Radcliffe Meteorological Station

School of Geography - University of Oxford Monthly Summary of Weather at Oxford for *April 2025*.

Temperature			Difference from 1991-2020 average
Mean air temperature	$^{\circ}C$	11.2	+1.4
Mean daily maximum temperature	$^{\circ}C$	17.2	+2.8
Mean daily minimum temperature	$^{\circ}C$	5.2	-0.1
Highest maximum temperature	°C	25.1	+4.1
Lowest maximum temperature	°C	13.8	+5.2
Highest minimum temperature	°C	9.4	-1.3
Lowest minimum temperature	$^{\circ}C$	1.3	+1.7
Air frosts (screen minimum < 0 °C)	days	0	-1.5
Mean minimum grass temperature	$^{\circ}C$	2.3	+0.3
Lowest grass minimum temperature	$^{\circ}C$	-3.5	+1.2
Ground frosts (grass minimum < 0 °C)	days	10	+1.3
Mean concrete minimum temperature	${}^{\circ}C$	4.2	-0.1
Lowest concrete minimum temperature	$^{\circ}C$	0.4	+2.3
Mean soil temperature at 30 cm at 0900 UTC	$^{\circ}C$	11.7	+1.4
Mean soil temperature at 100 cm at 0900 UTC	$^{\circ}C$	10.5	
Precipitation			
Total precipitation	mm	18.9	39 %
Wettest day	mm	16.3	128 %
No. of rain days (0.2 mm or more rainfall)	days	6	-6.4
No. of wet days (1.0 mm or more rainfall)	days	2	-6.9
Sunshine duration			
Total bright sunshine	hours	238.7	144 %*
Mean daily bright sunshine	hours	8.0	+2.4
Sunniest day	hours	13.2	
Mean wind speed at 0900 UTC (at 10 m)	knots	5.6	
No. of days with fog at 0900 UTC	days	0	-0.6
No. of days with snow lying at 0900 UTC	days	0	0.0

Bold denotes anomalies in excess of **one** standard deviation above/below the long-term mean, while **bold** with an asterisk (*) denotes two standard deviations above/below, and bold with two asterisks (**) denotes three standard deviations above/below. Standard deviations are not reported for counts (N. of days), lowest maximum/highest minimum temperature, wettest day and mean daily bright sunshine.

Notes

Continuing the theme from March, April was sunny and dry. In fact, April 2025 was the sunniest April since 1914 and 4th sunniest on record in Oxford, with the Radcliffe Observatory seeing 238.7 hours of sunshine through the month. Rainfall was 18.9mm, 86% of which fell on rain days 21/22 April. A mean air temperature of 11.2°C also made the month the 6th warmest April in the RMS records. The maximum temperature recorded during the month, 25.1°C on the 30th April, was 4.1°C above that expected.

All available reports can be found on our website (www.geog.ox.ac.uk/research/climate/rms). Please contact ms@ouce.ox.ac.uk for further information or to request data from the weather station. Charlie Knight (12.05.2025)

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