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In 2014, annual precipitation of 16.31 in. was recorded, which is 1.59 in. below normal. Seven months had below-normal precipitation. June (3.61 in.) was the wettest month. The largest single amount of precipitation was 1.54 in. on July 30. In November, the driest month, only 0.21 in. precipitation was recorded.

Snowfall for the year totaled 20.4 in.; January, February, March, November, and December had 6.2, 5.8, 2.7, 1.6, and 3.0 in., respectively, for a total of 30 days of snow cover. The longest consecutive period of snow cover, 6 days, occurred January 5 through 10.

Record-high temperatures were recorded on 3 days: September 4 (101°F) and November 29 (79°F) and 30 (78°F). Record-high temperatures were tied on 3 days: July 8 (105°F), August 20 (100°F), and October 27 (85°F). Record-low temperatures were recorded on April 15 (17°F) and December 31 (-11°F). Record-low temperatures were tied on 5 days: January 6 (-16°F) and 24 (-4°F); March 23 (7°F); September 12 (35°F); and November 13 (-5°F). July was the warmest month, with a mean temperature of 76.1°F. The hottest day of the year (105°F) occurred on July 8. The coldest day of the year (-16°F) was January 6. February was the coldest month, with a mean temperature of 27.6°F.

Mean air temperature was above normal for 7 months. October temperatures showed the greatest departure above normal (3.3°F), and February had the greatest departure below normal (-5.9°F). Temperatures were 100°F or higher on 15 days, which is 4 days above normal. Temperatures were 90°F or higher on 64 days, which is 1 day above normal. The latest spring freeze was May 14, which is 8 days later than normal; the earliest fall freeze was October 4, which is 3 days earlier than normal. This produced a frost-free period of 143 days, which is 11 days less than the normal of 154 days.

Open-pan evaporation from April through September totaled 72.03 in., which is 0.63 in. above normal. Wind speed for this period averaged 5.0 mph, which is 0.3 mph less than normal. The 2014 climate information for Tribune is summarized in Table 1.
Table 1. Climate data, Southwest Research-Extension Center, Tribune, Kansas, 2014.

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Normal frost-free (>32°F) period: 154 days. In 2014: 143 days.
Normal for latest freeze, earliest freeze, wind, and evaporation is 30-year average (1981–2010) from Tribune weather data.
* Normal for October wind and evaporation is 10-year average (2001–2010) from Tribune weather data; October not included in annual totals.