#### **New Brunswick**

# February 2021 Review March and Winter/Spring Outlook

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## February 2021; Climate Summary

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	-			Mean I	emperat	ure (°C)	lot	al Precip	(mm)
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	_			Monthly		Diff from			Total as %
Station Name	Prov	TCID	Туре	Mean	Mean	Normal	Total	Total	of Normal
BAS CARAQUET	NB	WXS	AU8	-6.7	-9.7	2.9	95.2	79.0	
BAS CARAQUET	NB		DAILY				124.4	79.0	157
BATHURST A	NB	ZBF	NCA	-8.0	-9.4	1.4			
BOUCTOUCHE CDA CS	NB	ABT	AU8	-6.1	-7.7.	<b>\</b> ,			
CHARLO AUTO	NB	ZCR	AU8	-7.9			54.9	66.9	→ <sub>82</sub>
MIRAMICHI RCS	NB	ACQ	AU8	-7.1	-8.9				
DOAKTOWN AUTO RCS	NB	ADN	AU8	-7.7	-8.9	1.3			
EDMUNDSTON	NB	ERM	AU8	-12.0			62.8	62.3	101
FREDERICTON INTL A	NB	YFC	NCA	-6.9	-7.9	1.0			
FREDERICTON CDA CS	NB	AFC	AU8	-6.9	-7.5	0.6			
FUNDY PARK (ALMA) CS	NB	AFY	AU8	-4.2	-6.1	1.9			
GAGETOWN AWOS A	NB	YCX	AU5	-6.7	-6.6	→ <sub>0.0</sub>			
KOUCHIBOUGUAC	NB	AKC	AU8	-6.2	-8.6	2.4	152.4	98.8	154
MISCOU ISLAND (AUT)	NB	WMI	AU8	-5.5			103.3		
MONCTON INTL A	NB	YQM	NCH	-5.8	-7.6	1.8	146.8	90.9	162
OAK POINT	NB		DAILY	-5.3	-6.6	1.4	105.9	77.3	137
POINT LEPREAU CS	NB	WPE	AU8	-3.6	-5.5	1.9			
RED PINES	NB	ARP	AU8	-8.1	-9.9	1.8			
SAINT JOHN A	NB	YSJ	NCH	-5.7	-7.1	1.3	105.6	91.0	116
ST. STEPHEN	NB	WSS	AU8	-5.7					
SUSSEX FOUR CORNERS	NB	ASF	AU8	-5.8	-6.8	1.0	110.3	85.0	130
WOODSTOCK									
NEWBRIDGE	NB	EWD	AU8	-8.3	-9.5	1.2			
Average				-6.7	-8.1	1.6	106.2	81.1	129
Max				-3.6	-5.5	3.0	152.4	98.8	162
Min				-12.0	-10.9	0.0	54.9	62.3	82

#### **Highlights:**

The average temperature anomaly was above normal (+1.6C). All sites reported positive anomalies with Charlo recording the largest anomaly at +3.0C.

Total precipitation amounts were above normal, with an average of 129% of total precipitation. Charlo received the least at 82% of normal precipitation with Moncton having been the wettest at 162% of normal. Both snowfall and rainfall were above normal for most sites.



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#### **Events:**

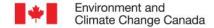
**February 2-3**: "Winter Storm Event". Wind, snow, freezing precipitation and rain pelted the province. The Lac Baker area reported the most snow at 39 cm while Kouchibouguac Park recorded 71 mm of total precipitation. Winds gusted to near 106 km/h in the Grand Manan area.

**February 7-8**: "Snow Event". Snow blanketed southern portions of the province with areas along the NB/NS border reporting the most snow at 35 cm.

**February 16**: "Snow and Freezing Precipitation Event". A system brought freezing precipitation to the south and snow to the north. The St-Quentin area amassed 25 cm of snow and Saint John reported approximately 6 hours of freezing rain.

