New Brunswick

March 2021 Review April and Spring Outlook

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March 2021; Climate Summary

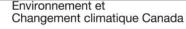
| | | | | Mean 1 | Temperat | ure (°C) | Tot | al Precip | (mm) |
|----------------------|------|-------|---------|---------|-----------------|-----------|---------|-----------|-------------|
| | | | Station | Monthly | Normal | Diff from | Monthly | Normal | Total as % |
| Station Name | Prov | TC ID | Type | Mean | Mean | Normal | Total | Total | of Normal |
| BAS CARAQUET | NB | WXS | AU8 | -2.9 | -4.1 | 1.2 | | | |
| BAS CARAQUET | NB | | DAILY | | | | 74.8 | 91.2 | 82 |
| BATHURST A | NB | ZBF | NCA | -3.0 | -3.8 | 0.7 | | | |
| BOUCTOUCHE CDA CS | NB | ABT | AU8 | -1.6 | -3.0 | 1.4 | | | |
| CHARLO AUTO | NB | ZCR | AU8 | -3.6 | -4.9 | 1.3 | 55.6 | 77.4 | 72 |
| MIRAMICHI RCS | NB | ACQ | AU8 | -2.2 | -3.4 | 1.2 | | | |
| DOAKTOWN AUTO RCS | NB | ADN | AU8 | -2.8 | -3.3 | 0.6 | | | |
| EDMUNDSTON | NB | ERM | AU8 | -4.6 | | | 64.5 | 56.1 | 115 |
| FREDERICTON INTL A | NB | YFC | NCA | -1.4 | -2.4 | 1.0 | | | |
| FREDERICTON CDA CS | NB | AFC | AU8 | -1.7 | -2.2 | ≥ 0.5 | | | |
| FUNDY PARK (ALMA) CS | NB | AFY | AU8 | -1.1 | -1.7 | 0.6 | | | |
| GAGETOWN AWOS A | NB | YCX | AU5 | -1.0 | -1.8 | 0.7 | | | |
| KOUCHIBOUGUAC | NB | AKC | AU8 | -1.4 | -3.2 | 1.8 | 92.0 | 123.4 | 75 |
| MISCOU ISLAND (AUT) | NB | WMI | AU8 | -3.2 | | | 72.1 | | |
| MONCTON INTL A | NB | YQM | NCH | -1.2 | -2.9 | 1.7 | 66.9 | 115.6 | <u>→</u> 58 |
| OAK POINT | NB | | DAILY | -1.7 | | | 62.6 | 100.7 | 62 |
| POINT LEPREAU CS | NB | WPE | AU8 | -0.2 | -1.5 | 1.3 | | | |
| RED PINES | NB | ARP | AU8 | -2.9 | -4.2 | 1.3 | | | |
| SAINT JOHN A | NB | YSJ | NCH | -2.0 | -2.5 | 0.5 | 94.0 | 108.2 | 87 |
| ST. STEPHEN | NB | WSS | AU8 | -0.3 | | | | | |
| SUSSEX FOUR CORNERS | NB | ASF | AU8 | -1.0 | -1.9 | 0.8 | | | |
| WOODSTOCK NEWBRIDGE | NB | EWD | AU8 | -2.5 | -3.4 | 0.9 | | | |
| Average | | | | -2.0 | -2.9 | 1.0 | 72.8 | 96.1 | 79 |
| Max | | | | -0.2 | -1.5 | 1.8 | 94.0 | 123.4 | 115 |
| Min | | | | -4.6 | -4.9 | 0.5 | 55.6 | 56.1 | 58 |

Highlights:

The average temperature anomaly was above normal (+1.0°C). All sites reported positive anomalies with the largest anomalies occurring in the southeast.

Total precipitation amounts were below normal, with an average of **79%** of total precipitation. Moncton received the least at 58% of normal precipitation with Edmundston having been the wettest at 115% of normal. Both snowfall and rainfall were below normal for most sites.







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Events:

March 1-2: "Winter Storm Event". Wind, snow, and some rain pelted the province. The Bas-Caraquet area reported the most snow at 40 cm while the Pennfield Ridge area recorded 29 mm. Winds gusted to near 108 km/h in the Bas-Caraguet area causing a prolonged period of whiteout conditions.

March 11: First day of 2021 to reach 10°C or warmer

March 22: First day of 2021 to reach 20°C or warmer

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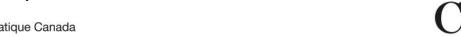
March 26-27: "Mixed Precipitation Event". A system brought mainly rain to the south and mainly snow to the north. The Campbellton area recorded 18 cm of snow and Grand Digue reported 51 mm of rain.

