.7	0.3	0.3	0.0	0.0
Mean													
1 Boletim de normas. Diretoria de Meteorologia, Brazil. Rio de Janeiro. 1922.													
2 Observatorio del Prado, Instituto Nacional Físico-Climatológico, 1901-1920.													
3 Observatorio Central, Instituto Meteorológico Nacional, 1906-1924.													
4 Villa Colón (6 miles north of the city), 1883-1902.													
5 Monthly record of temperature and pressure in Smithsonian Miscellaneous Collections, vol. 79.													

TABLE 11.—Relative humidity and cloudiness data, Uruguay

Station	Length of record in years												
		January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December
Mean relative humidity													
Montevideo: <sup>1</sup>	24 hours	10	69	72	75	78	82	81	82	78	79	76	70
7 a. m.	10	78	83	87	89	90	91	87	88	83	76	76	85
2 p. m.	10	52	57	58	62	68	68	68	64	64	61	54	52
Montevideo, <sup>2</sup> a.m., 2 p. m., 9 p. m.	19	66	67	68	71	71	74	76	73	71	69	66	65
Mean cloudiness													
San Jorge, 9 a. m., 3 p. m.	4	3.2	2.3	3.8	4.2	4.9	6.0	5.2	5.3	5.7	5.2	4.2	3.9
Montevideo, <sup>1</sup> 7 a. m., 2 p. m., 9 p. m.	15	4.1	4.3	4.5	4.9	5.5	5.8	5.9	5.6	5.5	5.3	4.7	4.3
Mean daily duration on sunshine, in hours <sup>3</sup>													
San Jorge	4	10.8	11.4	8.6	7.5	6.1	4.7	5.5	6.5	6.8	8.1	9.8	9.9
Montevideo <sup>2</sup>	18	10.6	10.1	9.1	7.5	6.3	5.4	5.1	6.2	7.1	7.8	10.0	10.4

<sup>1</sup> Observatorio del Prado.<sup>2</sup> Observatorio Central.<sup>3</sup> Mean annual total, 2,905 hours at both stations.

Precipitation is rather uniformly distributed over the territory and through the year. Annual means show an increase from about 38 inches over the southern third of the area to about 46 inches in the third lying parallel to the northern border, in which the extreme local means reach 50 inches. The monthly average is highest in March (4.6 inches) and lowest in June (3.2 inches). This lighter rainfall in June is in rather marked contrast with the heavier rainfall in the remainder of the colder period from March to September, inclusive.

TABLE 12.—Precipitation data, Uruguay

Station	Length of record in years													
		January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	
Mean precipitation (in inches)														
Zanja Honda	11	4.03	3.66	4.60	6.23	4.27	2.95	2.64	2.41	3.22	4.10	4.37	4.22	
Santa Anna do Livramento, Brazil <sup>1</sup>	7	4.52	4.0	10.6	22	4.25	5.61	3.31	4.02	3.79	4.05	3.83	3.73	3.92
San Fructuoso, Melo	22	2.70	3.07	4.77	4.36	4.58	3.24	4.23	3.97	4.54	3.35	3.93	4.16	4.90
San Jorge	17	3.37	2.55	2.65	3.34	3.24	3.36	4.69	4.87	5.20	2.66	3.55	2.87	4.42
Fray Bentos	24	3.22	3.07	4.37	4.20	3.16	2.68	2.55	2.32	3.98	3.87	3.38	4.14	4.04
Santa Victoria do Palmar, Brazil <sup>1</sup>	7	3.77	4.54	5.26	3.60	5.84	2.44	4.54	4.15	5.48	3.51	3.30	3.43	4.86
Montevideo:	9	2.71	3.37	5.78	4.40	3.86	4.13	5.57	4.95	4.28	4.10	2.83	2.89	4.96
Observatorio del Prado <sup>2</sup>	20	2.77	2.82	3.21	4.62	3.84	2.72	2.52	3.06	3.36	2.46	3.21	3.40	3.79
Observatorio Central	19	2.63	3.00	3.18	4.40	3.28	3.24	2.50	3.81	3.49	2.61	3.29	3.66	3.91
Villa Colón	38	3.08	2.63	4.06	3.98	2.95	3.04	3.03	3.10	3.16	3.08	2.88	3.06	3.08
Maximum precipitation in 24 hours (in inches)														
Zanja Honda	9	6.42	3.46	4.57	3.03	2.99	2.91	1.69	1.65	3.07	2.28	4.06	4.06	6.42
Santa														

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TABLE 13.—Wind, fog, and thunderstorm data, Uruguay

Station	Length of record in years													Annual
		January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	
Prevailing wind direction														
Santa Anna do Liv- ramento, Brazil <sup>1</sup>	7	ne.	se.	ne.	ne.	s.	s.	s.	s.	se.	se.	ne.	s.	s.
San Jorge	10	e.	e.	s.	ne.	s.	w.	ne.	ne.	ne.	e.	ne.	ne.	ne.
Santa Victoria do Palmar, Brazil <sup>1</sup>	7	ne.	ne.	ne.	ne.	ne.	ne.	sw.	ne.	ne.	ne.	ne.	ne.	ne.
Montevideo <sup>2</sup>	15	e.	e.	e.	n.	n.	n.	n.	n.	e.	e.	e.	e.	e.
Mean wind velocity														
Santa Anna do Liv- ramento <sup>1</sup>	5	3.1	2.7	3.1	2.9	3.4	3.6	3.8	5.8	4.3	4.5	4.5	3.8	3.8
Santa Victoria do Palmar <sup>1</sup>	7	12.3	11.4	11.6	11.2	10.5	11.2	10.7	12.8	13.6	13.6	13.0	13.4	12.1
Montevideo <sup>2</sup>	15	8.3	8.3	7.2	7.8	7.2	7.8	8.3	9.2	8.9	9.2	8.9	9.2	8.4
Mean number of days with wind velocity 25 miles per hour or higher														
Montevideo <sup>2</sup>	15	2.9	3.5	1.9	3.3	2.6	3.0	4.0	5.8	3.8	5.0	3.5	4.7	44.0
Mean number of days with fog														
Santa Anna do Liv- ramento <sup>1</sup>	7	0.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	2.0	1.0	1.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	9.0
Santa Victoria do Palmar <sup>1</sup>	7	1.0	1.0	2.0	4.0	7.0	5.0	7.0	5.0	4.0	2.0	0.0	0.0	38.0
Montevideo <sup>3</sup>	19	0.5	0.3	1.6	3.3	6.6	9.0	10.2	6.6	4.8	2.7	1.0	0.4	47.0
Mean number of days with thunderstorm														
Santa Anna do Liv- ramento <sup>1</sup>	5	3	3	5	3	2	3	2	4	4	4	3	6	47
San Jorge	4	3	1	4	3	3	4	3	6	5	4	4	4	48
Santa Victoria do Palmar <sup>1</sup>	7	5	4	3	3	3	3	4	2	4	2	4	4	41
Montevideo <sup>3</sup>	19	4	3	3	3	3	2	2	3	3	2	4	5	37

<sup>1</sup> See footnote under Table 10. <sup>2</sup> Observatorio del Prado. <sup>3</sup> Observatorio Central.

## CHILE

This ribbonlike country, extending from  $18^{\circ}$  to  $56^{\circ}$  south latitude, is nearly 2,700 miles long while its mainland width varies between 50 and 225 miles. North of latitude  $30^{\circ}$  lies an elevated arid region, occupied in part by the Desert of Atacama. In striking contrast to this there stretches southward to the Gulf of Ancud, in latitude  $41^{\circ}$ , the Vale of Chile, a fertile, well-watered valley or plain, shut in by the lofty Andes on the east and the maritime range bordering the sea. South of the Gulf of Ancud nearly all of the territory is mountainous and inhospitable, with few scattered settlements.

The Anuario Meteorológico issued by the Instituto Central Meteorológico y Geofísico de Chile, Santiago, provides data sufficient for the preparation of extensive climatic tables. In R. C. Mossman's paper, The Climate of Chile, published in the Journal of the Scottish Meteorological Society, 1910, data are given for only a very few inland stations. In recent years there has been remarkable progress in the extension of the network of stations, so that it is now possible to obtain a general survey of climatic conditions.

**Temperature.**—From north to south over nearly equal distances along the coast the mean annual temperature decreases as follows: Arica,  $64^{\circ}$  F.; Caldera,  $60^{\circ}$ ; Punta Angeles (Valparaíso),  $59^{\circ}$ ; Punta Corona (Ancud),  $51^{\circ}$ ; and Evangelistas,  $43^{\circ}$ , the lowest for the whole area. In the central valley the corresponding values are: Ovalle ( $820$  feet),  $62^{\circ}$ ; Talca ( $322$  feet),  $58^{\circ}$ ; and Temuco ( $367$  feet),  $54^{\circ}$ . Ollague, the highest station, situated within

the Tropics at an elevation of  $12,123$  feet, has an annual mean of  $48^{\circ}$ ; Fresco, at  $6,070$  feet,  $62^{\circ}$ ; El Teniente, at  $6,800$  feet,  $49^{\circ}$ ; and Lonquimay, much farther south, at  $3,182$  feet,  $49^{\circ}$ .

The change in mean temperature from January–February to June–July is generally  $16^{\circ}$  or less, but  $20^{\circ}$  to  $25^{\circ}$  at some of the elevated stations. The change is about  $10^{\circ}$  at coast stations from Arica ( $18^{\circ}$  S.) to Evangelistas ( $52^{\circ}$  S.). How nearly these conditions agree with those in southern California is shown by the following differences between extreme months: Los Angeles,  $16^{\circ}$ , and San Francisco,  $11^{\circ}$ .

Mean daily range in temperature is uniformly small throughout the year in all coast regions, the annual value varying between  $15^{\circ}$  at Punta Angeles and  $7^{\circ}$  at Evangelistas, where the influence of marked cloudiness and high frequency of precipitation is greatest. In the interior, on the contrary, the annual average daily range is generally  $25^{\circ}$  or more (maximum  $35^{\circ}$  at Fresco), with little seasonal change in the dry regions but with marked change at higher southern stations where the summer is dry and the winter wet (Lonquimay, February  $38^{\circ}$  and June  $16^{\circ}$ ).

Maximum temperatures of  $97^{\circ}$  to  $100^{\circ}$  have been recorded at many interior stations from Tacna southward to Temuco and Lonquimay. Temperatures of  $95^{\circ}$  or more are extremely rare at coast stations, having been observed only at Punta Tumbes ( $101^{\circ}$ ), Punta Lavapie ( $96^{\circ}$ ), and Valdivia ( $95^{\circ}$ ). These high temperatures on the coast are to be ascribed to winds causing marked föhn effect, as noted by Mossmann (loc. cit.). Table 14 is of interest in that it shows changed temperature conditions along the middle coast of Chile at the time that a shallow depression just off the coast caused the unusual temperatures noted above.

TABLE 14.—Temperatures at Punta Carranza to Isla Mocha on January 4, 1905

Time	Punta	Punta	Punta	Isla
	Carranza	Tumbes	Lavapie	Mocha
7 a. m.	$64^{\circ}$	$74^{\circ}$	$76^{\circ}$	$60^{\circ}$
2 p. m.	$64^{\circ}$	$95^{\circ}$	$80^{\circ}$	$63^{\circ}$
9 p. m.	$59^{\circ}$	$58^{\circ}$	$67^{\circ}$	$61^{\circ}$
Maximum	$68^{\circ}$	$101^{\circ}$	$96^{\circ}$	$65^{\circ}$
Minimum	$52^{\circ}$	$57^{\circ}$	$64^{\circ}$	$56^{\circ}$

From the high maxima at Punta Angeles and Valdivia (Table 15), it may be assumed that the föhn occurs in the coastal region between latitudes  $37^{\circ}$  and  $40^{\circ}$  S.

Along the northern coast maximum temperatures are slightly above  $90^{\circ}$ ; along the coast south of latitude  $40^{\circ}$  we find the extremes to be  $79^{\circ}$  at Punta Corona,  $76^{\circ}$  at Melinka, and only  $60^{\circ}$  at Evangelistas. In contrast to this low maximum at Evangelistas there are relative high maxima at the more eastern, leeward stations Punta Arenas ( $81^{\circ}$ ) and Punta Dungeness ( $80^{\circ}$ ).

Freezing temperatures occur along the coast from Valdivia southward and at nearly all of the inland stations except in the extreme north. The extreme minimum temperatures recorded for the entire country are  $-2^{\circ}$  at Lonquimay ( $3,182$  feet) and  $9^{\circ}$  at Potrerillos ( $2,789$  feet). Unfortunately, temperature extremes are not available for Ollague ( $12,126$  feet).

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TABLE 15.—Temperature data ( $^{\circ}\text{F}$ .), Chile

