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MONTHLY WEATHER REPORT

THE WEATHER IN AUGUST 2021

General Weather Conditions: In August the weather was extremely hot and relatively wet. Unstable weather conditions occurred on the 6th, during the period 12-13 and on the 20th of the month, giving isolated thundery showers mainly inland and over mountains. The mean air temperature was about 2.5°C above normal and the area average precipitation was 3.2mm i.e. 110% of normal.

Severe weather Conditions: During the periods 1-7 and 19-27 of August extremely high temperatures were recorded almost in all areas of Cyprus.

<u>Precipitation (normal period: 1961-1990)</u>: According to preliminary estimates, the area average precipitation in August was 3.2mm i.e. 110% of normal. Monthly precipitation ranged from 0% to 1500% (Lythrodontas) of normal.

Hail was recorded on the 6th of the month over Troodos mountains and on the 12th of the month in the area of Athienou village.

The cumulative area average precipitation during the period October 2020 - August 2021 was about 340.5mm, i.e. 68% of normal. The cumulative precipitation was below normal in all areas, generally ranging from 48% (Xylotymvou) to 82% (Galata) of normal.

Temperature (normal period: 1981-2010): The mean air temperature for the month was about 2.5° C above normal. Mean daily temperatures were below normal on the 8th and on the 18th of the month, while during the rest of the month they were above or around normal. Extremely high temperatures were recorded during the periods 1-7 and 19-27 of the month, when maximum temperatures were about 2°C to 8°C above normal. Heat wave conditions (maximum daily temperature above 40°C) prevailed during the periods 1-7, 20-21 and 23-27 of the month. Maximum temperatures exceeded 37°C at Athalassa on 27 occasions, 33°C at Larnaka Airport on 28 occasions and at Prodromos they exceeded 27°C on 31 occasions (all month). Most stations recorded their highest maximum temperature during the period 3-6 of the month and their lowest minimum temperature on the 18th, on the 24th, on the 28th and on the 31st of the month.

The 5-day averages of air temperature and their deviations from normal at various places are shown in Table 1 and the extreme temperatures are shown in Table 2.

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FIVE-DAY TEMPERATURES AND DEVIATIONS FROM NORMAL (oC)

Preliminary Data

Table 1

MEAN DAILY MAXIMUM										
STATION	ATHALASSA		LARNAKA AIRPORT		PAFOS AIRPORT		PRODROMOS		MEAN	
DATES	ACTUAL	DEV.	ACTUAL	DEV.	ACTUAL	DEV.	ACTUAL	DEV.	DEV.	
15	43	6	37	4	34	4	35	6	5	
610	40	3	37	4	33	3	31	3	3	
1115	38	1	37	2	34	3	29	1	2	
1620	39	2	35	4	32	1	31	3	3	
2125	40	4	34	2	32	2	31	4	3	
26-31	38	2	34	1	32	2	31	4	2	
MONTH	40	3	36	3	33	2	31	3	3	

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STATION	ATHALASSA		LARNAKA AIRPORT		PAFOS AIRPORT		PRODROMOS		MEAN
DATES	ACTUAL	DEV.	ACTUAL	DEV.	ACTUAL	DEV.	ACTUAL	DEV.	DEV.
15	27	4	25	2	24	3	21	2	3
610	24	2	26	3	25	3	18	0	2
1115	26	4	27	4	25	4	17	-2	2
1620	22	0	24	2	23	1	18	0	1
2125	21	0	23	0	23	2	20	2	1
26-31	20	-1	23	1	23	2	18	1	1
MONTH	23	1	24	2	24	3	19	0	2

Normal Period for Temperature = 1981 - 2010

Table 2

EXTREME TEMPERATURES										
STATION	ATHALASSA		LARNAKA AIRPORT		PAFOS AIRPORT		PRODROMOS			
TEMPERAT.	(°C)	DATE	(°C)	DATE	(°C)	DATE	(°C)	DATE		
HIGHEST MAXIMUM	44.3	4	39.2	6	36.1	3	36.6	4		
LOWEST MINIMUM	18.7	18	21.3	24	21.3	28	15.6	31		