March 28-29: "Mixed Precipitation Event". Another similar system brought mixed precipitation along with gusty winds. The Grand Falls area recorded 16 cm of snow and Maces Bay reported 47 mm of rain. Bathurst recorded a wind gust to 89 km/h.

Days of month with lightning in New Brunswick; 26 (one day)

Day of month with temperature record broken or tied in New Brunswick; 11 12 21-26 31 (red=maximum, blue=minimum)





March 2021; Provincial Climate Extremes

| Parameter | Value | ECCC Station | Day of month |
|-----------------------------------|---------|--------------|--------------|
| Daily Maximum Temperature | 20.8°C | St. Stephen | 22 |
| Daily Minimum Temperature | -26.8°C | Edmundston | 6 |
| Maximum Daily Total Precipitation | 39.0 mm | Moncton | 26 |
| Daily Maximum Wind Gust | 97 km/h | Bas-Caraquet | 3 |
| Daily Maximum Wind Chill | -33 | Edmundston | 2 |

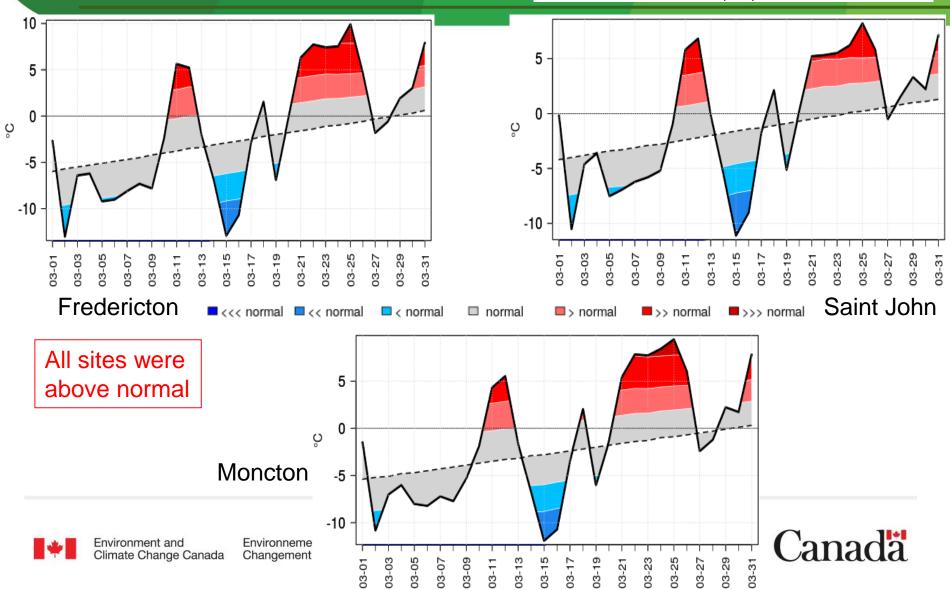




March 2021 - Temperature

Daily Mean Temperature (line), Long-Term Mean (dashed line)
and Categories based on Standard Deviations (blue and red)