Station	Length of record in years	Mean maximum temperature												
		January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	Annual
Mean maximum temperature														
Tacna	5	85.6	86.2	84.4	81.3	75.6	71.1	70.2	71.8	73.2	75.9	79.3	83.1	78.1
Arica	10	75.0	75.9	74.7	71.4	69.4	67.8	65.8	64.6	63.0	66.9	68.2	72.9	70.0
Iquique	13	76.8	77.7	74.7	71.6	68.9	66.2	64.9	65.8	67.1	69.8	72.9	75.0	70.9
Ollague, 2 p. m.	3	66.4	66.4	64.6	62.2	60.1	54.5	54.9	55.7	50.9	54.4	63.5	53.8	61.6
Antofagasta	6	75.9	76.7	74.7	71.2	68.7	70.4	69.3	63.0	63.3	64.4	66.9	73.0	69.3
Refresco	4	81.9	80.8	82.2	81.1	77.1	70.3	67.6	77.0	75.9	79.8	80.4	81.0	81.2
Potrillitos	4	67.6	67.8	68.6	6.0	65.7	61.2	57.4	56.8	58.0	63.3	66.6	69.8	63.0
Caldera	14	71.8	72.7	1.69.6	6.6	63.0	1.60.8	59.9	60.4	61.9	64.4	67.5	70.2	65.6
Punta Tortuga	14	69.3	69.9	1.67.1	1.63.7	62.3	1.59.7	5.5	55.8	56.0	6.1	7.6	64.4	66.7
Ovalle	13	83.7	73.8	58.0	6.6	75.7	70.9	65.5	64.6	9.8	9.7	1.6	75.2	75.2
Los Andes	13	87.6	86.8	9.8	97.9	66.9	1.61.1	62.3	76.6	6.6	73.5	75.6	81.0	75.5
Punta Angeles	12	72.3	72.7	1.70.2	2.66.7	63.0	0.59.7	5.9	54.1	60.1	62.4	64.8	69.1	60.0
Santiago	14	85.5	85.4	78.0	4.7	73.6	65.5	1.58.1	1.59.0	62.2	65.3	71.8	78.3	83.3
El Teniente	13	66.7	66.6	2.64.2	2.00.6	54.4	48.0	49.9	35.1	56.8	58.0	76.4	45.7	53.3
Talca	12	87.1	85.9	67.7	70.7	70.5	1.55.6	5.5	56.3	59.9	56.4	71.1	77.7	78.3
Punta Carranza	14	66.0	66.5	3.63.2	7.61.0	59.9	2.55.6	1.57.1	52.5	61.1	69.4	60.6	70.4	60.4
Punta Tumbes	14	65.8	66.5	5.64.0	0.61.2	58.5	6.55.9	5.5	56.6	1.57.0	52.5	61.1	69.4	60.4
Punta Lavapie	12	68.7	76.7	6.65.5	5.62.4	59.2	5.45.5	6.65.7	0.60.0	1.63.0	0.66.6	2.6	61.4	59.0
Lonquimay	9	76.1	76.7	1.70.2	2.62.8	63.6	4.43.3	4.43.2	55.5	8.8	64.4	66.6	97.1	8.1
Temuco	9	76.8	76.7	8.72.0	0.64.9	57.5	5.4	1.54.9	59.4	45.6	1.68.9	9.72.2	54.6	6.4
Valdivia	11	73.0	71.7	8.68.8	61.7	75.6	1.56.1	5.1	51.8	53.8	53.6	7.6	64.4	48.8
Punta Corona	14	62.1	61.1	3.59.9	5.6	55.5	9.50.5	4.5	69.4	8.51.1	54.1	1.55.6	68.8	55.2
Melinka	11	63.3	63.6	60.0	6.56.5	56.2	3.50.2	5.0	50.0	50.5	61.6	55.8	60.0	55.9
Punta Dungeness	13	60.1	1.59.4	45.6	7.51.3	4.6	8.4	3.42.6	0.50.9	53.5	65.7	9.50.8	50.8	50.8
Evangelistas	11	50.5	50.0	51.50.5	4.5	48.4	4.46.4	4.43.7	7.42	54.3	0.43.9	45.3	34.6	46.6
Punta Arenas	14	60.3	58.8	8.55.8	5.49.5	3.39.9	3.61.0	46.4	52.5	54.7	7.58.3	3.50.0	50.0	50.0
Mean minimum temperature														
Tacna	5	61.2	61.1	7.58.8	55.9	53.1	49.8	48.4	48.2	25.0	2.52.9	54.0	1.57.0	54.3
Arica	10	64.2	64.4	8.63.8	56.8	53.5	44.9	53.4	53.1	51.7	50.1	58.6	61.1	53.8
Iquique	14	62.1	61.1	5.59.7	57.4	55.5	61.5	54.9	54.6	1.54.0	55.8	3.60.0	1.57.4	57.4
Ollague, 7 a. m.	3	46.3	43.3	54.0	6.31.6	62.5	3.20.5	14.9	23.2	23.1	3.41.1	24.5	1.49.9	1.34.4
Antofagasta	6	63.1	63.0	8.6	57.6	55.5	2.51.1	1.50.4	45.1	53.2	55.4	58.1	60.8	56.7
Refresco	4	40.0	44.4	2.44.6	4.8	9.42	3.39.4	4.42	8.42	1.44.6	4.6	45.7	4.54.8	44.3
Potrillitos	4	47.8	48.4	2.46.4	4.5	74.2	1.35.6	8.38	73.8	54.1	7.44.8	64.9	1.43.9	1.43.9
Caldera	13	60.4	60.0	8.58.8	55.8	53.2	2.50.0	4.49.5	50.0	3.51.3	53.4	55.6	1.58.8	54.8
Punta Tortuga	14	57.6	57.5	9.56.8	51.1	51.1	45.1	4.7	47.8	4.84.9	64.6	7.44.8	6.43.9	54.9
Ovalle	12	55.2	54.5	7.51.3	4.8	24.5	9.42.4	4.42	4.43	7.46.4	4.7	47.5	5.45.3	48.5
Los Andes	13	53.8	52.5	48.9	9.44	4.40	3.36.1	1.36	53.8	54.0	5.44.4	4.42	2.51.1	8.44.6
Punta Angeles	14	56.5	55.8	8.54.6	51.8	51.8	40.0	8.46	8.46.8	4.43.6	0.50.2	2.52.2	3.35.4	7.51.2
Santiago	14	53.1	51.6	48.9	4.44	8.41	3.47	3.7	23.8	8.81.4	7.41.8	4.51.3	4.44.9	5.44.9
El Teniente	12	51.1	50.0	54.7	3.44.1	1.39.9	2.32	0.33	1.33.1	1.34.4	7.37	7.43.5	4.21.4	5.21.4
Talca	14	54.0	51.8	8.49.3	4.34.1	5.37.9	3.38.3	3.38.7	4.6	45.9	4.58.7	51.1	4.45.1	4.45.1
Punta Carranza	14	52.5	52.2	5.41.3	4.0.1	1.47.4	5.44.2	2.44	2.43	5.44.4	4.4	46.8	7.51.1	4.48.1
Punta Tumbes	14	52.5	52.2	5.41.3	4.0.1	1.47.4	5.44.2	2.44	2.43	5.44.4	4.4	46.8	7.51.1	4.48.1
Punta Lavapie	13	54.0	53.3	6.51.3	5.60.9	4.49.1	4.46.1	4.46.2	4.46.5	4.46.6	4.47.9	4.48.0	4.49.4	4.49.4
Lonquimay	9	40.3	38.8	1.36.9	9.33.1	1.31.8	2.26	1.27	3.29	7.3	33.6	6.36.0	1.38.7	33.2
Temuco	8	50.2	48.8	9.48.2	4.44.4	4.42.8	3.38	3.39	0.38	8.40.5	4.45.7	4.49.8	6.44.1	4.41.1
Valdivia	11	51.6	50.0	48.8	9.45.9	4.43.9	4.40.6	4.41	39.9	4.50.5	4.54.7	4.54.9	5.45.1	5.45.1
Punta Corona	14	51.1	50.4	49.5	4.45.6	4.42.6	4.42.4	4.41.7	4.42.4	4.42.4	4.44.6	4.49.3	4.49.5	4.49.5
Melinka	11	49.3	49.9	1.47.7	4.7	45.3	4.32.8	4.40.8	4.41	4.40.4	4.43.6	4.43.7	3.44.3	3.44.3
Punta Dungeness	13	45.9	45.5	44.8	4.40.1	4.36.3	3.33.2	3.32.9	3.33.4	3.34.5	3.35.2	3.37.9	2.39.2	2.39.2
Evangelistas	13	43.5	43.7	7.43.3	4.41.0	3.38.6	3.36.1	3.37.0	3.39.0	3.39.7	3.42.1	3.43.7	3.43.7	3.43.7
Punta Arenas	14	45.0	43.9	9.42.1	3.7	38.4	5.31.6	3.31.1	3.31.8	3.35.1	3.35.1	3.35.1	3.35.1	3.35.1
Mean temperature (maximum + minimum - 2)														
Tacna	5	73.4	74.7	0.71.0	68.0	6.04.4	4.60.0	4.59.3	6.01.6	7.0	7.04.4	6.06.0	7.07.0	0.66.2
Arica	10	69.0	70.4	6.69.3	6.6	66.0	6.63.1	6.60.6	6.60.4	6.67.1	6.64.4	6.65.1	6.66.4	6.64.4
Iquique	13	69.4	69.2	2.67.7	2.64.5	6.62.2	6.60.9	6.59.8	6.61.0	6.63.5	6.65.0	6.67.1	6.64.1	6.64.1
Ollague, 7 a. m.	3	64.6	54.4	0.53.4	47.4	9.42.7	7.37.3	3.34.9	4.40.5	4.42.4	4.43.7	4.45.7	4.46.0	4.46.0
Antofagasta	6	69.5	68.7	8.67.8	8.64.4	6.62.0	6.60.5	6.57.7	6.54.5	6.63.8	6.60.3	6.66.9	6.63.0	6.63.0
Refresco	4	44.0	46.2	0.43.4	2.62.5	5.61.5	5.59.8	5.58.9	5.62.0	5.64.0	5.65.1	5.65.2	5.65.3	5.65.3
Potrillitos	47.5	57.8	0.56.6	2.55.7	1.61.4	5.54.0	5.53.8	5.53.7	5.54.5	5.55.1	5.56.0	5.56.5	5.56.5	5.56.5
Caldera	13	66.1	66.0	4.64.2	6.60.8	5.68.2	5.65.4	5.61.6	5.69.1	5.66.0	5.68.4	5.69.4	5.69.2	5.69.2
Punta Tortuga	14	63.4	63.3	5.61.6	5.64.5	5.62.4	5.60.3	5.58.2	5.56.1	5.54.0	5.52.9	5.51.8	5.50.6	5.50.6
Ovalle	12	67.8	67.7	8.62.6	8.68.5	6.65.6	6.61.5	6.58.1	6.51.3	6.45.3	6.52.1	6.56.1	6.59.3	6.59.3
Los Andes	13	63.0	63.6	6.61.2	6.68.3	6.65.6	6.63.2	6.60.5	6.58.4	6.56.1	6.54.0	6.52.9	6.50.8	6.50.8
Punta Angeles	14	63.7	63.6	6.61.2	6.68.3	6.65.6	6.63.2	6.60.5	6.58.4	6.56.1	6.54.0	6.52.9	6.50.8	6.50.8
Santiago	14	68.7	67.7	1.62.4	5.66.7	5.61.5	5.61.1	5.58.1	5.51.3	5.45.3	5.42.1	5.40.0	5.37.7	5.37.7
Punta Lavapie	13	61.0	61.0	0.59.7	5.61.5	5.64.3	5.61.3	5.58.1	5.51.3	5.45.3	5.42.1	5.39.8	5.37.8	5.37.8
Lonquimay	13	61.0	61.0	1.53.8	4.7	47.8	4.82.4	3.84.9	3.24.3	3.20.8	3.17.7	3.14.7	3.12.7	3.12.7
Temuco	9	61.0	61.0	6.60.7	5.73.8	5.69.4	5.64.5	5.61.2	5.57.9	5.55.6	5.52.3	5.50.1	5.47.9</	

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The frequency of frost days, minimum temperature  $32^{\circ}$  or lower, is given in Table 15; the highest values of the mean annual number are 148 at Lonquimay, 65 at Punta Arenas, and 62 at El Teniente. Ice days, maximum temperature  $32^{\circ}$  or lower, are rare at these stations with severest winters, the average annual number being about 3.

**Relative humidity.**—The highest values of the annual mean, based on tridaily observations, are found, as is to be expected, along the coast; from Iquique to Evangelistas the means are 78 per cent or higher with maximum about 85 per cent at Punta Tumbes and Punta Corona. The lowest annual means are 53 per cent at Refresco and 59 per cent at Los Andes. Along the coast there is little seasonal change in relative humidity, but at some interior stations there is marked difference between values for rainy and dry seasons (Santiago, 80 per cent in June and 55 per cent in December).

TABLE 16.—*Relative humidity data, Chile*<sup>1</sup>

Station	Length of record in years	Mean relative humidity (7 a. m. + 2 p. m. + 9 p. m. + 3)												
		January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	Annual
<b>Mean relative humidity 7 a. m.</b>														
Tacna	5	64	63	66	70	76	77	78	77	77	73	72	71	72
Arica	8	73	73	75	73	73	74	74	75	76	74	73	74	74
Iquique	8	82	80	81	80	81	82	78	80	80	80	79	80	80
Antofagasta	8	71	70	72	69	72	71	72	69	70	69	67	68	70
Refresco	5	58	59	59	56	53	62	48	52	49	48	48	51	53
Punta Tortuga	14	80	80	81	83	84	83	83	81	81	80	80	82	82
Ovalle	5	60	62	66	69	77	80	80	77	75	70	64	59	70
Los Andes	14	52	52	56	62	66	62	65	66	64	60	54	52	59
Punta Angeles	14	70	70	73	75	77	76	76	75	74	73	67	66	73
Santiago	14	56	59	65	71	78	80	79	78	74	73	67	66	73
Talca	30	61	64	70	75	80	85	83	83	78	74	69	55	69
Punta Tumbes	11	53	55	64	73	83	85	87	80	74	69	61	55	70
Lonquimay	8	82	83	83	86	87	86	87	85	83	84	83	82	84
Temuco	4	70	73	77	80	85	85	85	84	80	78	73	70	78
Valdivia	12	71	72	77	84	89	89	88	86	81	76	75	73	80
Valdivia <sup>2</sup>	5	74	81	86	93	91	89	83	83	80	75	76	83	83
Punta Corona	13	83	85	86	87	87	87	88	87	84	83	84	85	85
Evangelistas	9	80	80	78	78	79	78	78	77	78	78	79	79	78
Punta Arenas	13	63	65	68	73	79	78	79	78	71	64	62	62	70
<b>Mean relative humidity 2 p. m.</b>														
Tacna	5	70	72	71	77	85	85	86	87	84	82	80	77	80
Arica	8	74	74	73	72	73	74	76	77	75	75	74	74	74
Iquique	8	83	83	83	83	82	82	82	82	82	81	80	82	82
Antofagasta	8	70	75	77	77	77	76	77	74	73	72	69	71	74
Refresco	5	56	60	59	56	53	54	51	53	49	46	46	48	53
Punta Tortuga	14	85	86	86	87	88	86	87	88	86	86	85	85	86
Ovalle	5	67	71	78	81	85	86	86	83	83	78	68	62	77
Los Andes	14	67	68	74	78	80	82	76	79	78	73	67	66	74
Punta Angeles	14	82	85	86	86	88	83	83	84	85	84	78	83	83
Santiago	14	71	78	88	91	93	93	92	92	89	83	72	69	84
Talca	11	69	72	81	88	93	93	92	91	88	82	76	69	83
Punta Tumbes	14	84	85	87	87	89	87	88	87	86	86	84	84	86
Lonquimay	8	82	87	92	93	93	93	93	94	92	88	82	82	89
Temuco	4	87	91	93	93	94	92	94	93	93	89	84	82	90
Valdivia	12	79	84	90	94	94	94	93	94	91	86	82	81	88
Punta Corona	13	87	90	90	89	90	90	90	90	87	87	86	87	89
Evangelistas	9	81	79	78	79	79	78	79	79	79	79	80	80	80
Punta Arenas	13	66	69	74	79	82	80	82	81	76	69	65	65	74

Mean daily duration in hours

Station	Length of record in years	Mean percentage of possible												
		January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	Annual
<b>Mean daily duration in hours</b>														
Santiago <sup>1</sup>	10	10.7	11.0	9.3	7.7	5.1	4.1	4.5	5.2	5.5	7.3	9.0	10.8	7.5
Punta Arenas <sup>2</sup>	7.4	5.5	5.9	4.3	3.5	2.6	3.1	4.0	4.7	7.0	7.2	7.2	5.2	5.5
Santiago <sup>1</sup>	76	83	76	68	48	41	44	48	47	57	65	76	61	

<sup>1</sup> See paragraph on relative humidity in text.

<sup>2</sup> Santiago, means from hourly readings; Valdivia, means from bihourly readings. Climate of Chile. R. C. Mossman. Journal of the Scottish Meteorological Society, Vol. XV (1910), p. 345.

Table 16 giving mean relative humidity at 2 p. m. sets forth more clearly the contrast between the humidity of the coastal air and that of the interior; for example, at Iquique, Punta Tumbes, Punta Corona, and Evangelistas all monthly means are above 75 per cent, while in the interior such values are found only in the south in the rainy midyear. In the northern interior the air is very dry during midday hours; the extreme condition appears at Los Andes, where the mean at 2 p. m. is 39 per cent for the year and only 52 per cent for June, a month with moderate precipitation.

**Cloudiness.**—Mean annual cloudiness has a remarkably wide range. At Refresco, near the Atacama Desert, it is 0.8, while at Evangelistas, in the region swept almost constantly by the westerly winds, it is 8.7. Over most regions, however, the annual mean is about 5.0, corresponding to conditions found over the greater part of the earth. In the extreme, rainy south, where skies are uniformly cloudy, and in the arid north, where the coast has moderate cloudiness and the interior unusually clear skies, seasonal change is slight; elsewhere cloudiness is much greater in the colder, rainy, midyear season than in the warmer, dry months from December to February, inclusive.

TABLE 17.—*Mean cloudiness, Chile*<sup>1</sup>

Station	Length of record in years	Mean cloudiness													
		January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	Annual	
Tacna	6	6.2	5.7	5.1	5.4	5.6	6.0	6.4	6.3	6.3	6.0	6.0	6.0	5.9	
Arica	10	5.1	4.1	3.3	3.9	3.0	6.9	7.0	7.2	6.8	6.2	5.7	4.2	5.5	
Iquique	14	4.8	3.8	4.4	2.5	1.8	0.2	2.2	2.3	2.0	2.1	2.4	2.3	2.8	2.5
Ollague	3	3.8	4.4	2.5	3.6	3.5	4.0	5.7	7.9	8.5	8.4	8.2	7.0	5.7	4.3
Antofagasta	9	3.2	2.4	2.8	3.3	3.7	3.8	3.9	4.1	4.4	4.3	3.5	3.5	3.6	3.6
Refresco	11	0.9	0.4	0.5	0.8	1.2	1.6	1.5	0.8	0.9	0.7	0.3	0.6	0.8	
Potrerillos	4	1.4	1.9	0.8	0.6	2.2	2.6	2.0	1.8	1.3	1.4	0.4	0.7	1.4	
Punta Tortuga	14	4.6	4.0	4.5	5.7	5.7	5.5	5.7	5.4	5.6	5.7	4.8	4.6	5.2	5.2
Ovalle	11	1.7	1.3	1.5	2.3	3.1	3.6	3.3	2.9	2.8	3.0	1.8	1.6	2.4	
Los Andes	14	1.4	1.4	1.9	3.2	4.7	5.4	4.9	4.9	4.7	4.4	3.3	3.0	3.5	3.5
Punta Angeles	14	3.5	3.1	3.5	4.6	5.2	5.0	5.2	4.8	4.7	5.1	3.8	3.3	4.3	
Santiago	14	1.8	1.7	2.4	3.6	5.4	5.8	5.6	5.2	5.3	4.7	3.7	2.3	4.0	
Talca	12	1.6	1.4	2.5	4.4	6.3	6.3	6.1	5.5	5.1	4.8	3.6	2.5	4.2	
Punta Tumbes	14	3.0	3.7	4.4	5.3	6.2	5.9	6.0	5.4	4.9	4.8	4.1	3.4	4.8	
Lonquimay	8	3.3	3.5	5.1	5.5	6.8	7.3	7.0	6.7	5.6	5.2	4.9	3.9	5.4	
Temuco	4	87	91	93	93	94	92	94	93	93	89	84	82	90	
Valdivia	12	79	84	90	94	94	94	93	91	91	86	82	81	88	
Punta Corona	13	87	90	90	89	90	90	90	87	87	86	87	89	89	
Evangelistas	9	81	79	78	79	79	79	79	79	79	80	80	80	80	
Punta Arenas	13	66	69	74	79	82	80	82	81	76	69	65	65	74	

<sup>1</sup> Period 1910-1923. Mean annual duration, 2,738 hours.

<sup>2</sup> Period April, 1916-December, 1918. Mean annual duration, approximately 1,900 hours.

Fog is rare in the northern areas, but from Punta Tortuga southward (except at Punta Arenas and Punta Dungeness) meteorological conditions are very much changed in this respect, and over both coastal and interior regions fog is rather frequent, occurring on from 40 to 95 days annually, according to the extent to which local conditions are favorable to its formation.

*Precipitation.*—In this area of meteorological contrasts due to range in latitude and elevation above sea level no element shows greater variation than that found for precipitation. The extreme mean annual amounts of rainfall are 0.02 inch at Arica and 200.33 inches at Bahia Felix.

From the northern boundary to latitude 27° 30' S. the mean annual rainfall is less than 0.75 inch along the coast and reaches a maximum of only 2.34 inches at the elevated station Ollague (12,123 feet); south of this extremely arid region there is a well-defined increase in precipitation, and at latitude 33° we find values of 20 inches on the coast (Valparaiso) and 14 inches in the interior (Santiago).

At latitude 36° the mean yearly rainfall has increased to 30 inches both on the coast and in the interior (Punta Carranza and Talca), and from this region to the extreme southern limit of the country precipitation is moderate, abundant, or excessive, except at Punta Dungeness (8.73 inches) and Punta Arenas (18.86 inches), stations in the southern part of the great "rain shadow" which includes a large part of southern Argentina.

Between the latitudes of Punta Tumbes and Melinka there is great variability in annual amounts of precipitation; the most marked contrasts are those between Punta Tumbes (20 inches) and Concepcion (51 inches) in the north and Isla Guapo (41 inches) and Melinka (125 inches) in the south.

At nearly all stations the annual march of precipitation shows a winter maximum (in June in the northern half of the country, in May or June in the southern half), and a summer minimum (generally in January or February, but in October from Cabo Raper southward.) Outside the arid region the contrast in means for the wettest and driest months is well marked in all regions north of Cabo Raper. Some of the greatest differences (in inches) are: Los Guindos, 26.76 and 2.96; Casapangue, 21.92 and 4.30; Panguipulli, 17.58 and 2.78; and Valdivia, 16.94 and 2.46. At the station having maximum rainfall for Chile, Bahia Felix, the extreme monthly means are 18.89 inches in April and 13.26 inches in October.

Precipitation in 24 hours exceeding 7 inches has been recorded at several stations; the highest record is 8.85 inches at Los Guindos.

The mean annual number of days with precipitation is practically zero in the extreme north, about 50 in the vicinity of Santiago, 100 at Concepcion, 175 at Valdivia, 200 at Puerto Montt, 285 at Cabo Raper, 318 at Evangelistas, and 325 at Bahia Felix. On the basis of frequency, the last-named stations must be counted among the rainiest points on the earth.