Days of month with lightning in New Brunswick; none

Day of month with temperature record broken or tied in New Brunswick; none (red=maximum, blue=minimum)





#### February 2021; Provincial Climate Extremes

Parameter	Value	ECCC Station	Day of month
Daily Maximum Temperature	7.6°C	St. Stephen Point Lepreau	24 28
Daily Minimum Temperature	-31.1°C Edmundston		18
Maximum Daily Total Precipitation	52.9 mm	Kouchibouguac	2
Daily Maximum Wind Gust	87 km/h	Saint John	2
Daily Maximum Wind Chill	-35	Edmundston	9



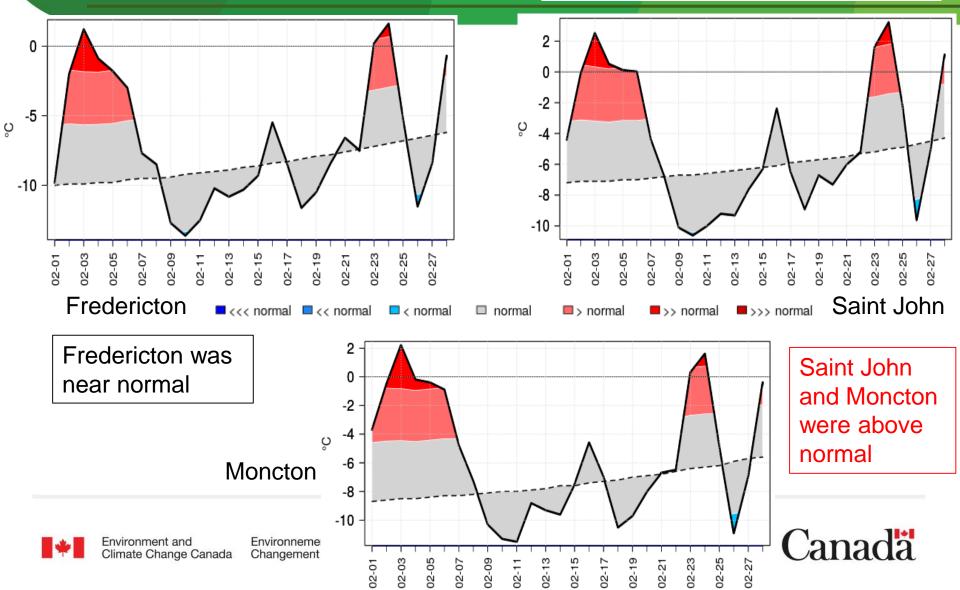


#### February 2021 - Temperature

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

Based on gridded observations / Climatology 1981-2010

Std. dev. thresholds +/- 0.7, 1.3, 2.1

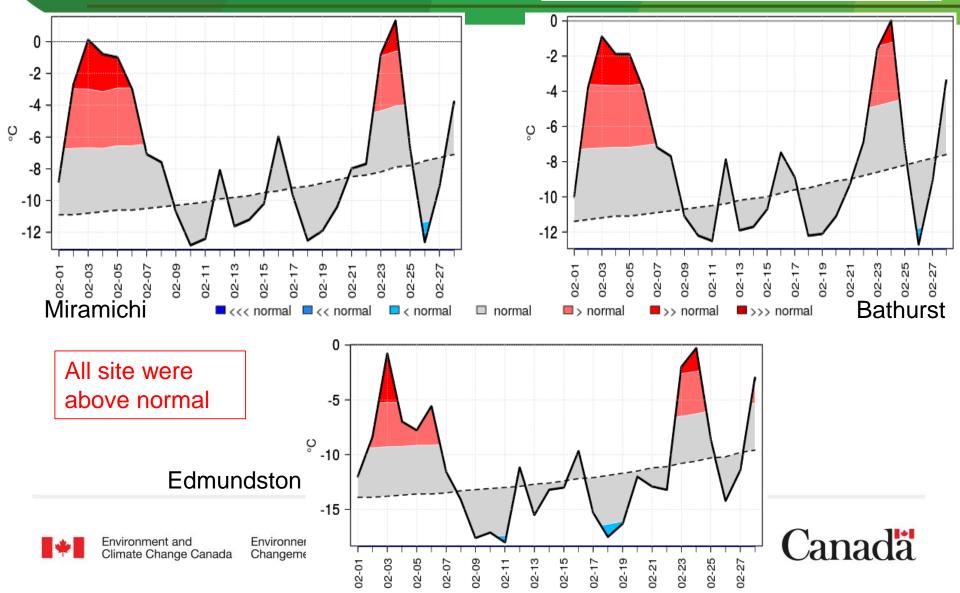


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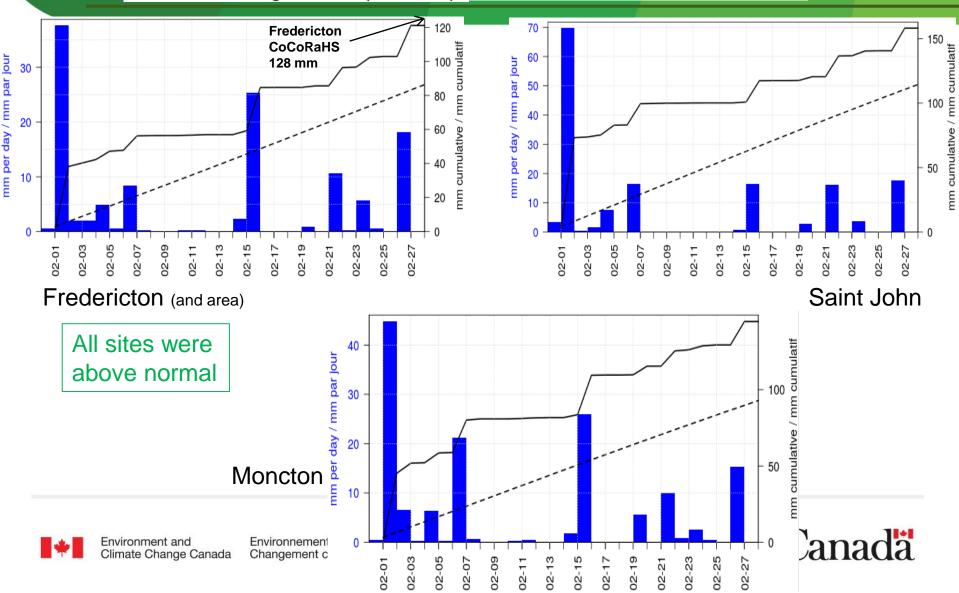
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Daily Total Precipitation (bars), Cumulative (line) Base and Cumulative Long-Term Mean (dashed line) Clima