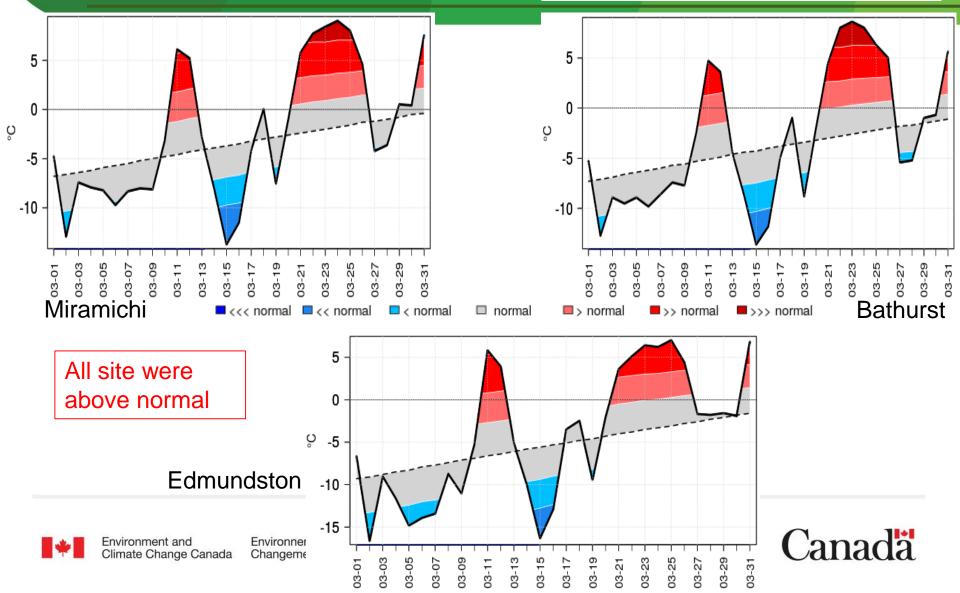
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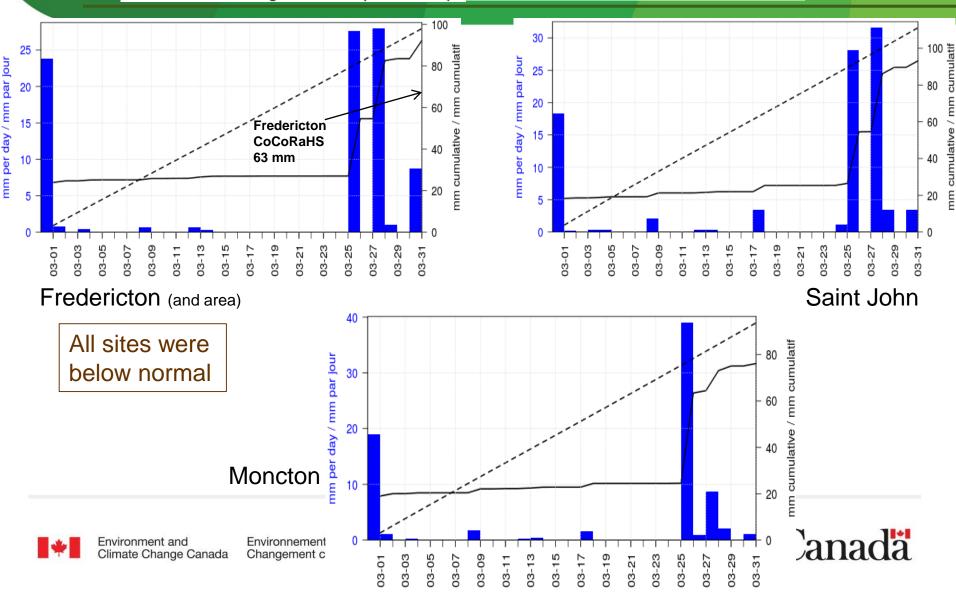
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March 2021 - Precipitation

Daily Total Precipitation (bars), Cumulative (line) and Cumulative Long-Term Mean (dashed line)