Snow rarely falls except at elevated stations (El Teniente, 6,800 feet; Lonquimay, 3,180 feet) and in the extreme south (Evangelistas and Punta Arenas); in these regions the average number of days with snow during the year is 36 and 28, respectively. Valdivia probably marks the northern limit of snowfall along the coast.

TABLE 19.—*Precipitation data, Chile*

Station	Length of record in years	Janu- ary	Febru- ary	March	April	May	June	July	August	Septem- ber	October	Novem- ber	Decem- ber	Annual
Mean precipitation (inches)														
Tacna.....	7	0.24	0.01	T.	0.08	0.07	T.	0.13	0.19	0.27	0.12	0.05	0.09	1.25
Arica.....	17	0.02	T.	0.00	0.00	T.	T.	T.	T.	0.00	T.	T.	0.00	0.02
Iquique <sup>1</sup> .....	25	T.	T.	T.	T.	T.	T.	0.03	0.01	0.01	T.	T.	0.00	0.05
Ollague <sup>2</sup> .....	5	0.80	0.98	0.06	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.02	0.04	T.	0.24	0.20	2.34
Antofagasta.....	16	0.00	0.00	T.	T.	0.01	0.02	0.04	0.01	0.02	0.02	0.03	0.01	0.16
Refresco.....	10	0.00	0.00	0.02	0.00	0.09	0.12	0.02	T.	T.	0.06	0.00	0.00	0.31
Potrerillos.....	4	0.32	0.25	0.08	T.	0.02	0.24	T.	0.33	T.	T.	0.00	T.	1.24
Caldera.....	25	0.01	T.	T.	T.	0.14	0.13	0.15	0.08	0.03	0.02	0.02	0.01	0.59
Copiapo.....	14	0.00	0.00	0.00	T.	0.13	0.21	0.23	0.07	T.	0.01	T.	0.00	0.65
La Pampa.....	8	0.01	0.03	0.08	0.00	1.60	0.74	1.20	0.61	0.24	0.02	0.00	0.04	4.57
Punta Tortuga <sup>3</sup> .....	25	T.	T.	0.06	0.03	1.15	1.54	1.16	0.55	0.15	0.02	0.04	0.01	4.71
Ovalle.....	12	T.	T.	T.	0.01	1.40	1.31	1.02	0.59	0.47	0.02	0.08	T.	4.90
Combarbalá.....	6	0.00	0.00	0.02	0.03	1.62	2.37	2.28	1.41	0.25	0.00	0.00	0.00	7.98
Los Andes.....	19	0.04	0.00	0.21	0.71	2.98	3.79	1.82	1.47	1.09	0.28	0.11	0.17	12.67
Punta Angeles.....	32	0.01	0.01	0.37	0.50	4.29	5.70	4.00	2.70	1.22	0.44	0.33	0.11	19.68
Santiago <sup>4</sup> .....	58	0.03	0.06	0.19	0.57	2.44	3.29	3.11	2.17	1.23	0.54	0.26	0.20	14.09
El Teniente.....	13	0.39	0.26	0.70	2.48	8.17	9.49	6.68	5.30	3.18	1.94	1.88	0.20	40.67
San Fernando.....	15	0.07	0.02	0.40	1.72	6.10	7.15	4.61	3.47	1.85	0.86	1.07	0.28	27.59
Talca.....	15	0.16	0.15	0.57	1.64	6.72	6.50	5.02	3.20	2.05	0.82	0.96	0.25	28.04
Punta Carranza.....	23	0.17	0.18	0.78	1.74	5.17	6.99	5.65	3.26	2.33	0.67	0.71	0.38	28.03
Chillan.....	11	0.39	0.51	1.58	2.32	7.85	8.24	6.54	5.30	3.46	1.41	1.80	0.77	40.17
Punta Tumbes.....	24	0.14	0.34	0.74	1.54	3.52	4.19	3.40	2.85	1.76	0.76	0.58	0.40	20.22
Concepcion.....	45	0.69	0.84	2.40	3.32	7.78	9.81	9.80	7.28	4.00	2.27	1.81	1.03	51.03
Punta Lavapie.....	20	0.47	0.56	1.41	2.63	4.98	5.72	5.04	3.63	2.56	1.24	1.30	0.88	30.42
Contulmo.....	15	1.44	1.32	3.34	6.01	13.03	11.37	12.10	9.32	5.68	2.52	3.82	2.11	72.09
Los Guindos.....	7	3.30	2.96	8.76	9.80	26.76	20.11	21.74	17.54	8.60	6.45	9.89	3.20	139.11
Lonquimay.....	11	1.54	1.78	4.28	5.30	13.27	10.29	11.72	10.07	6.23	2.46	4.54	2.38	73.86
Temuco.....	12	1.09	1.14	2.94	4.93	9.68	6.50	7.50	5.98	3.35	2.38	3.28	2.38	51.15
Panguipulli.....	11	3.04	2.78	6.48	8.72	17.58	14.32	14.71	12.21	8.87	4.51	6.66	4.26	104.14
Valdivia <sup>5</sup> .....	52	2.46	2.80	5.63	9.17	15.53	16.94	16.63	13.38	8.22	5.28	4.88	4.21	105.13
Casapangue.....	7	4.30	5.73	12.82	16.31	21.92	15.33	15.94	16.30	8.90	4.95	8.11	8.91	139.52
Puerto Montt.....	40	4.73	4.10	6.27	7.56	11.21	9.53	10.70	9.43	6.22	5.28	5.48	5.56	86.07
Punta Corona.....	24	2.69	3.72	5.24	7.92	10.72	11.06	9.94	10.17	6.35	3.85	5.06	4.25	80.97
Isla Guapo.....	17	2.45	2.63	3.22	4.03	5.03	4.63	4.12	5.03	2.74	2.19	2.46	2.56	41.09
Melinka.....	11	5.99	6.62	8.54	10.63	13.76	14.48	15.06	12.80	10.11	7.54	9.72	9.68	124.93
Cabo Raper.....	12	6.18	6.34	6.66	8.06	7.39	6.43	6.73	7.73	6.74	5.42	6.51	6.41	80.60
Punta Dungeness.....	21	1.05	0.69	0.84	1.00	0.78	0.67	0.80	0.59	0.43	0.38	0.45	1.05	8.73
Evangelistas <sup>6</sup> .....	26	11.78	9.59	11.43	11.16	9.61	9.31	9.56	8.59	9.35	8.88	9.91	10.16	119.33
Bahia Felix.....	12	17.64	17.98	18.77	18.89	17.04	14.46	16.34	13.63	16.46	13.26	18.14	17.72	200.33
Punta Arenas <sup>7</sup> .....	20	1.26	1.02	1.59	2.03	2.59	1.78	2.13	1.51	1.50	0.85	1.28	1.32	18.86
Bahia Harris.....	10	2.48	3.00	3.43	3.41	3.68	2.70	2.94	2.61	2.32	1.29	2.26	2.83	32.95

<sup>1</sup> Rain on 1 day in June, 1911, amount not measured.

<sup>2</sup> Days with rain in June and July (1915), amounts not given.

<sup>3</sup> Monthly records in Smithsonian Miscellaneous Collections, vol. 79.

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 TABLE 19.—*Precipitation data, Chile—Continued*

Station	Length of record in years	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	Septem- ber	October	Novem- ber	Decem- ber	Annual
Maximum precipitation in 24 hours (inches)														
Tacna	6	0.79	0.04	0.01	0.39	0.04	T.	0.27	0.37	0.16	0.20	0.12	0.21	0.79
Arica	17	0.39	T.	0.60	0.00	0.60	T.	T.	0.60	T.	T.	0.00	0.39	
Iquique	25	T.	T.	0.01	0.06	T.	0.50	0.10	0.20	0.11	T.	0.00	0.59	
Ollague	3	0.47	1.57	0.20	0.00	0.00	0.60	0.00	0.12	0.20	T.	0.50	0.35	1.57
Antofagasta	16	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.11	0.18	0.22	0.10	0.27	0.24	0.14	0.10	0.27
Refresco	10	T.	0.00	0.16	0.00	0.43	0.75	0.20	0.04	T.	0.52	0.00	0.00	0.75
Potrerillos	4	0.83	0.55	0.24	T.	0.06	0.87	T.	0.98	T.	T.	0.00	T.	0.98
Caldera	25	0.06	T.	T.	0.03	0.79	1.02	0.95	0.40	0.21	0.14	0.13	0.07	1.02
Copiapo	6	0.00	0.00	0.00	T.	0.45	0.94	0.08	0.19	0.04	T.	T.	0.00	0.94
La Pampa	8	0.04	0.20	0.32	0.60	7.40	1.77	2.97	3.05	1.30	0.13	0.00	0.30	7.40
Punta Tortuga	25	T.	0.04	0.06	0.15	4.43	5.55	4.60	2.66	0.71	0.09	0.55	0.04	5.55
Ovalle	12	T.	T.	0.08	4.74	1.46	2.03	2.03	1.64	0.64	0.09	0.51	T.	4.74
Combarbala	6	0.00	0.00	0.03	0.16	2.36	1.83	2.20	2.20	0.59	0.00	0.00	0.00	2.36
Los Andes	14	0.11	T.	1.16	0.98	3.50	3.25	2.01	1.57	1.80	0.91	0.71	1.87	3.50
Punta Angeles	25	2.4	0.07	1.42	2.47	6.75	7.32	3.22	2.79	2.97	1.61	1.42	0.99	7.32
Santiago	14	0.23	0.14	0.60	0.96	2.89	2.86	2.26	1.31	1.75	1.03	1.15	0.90	2.89
El Teniente	13	1.32	0.75	2.27	4.79	5.61	6.25	5.60	4.09	3.33	3.72	4.91	0.80	6.25
San Fernando	14	0.57	0.17	1.22	2.35	5.83	6.56	3.61	4.32	2.87	1.94	2.26	1.67	6.56
Talca	13	0.09	0.34	1.60	3.80	3.23	3.94	3.39	2.84	3.96	1.50	2.34	0.98	3.96
Punta Carranza	23	1.10	0.85	2.08	1.93	6.09	4.13	4.09	3.00	2.91	1.02	1.81	1.73	6.09
Chillan	7	1.15	1.77	2.43	1.44	3.51	3.65	2.59	2.64	2.67	1.33	1.38	2.20	3.65
Punta Tumbes	24	0.55	1.93	2.11	2.35	2.83	2.04	1.65	1.88	1.97	0.97	0.87	0.96	2.83
Concepcion	14	1.72	0.91	2.26	2.37	5.39	4.97	3.87	2.79	2.61	1.97	2.20	1.71	5.39
Punta Lavapie	20	1.06	1.42	4.27	1.71	2.05	3.22	2.46	1.70	1.41	1.30	1.78	1.32	4.27
Contulmo	14	2.85	1.23	3.84	3.87	5.59	3.90	7.94	4.11	3.18	1.76	4.02	3.89	7.94
Los Guindos	7	2.83	2.83	6.57	8.29	8.85	4.37	5.71	4.68	3.99	3.64	6.54	3.78	8.85
Lonquimay	10	1.37	1.38	3.40	2.33	4.67	5.07	4.84	2.94	2.80	2.01	2.66	2.85	5.07
Maximum precipitation in 24 hours (inches)														
Temuco	12	1.53	0.01	1.82	2.02	3.06	1.96	4.99	2.00	2.26	0.02	2.75	3.90	4.09
Panguipulli	9	3.25	2.82	3.67	4.21	4.54	3.35	3.73	3.44	2.78	2.06	4.55	3.17	4.55
Valdivia	14	1.91	2.13	2.05	4.15	4.41	4.01	6.25	3.48	3.86	1.77	5.16	3.84	6.25
Casapangue	7	3.58	3.80	4.72	7.13	4.65	6.22	6.69	3.82	3.31	2.18	5.51	3.35	7.13
Puerto Montt	13	3.07	1.75	1.81	3.70	2.60	3.26	2.77	2.15	2.76	1.81	2.04	1.85	3.70
Punta Corona	24	2.89	2.74	3.35	4.75	3.70	2.90	3.28	3.04	2.13	1.95	2.75	2.30	4.75
Isla Guasco	17	1.57	1.60	1.21	1.60	3.04	1.84	2.30	1.69	2.55	1.09	1.03	0.87	1.11
Melinka	11	3.56	4.17	3.62	3.04	4.09	4.06	3.07	3.15	3.08	2.83	3.56	2.67	4.17
Cabo Raper	9	1.70	1.42	1.18	1.42	1.36	1.72	1.81	1.65	1.65	1.19	1.32	1.88	
Punta Dungeness	21	1.18	0.78	1.46	2.50	0.70	1.14	0.85	0.79	0.56	0.58	0.46	0.87	2.50
Evanjelistas	25	2.88	2.76	2.01	4.19	3.18	4.06	2.84	5.38	3.28	2.44	2.38	2.40	5.38
Bahia Felix	9	4.16	4.42	4.84	4.79	3.76	3.04	3.01	4.74	4.51	4.85	3.60	4.13	4.85
Punta Arenas	20	2.17	1.02	2.40	1.41	1.83	1.75	2.21	1.27	1.67	1.38	0.69	1.43	2.40
Bahia Harris	8	0.91	3.15	1.10	1.18	2.52	0.91	0.70	0.79	0.83	1.10	0.93	1.18	3.15
Mean number of days with precipitation <sup>a</sup>														
Tacna	6	1	1	(3)	1	1	0	2	2	4	1	1	1	15
Ollague	3	4	4	1	0	0	(3)	1	1	1	0	(3)	1	12
Caldera	25	(3)	0	0	(3)	1	1	1	1	(3)	(3)	0	0	4
Copiapo	14	0	0	0	(3)	0	1	1	1	(3)	(3)	0	0	6
La Pampa	8	(3)	(3)	(3)	0	2	2	1	1	(3)	(3)	0	0	16
Punta Tortuga	25	(3)	(3)	(3)	1	3	4	3	3	1	1	(3)	(3)	10
Ovalle	12	0	0	0	(3)	2	3	2	2	1	(3)	0	0	14
Combarbala	6	0	0	0	1	(3)	2	5	3	2	1	0	0	29
Los Andes	19	(3)	0	1	2	2	5	6	5	4	3	2	1	40
Punta Angeles	25	(3)	(3)	1	3	6	8	7	5	4	3	2	1	48
Santiago	24	(3)	(3)	1	3	7	10	8	7	5	4	3	1	53
El Teniente	13	1	1	2	4	7	9	8	9	5	3	3	1	52
San Fernando	14	(3)	(3)	1	3	9	9	8	8	5	4	3	1	55
Talca	13	(3)	1	2	3	10	9	9	8	6	3	3	1	58
Punta Carranza	23	1	1	2	4	6	11	15	10	9	5	5	2	83
Chillan	9	2	2	3	6	7	14	13	11	9	5	4	2	76
Punta Tumbes	25	1	1	3	4	8	14	15	14	14	11	7	5	100
Concepcion	20	2	2	3	5	9	14	17	15	14	10	7	6	106
Punta Lavapie	20	2	3	5	8	12	18	18	17	16	14	10	7	140
Contulmo	14	5	5	5	8	9	16	18	17	16	12	9	7	124
Los Guindos	7	4	4	4	8	9	16	18	14	16	12	11	7	139
Lonquimay	10	5	5	9	11	13	16	16	15	15	12	9	7	131
Temuco	12	5	5	9	13	18	17	17	14	14	11	11	9	151
Panguipulli	9	6	6	12	13	18	17	17	14	12	12	10	8	176
Valdivia	24	7	7	12	15	21	22	21	20	17	17	12	9	136
Casapangue	7	4	7	11	14	18	16	14	18	9	8	8	5	200
Puerto Montt	12	12	11	12	18	24	22	20	21	16	13	16	13	189
Punta Corona	25	9	10	14	16	21	21	21	16	16	13	14	13	
Mean number of days with precipitation														
Isla Guasco	17	20	18	20	22	24	25	25	20	18	21	20	21	238
Melinka	11	12	10	13	17	20	17	19	18	15	12	15	16	184
Cabo Raper	9	23	22	24	25	27	24	24	23	22	19	26	28	285
Punta Dungeness	17	7	6	6	7	7	5	6	5	4	4	5	7	69
Evanjelistas	25	28	25	28	27	26	25	26	26	26	26	27	28	318
Bahia Felix	9	29	26	28	28	27	27	27	27	27	25	25	29	325
Punta Arenas	19	9	8	9	12	11	9	11	8	9	6	9	10	111
Bahia Harris	9	21	19	21	22	21	18	20	19	16	12	16	21	226
Mean number of days with snow														
Tacna	6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Refresco	9	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Potrerillos	4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.3	0.8	1.0	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.8
Los Andes	9	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.6	0.7	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.5
Santiago	9	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.1	0.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	

*Wind.*—Over the greater part of Chile the winds have a westerly component throughout the year. In the northern region the prevalence of southwest winds is very striking; south of Santiago to Temuco the prevailing winds come from south, southwest, or west, and from Valdivia southward along the coast they blow from north, northwest, or west. At the stations listed in Table 20 there is little or no seasonal variation in wind direction except the changes from winter to summer at Los Andes (SW. to E.), El Teniente (W. to E.), Talca (S. to N.), and Temuco (W. to NE.).

At Isla Mocha, Isla Guafo, and Evangelistas, stations freely exposed to the winds from the western ocean, and Punta Dungeness, on the Atlantic coast, the average wind force is slightly above 4 of the Beaufort scale without material change for seasons; elsewhere wind velocities are uniformly low.

Gales are frequent in the region of the stormy westerly winds; at Isla Guafo and Evangelistas the average annual number of days with gale (wind force 8 or more on the Beaufort scale) is about 80.