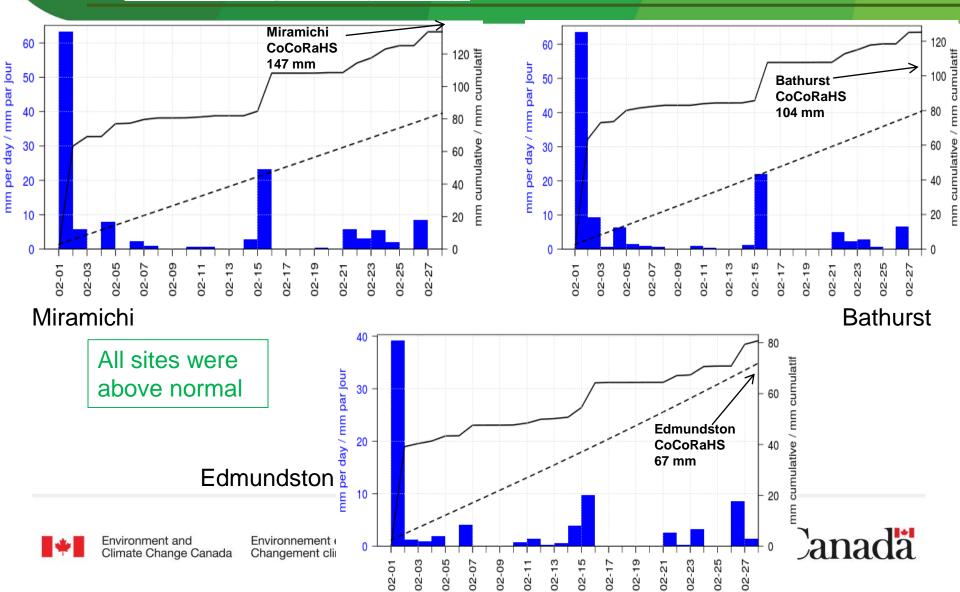
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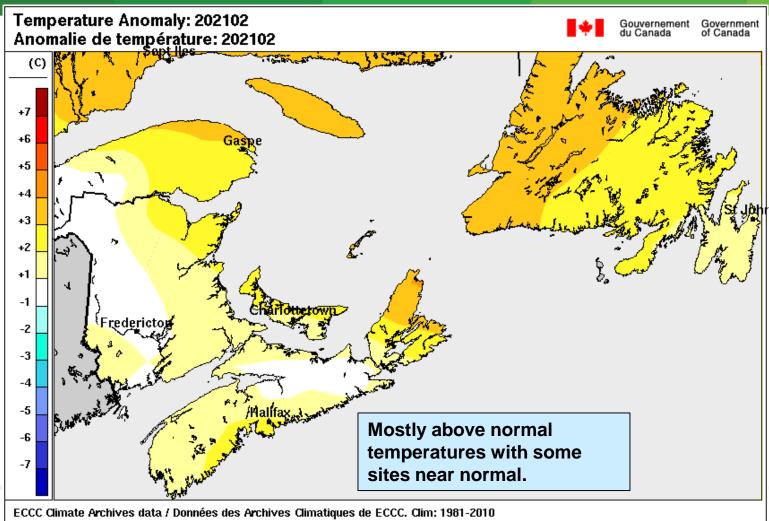
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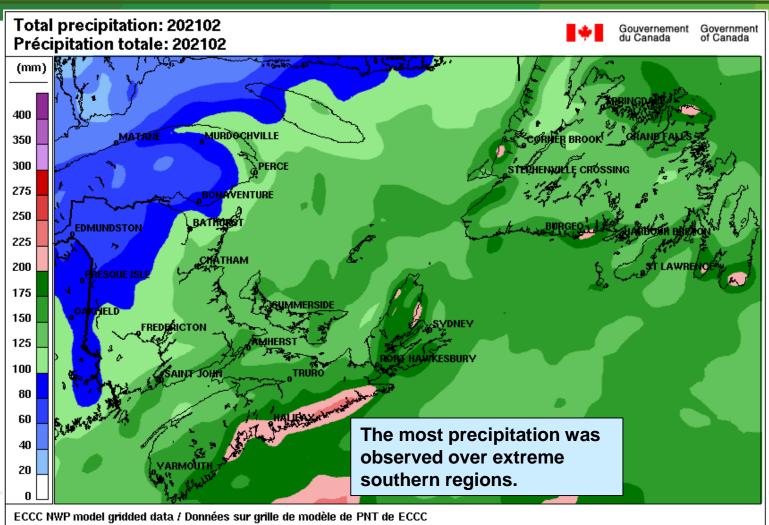