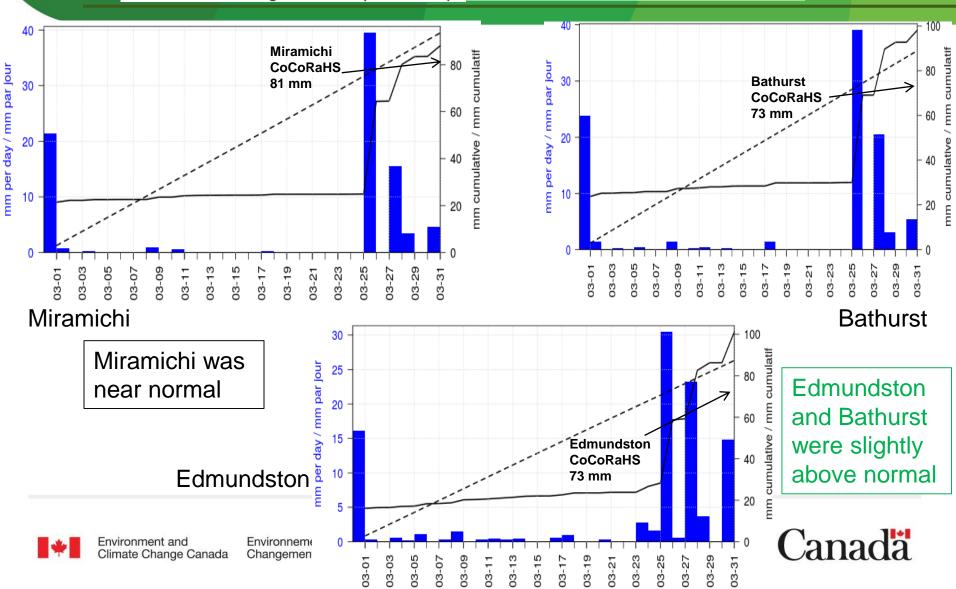
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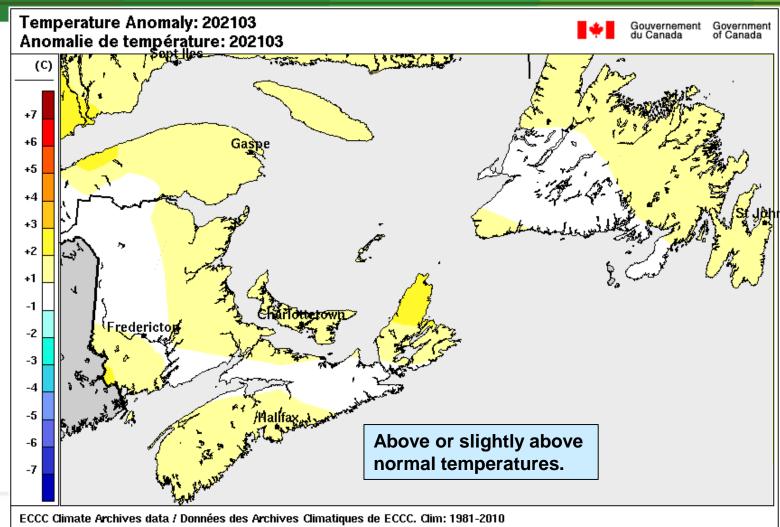
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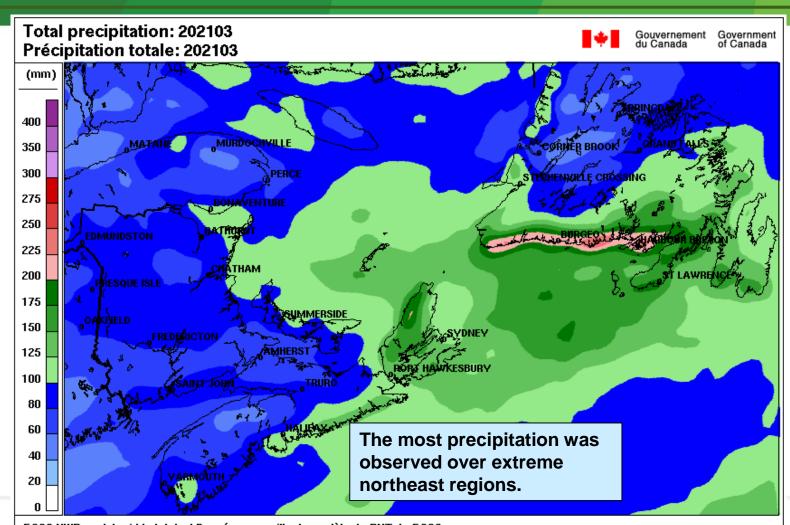
March 2021 – Temperature departure from 1981-2010 mean