TABLE 20.—Wind data, Chile

Station	Length of record in years	Prevailing wind direction <sup>1</sup>												Annual
		Janu- ary	Febru- ary	March	April	May	June	July	August	Septem- ber	October	Novem- ber	Decem- ber	
Tacna	6	SW.	S., SW.	S., SW.	S.	S.	S.	SW.	S.	SW.	SW.	SW.	S., SW.	SW.
Arica	9	SW.	SW.	SW.	SW.	SW.	SW.	SW.	SW.	SW.	SW.	SW.	SW.	SW.
Iquique	14	SW.	SW.	SW.	SW.	SW.	SW.	SW.	SW.	SW.	SW.	SW.	SW.	SW.
Antofagasta	9	S., SW.	S.	SW.	SW.	SW.	SW.	SW.	SW.	SW.	SW.	SW.	SW.	SW.
Refresco	11	S.	S.	S.	S.	S.	S.	S.	S.	S.	S.	S.	S.	S.
Punta Tortuga	14	SW.	SW.	SW.	SW.	SW.	SW.	SW.	SW.	SW.	SW.	SW.	SW.	SW.
Ovalle	14	SW.	SW.	SW.	SW.	SW.	SW.	SW.	SW.	SW.	SW.	SW.	SW.	SW.
Los Andes	14	SW.	SW.	e., SW.	e.	e.	e.	e.	e.	e.	e.	e.	e.	e.
Punta Angeles	14	SW.	SW.	SW.	SW.	SW.	SW.	SW.	SW.	SW.	SW.	SW.	SW.	SW.
Santiago	14	SW.	S.	S.	SW.	SW.	SE.	SW.	SW.	SW.	SW.	SW.	SW.	SW.
El Teniente	13	W.	W.	W.	W.	W.	e.	e.	e.	W.	W.	W.	W.	W.
Talca	12	S.	S.	S.	S.	N.	N.	N.	S.	S.	S.	S.	S.	S.
Punta Carranza	14	SW.	SW.	SW.	SW.	n., SW.	SW.	SW.	SW.	SW.	SW.	SW.	SW.	SW.
Punta Tumbes	14	S.	S.	S.	S.	n.	S.	n., S.	S.	S.	S.	S.	S.	S.
Longuilimay	8	SW.	SW.	SW.	SW.	SW.	W.	SW.	SW.	SW.	SW.	SW.	SW.	SW.
Temuco	9	W.	W.	W.	W.	ne.	ne.	ne.	W.	W.	W.	W.	W.	W.
Valdivia	11	nW.	w., nW.	w.	n., nW.	nW.	nW.	nW.	nW.	nW.	nW.	nW.	nW.	nW.
Punta Corona	14	W.	SW.	n.	n.	n.	n.	n.	n.	n.	n.	n.	n.	n.
Melinka	11	n.	n.	D.	n.	n.	n.	n.	n.	n.	n.	n.	n.	n.
Punta Dungeness	14	SW.	SW.	SW.	SW.	SW.	SW.	SW.	SW.	SW.	SW.	SW.	SW.	SW.
Evangelistas	14	w., nW.	w.	nW.	w.	nW.	w.	w.	nW.	nW.	nW.	nW.	w.	w.
Punta Arenas	13	w.	w.	w.	w.	w.	w.	w.	w.	w.	w.	w.	w.	w.
Mean wind force, Beaufort scale 0-12														
Iquique	6	1.0	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.2	1.2	1.3	1.2	1.2	1.1	1.2	1.2
Refresco	6	0.7	0.9	0.8	0.9	1.0	1.3	1.1	1.0	1.0	0.8	0.6	0.6	0.9
Punta Tortuga	6	2.2	2.5	2.2	2.0	2.1	2.1	2.1	2.3	2.4	2.4	2.5	2.2	2.2
Punta Angeles	6	1.2	1.3	1.1	0.9	0.9	1.0	0.9	1.0	1.1	1.1	1.4	1.1	1.1
Santiago	6	1.2	1.1	0.9	0.7	0.6	0.5	0.5	0.6	0.8	1.0	1.1	1.2	0.8
Punta Carranza	6	2.0	1.9	1.9	2.0	2.4	2.2	2.5	2.4	2.4	2.2	2.4	2.4	2.2
Isla Mocha (West)	6	4.4	3.9	3.4	3.8	4.3	4.1	4.6	4.5	4.2	4.2	4.2	4.1	4.1
Temuco	5	1.8	1.8	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.7	1.6	1.7	1.5	1.6	1.7	1.7	1.6
Valdivia	3	0.5	0.5	0.3	0.5	0.6	0.5	0.5	0.6	0.6	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.5
Isla Guafo	6	4.5	4.5	3.8	4.3	4.6	4.5	4.5	5.0	4.1	3.8	4.4	4.6	4.4
Melinka	4	2.2	2.2	2.1	2.5	2.6	2.8	2.9	3.0	2.9	2.4	2.6	2.6	2.6
Punta Dungeness	5	4.6	4.4	4.6	4.8	4.4	4.2	4.4	4.2	3.7	3.7	4.1	4.2	4.3
Evangelistas	6	4.2	4.2	4.3	4.6	4.4	4.4	4.4	4.6	4.2	3.8	4.5	4.5	4.3
Punta Arenas	5	3.1	3.0	2.6	2.7	2.3	2.2	2.5	2.8	2.7	2.8	3.0	3.0	2.7
Mean number of days with gale <sup>2</sup>														
Iquique	14	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.4
Refresco	11	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.5
Punta Tortuga	14	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.4
Punta Angeles	14	0.6	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.6	0.9	3.0
Santiago	14	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1
Punta Carranza	14	1.2	2.7	1.5	0.8	1.6	0.7	1.4	1.1	1.0	0.9	1.6	0.8	15.3
Isla Mocha (West)	7	4.5	3.7	2.5	3.8	5.3	4.5	4.7	4.6	2.5	2.6	4.5	2.8	46.0
Temuco	8	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.4	0.2	0.5	0.2	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.6
Valdivia	10	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.4	0.4	0.0	0.3	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.4
Isla Guafo	13	5.0	5.0	5.1	6.9	9.2	8.8	9.0	10.3	6.1	4.5	5.5	5.1	80.5
Melinka	10	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.7	0.5	0.0	0.9	0.7	0.4	0.1	0.4	0.4	3.8
Punta Dungeness	12	5.5	5.8	7.0	6.2	6.7	4.9	5.3	4.9	2.6	3.8	4.8	3.2	60.7
Evangelistas	14	7.4	8.1	9.1	6.8	7.8	5.9	6.4	5.9	6.6	6.5	6.9	5.2	82.6
Punta Arenas	13	2.8	1.5	1.4	1.2	0.5	1.3	1.8	1.5	2.0	2.2	3.0	2.4	21.6

<sup>1</sup> Observations at 7 a. m., 2 p. m., and 9 p. m.<sup>2</sup> Wind force equal to or exceeding 8 of the Beaufort scale.

TABLE 21.—*Fog and thunderstorm data, Chile*

Station	Length of record in years	Mean number of days with fog												
		January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	Annual
Mean number of days with fog														
Arica.....	11	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Iquique.....	14	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.3
Antofagasta.....	9	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1
Refresco.....	11	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.0	0.0	0.2	1.9
Caldera.....	14	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.3	1.7	1.8	1.5	1.4	0.4	0.5	0.4	0.4	8.6
Punta Tortuga.....	14	0.5	0.4	3.4	5.1	5.6	4.6	6.4	5.6	3.5	1.4	1.9	1.2	39.6
Ovalle.....	5	1.4	2.8	7.8	7.6	6.6	3.4	4.2	4.4	5.0	5.0	2.6	2.0	52.8
Punta Angeles.....	14	5.4	6.6	8.6	8.2	7.6	4.4	5.8	5.9	5.1	4.6	4.5	5.7	72.4
Santiago.....	14	6.1	2.8	6.2	11.6	13.6	12.0	13.5	9.9	6.7	3.0	2.1	4.8	93.8
Punta Carranza.....	14	8.6	7.4	9.9	9.0	7.4	3.8	4.5	5.3	3.1	5.1	5.4	6.3	75.8
Punta Tumbes.....	14	8.7	8.6	12.0	11.1	8.5	5.9	9.1	8.4	3.9	6.3	5.9	7.4	93.8
Lonquimay.....	9	8.2	10.1	15.4	12.1	9.7	5.7	5.1	4.6	3.0	3.6	3.7	4.8	83.0
Temuco.....	8	5.8	6.0	10.0	8.4	8.5	6.8	8.1	7.1	5.5	7.2	6.1	5.4	87.5
Valdivia.....	11	1.5	2.6	6.8	8.5	9.4	8.5	6.2	0.3	5.3	2.6	0.5	0.4	61.6
Punta Corona.....	14	6.0	5.5	6.9	5.4	4.4	3.7	3.1	4.2	2.2	3.1	4.1	5.1	53.7
Melinka.....	11	0.5	1.2	1.6	1.3	1.3	0.4	0.8	0.2	0.8	0.7	0.5	0.5	9.8
Punta Dungeness.....	14	1.2	0.8	1.5	1.1	2.2	2.4	3.4	2.8	2.6	1.4	0.9	1.4	21.7
Evanjelistas.....	14	6.1	6.8	5.8	3.5	4.0	3.0	4.0	2.3	3.1	7.3	8.6	60.9	60.9
Punta Arenas.....	12	0.1	0.0	0.4	0.8	1.0	1.3	2.3	1.0	0.9	0.6	0.2	0.2	8.8
Mean number of days with thunderstorm														
Tacna.....	6	1.1	1.7	0.8	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.3	0.5	0.3	0.0	5.1
Arica.....	9	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Iquique.....	14	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.1
Antofagasta.....	9	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1
Refresco.....	11	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2
Caldera.....	14	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2
Punta Tortuga.....	13	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.7
Ovalle.....	12	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.5
Punta Angeles.....	14	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.9
Santiago.....	14	0.2	0.1	0.5	0.3	0.4	0.3	0.1	0.1	0.6	0.1	0.4	0.0	3.1
Talca.....	12	0.1	0.0	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.3	0.0	1.5
Punta Carranza.....	14	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.6	0.1	0.3	0.0	0.2	0.1	0.0	0.0	1.9
Punta Tumbes.....	14	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.8	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.1	1.9
Punta Lavapie.....	13	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.4	0.3	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.1	2.3
Lonquimay.....	9	2.7	2.2	2.0	0.3	0.8	0.4	0.3	0.2	0.2	1.5	0.9	1.3	12.8
Temuco.....	9	0.2	0.0	0.3	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.2	2.4
Valdivia.....	11	0.0	0.2	0.3	0.5	0.6	1.2	0.8	0.8	0.3	0.2	0.0	0.0	4.9
Punta Corona.....	14	0.2	0.1	0.6	0.7	0.7	0.6	0.5	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.2	4.3
Melinka.....	11	0.5	0.3	0.5	0.8	0.6	1.0	0.0	0.7	0.1	0.0	0.2	0.2	0.8
Punta Dungeness.....	14	0.1	0.3	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.8
Evanjelistas.....	14	0.1	0.3	0.1	0.3	0.5	0.2	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.0	1.8
Punta Arenas.....	12	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.3

Climatic data for the Juan Fernandez Islands ( $33^{\circ} 27' S.$ ,  $78^{\circ} 50' W.$ ) are given separately in Table 22.

TABLE 22.—*Climatological data for Juan Fernandez Islands (Mas a Tierra)*

	Length of record in years	Temperature												
		January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	Annual
Temperature														
Mean maximum.....	10	70.5	70.9	70.0	67.3	64.8	60.6	59.5	59.5	59.2	61.0	64.4	68.4	64.7
Mean minimum.....	10	60.1	60.8	60.4	58.1	55.2	51.6	50.7	49.8	49.3	50.7	54.1	57.6	54.9
Mean.....	10	65.3	65.8	65.2	62.7	60.0	56.1	55.1	54.6	54.2	55.8	59.2	63.0	59.8
Mean, 7 a. m., 2 p. m., 9 p. m. ....	11	65.8	66.0	65.3	62.8	60.6	56.7	55.9	55.0	54.5	56.3	59.4	63.3	60.1
Highest.....	14	82	82	81	76	77	73	68	70	70	71	80	81	82
Lowest.....	12	50	54	51	50	44	43	40	39	41	43	46	50	39
Relative humidity														
Mean, 7 a. m., 2 p. m., 9 p. m. ....	11	73	73	74	76	78	76	81	79	77	77	76	73	76
Mean, 2 p. m. ....	11	69	69	70	74	78	75	77	76	73	73	72	69	73
Cloudiness														
Mean, 3 observations....	11	6.4	6.4	6.5	6.6	6.8	7.3	6.9	6.6	6.6	6.8	6.4	6.2	6.6
Precipitation														
Mean.....	17	0.92	1.37	1.04	3.82	6.47	6.96	5.98	4.40	3.14	1.84	1.97	0.66	39.47
Maximum in 24 hours.....	17	1.74	1.99	2.30	2.26	3.28	4.17	2.56	2.13	2.42	1.69	2.77	1.66	4.17
Mean number of rainy days.....	17	6	8	10	12	16	18	17	15	12	8	8	5	135
Prevailing wind direction.....	12	s.	s.	s.	w.	s.	s.	s.	s.	s.	s.	s.	s.	
Mean number of days with fog.....	11	1.5	1.4	1.7	2.4	2.2	2.4	2.8	2.6	1.7	1.2	1.3	2.3	23.5
Mean number of days with thunderstorm.....	12	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.4

\* This publication contains 35 charts showing distribution of pressure, wind, temperature, and precipitation.

## ARGENTINA

The extensive area of Argentina, about 1,150,000 square miles, is generally divided for climatic study into four regions—littoral, mediterranean, Andean, and Patagonian. The littoral region includes the territory contiguous to the eastern rivers and the coastal plain southward to Patagonia; the meridian of  $62^{\circ}$  west marks in a very general way its western limit. With the exception of the hills in the extreme northeast (Misiones), the elevation is generally less than 400 feet. The mediterranean region, paralleling the littoral area and extending west approximately to a line from Rivadavia to Cipolletti, lies from 300 to 1,600 feet above sea level. The Andean division, which has been given nearly the same north-south extent as the preceding divisions, has a wide range in elevation, from about 1,700 feet (La Rioja) to more than 20,000 feet at the summits of the highest peaks (Mount Aconcagua, near Mendoza, 23,393 feet), and presents a highly diversified surface—mountains, high plateaus, and valleys. South of these three divisions, or south of latitude  $40^{\circ}$ , lies the Patagonian region, stretching from the Atlantic Ocean to the crests of the southern Andes, which have an elevation of about 10,000 feet in northern Patagonia, but gradually decrease in height toward the south, ending in the highlands of Tierra del Fuego.

The climatic tables presented were compiled for the most part from three valuable works by W. G. Davis: *Clima de la República Argentina* (1902), *Clima de la República Argentina* (1909), and *Servicio Meteorológico Argentino; Historia y Organización* (1914)—all issued by the Ministerio de Agricultura, Buenos Aires. Data published in the *Boletín Mensual* of the Oficina Meteorológica Nacional made possible a partial revision that includes records to the end of the year 1923.

**Temperature.**—The distribution of temperature may be outlined very briefly by annual means for parts of the several divisions as follows: Littoral,  $70^{\circ}$  F. near the northern border,  $63^{\circ}$  at Buenos Aires, and slightly below  $60^{\circ}$  in the south; mediterranean,  $75^{\circ}$  at Rivadavia,  $70^{\circ}$  at Santiago del Estero, and  $60^{\circ}$  or lower in the southern pampas; Andean, extremes of  $68^{\circ}$  at La Rioja and  $44^{\circ}$  at Puente del Inca; Patagonian,  $57^{\circ}$  at Puerto Madryn,  $50^{\circ}$  at Deseado, and  $40^{\circ}$  at Ushuaia, on the southern coast of Tierra del Fuego.

The marked degree to which temperature distribution is influenced by the Andes stands out in striking manner on the chart of annual isotherms. Over the greater part of the country west of the sixty-fifth meridian the annual isotherms have the highly abnormal north-south direction; east of that line, at moderate elevations, the course approaches the normal east-west direction.

On the chart of annual isotherms published by Davis are found, among others, the following interesting features: In the vicinity of La Quiaca, on the northern border, the change in mean annual temperature from east to west amounts to  $22^{\circ}$  ( $72^{\circ}$  to  $50^{\circ}$ ) within the short distance of about 100 miles. From this region of steep temperature gradient the annual isotherm of  $68^{\circ}$  ( $20^{\circ}$  C.) runs southward to latitude  $30^{\circ}$  and then bends rather sharply eastward; the isotherm of  $59^{\circ}$  ( $15^{\circ}$  C.) takes a south-southwest direction as far as latitude  $35^{\circ}$ , where it begins a wide, irregular loop that passes south and east of Bahia Blanca, curves inland to the vicinity of Trenque Lauquen, and finally takes a course approximately eastward, reaching the coast again near latitude  $36^{\circ}$ ; the

isotherm of  $50^{\circ}$  ( $10^{\circ}$  C.) parallels that of  $59^{\circ}$  to latitude  $35^{\circ}$ , runs south to latitude  $40^{\circ}$  and then south-southeast to the vicinity of Deseado.

January is the warmest month in all sections, but at a few scattered stations there is a slight increase in mean temperature in the following month. June and July, the coldest months, have temperature normals that generally differ by less than  $1^{\circ}$ . The following values give contrasts in temperature means for extreme months at selected stations: Rivadavia,  $86.4^{\circ}$  and  $60.6^{\circ}$ ; Buenos Aires,  $73.8^{\circ}$  and  $49.3^{\circ}$ ; Cipolletti,  $72.6^{\circ}$  and  $41.8^{\circ}$ ; Colonia Sarmiento,  $64.8^{\circ}$  and  $37.4^{\circ}$ ; La Quiaca,  $55.9^{\circ}$  and  $37.8^{\circ}$ ; Puente del Inca,  $55.2^{\circ}$  and  $32.2^{\circ}$ ; and Ushuaia,  $48.6^{\circ}$  and  $30.6^{\circ}$ .

Maximum temperature readings are extraordinarily high at some of the northern stations (Rivadavia,  $120^{\circ}$ ; Ceres and Tucuman,  $118^{\circ}$ ; La Rioja,  $116^{\circ}$ ; Santiago del Estero and San Juan,  $115^{\circ}$ ; other stations,  $110^{\circ}$  to  $114^{\circ}$ ); and above  $100^{\circ}$  over the coastal region from Buenos Aires to Deseado. At the elevated stations and over nearly all of Patagonia the extreme records range from  $90^{\circ}$  to about  $100^{\circ}$ . The lowest maxima for the entire country are  $82^{\circ}$  at Puente del Inca and  $81^{\circ}$  at Ushuaia.