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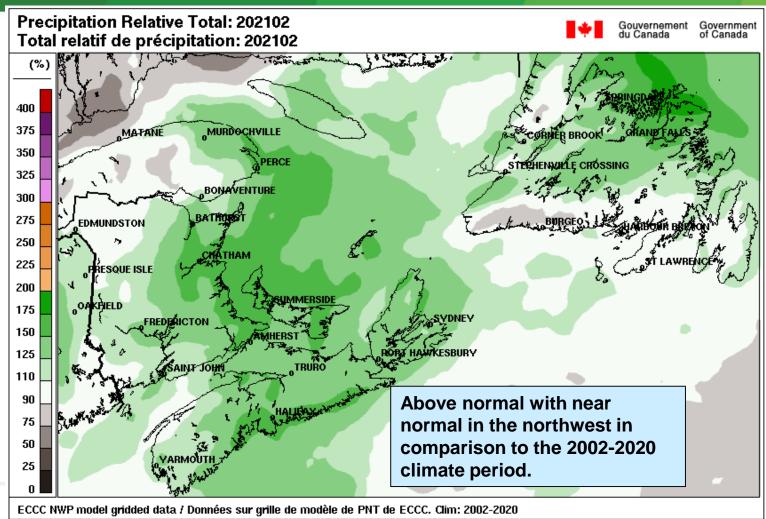
# February 2021 – Total precipitation







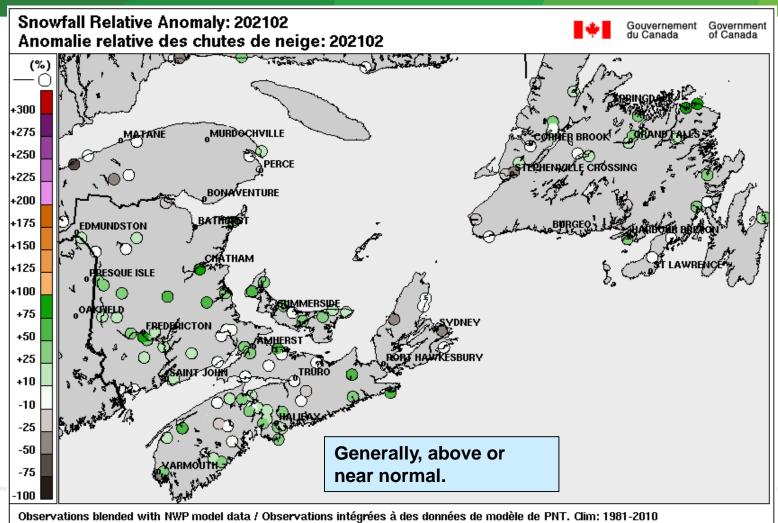
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## February 2021 – Snowfall departure from 1981-2010 mean