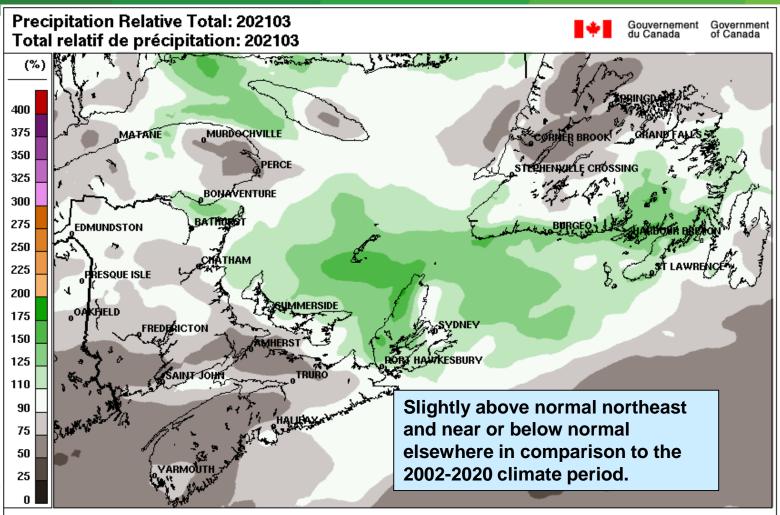
March 2021 – Total precipitation







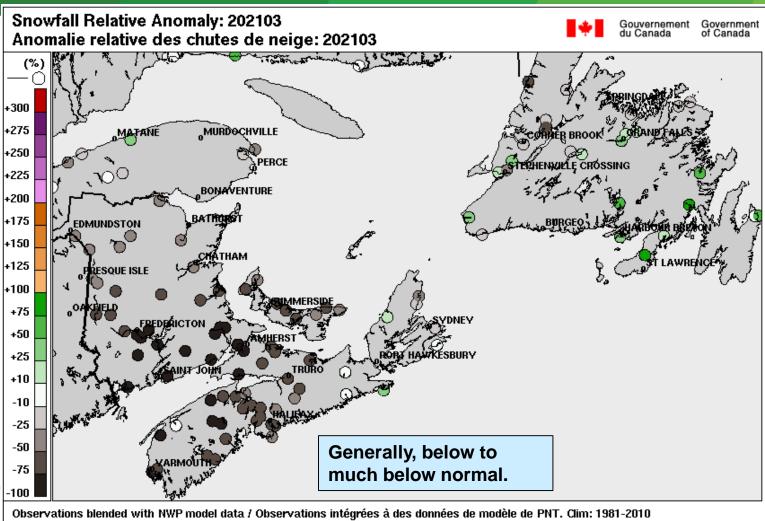
March 2021 – Precipitation departure from 2002-2020 mean







March 2021 – Snowfall departure from 1981-2010 mean

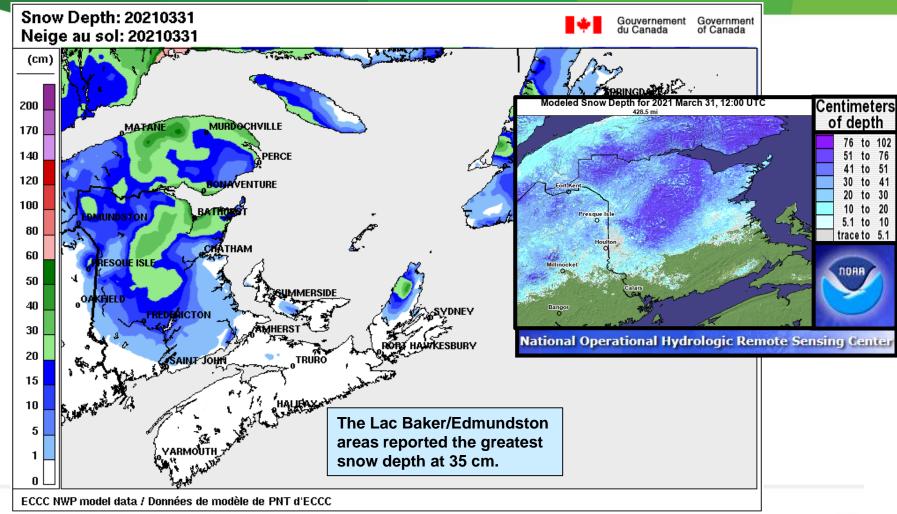






March 2021 – Snow depth at month end

Extracted from Canadian computer model

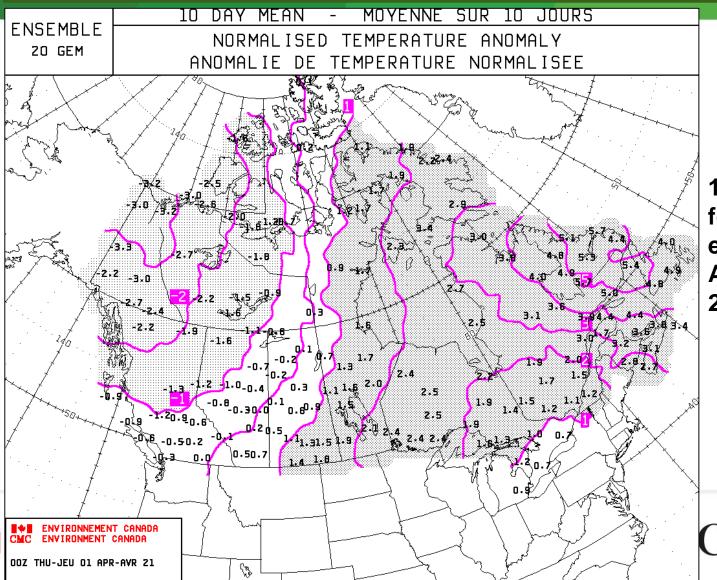






Outlook – 10 day mean temperature

(Suggesting above normal conditions (+2.3 to +3.6°C))