Temperatures below freezing have been reported from all regions and temperatures below  $20^{\circ}$  except in the northern parts of the littoral and mediterranean regions. Zero or subzero temperatures have occurred at stations along the western border from La Quiaca to Colonia 16 de Octubre, in interior Patagonia, and in Tierra del Fuego. The extreme minimum for Argentina is  $-27^{\circ}$  at Colonia Sarmiento and Buen Pasto (location unknown, see footnote to Table 24).

The values of daily range in temperature show marked contrast between conditions prevailing in the mediterranean and Andean regions on the one hand and the littoral and Patagonian regions on the other. In the former areas the mean difference between daily temperature extremes averages for the year  $25^{\circ}$  or more, exceeding  $35^{\circ}$  at Malargue, Tinogasta, and La Quiaca; in the latter areas the average difference is generally below  $20^{\circ}$ , with lowest values at Buenos Aires ( $13.0^{\circ}$ ) and Ushuaia ( $15.7^{\circ}$ ).

The remarkable daily range in temperature at La Quiaca is well worthy of special mention, and detailed representation as given in Table 23.

TABLE 23.—Mean daily range in temperature at La Quiaca.  
( $11,858$  feet)<sup>1</sup>

	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	Annual
Mean maximum temperature	70.7	71.2	70.7	69.1	63.7	61.3	60.1	64.0	68.9	72.1	73.2	73.6	68.2
Mean minimum temperature	39.9	40.6	38.3	31.3	21.4	15.1	15.6	20.5	26.2	31.1	36.5	30.4	29.7
Mean range in temperature	30.8	30.6	32.4	37.8	42.3	46.2	44.5	43.5	42.7	41.0	36.7	34.2	38.5
Mean cloudiness	5.8	5.4	4.5	2.9	2.2	1.8	2.3	2.8	2.9	3.7	4.3	5.4	3.8
Mean precipitation (inches)	3.27	2.36	2.01	0.28	0.00	0.00	0.04	0.00	0.00	0.20	1.06	2.13	11.35

<sup>1</sup> Based on record for 11 years.

Even in the season of moderate precipitation from November to March, inclusive, when the mean cloudiness is 5.1, the daily range in temperature averages  $31^{\circ}$  to  $37^{\circ}$  F.; during the remainder of the year, much of which is rainless with mean cloudiness 2.4, the amplitude of daily temperature variation shows extraordinary values culminating in  $46.2^{\circ}$  for June. The amount of this daily range in temperature corresponds very closely to the

difference between mean daily maximum in May ( $74.1^{\circ}$ ) and mean daily minimum in February ( $26.6^{\circ}$ ) at Washington, D. C., or to the difference between mean daily maximum in July ( $88.0^{\circ}$ ) and mean daily minimum in January ( $42.8^{\circ}$ ) at Charleston.

The powerful influence of nocturnal radiation at the elevation of 11,000 feet gives this station, which lies within the Tropics (latitude  $22^{\circ}$  S.), a mean minimum temperature of  $15^{\circ}$  in June. This low value is approximately the same as the January mean minimum at Denver, Omaha, Milwaukee, Buffalo, and Portland, Me.

Frost days, minimum temperature  $32^{\circ}$  F. or lower, are practically unknown in the extreme northern littoral region; over the remainder of the country the mean annual number of such days ranges from 10 to 44 (Azul) in the southern littoral region, from 8 to 81 (Cipolletti) in the mediterranean region, from 9 to 169 (La Quiaca) in the Andean region, and from 35 to 123 (Colonia 16 de Octubre) in the Patagonian region exclusive of Tierra del Fuego. Unfortunately, daily temperature records are not available for a period of time sufficient to give reliable information on the frequency of ice days, maximum temperature  $32^{\circ}$  or lower.

The marked temperature changes accompanying the "zonas" of the Andean region and the "pamperos" of the littoral and mediterranean regions will be mentioned later in the presentation of data on wind.

TABLE 24.—Temperature data (°F.), Argentina

Station	Length of record in years	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	Annual
<i>Littoral region</i>														
Mean maximum temperature														
Corrientes	39	92.7	91.8	89.1	80.6	74.5	70.0	70.9	73.0	78.1	82.4	87.1	91.2	81.8
Paso de los Libres	13	94.3	94.6	90.7	79.9	72.5	67.8	68.2	69.8	75.4	80.4	86.0	91.2	81.0
Ceres	13	93.9	92.5	88.7	80.2	73.8	68.9	69.7	70.5	77.4	82.8	87.1	90.7	81.3
Rosario	16	88.5	87.1	81.0	73.9	66.4	60.6	62.1	63.1	68.9	73.8	80.6	85.3	74.3
Concepcion del Uruguay	11	91.4	90.5	85.3	76.1	67.6	62.4	60.6	64.0	69.8	75.9	82.2	87.4	76.1
Buenos Aires <sup>1</sup>	10	81.9	81.0	77.4	69.6	63.3	57.2	56.5	57.4	63.7	68.2	74.3	79.7	69.2
Dol.	13	84.7	82.6	78.3	72.1	64.2	55.7	56.0	60.1	64.0	68.7	75.7	81.9	70.6
Trenque Lauquen	9	89.1	85.3	81.1	71.8	63.3	57.7	58.1	61.2	66.6	72.9	79.3	85.1	72.6
Azul	14	86.7	83.8	79.2	71.1	62.1	56.7	55.8	58.1	63.5	69.7	76.5	82.2	70.5
Mar del Plata	9	77.5	76.6	73.6	67.5	59.0	54.3	53.4	54.5	57.6	61.9	67.5	74.7	64.9
Bahia Blanca	42	88.2	83.7	79.9	72.0	63.0	56.8	57.0	59.9	65.7	71.4	78.8	84.4	71.8
Patagonia	15	86.2	81.9	79.3	70.0	66.0	64.7	54.3	57.4	63.9	70.2	77.4	82.8	69.9
<i>Mediterranean region</i>														
Rivadavia	8	102.2	99.1	94.5	87.8	83.1	75.2	76.1	84.0	91.2	92.1	99.0	102.2	90.6
Santiago del Estero	28	96.8	94.3	89.4	82.2	75.0	68.9	69.6	74.8	82.0	86.5	91.6	93.9	83.8
Cordoba	41	87.1	80.6	81.3	74.7	70.3	63.5	64.9	68.4	72.3	76.8	81.1	84.9	75.8
Victorica	9	93.2	89.2	83.3	73.9	66.4	65.9	60.4	63.7	70.7	74.8	83.7	88.3	75.2
Cipolletti	9	88.9	85.8	80.8	71.1	61.1	53.4	55.4	61.0	66.4	70.7	80.8	84.0	71.7
Choele Choel	11	93.0	86.7	85.1	72.7	62.2	56.7	57.2	61.5	67.3	73.4	83.1	87.6	73.9
<i>Andean region</i>														
La Quiaca	11	70.7	71.2	70.7	69.1	63.7	61.3	60.1	64.0	68.9	72.1	73.2	73.6	68.2
Huunahuaca	11	78.4	70.5	79.0	76.6	69.0	65.7	66.6	69.8	76.3	78.3	79.7	81.0	75.0
Salta	10	82.8	81.9	79.0	73.6	70.2	68.7	70.2	73.7	77.5	79.3	80.4	81.0	76.2
Tucuman	40	89.2	87.1	82.4	76.1	70.3	66.4	67.8	71.2	75.8	82.2	84.0	86.4	78.5
Tinogasta	11	92.5	90.6	88.5	82.0	73.6	69.1	69.1	72.7	78.1	82.8	89.6	92.1	82.3
La Rioja	10	90.3	90.3	88.7	80.6	70.7	69.0	67.0	72.9	79.3	82.6	86.7	90.0	80.4
San Juan	39	92.3	90.3	88.5	76.8	67.3	61.9	62.8	66.2	72.3	79.3	85.6	90.3	77.6
Mendoza	23	90.3	87.1	82.0	73.0	68.4	59.6	59.2	63.1	69.3	76.3	83.5	88.0	74.6
Puente del Inca	7	69.8	68.4	65.8	59.4	51.5	48.1	49.1	43.0	46.0	49.3	55.7	60.8	64.2
San Luis	10	90.5	88.5	83.5	71.6	66.6	65.9	61.3	64.4	72.0	76.0	81.7	86.2	75.2
Malargue	8	84.6	82.9	77.0	71.1	63.1	51.8	54.5	58.1	63.1	67.5	76.6	83.5	69.5
Chos Malal	14	88.0	84.6	79.9	69.8	61.0	54.3	55.0	58.6	64.4	70.9	78.4	82.4	70.6
Bariloche	5	75.6	71.4	66.6	58.8	52.0	45.0	44.6	46.8	50.4	55.4	63.9	63.7	57.9
<i>Patagonian region</i>														
Puerto Madryn	8	81.1	81.7	75.4	70.2	61.5	54.0	54.5	57.6	61.9	65.5	73.8	78.8	68.0
Colonia 16 de Octubre	14	73.9	72.3	66.6	58.6	51.4	44.4	43.9	48.4	54.5	58.5	64.2	69.3	58.8
Colonia Sarmiento	8	77.7	77.7	74.0	62.4	53.8	48.4	45.7	50.7	57.0	64.2	69.4	74.8	62.5
Deseado	8	72.3	70.8	76.7	59.5	52.4	43.6	24.8	6.6	55.2	61.5	66.0	66.4	59.1
Santa Cruz	9	71.8	70.3	66.0	57.2	49.4	42.0	42.8	45.7	55.0	60.4	65.5	68.0	57.9
Ushuaia	6	56.5	55.8	54.0	47.5	42.8	37.6	37.8	41.5	46.4	50.9	53.4	54.7	48.3

<sup>1</sup> In this table and others following data are given, first, for the locations in the city proper and, second, for the suburban station at Chacarita, which was established in 1906.

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TABLE 24.—Temperature data ( $^{\circ}$ F.), Argentina—Continued

Station	Length of record in years	Mean minimum temperature												
		January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	
<i>Littoral region</i>														
Corrientes	39	70.5	70.5	68.7	62.6	56.8	53.1	51.5	52.1	51.6	60.1	64.8	68.9	61.5
Paso de los Libres	13	65.5	66.2	64.6	57.0	52.0	48.9	49.3	48.4	53.1	55.8	60.6	63.7	57.2
Ceres	16	63.7	63.0	60.6	55.0	49.1	44.1	42.4	44.2	48.0	52.9	58.1	61.7	53.4
Rosario	16	62.6	63.3	55.9	53.1	44.6	38.9	47.2	34.2	14.1	49.5	55.9	61.0	51.6
Concepcion del Uruguay	11	65.3	65.6	1.62.6	56.3	34.9	6.45.9	45.1	45.5	49.0	53.6	57.7	62.6	54.9
Buenos Aires	10	60.9	62.6	62.3	57.0	51.8	47.1	45.9	45.5	51.1	54.1	60.1	64.6	56.2
Do.	13	63.5	62.2	55.9	54.3	46.6	44.0	40.5	48.2	42.1	46.6	49.8	54.9	60.1
Trenque Lauquen	9	57.9	56.7	53.8	48.7	41.9	36.5	36.3	36.9	42.8	47.3	52.3	57.4	47.4
Azul	14	55.4	54.7	50.7	46.9	40.6	36.9	36.1	36.3	40.8	44.6	49.1	53.2	45.4
Mar del Plata	9	54.7	54.7	0.55.2	50.7	34.4	6.40.1	40.1	53.9	7.43.2	46.2	50.0	54.3	48.2
Bahia Blanca	42	61.5	55.9	0.56.3	49.3	34.3	53.9	0.38.5	39.0	24.3	47.1	63.6	58.6	49.2
Patagonies	15	59.9	57.9	55.4	50.4	44.1	39.6	38.1	39.0	43.2	47.5	52.2	57.0	48.7
<i>Mediterranean region</i>														
Rivadavia	8	70.5	68.9	66.0	62.1	54.0	45.9	45.7	47.8	57.0	61.5	65.8	60.8	59.6
Santiago del Estero	28	68.4	67.5	64.9	58.8	51.1	44.6	43.7	45.7	52.7	58.6	63.3	66.6	57.2
Cordoba	41	60.6	60.3	57.6	50.7	44.1	38.5	38.5	40.1	45.3	50.7	55.8	59.4	50.1
Victorica	9	58.6	56.7	54.0	46.0	40.1	33.8	33.4	34.5	40.3	46.0	51.6	56.1	46.0
Cipolletti	9	56.3	52.2	74.7	40.3	35.2	29.9	28.3	26.0	36.3	42.8	48.4	53.4	41.8
Choele Choel	11	59.0	54.9	53.1	45.7	42.1	37.2	35.1	37.0	41.0	44.8	51.3	56.5	46.5
<i>Andean region</i>														
La Quiaca	11	39.9	40.6	38.3	31.3	21.4	15.1	15.6	20.5	26.2	31.1	36.5	39.4	20.7
Humahuaca	11	46.2	45.5	44.4	37.9	30.6	26.2	25.9	28.3	33.0	38.4	42.6	45.9	37.2
Salta	10	58.8	60.3	59.0	53.5	45.6	41.4	39.0	41.7	48.0	53.4	57.7	59.5	51.4
Tucuman	40	66.0	66.8	63.3	57.4	50.7	44.6	42.8	43.0	42.5	50.7	61.3	66.0	55.6
Tinogasta	11	58.8	57.6	54.3	45.1	35.6	30.2	20.3	31.3	38.5	40.4	52.9	57.0	44.8
La Rioja	10	67.1	67.1	63.3	57.2	48.2	42.1	47.1	44.4	48.5	52.5	57.9	63.3	55.8
San Juan	39	63.3	62.4	57.9	49.1	41.5	35.1	34.7	38.4	44.1	47.1	55.8	57.6	48.5
Mendoza	23	60.1	59.9	55.4	47.2	47.3	34.0	35.1	37.8	44.3	47.1	55.8	57.6	48.1
Puente del Inca	7	40.6	39.4	36.9	32.4	30.9	22.2	21.6	23.5	27.7	32.0	35.4	38.5	31.8
San Luis	10	63.3	62.6	59.5	49.5	45.1	38.7	38.5	41.5	47.1	51.5	56.6	59.2	51.1
Malargue	8	47.7	45.7	41.5	36.5	29.2	21.6	19.4	23.4	28.2	34.5	40.1	44.2	34.3
Chos Malal	14	54.0	52.2	47.5	41.2	28.8	13.3	32.4	32.3	36.6	35.2	41.4	47.3	51.4
Bariloche	5	45.5	45.1	42.8	38.7	36.7	32.0	30.2	33.1	32.7	36.1	39.7	43.0	38.0
<i>Patagonian region</i>														
Puerto Madryn	8	56.5	57.0	52.5	46.0	40.8	35.8	34.5	36.3	39.6	44.6	45.7	53.8	45.3
Colonia 16 de Octubre	14	45.0	43.3	41.2	37.4	35.2	23.1	30.4	31.3	33.4	36.1	39.2	42.4	37.2
Colonia Sarmiento	8	51.8	51.1	47.1	41.4	36.3	30.9	29.1	33.3	36.3	41.0	45.5	47.5	40.9
Deseado	8	50.4	48.4	46.0	41.4	36.3	32.9	31.8	32.4	35.8	39.9	44.1	46.9	40.7
Santa Cruz	9	47.1	45.5	42.6	37.0	32.0	28.2	28.4	31.3	34.2	38.4	41.4	45.7	37.7
Ushuaia	6	40.8	39.0	37.0	32.0	28.5	22.3	23.7	25.7	28.0	34.2	36.1	38.1	32.6
<i>Littoral region</i>														
Corrientes	39	81.6	81.2	78.9	71.6	65.5	61.6	62.0	62.8	67.4	71.2	76.0	80.0	71.7
Paso de los Libres	13	70.9	80.4	77.7	68.9	62.2	58.4	58.8	59.1	64.6	68.1	73.8	77.4	69.1
Ceres	16	78.7	77.4	74.6	67.6	61.5	56.6	54.2	67.7	78.2	76.7	76.2	76.7	73.3
Rosario	18	75.6	75.7	73.0	70.0	63.5	55.6	50.5	52.2	52.6	56.5	61	66.8	73.0
Concepcion del Uruguay	11	78.4	77.8	74.0	66.2	55.8	54.2	52.8	54.8	59.7	64.8	70.0	75.0	65.5
Buenos Aires	10	74.7	73.6	70.7	63.3	57.4	52.2	51.1	56.5	67.7	72.6	72.2	76.9	70.9
Buenos Aires <sup>2</sup>	13	74.1	72.4	69.1	62.3	55.5	48.8	48.5	51.1	55.3	59.1	65.3	71.0	67.1
Trenque Lauquen	9	73.5	71.1	67.0	64.4	52.2	47.1	47.2	49.1	50.4	57.0	60.1	65.0	60.0
Azul	14	71.0	69.2	65.0	58.5	51.1	46.8	46.7	47.1	52.2	56.2	67.5	71.7	57.9
Mar del Plata	9	67.4	66.8	64.4	59.1	52.1	47.2	46.8	47.1	52.0	54.0	64.5	66.6	56.6
Bahia Blanca	42	74.8	71.2	68.1	60.6	53.2	48.2	48.0	49.4	56.4	59.2	66.2	71.5	64.8
Patagonies	16	73.0	69.9	67.4	60.2	52.4	47.2	46.2	48.2	52.3	58.8	64.8	69.9	59.3
<i>Mediterranean region</i>														
Rivadavia	8	86.4	84.0	80.2	75.0	68.6	60.0	60.9	66.2	72.4	76.8	82.2	86.0	75.1
Santiagodel Estero	28	82.6	80.9	77.2	70.5	63.0	56.8	56.6	60.2	67.4	72.6	77.4	80.2	70.4
Cordoba <sup>2</sup>	41	73.8	73.2	69.4	62.7	56.6	51.1	51.7	54.2	58.8	63.6	68.4	72.2	63.0
Victorica	9	75.0	73.0	68.6	60.2	54.2	46.6	46.9	49.9	54.0	60.8	67.6	72.2	60.6
Cipolletti	9	72.6	69.2	64.2	55.7	48.2	42.0	41.8	45.8	51.1	56.8	67.5	76.8	63.5
Choele Choel	11	76.0	70.8	69.1	58.7	52.1	47.0	46.2	49.2	52.4	59.1	67.2	72.0	60.1
<i>Andean region</i>														
La Quiaca	11	55.3	55.9	54.5	50.2	42.6	38.8	37.8	42.2	47.6	51.6	54.8	56.5	48.9
Humahuaca	11	62.3	62.5	61.7	57.2	50.1	46.0	46.2	49.3	55.0	58.4	61.2	63.4	56.1
Salta <sup>2</sup>	10	70.8	71.1	69.0	63.0	57.6	55.0	54.6	56.0	63.2	66.4	70.2	73.8	63.8
Tucuman	40	77.6	76.7	72.8	68.8	66.0	55.5	55.3	57.2	64.8	69.7	73.0	75.3	67.1
Tinogasta	11	75.6	74.6	71.1	63.6	54.6	49.6	49.2	52.0	59.8	66.3	71.2	74.6	63.5
La Rioja	10	78.7	78.7	75.0	63.6	59.4	45.4	45.4	54.5	58.8	65.9	70.2	74.7	68.1
San Juan	39	77.8	76.7	71.6	63.0	54.4	44.8	45.1	48.5	48.6	52.0	58.8	65.7	63.5
Mendoza	23	75.2	73.2	68.6	61.5	52.8	47.3	47.2	50.4	53.6	63.0	68.9	72.8	61.3
Puente del Inca	7	55.2	53.9	51.4	45.9	41.4	32.2	32.3	34.8	38.3	43.4	44.8	51.4	44.0
San Luis	10	76.0	75.6	71.5	60.6	55.8	49.9	49.3	52.0	59.6	64.0	69.2	72.7	63.2
Malargue	8	66.2	64.3	59.2	53.8	48.5	43.6	43.7	46.0	51.0	58.4	63.8	51.9	46.8
Chos Malal	14	71.0	68.4	63.7	55.0	49.6	43.8	43.7	46.1	50.4	56.2	62.8	66.9	56.5
Bariloche	5	60.0	58.2	52.4	48.8	44.4	38.5	37.4	40.0	41.6	45.8	51.8	53.4	47.9