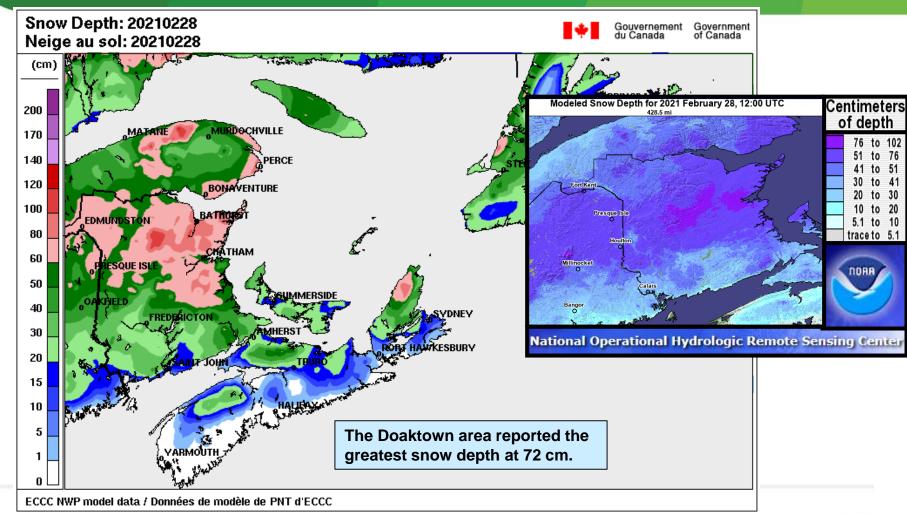






# February 2021 – Snow depth at month end

Extracted from Canadian computer model

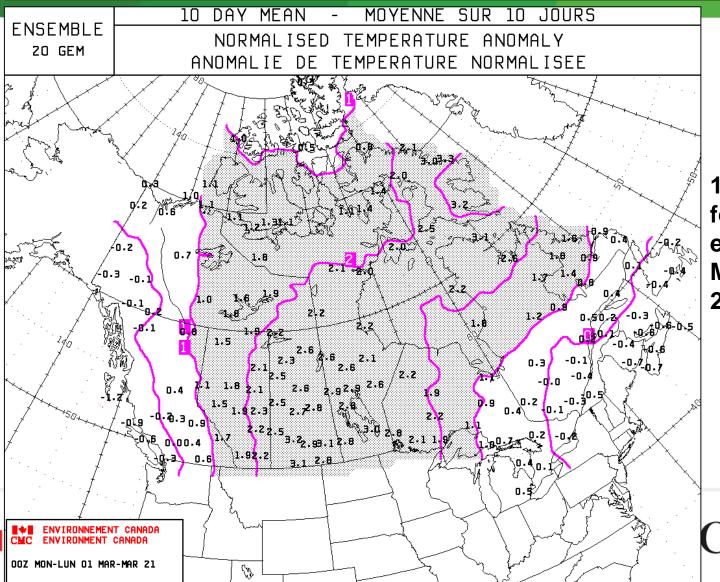






#### Outlook – 10 day mean temperature

(Suggesting below normal conditions (-0.1 to -0.7°C))