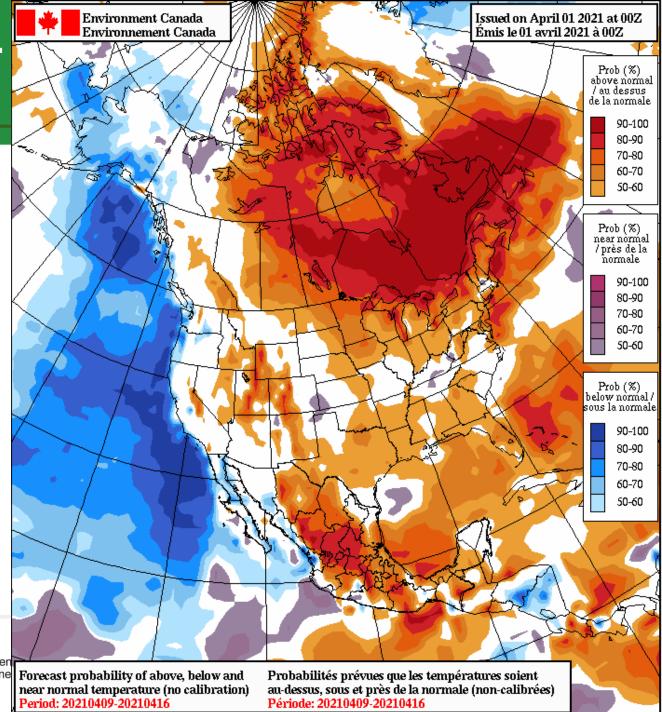
10 day forecast ending April 11, 2021



Day 8 to 14 Forecast

Period ending April 16, 2021

Suggesting a moderate to strong signal of above normal.





75%

25%

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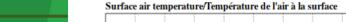


Ensemble and Deterministic Forecasts issued 1 April 2021 00 UTC Prévision d'ensemble et déterministe émises le 1 Avril 2021 00 UTC

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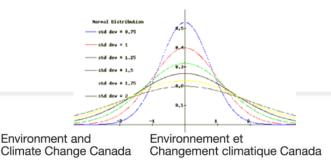


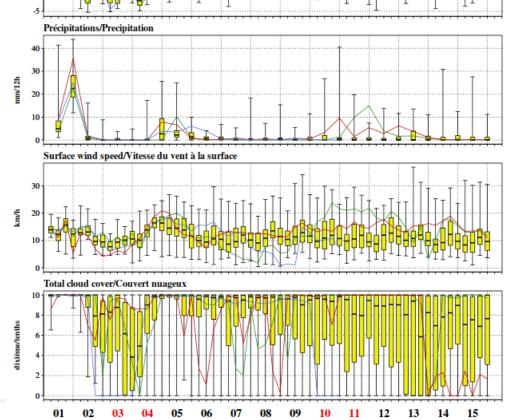
Normal high: 10.0C — — 16-

Next 15 days; ending April 15, 2021

April

Generally suggesting below normal until near April 8th then possibly above to near normal for the remainder of the period.



