

Richmond has warmest spring on record

RICHMOND, Va. (AP) - The Richmond area had its warmest spring and the eighth-warmest May on record.

Figures released by the National Weather Service in Wakefield on Friday show the average temperature from March through May was 62.4 degrees. That breaks the mark of 61.5 degrees set for the three months in 2010.

Six of the warmest springs in the area have come in the past twelve years. The 2011 spring average of 59.8 degrees was the 10th warmest and the 2004 period was the sixth warmest.

For the month of May, the average temperature of 70.5 degrees in the Richmond area was about 4 degrees shy of the record for the month set in 1896 and the 8th warmest May.

6 of the 25 warmest Mays for the area have come since 2000.

Rank Ave. Year

1	62.41	2012
2	61.46	2010
3	61.28	1945
4	61.00	1991
5	60.99	1977
6	60.68	2004
7	60.27	1921
8	59.98	1903
9	59.92	1985
10	59.85	2011
11	59.78	1908
12	59.61	1929
13	59.40	1976
14	59.37	1955
15	59.34	1938
16	59.26	1953
17	58.99	1946
18	58.96	1905
19	58.91	1918
20	58.88	1980
21	58.84	1979
22	58.81	1957
23	58.76	2007
24	58.76	2000
25	58.76	1913