

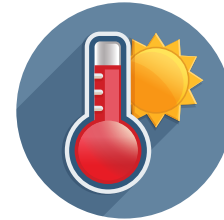
# Connecticut State Grange

## Weather Fun Facts



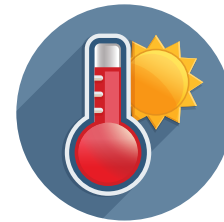


**Did you know that you can  
tell the temperature by  
counting a cricket's chirps?**



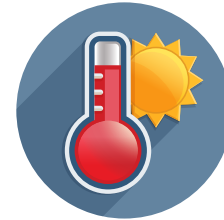


To get a rough estimate of the temperature in degrees fahrenheit, count the number of chirps in 15 seconds and then add 37. The number you get will be an approximation of the outside temperature.





**Did you know that in Antarctica,  
snow can fall so hard you can't see  
your hand in front of your face?**



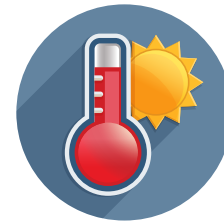


**Antarctica can have sustained winds of over 100 miles per hour, strong enough to blow away a small vehicle. Add in snow to the mix, and it becomes impossible to see your hand in front of your face.**





**Did you know that frogs get noisier just before it rains?**





**This is due to the frantic need for the males to attract a female so they can mate and lay their eggs in the nearest body of water. Rain creates the optimal conditions for the females to lay eggs.**





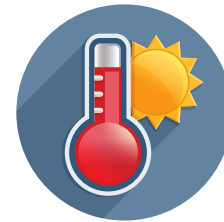
**Did you know that the most damage ever caused by a thunderstorm was in 1995, when hailstones the size of softballs fell in Texas?**





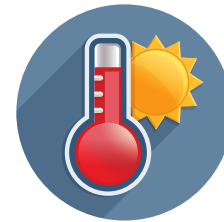


The 1995 hailstorm in Texas caused an estimated \$2 billion in damage, had only fatality, but injured 400 people. Hail of this size falls at around 100mph, and when weighing as much as a pound, the force is the equivalent of someone throwing a masonry brick at your head.



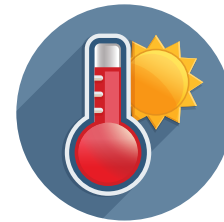


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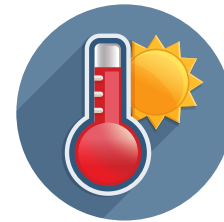


**There are more than 8.6 million strikes of lightning every day. The perfect place to see lightning strikes is Lake Maracaibo in Venezuela, where there is an 80% chance of experiencing a daily nocturnal thunderstorm.**





Do you know where  
the wettest place  
on Earth is?



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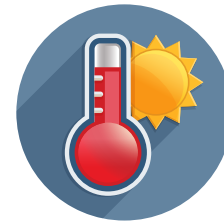


**Mawsynram, Meghalaya, India is the wettest place on the planet. The village receives more than 11 cubic meters of rainfall every year. That translates to 433 inches.**





Do you know where the  
driest place on Earth is?



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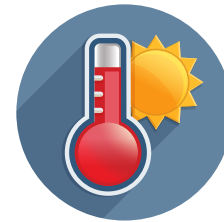


The driest place on earth is Antofagasta, Chile. The city receives less than 0.1mm (or .004 inches) of rainfall every year and it can go for several years without receiving any rainfall altogether.





**Where was the hottest temperature recorded?**



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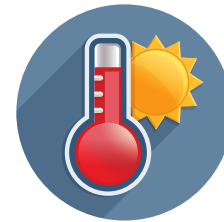


**Greenland Ranch in Death Valley, California recorded the highest temperature ever on July 10, 1913, with the temperature hitting a record 134°F.**





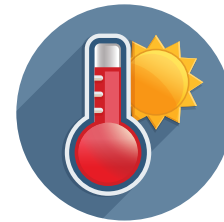
# Where was the lowest temperature recorded?



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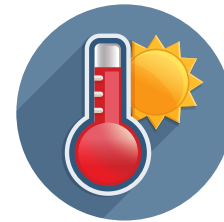


**The lowest temperature ever recorded  
was on July 21, 1983, in Vostok,  
Antarctica, with the temperature  
hitting -128.5°F.**





How many different types  
of major recognized  
storms are here?



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There are 13 - They are tornadoes, squalls, gales, windstorms, dust storms (devils), hailstorms, blizzards, floods, snowstorms, thunderstorms, ice storms, derecho storms (long-lived, straight-line wind storms) and tropical cyclones (includes hurricanes).





# Where is the sunniest place on Earth?





**Yuma, Arizona, receives over  
4,000 hours of sunshine each year.  
This makes the city the sunniest  
location on earth.**





# Where is the least sunniest place on Earth?







**The South Pole receives sunshine on only about 182 days of the year. This means for half a year, the South Pole does not receive any sunshine, making it the least sunny place on earth.**