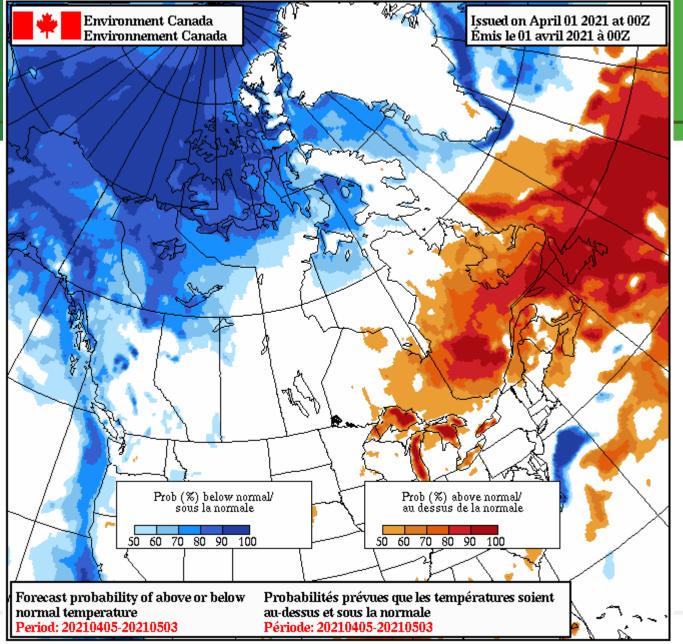


April/Avril 2021

Global Model / Modèle global

Control Member / Membre contrôle CMC

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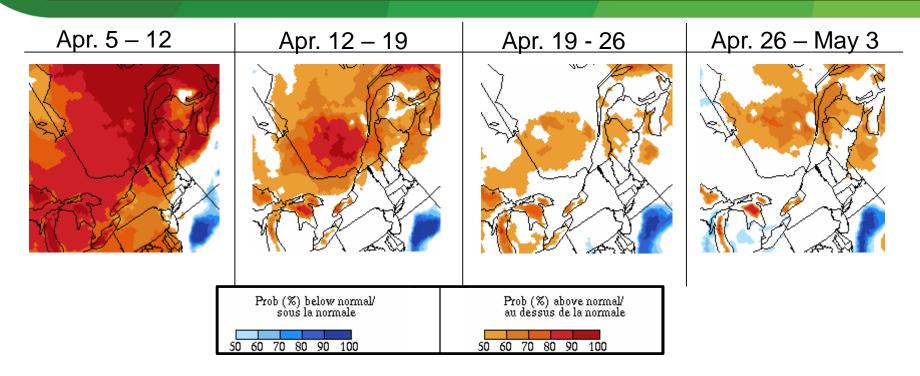
Temperature
April 5
to
May 3

CMC Monthly Forecast Product using GEPS 50km res.





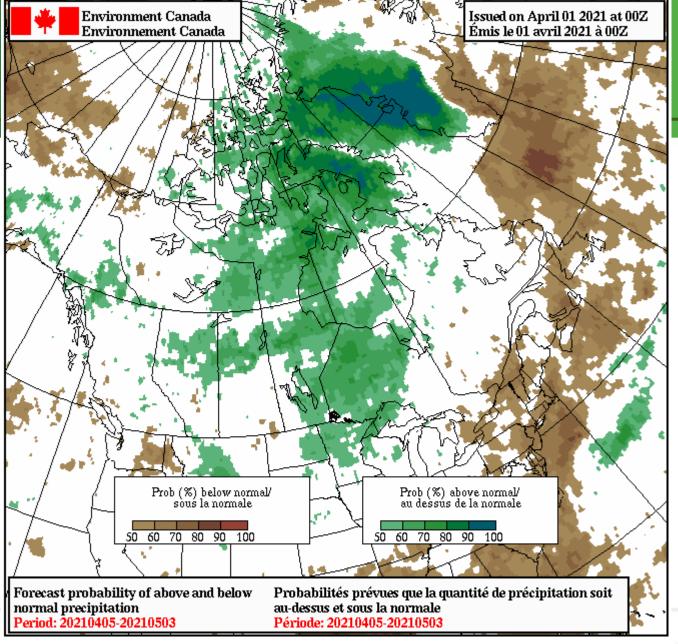
Weekly signature from GEPS 50km resolution



Moderate to strong signal of above normal for the first week then generally a weak signal of above normal for the remainder of the period.