10 day forecast ending March 11, 2021

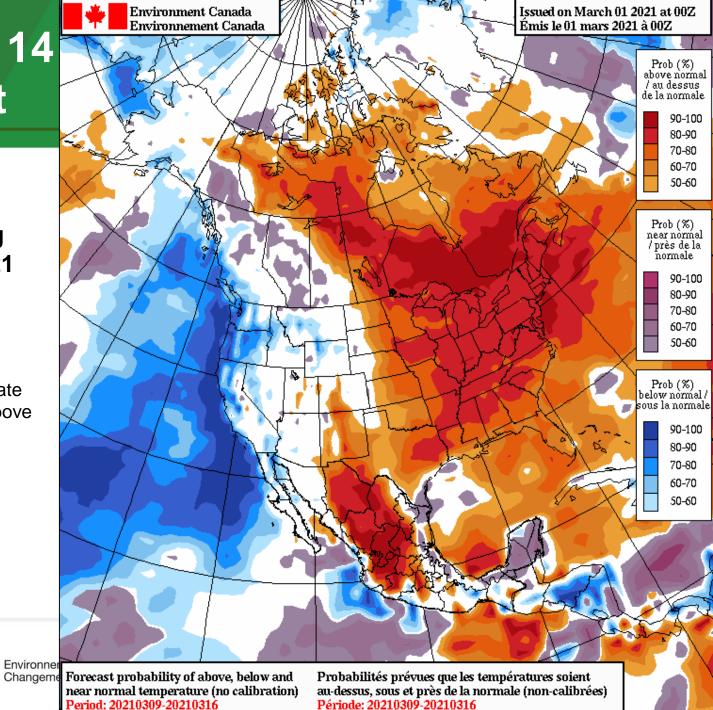




# Day 8 to 14 **Forecast**

#### **Period ending** March 16, 2021

Suggesting a moderate to strong signal of above normal.





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25%



#### **Fredericton**

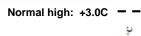
Ensemble and Deterministic Forecasts issued 1 March 2021 00 UTC Prévision d'ensemble et déterministe émises le 1 Mars 2021 00 UTC

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#### FREDERICTON (YFC) 45.87 N 66.53 W/O Surface air temperature/Température de l'air à la surface

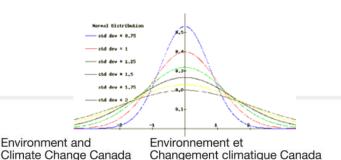


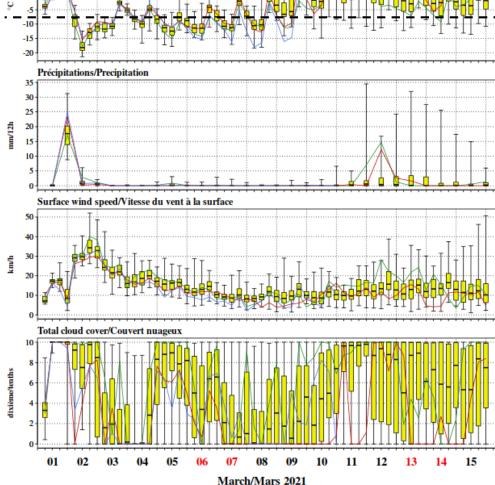
Normal low: -7.8C

#### Next 15 days; ending March 15, 2021

Generally suggesting below normal until near March 8th then a lot of variability for the remainder of the period.

March

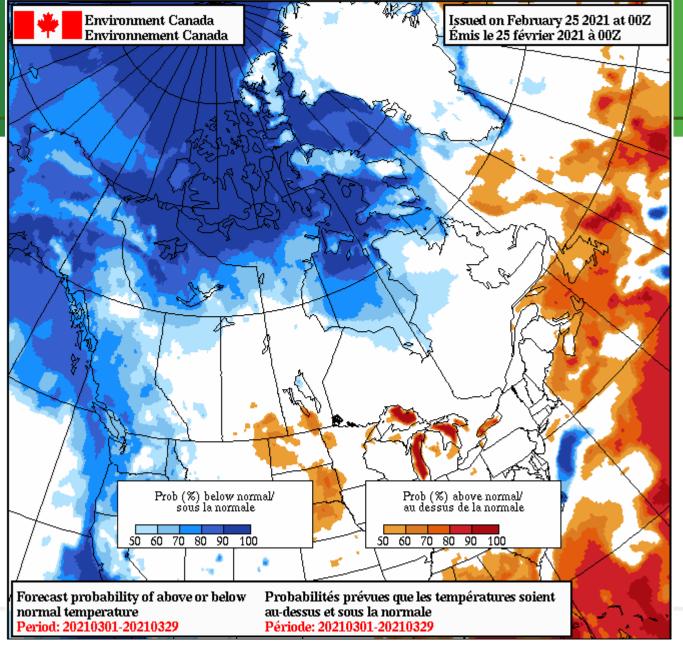




Global Model / Modèle global

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Temperature
March 1
to
March 29

CMC Monthly Forecast Product using GEPS 50km res.