TABLE 24.—Temperature data ( $^{\circ}$ F.), Argentina—Continued

Station	Length of record in years	Mean temperature (maximum+											

TABLE 24.—Temperature data (°F.), Argentina—Continued

Station	Length of record in years	Highest temperature—Continued												
		January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	Annual
<i>Andean region</i>														
La Quiaca	19	84	90	84	78	75	75	76	78	82	85	83	86	90
Humahuaca	11	92	93	91	88	84	79	80	82	88	90	93	92	93
Salta	18	98	97	96	94	99	91	96	98	100	100	99	101	101
Tucuman	48	118	111	100	95	90	97	99	100	108	110	106	118	
Tinogasta	11	108	106	103	104	99	98	95	95	106	106	108	110	110
La Rioja	18	114	107	109	101	95	86	91	98	103	105	108	116	116
San Juan	47	111	108	109	94	94	93	92	97	100	107	105	115	115
Mendoza	31	109	105	99	91	86	86	83	92	93	97	106	108	109
Puente del Inca	7	82	82	79	76	67	47	52	55	57	65	81	78	82
San Luis	18	107	103	102	96	89	80	87	88	95	98	101	107	107
Malargue	8	95	96	98	87	85	73	77	78	84	88	90	95	98
Chos Malal	22	105	99	96	91	84	75	77	81	91	88	100	100	105
Bariloche	13	87	92	85	74	73	59	64	66	72	77	90	99	99
<i>Patagonian region</i>														
Puerto Madryn	8	102	101	99	95	80	71	73	84	84	89	94	102	102
Colonia 16 de Octubre	22	98	95	88	82	72	65	69	65	74	79	91	95	98
Colonia Sarmiento	13	99	96	93	83	71	64	68	67	76	86	92	99	99
Deseado	8	102	98	89	93	72	61	62	67	71	83	90	90	102
Santa Cruz	17	93	93	90	82	68	59	58	67	74	81	90	91	93
Ushuaia	7	81	79	72	65	59	57	54	59	61	70	73	80	81
<i>Littoral region</i>														
Lowest temperature														
Corrientes	47	54	50	51	46	33	31	34	34	35	39	49	51	31
Paso de los Libres	21	49	50	47	40	30	28	28	28	32	38	45	48	28
Ceres	24	44	38	39	35	21	19	20	19	24	28	39	42	19
Rosario	24	44	39	35	33	24	18	21	21	23	27	31	40	18
Concepcion del Uruguay	19	49	48	39	37	29	25	25	28	30	32	39	43	25
Buenos Aires	50	47	46	44	35	33	30	28	32	30	37	40	46	28
Buenos Aires	13	43	40	38	29	25	23	22	28	32	29	36	39	22
Trenque Lauquen	17	38	33	29	26	17	13	14	20	23	24	34	39	13
Azul	22	35	36	32	25	19	18	16	21	25	24	29	34	16
Mar del Plata	17	39	39	40	33	27	22	26	28	28	31	34	38	22
Bahia Blanca	50	42	36	39	30	28	18	18	18	23	25	30	38	18
Patagonos	23	37	41	37	34	25	23	24	26	28	32	37	39	23
<i>Mediterranean region</i>														
Rivadavia	8	54	55	51	39	28	25	23	28	34	43	48	50	23
Santiago del Estero	36	51	54	50	37	30	25	24	28	30	43	39	44	24
Cordoba	49	42	38	33	31	20	17	13	19	21	30	36	39	13
Victorica	17	36	35	30	24	16	12	4	16	19	24	32	34	4
Cipolletti	17	38	35	30	19	14	10	9	13	19	24	31	37	9
Choele Choele	19	37	32	35	24	13	14	11	18	20	25	34	34	11
<i>Andean region</i>														
La Quiaca	19	26	30	23	14	8	0	0	6	9	9	22	27	0
Humahuaca	11	32	36	34	20	19	12	12	11	21	22	30	32	11
Salta	18	42	44	40	29	24	18	15	22	22	30	38	44	15
Tucuman	48	52	50	46	36	31	26	27	31	36	44	44	46	26
Tinogasta	11	43	42	35	28	23	16	14	16	20	20	36	35	14
La Rioja	16	53	55	50	38	28	27	23	28	30	39	46	49	23
San Juan	47	42	44	37	30	28	17	18	22	28	30	36	36	17
Mendoza	31	41	41	29	30	23	15	16	23	25	32	36	36	15
Puente del Inca	7	39	26	23	8	7	-2	-1	0	7	9	18	16	-2
San Luis	18	45	47	40	32	24	14	18	23	24	33	38	45	14
Malargue	8	32	34	25	18	9	-2	-10	-4	17	19	25	29	-10
Chos Malal	22	40	36	30	27	21	17	15	12	18	21	27	34	12
Bariloche	13	32	33	25	23	20	12	11	10	20	24	25	32	10
<i>Patagonian region</i>														
Puerto Madryn	8	40	44	30	32	25	20	11	20	19	28	32	36	11
Colonia 16 de Octubre	22	25	24	19	17	10	-4	4	4	11	20	22	24	-4
Colonia Sarmiento	13	34	34	27	18	11	8	-27	3	14	19	29	32	-27
Deseado	8	38	36	32	30	23	8	1	17	22	19	30	32	1
Santa Cruz	17	32	30	28	23	12	5	9	6	21	20	26	33	5
Ushuaia	7	28	28	27	21	-4	-1	-3	9	18	24	26	27	-4

<sup>a</sup> In the month of June, 1907, the minimum thermometers at the stations of Colonia Sarmiento and Buen Pastor recorded a temperature of -33° C., and at other points in the same territory (Chubut) temperatures of -29° and -28° C. Walter G. Davis. Clima de la República Argentina, p. 10. (1909.)

TABLE 24.—Temperature data (°F.), Argentina—Continued

Station	Length of record in years	Mean number of days with maximum temperature 95° F. or above												
		January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	
<i>Patagonian region—Continued</i>														
Corrientes	4	22.0	9.8	6.5	1.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.5	1.2	2.2	5.8	14.2	63.7
Buenos Aires	13	2.6	0.4	0.2	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.7	2.3
Buenos Aires	9	2.8	0.4	0.2	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.4	5.0
Bahia Blanca	28	6.5	5.6	4.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	3.4	16.6
Santiago del Estero	4	15.0	13.0	3.8	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.5	0.5	0.8	5.0	0.5	11.8	60.1
Cordoba	28	3.3	2.2	0.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.5	0.5	0.6	1.7	9.7
Cipolletti	4	10.0	5.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	22.0
Tucuman	40	2.6	2.6	0.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.8	6.1	5.4	19.3	
Mendoza	34	2.4	0.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	10.3
Puerto Madryn	12	1.0	1.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.3	3.0
<i>Littoral region</i>														
Corrientes	47	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Paso de los Libres	8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.8	1.4	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.3
Ceres	8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.2	9.0	9.0	4.6	0.5	0.0	25.3
Rosario	8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.5	2.1	0.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	4.1
Concepcion del Uruguay	8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.5	1.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Buenos Aires	8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.9	1.4	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Buenos Aires	13	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.2	4.9	5.2	2.3	0.1	0.0	0.0
Bahia Blanca	36	0.0												

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TABLE 25.—Relative humidity data, Argentina

Station	Length of record in years	Mean relative humidity reduced to 24-hour values												
		January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	Annual
<b>Mean relative humidity 7 a. m.</b>														
Corrientes	8	63	68	70	74	78	77	75	67	68	67	62	66	70
Rosario	8	64	68	71	77	78	79	78	71	70	69	66	66	71
Concepcion del Uruguay	8	66	68	72	79	80	81	80	75	76	73	68	78	74
Buenos Aires <sup>1</sup>	10	69	72	76	78	84	87	84	80	77	73	70	71	77
Buenos Aires <sup>1</sup>	7	68	75	76	81	82	84	83	77	78	76	72	71	77
Trenque Lauquen	8	63	67	71	75	76	77	76	68	68	73	68	65	71
Mar del Plata	8	72	76	76	77	79	81	79	76	78	78	75	71	76
Bahia Blanca	8	49	57	62	67	71	73	72	62	64	68	58	50	63
Santiago del Estero	8	63	66	69	71	72	69	67	56	55	61	59	54	64
Cordoba	8	63	69	72	72	70	65	63	55	55	63	60	63	64
Victorica	8	50	56	60	63	67	69	67	56	53	58	50	46	58
Cipolletti	8	46	52	58	62	65	70	69	59	52	55	47	41	56
La Quiaca	8	64	61	62	52	41	40	36	33	36	47	53	50	49
Salta	8	75	78	80	77	72	67	69	59	58	65	65	70	70
Mendoza	8	59	63	65	66	55	63	59	50	47	53	51	55	58
Bariloche	8	62	64	70	75	78	80	80	78	70	67	66	62	71
Puerto Madryn	8	52	56	57	57	59	67	66	59	60	63	54	51	58
Colonia 16 de Octubre	8	53	53	63	68	73	76	74	70	64	60	56	54	64
Colonia Sarmiento	8	48	49	56	58	64	70	69	64	56	54	48	48	57
Santa Cruz	8	50	52	56	60	66	72	71	67	60	58	52	52	60
Ushuaia <sup>2</sup>	4	60	69	71	75	80	85	88	84	77	71	70	70	76
<b>Mean relative humidity 2 p. m.</b>														
Corrientes	11	78	77	80	81	81	82	83	79	78	76	77	76	79
Buenos Aires	45	81	83	87	88	90	91	92	90	86	83	79	79	86
Buenos Aires	5	75	77	82	88	89	91	92	89	88	79	75	67	83
Trenque Lauquen <sup>3</sup>	4	62	70	74	81	83	84	84	76	72	70	62	65	74
Bahia Blanca	28	63	70	77	80	82	86	79	70	76	68	63	58	73
Santiago del Estero	9	72	74	80	82	80	82	76	70	66	69	67	67	74
Cordoba	28	75	78	86	84	82	83	80	74	70	70	70	72	77
Cipolletti <sup>3</sup>	4	48	59	67	74	80	83	84	77	62	56	47	44	65
Salta	12	84	84	87	84	84	81	76	72	69	70	74	78	79
Mendoza	34	59	63	68	73	74	73	72	67	55	51	52	54	63
Colonia 16 de Octubre <sup>4</sup>	4	56	64	74	74	79	83	80	80	72	62	56	54	70
Santa Cruz <sup>3</sup>	4	54	59	64	70	75	77	68	58	52	58	52	56	65
Ushuaia	4	72	76	79	80	82	87	89	85	78	75	74	71	79

<sup>1</sup> See note under Table 24.

<sup>2</sup> Observations at 7 a. m., 2 p. m., and 9 p. m.

<sup>3</sup> Observations at 8 a. m.

**Cloudiness and sunshine.**—Tables 26 and 27 indicate a rather uniform distribution of these meteorological elements over most of Argentina. The excessive cloudiness at Ushuaia in summer (7.0) contrasts strongly with the low values for cloudiness at La Quiaca in midwinter (2.0). Abundant sunshine, daily duration over 7.5 hours, is received at all stations from November to February, inclusive.

 TABLE 26.—Mean cloudiness<sup>1</sup> (scale 0-10), Argentina

Station	Length of record in years	Mean cloudiness <sup>1</sup> (scale 0-10)												
		January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	Annual
<b>Mean relative humidity 2 p. m.</b>														
Corrientes	3.7	4.4	4.2	4.4	4.9	4.8	4.6	5.7	4.5	4.8	4.7	4.7	4.5	
Rosario	4.5	4.2	4.4	4.4	4.1	5.3	4.8	4.4	4.4	4.8	4.3	4.3	4.3	
Buenos Aires	4.0	4.2	4.0	4.0	5.1	5.8	5.0	4.6	4.7	5.3	4.5	4.1	4.6	
Bahia Blanca	3.7	3.7	3.7	4.1	4.9	5.8	5.1	4.8	4.5	4.5	4.2	3.8	4.4	
Cordoba	5.1	5.2	5.0	5.5	6.0	6.4	5.3	4.9	4.9	5.1	5.2	5.4	5.3	
Victorica	8	4.5	4.6	4.3	4.6	5.0	5.6	5.3	4.8	5.0	5.6	4.8	4.5	4.9
Cipolletti	8	3.2	3.1	3.9	4.1	4.9	5.4	5.1	5.0	4.6	4.8	4.2	3.4	4.3
La Quiaca	5.8	5.4	4.5	2.9	2.2	1.8	2.3	5.0	2.9	3.7	4.3	5.4	3.8	
Tucuman	6.4	6.7	6.6	6.5	5.5	5.7	4.3	2.8	4.7	5.9	6.4	6.2	6.3	
Mendoza	3.4	4.0	3.1	3.7	4.0	4.1	3.7	4.6	3.1	3.3	3.0	3.0	3.5	
Ochos Malal	8	3.2	2.9	3.5	3.6	4.8	5.0	4.9	3.2	4.4	4.2	4.2	3.6	
Puerto Madryn	8	4.3	4.1	4.5	4.6	5.3	5.6	5.4	4.7	5.3	5.6	5.7	5.3	
Colonia 16 de Octubre	8	4.6	4.4	5.0	5.7	6.8	6.3	6.0	5.6	5.6	5.0	5.1	5.5	
Colonia Sarmiento	8	6.6	6.2	6.7	6.5	6.5	6.3	6.3	5.8	6.3	6.5	7.0	6.7	
Santa Cruz	5.5	5.3	4.9	5.2	5.2	5.0	5.1	6.3	4.0	4.7	4.7	5.8	5.0	
Ushuaia	7.3	6.8	6.4	5.3	6.4	5.5	5.7	4.9	5.0	6.6	6.5	7.1	6.3	

<sup>1</sup> This table is taken in large part from the work by Davis issued in 1909; data as to length of record are not available for all stations.

TABLE 27.—Sunshine data, Argentina

Station	Length of record in years	Mean daily duration of sunshine, in hours											
		January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December
<b>Mean percentage of possible sunshine</b>													
Rosario	12	9.2	8.9	8.1	7.2	5.6	4.4	4.7	5.8	7.1	7.8	8.7	8.9
Buenos Aires	21	9.2	8.5	7.5	6.8	4.9	3.5	3.8	5.2	6.0	6.8	8.1	8.5
Cordoba	21	9.0	8.5	7.6	6.9	6.3	5.2	5.8	7.2	8.0	8.8	8.7	7.5
Cipolletti	4	11.1	9.8	7.8	6.5	4.9	3.8	4.6	5.7	6.3	8.7	10.7	7.4
Mendoza	4	8.9	8.6	7.3	7.3	6.8	5.6	6.6	8.0	8.1	8.6	10.6	10.0
Santa Cruz	4	8.0	7.6	5.9	4.9	3.5	3.1	3.8	4.9	5.4	6.8	7.5	5.7

**Precipitation.**—Since revision has not made material change in the means, it will be permissible to describe the distribution of amount of annual precipitation from the chart published by Davis (1914).

North of latitude 30° the annual isohyets have a general north-south direction and show a decided increase in precipitation from west to east. (Heavy summer rains over a narrow region from Jujuy to Tucuman interrupt the continuity of this change.) The stages in transition from aridness to abundant supply of rainfall are shown by the values (in inches) for the following stations: Near latitude 27° 30'; Tinogasta, 4; Catamarca, 13; Santiago del Estero, 20; Alhuampa, 32; Corrientes, 48; and Posadas, 59.

The region between latitudes 30° and 40° shows a similar increase in precipitation, with advance eastward, but the limiting values are far less widely separated than those of the northern belt. On a cross section near latitude 38° the following means (in inches) are found: Las Lajas, 8; Cipolletti, 7; Choel Choel, 9; Bahia Blanca, 21; Tres Arroyos, 26; and Mar del Plata, 30.

Bariloche and Colonia Suiza, with yearly means of 39 and 55 inches, respectively, mark the area of heaviest precipitation along the western border. Elsewhere south of latitude 40° the arid western belt has widened to the Atlantic coast and the highest values for mean yearly rainfall are 16 inches at Colonia 16 de Octubre and 19 inches at Ushuaia.

In the littoral area and north of latitude 35° the march of precipitation presents a single maximum in summer (December to February) and a single minimum from June to August. In most of this territory the wet and dry seasons are unusually well defined. From Oran to Tucuman the average rainfall for the wettest month is over 6 inches, while that for the driest month is less than 0.25 inch. Along the northwestern border, from La Quiaca to Tinogasta, summer rainfall is light to moderate, while a large part of the cooler season, the months of June, July, August, and September, is rainless.