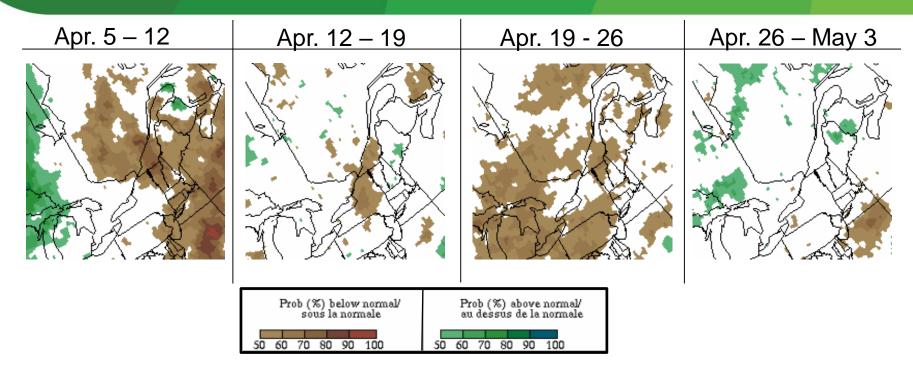


Precipitation
April 5
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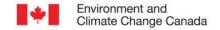
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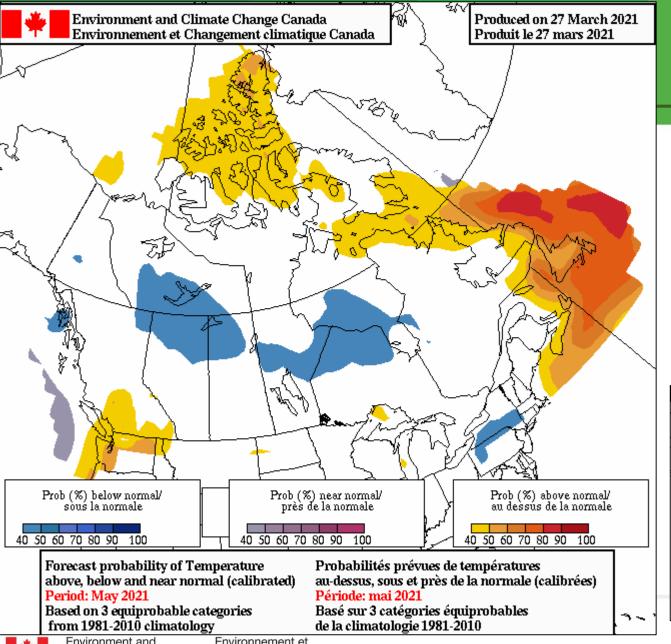
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Mixed signals for the first week, then no signal (near normal) for the second week then transitioning to possible subtle indications of below normal for the third week and then shifting to above normal for the last week in some parts of the province.



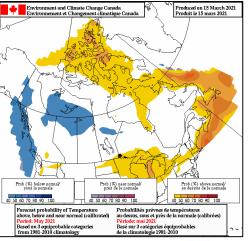




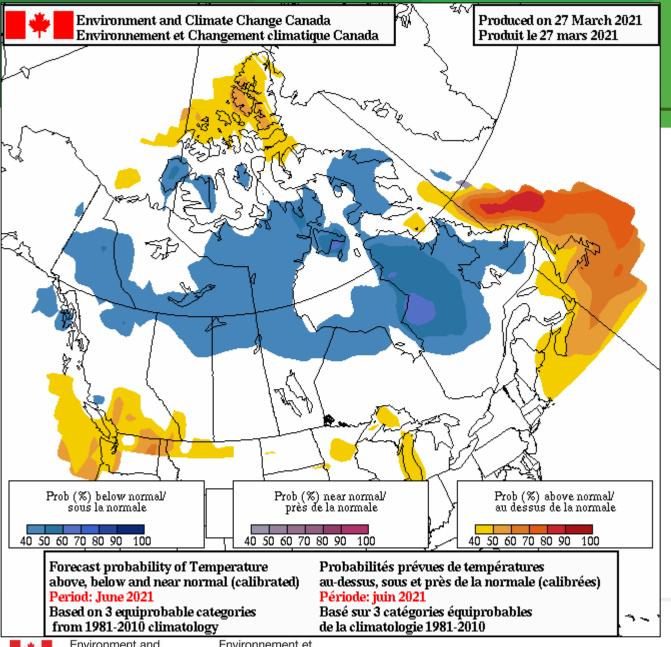
Temperature May 2021

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Produced March 15



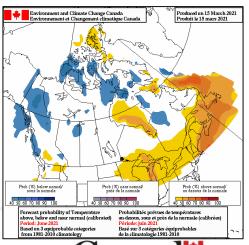


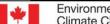


Temperature June 2021

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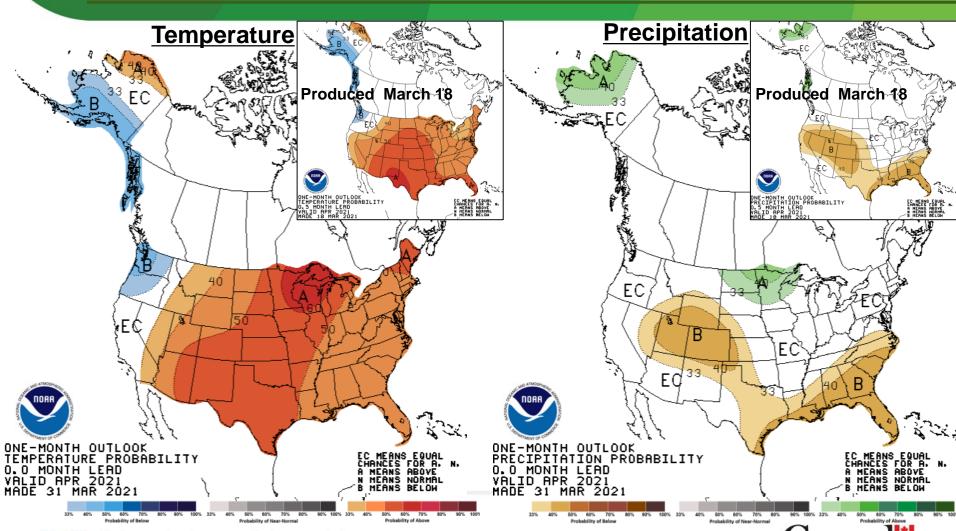
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