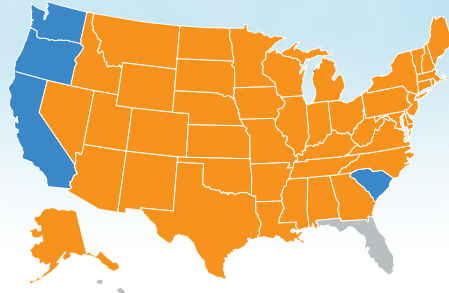


WeatherWatch

[HEATING DEGREE DAYS BY STATE]

STATE	SEPTEMBER	DEVIATION FROM NORM	LAST 12 MONTHS	DEVIATION FROM NORM
Alabama	3	-12	2608	-211
Alaska	455	-83	11174	-18
Arizona	0	-7	1938	-222
Arkansas	6	-20	3233	-273
California	36	5	2306	-328
Colorado	152	-91	6894	-514
Connecticut	95	-20	5752	-317
Delaware	22	-20	4452	-288
Dist. of Columbia	11	-8	3974	-81
Florida	0	0	563	-131
Georgia	9	-6	2724	-159
Hawaii	0	0	0	0
Idaho	211	-12	6572	-336
Illinois	69	-30	5965	-389
Indiana	52	-44	5487	-407
Iowa	115	-16	6702	-357
Kansas	39	-27	4900	-219
Kentucky	10	-46	4211	-405
Louisiana	0	-2	1836	52
Maine	196	-46	7947	-65
Maryland	24	-26	4505	-344
Massachusetts	82	-59	6060	-347
Michigan	84	-64	6466	-483
Minnesota	184	-51	7928	-828
Mississippi	1	-8	2475	-88
Missouri	42	-31	4898	-320
Montana	309	-24	7534	-776
Nebraska	103	-19	6243	-281
Nevada	34	-20	3436	-367
New Hampshire	141	-80	7182	-406
New Jersey	37	-40	5072	-372

SEPTEMBER



LOWER THAN AVERAGE HEATING DEGREE DAYS



HIGHER THAN AVERAGE HEATING DEGREE DAYS



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New Mexico	11	-66	4631	-205
New York	35	-78	5504	-612
North Carolina	23	-4	3314	-211
North Dakota	269	-20	8782	-666
Ohio	70	-36	5640	-332
Oklahoma	7	-22	3644	-106
Oregon	206	51	5303	153
Pennsylvania	80	-30	5645	-264
Rhode Island	96	-9	5691	-198
South Carolina	11	1	2657	-138
South Dakota	162	-35	7203	-645
Tennessee	21	-19	3825	-175
Texas	0	-5	1968	-29
Utah	130	-34	6199	-414
Vermont	199	-51	7984	-126
Virginia	26	-25	4151	-328
Washington	221	34	5555	42
West Virginia	42	-48	5032	-264
Wisconsin	148	-36	7230	-561
Wyoming	253	-51	7551	-753
United States	54	-23	4228	-296

[NEWS BRIEFS]

at the December council meeting in Houston.

The council approved funding for the following grants:

- \$1,071,975 to Clean-Fuel USA to develop, validate, certify and commercialize a GM 6.0L propane engine for on-road vehicles.

- \$380,000 to Osborn and Barr Communications for agricultural research and technology demonstrations and validation plan.

- \$143,000 to California State University, Fresno, for the investigation of the effects of thermal pest control technology on common insect and fungal diseases and yield/quality parameters in California grapes, tomatoes and lettuce.

- \$134,265 to PERC for the cathodic protection program – video and manual.

- \$100,000 to PERC for the 2008 Hearth, Patio & Barbecue EXPO.

- \$100,000 to PERC for propane industry component/system testing program management.

- \$91,006 to the University of Tennessee for analysis of a propane-fueled mower.

- \$38,220 to the Railroad Commission of Texas/AFRED for reducing LPG fleet emissions, fuel waste and operating costs and enhancing employee health and safety through use of the Maximus Overfill and Detection Instrument.

- \$28,600 to The Nature Conservancy and Oregon State University

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Gas Pains

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