# Global 30-Year Mean Monthly Climatology, 1961-1990 (New et al.)

## **Summary:**

This is a data set of mean monthly surface climate measurements over global land areas, excluding Antarctica, for the period 1961-1990. Values were interpolated from station data to a 0.5 degree latitude/longitude grid for several climatic parameters: precipitation and wet-day frequency, mean temperature and diurnal temperature range (from which maximum temperature and minimum temperature can be determined), vapour pressure, sunshine, cloud cover, ground-frost frequency and windspeed.

A description of the data files is provided as a companion file.

For a complete documentation of the dataset, see New et al, 1999. Also refer to <u>IPCC Data</u> <u>Distribution Centre</u>.

#### **Data Citation**

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## **References:**

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