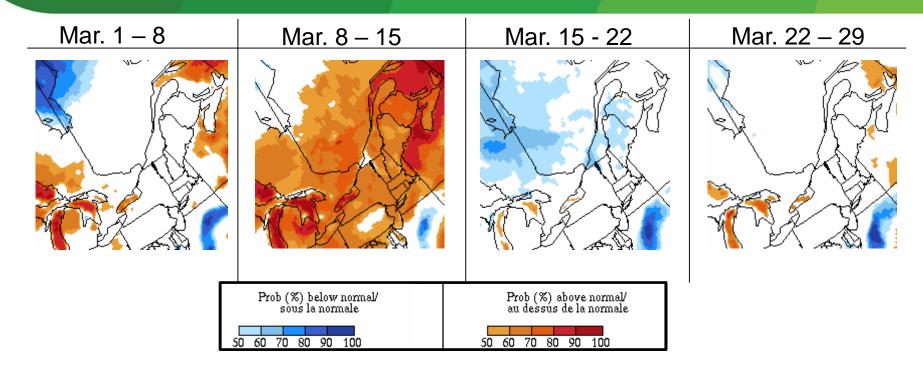


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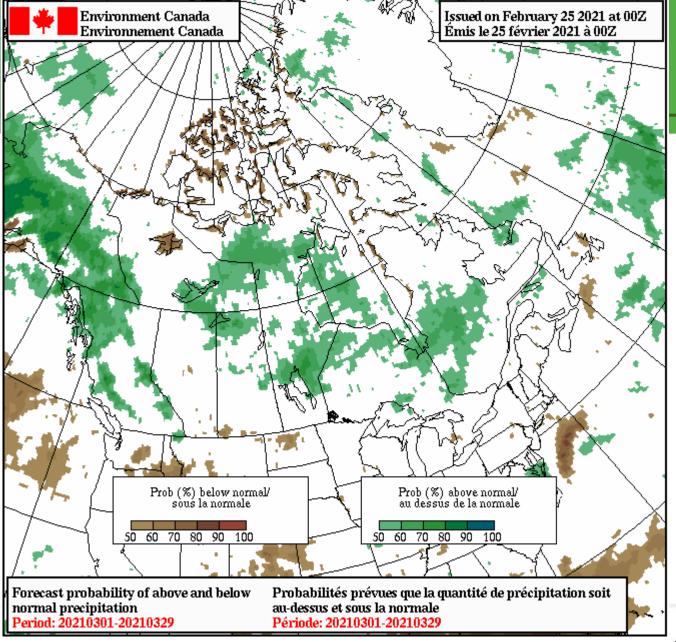
#### Weekly signature from GEPS 50km resolution



No signal (near normal) for the first week then a moderate signal of above normal for the second week which shifts to a weak signal of below normal for the third week before transitioning back to no signal (near normal) for the remainder of the period.





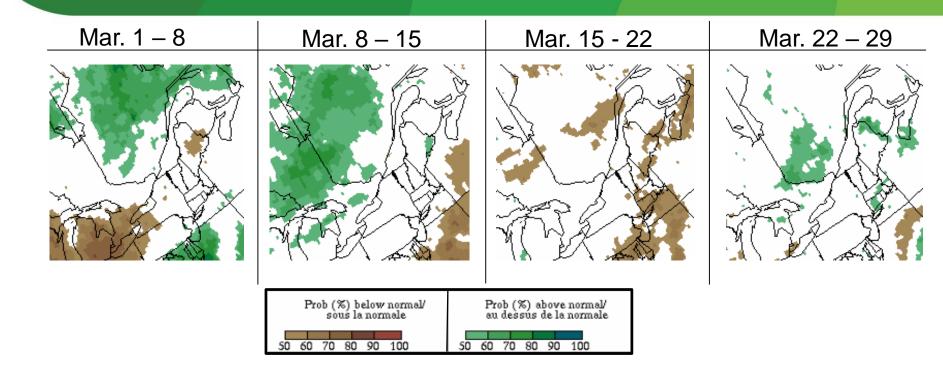


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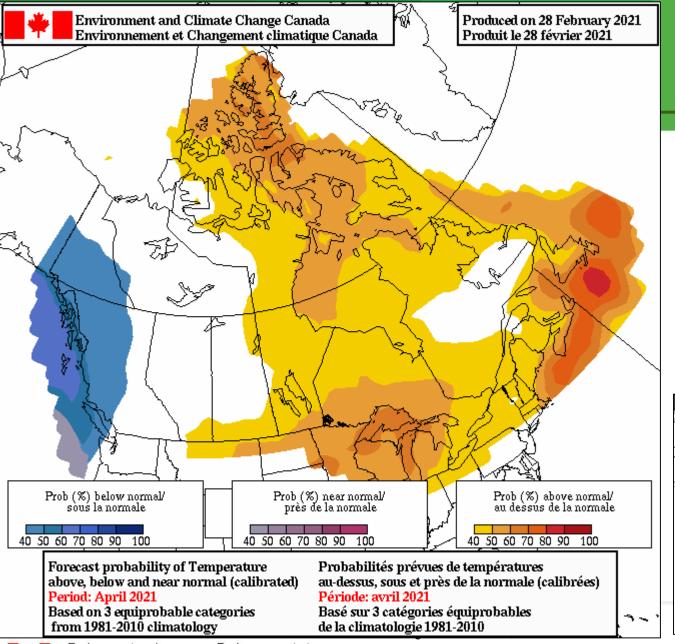
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Generally, no conclusive signal (near normal) for the period with the exception of possible subtle indications of below normal for the third week and above normal for the last week in some parts of the province.