From Chos Malal and Choel Choel to the latitude of Deseado there is as a rule a more or less marked winter maximum of precipitation (in May or June) with summer minimum in the northern and spring minimum in the

southern part of this semiarid region. In the extreme south the light precipitation is fairly evenly distributed over the year.

Even in the well-watered northeastern area precipitation has only moderate frequency, as is shown by the maximum mean annual number of rainy days at Paso de los Libres and Buenos Aires, 96 and 93, respectively. At most stations in the Andean and Patagonian regions rainfall is recorded on fewer than 40 days in the year and at two stations on fewer than 15 days (Tinogasta, 14; San Juan, 11). South of Deseado precipitation becomes more frequent; at Ushuaia, on the southern coast of Tierra del Fuego, the mean annual number of rainy days is 115.

Data on frequency of snowfall are very meager. The following paragraph by Davis (1901), the best general statement available, is quoted to supplement Table 28.

In the southern extremity of the continent snow frequently falls and more often in the adjacent islands. In Staten Island snow has fallen in every month of the year, generally in small quantities and quickly disappearing. In the territories of Santa Cruz, Chubut, Rio Negro, and Neuquen<sup>11</sup> there is snow every winter, but it rarely reaches the Province of Buenos Aires, and, with the exception of the region near the foothills of the cordilleras, the ground is seldom covered more than two or three successive days. In the sierras of Cordoba and San Luis there are occasional snowfalls every winter—from April to October—but they rarely extend to the level of the pampas. In the city of Mendoza slight snowfalls occur nearly every winter and much more frequently in the neighboring low sierras, especially in the months of July and August.

TABLE 28.—*Precipitation data, Argentina*

Station	Length of record in years	Mean precipitation (in inches) <sup>1</sup>												Maximum precipitation in 24 hours (in inches)
		January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	
<i>Formosa</i>														
Formosa	4.09	5.12	5.63	5.75	3.70	2.76	1.85	1.28	2.91	6.42	7.28	6.50	53.39	4.49
Kilometer 182	7.3.94	4.20	5.06	4.70	2.56	2.53	1.05	0.63	1.88	5.40	3.37	2.76	38.26	2.40
<i>Misiones</i>														
Posadas <sup>2</sup>	4.61	5.24	5.35	6.06	4.96	4.92	4.53	3.27	3.58	5.91	5.24	5.04	58.71	4.24
<i>Corrientes</i>														
Corrientes <sup>2</sup>	4.21	4.33	6.02	5.59	4.02	1.77	2.05	1.57	2.72	5.04	5.24	5.87	48.43	4.49
Goya <sup>2</sup>	4.06	4.49	6.61	6.06	2.95	1.73	2.01	1.42	2.68	4.72	4.61	4.92	46.26	4.49
Paso de los Libres	3.94	4.84	5.79	6.73	5.59	4.06	3.27	3.19	4.88	5.98	4.88	5.12	58.27	4.24
<i>Santa Fe</i>														
Ceres	4.61	4.45	4.92	4.02	1.57	0.51	0.83	0.59	1.73	2.83	4.09	4.45	34.60	4.49
Rosario	2.99	2.76	3.46	4.33	1.77	1.22	1.42	1.38	2.20	3.82	4.21	3.98	33.54	2.40
Santa Fe	3.78	3.78	4.17	5.12	2.24	1.34	1.46	1.10	2.05	3.35	4.41	4.80	37.60	2.40
<i>Entre Rios</i>														
Concepcion del Uruguay	3.43	2.68	4.92	5.16	2.64	2.09	2.48	2.32	2.83	3.10	3.19	3.66	38.59	2.40
Concordia <sup>2</sup>	2.99	3.35	4.76	5.63	2.99	2.20	2.28	1.73	2.87	3.03	3.46	4.21	39.50	2.40
<i>Buenos Aires</i>														
Azul	2.76	3.19	3.62	3.19	2.20	1.54	1.65	1.42	2.56	3.50	3.07	3.15	31.85	2.40
Bahia Blanca <sup>2</sup>	2.20	2.24	2.24	3.46	1.14	0.63	0.91	0.71	1.65	2.48	1.81	2.05	21.52	2.40
Buenos Aires <sup>2</sup>	11.12	2.60	3.94	4.72	2.83	2.01	2.16	2.24	2.87	3.35	4.94	4.09	37.86	2.40
Dolores	11.2.52	2.99	3.98	2.60	1.93	2.64	1.85	1.23	1.60	2.68	2.32	2.60	30.84	2.40
Junin	2.83	2.68	3.78	3.27	1.81	0.91	1.22	1.30	1.97	3.27	14.13	2.91	30.08	2.40
Mar del Plata <sup>2</sup>	2.13	2.91	3.15	3.07	1.93	2.40	2.16	1.61	2.60	2.40	2.52	2.72	29.80	2.40
Patagones	1.14	0.87	0.83	1.61	1.10	0.91	0.98	0.39	0.83	1.22	0.90	1.26	12.04	2.40
Trenque Lauquen	3.31	3.42	3.62	3.50	1.65	0.94	0.94	0.98	1.93	2.91	3.11	3.90	30.21	2.40
Tres Arroyos	2.55	2.91	2.63	2.87	1.21	1.38	1.57	1.30	2.01	2.48	2.28	2.83	26.13	2.40
<i>Santiago del Estero</i>														
Alhuampa	8.4.09	4.55	3.21	3.18	1.18	0.17	0.73	0.35	1.76	2.35	4.65	5.79	32.01	2.40
Santiago del Estero	3.42	2.80	2.99	1.26	0.55	0.32	0.20	0.24	0.51	1.46	2.44	4.21	20.40	2.40
<i>Cordoba</i>														
Cordoba <sup>2</sup>	4.17	4.32	3.50	1.68	0.99	0.28	0.33	0.51	0.90	2.38	4.02	4.65	27.73	2.40
Rio Cuarto	4.06	3.42	3.86	2.36	1.18	0.32	0.47	0.79	1.10	3.39	4.21	4.88	30.04	2.40
<i>San Luis</i>														
San Luis	4.29	3.78	2.36	1.50	0.75	0.24	0.43	0.43	0.71	1.38	2.72	3.70	22.29	2.40

<sup>11</sup> The northern limit of this combined territory is marked rather accurately by the stations of Chos Malal and Choel Choel.

TABLE 28.—*Precipitation data, Argentina—Continued*

Station	Length of record in years	Mean precipitation (in inches)—Continued												Maximum precipitation in 24 hours (in inches)
		January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	
<i>La Pampa</i>														
General Acha <sup>2</sup>	1.93	2.40	2.52	2.64	0.98	0.35	0.87	0.47	1.38	1.81	1.89	1.81	19.05	2.40
Victorica	2.95	2.99	2.95	1.61	0.91	0.43	0.35	0.51	1.18	2.50	2.01	2.20	20.65	2.40
<i>Jujuy</i>														
Humahuaca	11.1.69	1.22	0.87	0.12	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.47	0.83	0.91	6.11	2.40
Jujuy	6.65	5.12	5.63	1.26	0.51	0.16	0.16	0.12	0.33	1.54	2.56	5.20	29.26	2.40
La Quiaca	3.27	2.36	2.01	0.28	0.00	0.00	0.04	0.00	0.00	0.20	1.06	2.13	11.35	2.40
<i>Salta</i>														
Oran	5.71	5.67	4.09	2.27	1.18	0.51	0.35	0.35	1.14	2.52	3.90	5.08	32.74	2.40
Rivadavia	3.90	4.02	2.95	1.34	0.43	0.12	0.08	0.24	0.75	1.54	2.20	2.99	20.56	2.40
Salta <sup>2</sup>	6.50	6.22	4.02	1.26	0.39	0.12	0.04	0.20	0.35	1.22	2.44	5.20	27.96	2.40
<i>Tucuman</i>														
Tucuman <sup>2</sup>	6.42	6.93	5.59	3.09	1.22	0.55	0.32	0.51	0.59	2.36	4.13	6.06	37.77	2.40
<i>Catamarca</i>														
Catamarca <sup>2</sup>	2.64	2.44	2.20	0.59	0.47	0.20	0.08	0.32	0.35	0.87	1.18	1.93	13.27	2.40
Tinogasta	10.1.54	1.87	0.83	0.16	0.12	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.32	0.51	4.35	2.40
<i>La Rioja</i>														
Chepes	6.1.77	1.50	1.34	0.71	0.16	0.16	0.12	0.39	0.51	0.51	1.42	2.06	9.65	2.40
La Rioja	2.08	2.52	2.28	0.79	0.47	0.16	0.12	0.16	0.16	0.79	1.38	1.81	13.32	2.40
<i>San Juan</i>														
Jachal	10.1.30	0.98	1.38	0.08	0.24	0.08	0.16	0.16	0.12	0.43	0.39	0.67	5.99	2.40
San Juan <sup>2</sup>	0.79	0.71	0.43	0.08	0.04	0.04	0.28	0.12	0.12	0.24	0.24	0.39	3.48	2.40
<i>Mendoza</i>														
Mendoza	8.1.44	0.72	2.35	0.80	1.34	0.50	0.43	0.27	0.48	1.29	0.51	0.64	10.77	2.40
Mendoza <sup>2</sup>	0.87	1.18	1.10	0.47	0.39	0.35	0.24	0.32	0.51	0.75	0.71	0.75	7.64	2.40
Puente del Inca	7.0.00	0.16	0.00	0.16	0.94	1.10	0.59	0.51	0.12	0.28	0.04	0.24	4.14	2.40
San Rafael	5.1.34	1.50	1.46	0.32	0.04	0.04	0.00	0.24	0.51	0.51	1.02	1.18	8.16	2.40
<i>Neuquen</i>														
Chos Malal	0.32	0.28	0.24	0.55	1.07	1.97	0.91	1.18	0.55	0.35	0.47	0.32	9.11	2.40
Junin de los Andes <sup>2</sup>	8.0.80	0.43	1.91	1.04	2.47	2.98	2.00	2.17	0.95	0.86	1.18	0.59	17.98	2.40
Las Lajus	0.28	0.35												

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TABLE 28.—*Precipitation data, Argentina—Continued*

Station	Length of record in years	Mean number of days with precipitation <sup>a</sup>												
		January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	Annual
Formosa	10	6	6	6	6	4	4	3	3	5	6	6	6	61
Posadas	7	6	7	6	6	5	4	4	3	3	4	6	6	56
Corrientes	39	5	5	5	5	4	4	3	2	2	3	4	4	40
Goya	37	5	3	4	4	3	2	2	2	3	4	4	4	40
Paso de los Libres	13	6	6	7	9	8	8	8	9	9	9	9	9	96
Ceres	16	6	6	6	6	4	3	3	3	4	5	6	8	63
Rosario	16	7	6	7	6	4	4	4	4	5	7	7	8	71
Santa Fe	18	6	6	8	6	5	4	4	4	6	7	7	8	71
Concepcion del Uruguay	11	6	5	6	6	5	5	5	5	6	6	6	8	69
Concordia	26	5	6	6	6	4	5	5	5	6	6	5	6	65
Azul	14	6	6	7	5	5	5	4	4	4	5	6	7	70
Bahia Blanca	42	5	5	6	4	3	4	4	4	5	6	6	5	58
Buenos Aires	53	7	6	7	8	7	7	8	9	8	9	9	8	93
Dolores	11	6	5	6	4	4	5	5	5	5	6	6	6	63
Jurin	12	4	4	5	3	3	3	3	3	4	4	6	6	49
Mar del Plata	9	5	7	6	6	6	6	6	5	5	7	6	7	72
Patagones	15	3	3	3	5	5	5	4	4	4	4	3	3	46
Trenque Lauquen	9	6	6	6	4	4	3	3	3	5	6	6	7	61
Tres Arroyos	11	6	6	6	7	4	3	4	3	4	5	5	7	60
Santiago del Estero	28	6	6	6	4	2	2	1	2	4	5	5	5	44
Cordoba	41	10	9	9	5	3	2	2	2	4	8	10	6	70
Rio Charto	14	7	7	8	5	4	3	3	4	4	7	10	9	71
San Luis	8	9	7	5	4	2	2	1	2	3	4	7	8	54
General Acha	13	4	4	4	4	2	2	2	2	4	4	4	4	40
Victorica	9	6	6	6	5	3	2	2	3	5	7	6	6	57
Humahuaca	11	5	4	4	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	3	2	20
Jujuy	14	12	11	12	6	3	2	1	1	2	6	9	12	77
La Quiaca	11	12	9	7	2	0	0	0	0	1	1	5	9	46
Rivadavia	8	6	5	5	4	1	1	1	1	2	3	5	5	39
Salta	10	10	9	4	2	1	1	1	2	4	7	10	6	61
Tucuman	40	10	11	11	7	5	4	2	3	7	8	11	81	
Catamarca	10	6	5	5	4	3	1	1	1	1	4	5	6	35
Timogasta	10	4	3	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	14
La Rioja	10	4	4	2	1	1	1	1	0	2	4	5	5	29
Jachal	10	2	3	4	1	1	1	1	2	1	1	1	2	21
San Juan	39	1	2	1	1	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	2	11
Malargue	8	5	5	4	2	2	2	1	2	2	5	2	3	35
Mendoza	23	4	5	4	3	2	2	1	2	2	3	3	4	35
Puerto del Inca	7	0	2	0	2	5	7	6	4	4	4	1	1	39
Chos Malal	14	1	1	2	2	4	5	3	3	2	2	2	2	29
Bariloche	5	3	3	5	8	10	9	9	5	5	3	4	74	
Choele Choel	11	2	2	2	3	4	2	2	1	3	3	2	2	27
Cipolletti	9	1	1	1	1	3	3	3	2	3	2	2	2	25
Camarones	6	3	2	2	4	4	6	4	3	4	3	2	2	39
Colonia San Martin	5	1	2	2	4	4	3	3	1	1	2	1	1	25
Colonia Sarmiento	8	3	3	4	4	6	6	4	4	5	5	3	2	48
Colonia 16 de Octubre	14	2	2	4	0	8	7	8	7	4	3	2	2	50
Puerto Madryn	11	2	2	2	4	4	4	3	2	3	2	2	2	32
Deseado	8	3	2	2	3	4	2	4	4	2	2	2	4	34
Gallegos	13	6	4	5	5	4	4	5	4	5	4	5	8	58
Santa Cruz	9	4	3	2	4	4	5	5	6	2	3	4	7	49
Ushuaia	6	11	10	10	11	9	8	8	7	10	10	11	115	

Mean number of days with snowfall

<sup>a</sup> Stations are grouped by provinces and territories in the order that they appear in the table giving mean precipitation.

**Wind.**—In the northern littoral and middle mediterranean regions (Cordoba) the prevailing winds blow from northeast or southeast; at Buenos Aires and over the pampas (Trenque Lauquen and Victorica) the south component has disappeared and the winds generally come from north or northeast (from the east at Buenos Aires from September to March). Over the Andean region from Jujuy to Mendoza the prevailing directions are southeast, south, and southwest. From Chos Malal and Bahia Blanca southward westerly winds sweep over the land throughout the year or with short interruption along the coast in summer (Puerto Madryn, prevailing direction northeast from January to March).

All along the coast from Buenos Aires to southern Tierra del Fuego the winds are moderately strong in all

seasons with a mean yearly velocity of about 8 to 10 miles per hour. Over the interior wind movement is generally rather light in the north, but in the region of the southern Andes and Patagonia it is comparable to that given for the coastal region.

The following paragraphs by Davis describe the zonda, a South American sirocco, and the well-known pampero:<sup>12</sup>

In the Andean region there is a dry, hot wind called zonda—a South American sirocco—blowing generally from the north or northwest and with such force as to make breathing difficult. In order to mitigate the extreme dryness and heat experienced during the winds, the inhabitants have recourse to artificial evaporation produced by sprinkling the walls and floors of their dwellings where they are obliged to take refuge. These winds are most frequent and intense during spring, especially during the months of September and October, beginning usually about noon and lasting until after sunset; at times, however, they continue two or three days without interruption, blowing with the force of a hurricane. The south wind which follows is accompanied by a sudden fall in temperature, often amounting to more than 45°, especially if the zonda has lasted more than a day.

In the mediterranean and littoral regions the intense heat which is associated with the north wind is often followed by thunderstorms accompanied by violent southwest winds known as pamperos, so called from their blowing over the pampas. They are usually of short duration, but at times, in the region of the Rio de la Plata, they continue to blow a day or more, having their greatest intensity during the first few hours. In the littoral pamperos are most frequent in winter and spring, although they occur throughout the year. The fall in temperature which accompanies the change in wind from north to south, although not so marked as in the interior where the air is drier, is felt more keenly, and not uncommonly the temperature fall within a few hours is 27° to 36° and on rare occasions even more.—Clima de la República Argentina. 1902.

