TABLE 1. Summary of climatic data by months for the 2003-2004 crop year (September to August) and averages for the period 1916-2004 at the Northern Agricultural Research Center, Havre, Montana.

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Last killing frost in spring*
- 2004 ____________________________ May 24th
- Ave. 1916-2004 ____________________________ May 15th

First killing frost in fall*
- 2004 ____________________________ October 1, 2004
- Ave. 1916-2004 ____________________________ September 20th

Frost free period
- 2004 ____________________________ 130 days
- Ave. 1916-2004 ____________________________ 128 days

Growing degree days (base 50)
- May 1-Oct 31, 2004 ____________________________ 2050.0
- Ave. 1951-2004 ____________________________ 2385.8

Maximum summer temperature ____________________________ 102° on July 18, 2004
Minimum winter temperature ____________________________ -28° on January 4, 2004

*In this summary 32° is considered a killing frost.