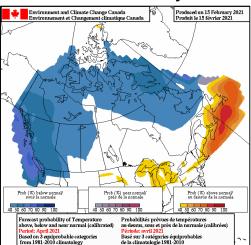




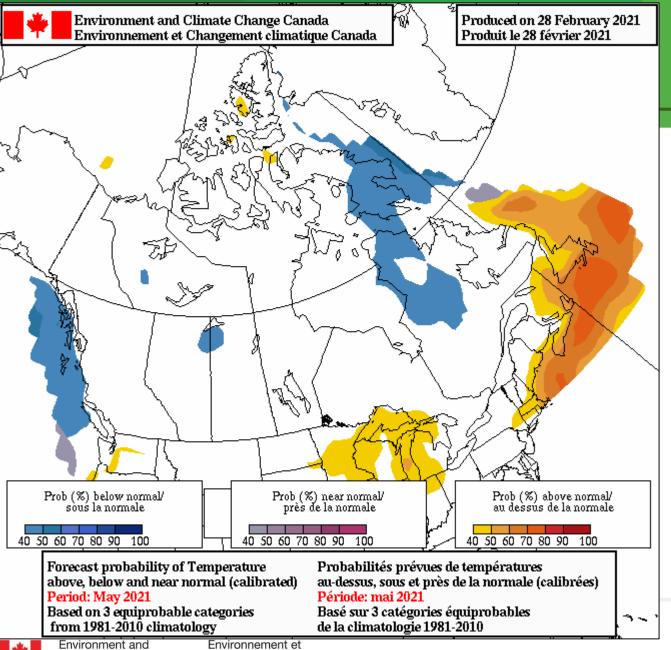
Temperature
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2021

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#### **Produced February 15**



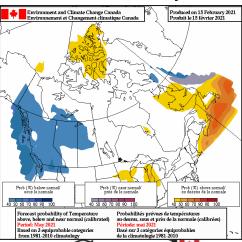


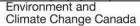


#### Temperature May 2021

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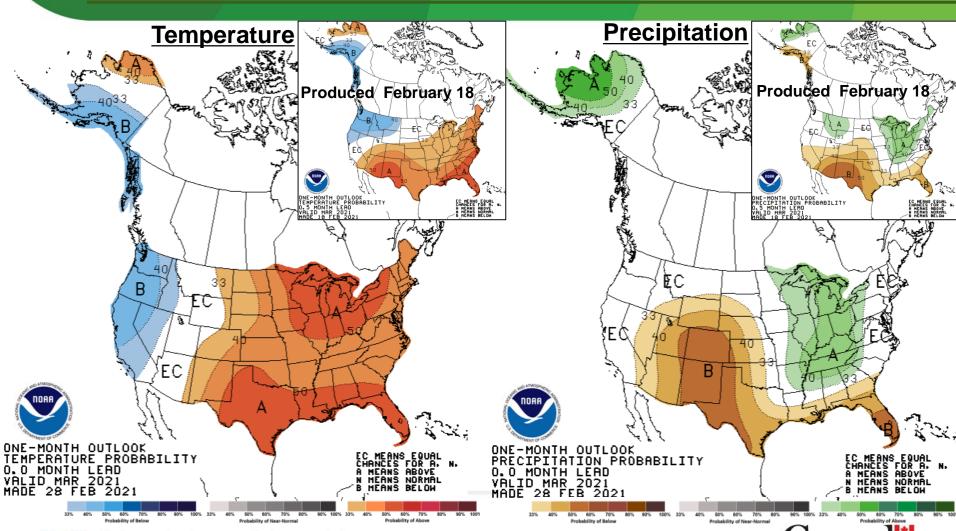
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