TABLE 29.—*Wind data, Argentina*

Station	Length of record in years	Prevailing wind direction											
		January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December
Corrientes	8	se.	ne.	se.	ne.	se.	ne.	ne.	ne.	se.	ne.	se.	se.
Paso de los Libres	8	sc.	se.	se.	s.	ne.	sw.	s.	s.	se.	e.	se.	se.
Rosario	8	se.	ne.	ne.	ne.	ne.	ne.	se.	ne.	se.	se.	se.	ne.
Buenos Aires	45	e.	e.	e.	n.	n.	n.	n.	e.	e.	e.	e.	e.
Trenque Lauquen	8	n.	n.	n.	n.	n.	n.	n.	n.	n.	n.	n.	n.
Bahia Blanca	8	nw.	nw.	nw.	nw.	nw.	nw.	nw.	nw.	nw.	nw.	nw.	nw.
Santiago del Estero	8	s.	n.	s.	s.	s.	s.	s.	s.	s.	s.	s.	s.
Cordoba	8	nc.	ne.	ne.	ne.	ne.	ne.	ne.	ne.	ne.	ne.	ne.	ne.
Victorica	8	n.	n.	n.	n.	n.	n.	n.	n.	n.	n.	n.	n.
Cipolletti	8	sw.	w.	w.	w.	w.	w.	w.	w.	w.	w.	w.	w.
La Quiaca	8	n.	n.	n.	s.	w.	w.	s.	n.	n.	n.	n.	n.
Jujuy	8	s.	se.	se.	se.	se.	se.	s.	s.	se.	se.	se.	se.
Tucuman	8	sw.	sw.	sw.	sw.	sw.	sw.	sw.	sw.	sw.	sw.	sw.	sw.
La Rioja	8	se.	s.	se.	s.	se.	s.	se.	se.	se.	se.	se.	se.
Mendoza	8	ne.	ne.	sw.	sw.	sw.	sw.	sw.	sw.	sw.	sw.	sw.	sw.
Chos Malal	8	w.	w.	w.	w.	w.	w.	w.	w.	w.	w.	w.	w.
Bariloche	8	w.	w.	w.	w.	w.	w.	w.	w.	w.	w.	w.	w.
Puerto Madryn	8	ne.	ne.	ne.	ne.	ne.	ne.	ne.	ne.	ne.	sw.	sw.	sw.
Colonia 16 de Octubre	8	w.	w.	w.	w.	w.	w.	w.	w.	w.	w.	w.	w.
Colonia Sarmiento	8	w.	w.	w.	w.	w.	w.	w.	w.	w.	w.	w.	w.
Santa Cruz	8	nw.	w.	w.	w.	nw.	w.	w.	w.	w.	nw.	nw.	nw.
Ushuaia	4	sw.	sw.	sw.	sw.	sw.	sw.	sw.	sw.	sw.	sw.	sw.	sw.

Mean wind velocity (miles per hour)

Corrientes	10	4.0	3.5	3.0	3.8	4.1	5.2	5.3	5.5	4.5	4.3	3.7	3.9	4.3
Rosario	10	6.8	6.6	6.2	5.2	6.3	6.1	7.2	7.6	7.3	8.4	8.1	7.7	6.9
Buenos Aires	10	10.0	10.5	8.9	9.9	8.3	8.8	9.8	10.0	10.9	10.1	10.2	10.1	9.8
Bahia Blanca	10	11.1	10.2	9.1	7.6	6.3	8.3	8.4	9.0	9.9	10.0	10.2	11.2	9.3
Cordoba	10	5.7	5.5	5.1	5.0	4.7	4.8	5.5	6.3	7.2	7.4	6.8	6.0	5.8
Cipolletti	10	9.6	8.9	7.3	6.2	6.6	6.2	6.5	6.6	9.0	8.7	8.8	10.2	7.9
Tucuman	5	2.7	2.2	2.1	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.6	1.8	2.4	2.4	2.2	2.4	2.0
Mendoza	3	3.2	2.7	2.7	2.7	2.8	3.1	3.6	4.0	3.4	3.1	3.1	3.0	3.1
Bariloche	8	1	7.7	6.3	6.3	8.3	8.6	7.2	6.8	6.5	6.6	7.7	10.5	7.6
Santa Cruz	5	9.8	11.2	9.3	8.0	8.1	9.0	7.0	5.9	6.6	8.4	11.6	10.4	8.8
Ushuaia	8	6	8.5	7.3	6.6	7.2	6.3	8.4	7.0	6.9	9.7	9.3	7.9	8.1

<sup>12</sup> In Handbuch der Klimatologie (third edition), Vol. III, pp. 542–546, Julius Hann gives a lengthy discussion of these winds.

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TABLE 30.—Thunderstorm and fog data, Argentina

Station	Length of record in years	Mean number of days with thunderstorms												
		January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	Annual
Mean number of days with fog														
Paso de los Libres	4	4.5	6.8	7.0	4.5	3.2	4.2	3.2	4.2	8.0	3.0	4.8	8.8	62.2
Ceres	8	5.0	3.9	4.6	1.9	1.2	0.6	0.8	1.5	2.1	3.1	4.8	4.8	34.3
Rosario	11	2.8	1.9	2.0	1.7	1.0	0.9	0.9	2.5	0.8	1.9	2.5	4.3	23.2
Buenos Aires	45	7.5	5.5	4.5	3.0	3.0	3.0	2.5	3.0	3.7	4.3	4.7	5.8	50.5
Bahia Blanca	21	2.1	2.0	1.7	1.2	0.6	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.6	1.8	1.9	3.3	16.3
Cordoba	28	6.7	5.6	4.8	1.7	1.2	0.5	0.4	0.8	1.9	4.4	7.2	7.5	42.7
Cipolletti	4	4.0	4.0	1.2	0.5	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.5	3.2	0.5	3.0	18.1
Tucuman	20	2.1	2.4	1.6	0.8	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.4	1.9	1.9	2.8	14.3
La Rioja	4	1.2	0.8	0.2	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.5	1.5	4.6
Mendoza	40	6.0	4.2	2.6	1.0	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.7	1.5	4.0	6.5	27.0
Rawson	13	1.8	0.7	1.0	0.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.4	0.3	1.1	1.1	1.6	8.5
Colonia 16 de Octubre	4	0.2	0.0	0.3	1.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.2	0.5	0.2	2.4
Santa Cruz	4	0.8	0.8	0.2	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.2	2.4

Tables 31 to 34 give climatic conditions at island stations in high southern latitudes as follows: Cape Pembroke, Falkland Islands<sup>13</sup> ( $51^{\circ} 41'$  S.,  $57^{\circ} 42'$  W., elevation 70 feet); St. John Harbor, Staten Island ( $44^{\circ} 43'$  S.,  $63^{\circ} 47'$  W., elevation 39 feet); Grytviken, South Georgia<sup>13</sup> ( $54^{\circ} 13'$  S.,  $36^{\circ} 33'$  W., elevation 13 feet); and Laurie Island, South Orkneys<sup>13</sup> ( $60^{\circ} 44'$  S.,  $44^{\circ} 39'$  W., elevation 23 feet).

TABLE 31.—Climatological data for Cape Pembroke, Falkland Islands

	Length of record in years	Temperature												
		January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	Annual
Relative humidity														
Mean	10	80	81	83	83	85	88	88	87	85	82	81	81	84
Cloudiness														
Mean	10	7.1	7.0	6.9	7.0	7.2	7.3	7.3	7.0	6.9	7.0	7.0	7.3	7.1
Precipitation <sup>a</sup>														
Mean	22	2.74	2.35	2.30	2.34	2.82	2.22	2.14	1.89	1.35	1.50	1.98	2.71	26.34
Maximum in 24 hours	13	1.22	1.69	0.79	0.71	1.54	1.10	1.18	1.02	0.51	0.79	0.83	0.91	1.69
Mean number of days with precipitation	10	17	17	17	19	22	22	21	20	15	17	17	20	224
Mean number of days with snow	10	0	0	1	4	7	10	11	8	5	3	4	1	54
Wind														
Prevailing direction	10	sw.	w.	nw.	nw.	nw.	nw.	w.	nw.	nw.	nw.	sw.	sw.	nw.
Mean force, 0-10 Beaufort	10	4.4	4.6	4.6	4.6	4.4	4.3	4.3	4.3	4.5	4.5	4.6	4.2	4.4
Mean number of days with fog	10	6	3	5	4	3	5	6	4	5	5	3	5	54
Mean number of days with thunderstorm	10	0.9	0.6	0.5	0.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.4	1.0	3.8

<sup>a</sup> Data for Stanley, situated about 10 miles from Cape Pembroke. Record 1875-1877, 1881-1883, 1904-1914 in Geophysical Memoirs, No. 15, British Meteorological Office, London; 1915-1920, Smithsonian Miscellaneous Collections, vol. 79, p. 1149.

<sup>b</sup> Monthly records of pressure, temperature, and precipitation in Smithsonian Miscellaneous Collections, vol. 79.

TABLE 32.—Climatological data for Staten Island (St. John Harbor)<sup>1</sup>

	Length of record in years	Temperature												
		January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	Annual
Relative humidity														
Mean, 7 a. m., 2 p. m., 9 p. m.	8	77	78	79	82	84	87	86	84	81	79	76	76	81
Mean, 2 p. m.	8	71	73	75	79	82	86	85	82	80	75	72	70	78
Cloudiness														
Mean, 3 observations	8	7.2	7.2	7.5	7.9	7.9	8.1	7.5	7.5	7.3	7.0	7.0	7.4	7.5
Sunshine														
Mean daily duration in hours	4	4.0	4.1	3.8	2.8	1.7	0.9	1.2	2.9	4.6	5.4	5.9	5.0	3.5
Precipitation														
Mean	8	5.47	6.05	5.94	6.10	6.57	6.69	4.88	5.00	3.74	4.29	4.84	6.77	60.94
Maximum in 24 hours	8	1.07	1.68	2.12	1.29	1.08	1.17	1.89	1.32	1.75	0.44	0.59	1.99	2.12
Mean number of days with precipitation	8	20	19	22	20	25	28	24	21	18	18	18	21	252
Mean number of days with snow	8	0.4	0.9	2.1	4.0	9.6	11.2	11.4	9.9	6.4	5.8	2.8	2.5	67.0
Wind														
Prevailing direction	8	nw.	nw.	nw.	nw.	nw.	nw.	nw.	nw.	nw.	nw.	nw.	nw.	
Mean hourly velocity	8	11.5	14.4	19.2	16.4	17.2	19.4	19.4	17.5	16.7	15.2	13.8	12.6	16.1
Mean number of days with fog	4	5.0	2.0	2.0	4.0	2.0	5.0	0.1	0.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	4.0	31.0
Mean number of days with thunderstorm	4	0.6	0.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.5	1.8

<sup>1</sup> The table is based mainly on observations in the period 1836-1895.

<sup>a</sup> Observations at 2 p. m.

<sup>b</sup> Observations at 7 a. m.

<sup>c</sup> Data for New Year Island ( $54^{\circ} 39'$  S.,  $64^{\circ} 10'$  W., elevation 174 feet).

Monthly records of pressure, temperature, and precipitation for New Year Island (Año Nuevo) are given in Smithsonian Miscellaneous Collections, vol. 79.

TABLE 33.—Climatological data for Grytviken, South Georgia

	Length of record in years	Temperature												
		January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	Annual
Relative humidity														
Mean	5	12	9	16	20	30	29	26	20	25	27	22	15	260
Cloudiness														
Mean, 3 observations	10	7.5	7.0	6.9	6.7	6.9	6.5	6.3	6.5	6.2	6.7	7.5	7.4	6.8
Precipitation														
Mean <sup>d</sup>	20	3.35	4.14	5.06	5.28	5.54	4.96	5.49	5.06	3.44	2.59	3.38	2.94	51.23
Maximum in 24 hours	10	1.69	3.35	4.06	3.07	2.20	3.82	2.72	2.87	3.23	2.52	2.52	2.64	4.06
Mean number of days with precipitation	10	16	16	17	19	20	15	17	16	14	13	18	15	196
Mean number of days with snow	10	4	4	6	9	12	11	13	14	10	9	10	7	109
Prevailing wind direction	10	nw.	nw.	nw.	nw.	nw.	nw.	nw.	nw.	nw.	nw.	nw.	nw.	
Mean number of days with fog	10	3	3	3	3	3	1	1	1	2	2	1	2	25
Mean number of days with thunderstorm	10	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.5

<sup>a</sup> Smithsonian Miscellaneous Collections, vol. 79.

<sup>b</sup> Supplementary data from Boletin Mensual, Oficina Meteorologica Nacional, Republica Argentina. 1919-1923.

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TABLE 34.—*Climatological data for Laurie Island, South Orkney Islands*

	Length of record, years												
	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	Annual
<b>Temperature</b>													
Mean maximum.....	8	35.6	36.1	35.2	30.7	25.2	22.1	18.7	22.8	26.6	30.4	32.7	33.6
Mean minimum.....	8	29.7	30.0	28.0	21.0	12.6	7.2	1.8	7.2	12.7	20.1	28.1	27.7
Mean.....	8	32.6	33.0	31.6	26.3	18.9	14.6	10.2	15.0	19.6	25.2	29.4	23.9
Mean, 24 hours <sup>1</sup> .....	21	32.2	32.7	31.1	26.6	18.9	14.9	12.0	14.5	19.6	25.2	28.0	23.9
Highest <sup>2</sup> .....	13	45	48	51	45	46	42	39	44	44	42	46	44
Lowest <sup>2</sup> .....	13	19	21	7	-8	-19	-27	-32	-40	-26	-24	4	8
Mean number of days with—													-40
Minimum 32° or below.....	6	27	23	27	29	31	30	31	31	30	31	30	350
Minimum 0° or below.....	6	0	0	0	0	4	10	16	10	6	1	0	0
Maximum 32° or below.....	6	2	4	8	13	22	26	28	26	20	16	13	8
Maximum 0° or below <sup>3</sup> .....	6	0	0	0	0	---	2	5	3	---	0	0	0
<b>Relative humidity</b>													
Mean, 24 hours.....	7	86	87	88	89	92	93	93	94	93	90	90	88
Mean, 2 p. m.....	7	85	84	87	87	92	93	94	95	92	89	89	89
<b>Sunshine</b>													
Mean daily duration, hours.....	8	2.0	1.8	1.2	1.1	0.6	0.2	0.6	1.5	2.6	2.1	2.0	2.4
<b>Precipitation</b>													
Mean <sup>1</sup> .....	18	1.48	1.54	1.82	1.73	1.32	1.16	1.20	1.38	0.98	1.01	1.37	0.89
Mean number of days with precipitation.....	8	28	23	27	26	27	25	25	25	24	28	26	25
Mean number of days with snow.....	8	20	17	19	24	25	24	24	24	23	27	24	23
<b>Wind</b>													
Prevailing direction.....	7	nw.	nw.	nw.	nw.	nw.	nw.	nw.	nw.	nw.	se.	nw.	
Mean hourly velocity.....	8	11.2	13.4	14.7	14.4	13.0	11.8	12.4	13.4	14.6	14.5	13.2	10.6
Mean number of days with fog (or mist).....	8	16	12	16	13	18	18	19	20	18	17	16	13
Mean number of days with thunder-storm.....	8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.2

<sup>1</sup> Smithsonian Miscellaneous Collections, vol. 79, pp. 1155-1156.

<sup>2</sup> Record for 1919-1923 given in Boletín Mensual, Oficina Meteorológica Nacional, República Argentina.

<sup>3</sup> May and September, one day in six years.

## MONTHLY AND ANNUAL RECORDS OF PRECIPITATION FOR SELECTED STATIONS

World Weather Records, Smithsonian Miscellaneous Collections, vol. 79 (1927) contains monthly records of pressure, temperature, and precipitation for a number of stations, as indicated in footnotes to Tables 6, 8, 10, 12, 15, 19, 24, 28, 31-34.

The records presented here for Bahia Felix and Los Guindos, Chile, are an important addition to these just mentioned in that they relate to the雨iest regions of southern South America.

For comparison with the above heavy rainfall there will be given the greatest annual amounts (in inches) recorded at stations in other regions of moderate or heavy precipitation as follows: Corrientes, 72.13 (1878) in 49 years; Buenos Aires, 79.65 (1900) in 64 years; Posadas, 82.09 (1905) in 22 years; Montevideo, 94.47 (1914) in 24 years; Valdivia, 140.67 (1868) in 50 years; and Evangelistas, 141.09 (1909) in 23 years.

TABLE 35.—*Precipitation: Monthly and annual totals, means, and extremes (in inches)*

Year	BAHIA FELIX, CHILE												
	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	Annual
1913.....	15.43	25.10	24.63	15.22	7.74	7.04	12.46	7.80	9.63	13.89	15.91	15.67	222.39
1914.....	15.17	22.08	22.06	13.50	14.26	15.03	24.48	15.11	22.17	16.44	22.94	19.16	222.39
1915.....	17.84	17.62	21.25	18.52	31.13	17.12	15.50	11.81	20.29	11.46	15.35	19.24	217.13
1916.....	20.45	20.45	26.15	23.44	23.18	14.79	31.13	11.64	11.65	22.65	17.04	19.96	242.53
1917.....	21.40	20.11	17.55	21.67	13.15	21.09	10.45	7.95	10.39	17.02	17.61	25.68	204.07
1918.....	18.61	7.03	13.09	10.96	3.65	13.78	12.83	11.33	17.75	15.78	15.82	11.54	152.17
1919.....	18.61	16.72	16.33	21.76	10.73	18.09	18.59	17.69	21.77	10.33	12.75	21.54	205.21
1920.....	18.03	19.04	22.49	18.91	21.82	18.18	22.73	12.83	15.83	12.65	21.05	15.64	203.03
1921.....	22.39	19.52	7.59	21.22	23.37	13.59	21.13	23.56	14.31	9.47	21.57	12.32	210.04
1922.....	15.16	15.86	12.57	21.93	21.09	9.93	7.14	7.01	18.02	6.13	16.65	14.84	166.38
1923.....	10.91	14.28	22.75	17.93	23.01	17.56	14.66	21.24	14.33	9.60	23.48	21.23	210.98

## LOS GUINDOS, CHILE

Year	LOS GUINDOS, CHILE												Annual
	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	Annual
1918.....	6.10	0.00	7.95	13.15	21.33	19.80	20.98	15.90	9.80	4.02	25.35	0.75	145.18
1919.....	1.46	1.80	2.57	11.00	46.07	17.44	41.16	14.05	20.24	3.41	18.04	4.24	181.48
1920.....	0.41	0.00	14.03	5.56	47.15	17.50	8.02	16.34	3.68	7.13	18.72	1.82	140.30
1921.....	6.55	6.39	4.42	31.33	45.59	17.19	8.57	25.95	3.82	3.61	0.77	11.35	165.34
1922.....	6.69	0.84	14.19	2.12	11.39	24.92	36.87	21.74	9.07	10.32	1.39	0.00	142.54
1923.....	1.91	6.08	8.94	1.77	5.03	22.31	16.09	22.65	9.22	14.48	4.27	3.93	116.71
1924.....	0.00	5.65	9.25	3.64	10.70	21.63	17.51	6.17	4.37	2.20	0.70	0.31	82.13
Mean.....	3.30	2.96	8.76	9.80	26.76	20.11	21.74	17.54	8.60	6.45	9.89	3.20	139.11
Greatest.....	6.69	6.39	14.19	31.33	47.15	24.92	41.16	25.95	20.24	14.48	25.35	11.35	181.48
Least.....	0.00	0.00	2.57	1.77	5.03	17.10	8.02	6.17	3.68	2.20	0.70	0.00	82.13

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