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Temperature ranges! Everyone has noticed how the temperature has a large range on one day and a small one on another. The controls of daily temperature ranges are the sun and cyclones, and to a less extent the condition of the sky. At this time of the year the sun is the most important, and the daily ranges are greatest. The yearly range is controlled by the station's nearness to or remoteness from the great oceans. In North America, the greatest annual range is in the interior of northern Canada, where it is 80 degrees or more; there, the oceans have least effect. The least range is in Central America and along the western coasts of the continents where the ocean has most effect; there, the annual range is only 5 degrees.

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