

# New Brunswick

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## February 2020 Review March 2020 and Winter/Spring Outlook

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# February 2020; Climate Summary

Station Name	Station Type	Mean Temperature (°C)			Total Precip (mm)			
		Monthly Mean	Normal Mean	Diff from Normal	Monthly Total	Normal Total	Total as % of Normal	Diff from Normal as % of Normal
BAS CARAQUET	AU8	-8.1	-9.7	1.6	77.6	79.0	98	-2
BAS CARAQUET	DAILY				89.0	79.0	113	13
BATHURST A	NCA	-8.9	-9.4	0.5				
BOUCTOUCHE CDA CS	AU8	-7.1	-7.7	0.5	73.3	88.0	83	-17
CHARLO AUTO	AU8	-9.2	-10.9	1.7	39.2	66.9	59	-41
MIRAMICHI RCS	AU8	-8.5	-8.9	0.4				
DOAKTOWN AUTO RCS	AU8	-8.8	-8.9	0.1	81.6	77.3	106	6
EDMUNDSTON	AU8	-12.5	-11.3	-1.2	61.2	62.3	98	-2
FREDERICTON INTL A	NCA	-7.5	-7.9	0.3				
FREDERICTON CDA CS	AU8	-7.0	-7.5	0.4	67.0	70.1	96	-4
GAGETOWN AWOS A	AU5	-6.7	-6.6	-0.1	45.5	77.3	59	-41
GRAND MANAN SAR CS	AU8	-2.6						
KOUCHIBOUGUAC	AU8	-7.1	-8.6	1.5				
MECHANIC SETTLEMENT	AU8	-6.4			100.3			
MISCOU ISLAND (AUT)	AU8	-7.9						
MONCTON INTL A	NCH	-6.2	-7.6	1.3	87.0	90.9	96	-4
OAK POINT	DAILY	-5.0	-6.6	1.7	82.8	77.3	107	7
POINT LEPREAU CS	AU8	-2.4	-5.5	3.0	83.8	101.3	83	-17
RED PINES	AU8	-9.1	-9.9	0.8	74.0	59.6	124	24
SAINT JOHN A	NCH	-5.2	-7.1	1.8	66.7	91.0	73	-27
SUSSEX FOUR CORNERS	AU8	-6.0	-6.8	0.8	69.5	85.0	82	-18
WOODSTOCK	DAILY	-7.5	-9.5	1.9	76.6	71.6	107	7
WOODSTOCK NEWBRIDGE	AU8	-8.6	-9.5	0.9	66.0	71.6	92	-8
<b>Average</b>		<b>-7.2</b>	<b>-8.4</b>	<b>1.0</b>	<b>73.0</b>	<b>78.0</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>-8</b>
<b>Max</b>		<b>-2.4</b>	<b>-5.5</b>	<b>3.0</b>	<b>100.3</b>	<b>101.3</b>	<b>124</b>	<b>24</b>
<b>Min</b>		<b>-12.5</b>	<b>-11.3</b>	<b>-1.2</b>	<b>39.2</b>	<b>59.6</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>-41</b>

## Highlights:

The average temperature anomaly was slightly above normal (+1.0C). Most sites reported positive anomalies. Edmundston was below normal mainly due to three record-setting minimums during the month.

Total precipitation amounts were slightly below normal, with an average of 92% of total precipitation. Charlo was the driest with 39 mm. However, snowfall was above normal for most of the province except near the Bay of Fundy.

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## Events:

**February 6-8;** Winter storm event. Precipitation varied (10-25 mm/cm) throughout the province with the north and central regions receiving mostly snow while the south had mixed precipitation. The Edmundston and St-Quentin areas reported the most snow with 45 cm. Strong northerly winds behind the system gusted to 96 km/h at Miscou Island.

**February 27-28;** Mostly snow event. Most of the province saw snow with freezing precipitation and rain over the extreme south. Central and northeast regions saw the most snow with 28 cm reported both in the Bathurst area and Doaktown area. Easterly winds also gusted to 89 km/h in Saint John.

**Days with thunderstorm activity (lightning) in New Brunswick; none**

**Day of month with temperature record broken or tied in New Brunswick; 9 14 15 21 26**  
(red=maximum, blue=minimum)



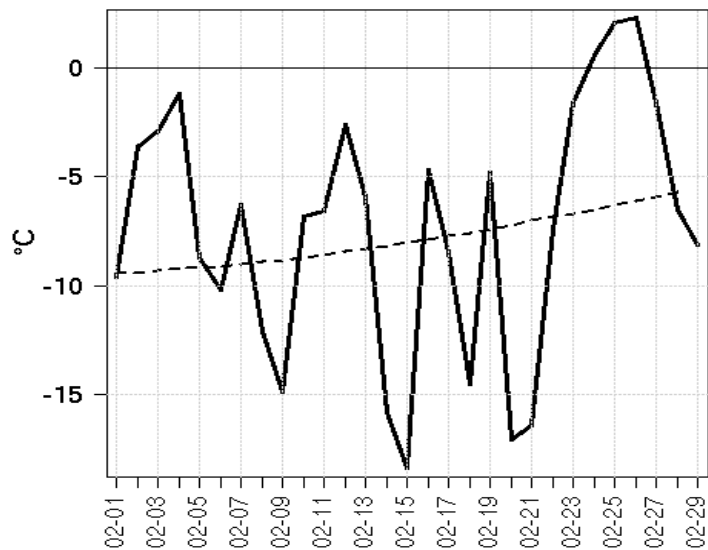
# February 2020; Provincial Climate Extremes

Parameter	Value	ECCC Station	Day of month
Daily Maximum Temperature	<b>+10.0 °C</b>	Gagetown	24
Daily Minimum Temperature	<b>-38.8 °C</b>	Edmundston	15
Maximum Daily Total Precipitation	<b>29.2 mm</b>	Point Lepreau	27
Daily Maximum Wind Gust	<b>96 km/h</b>	Miscou Island	7
Daily Minimum Wind Chill	<b>-40</b>	Edmundston	15

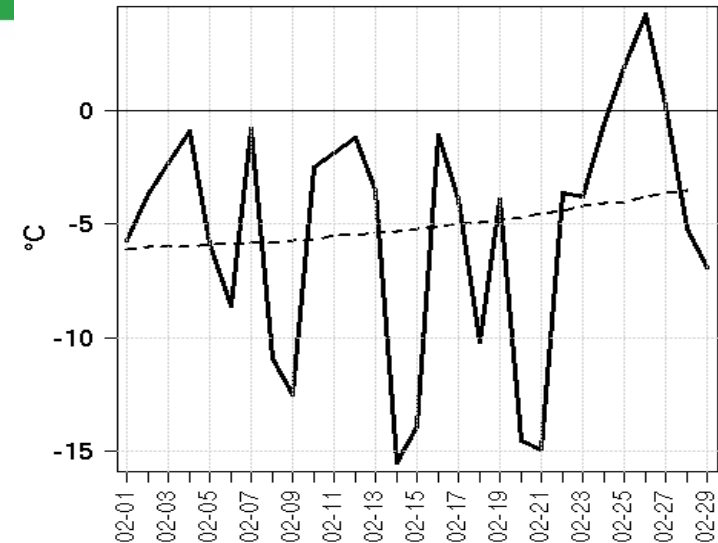


# February 2020 - Temperature

Daily Mean Temperature (bold line) versus Normal (thin line) and  $\pm 0.7, 1.3, 2.1$  SD (red/blue shades)



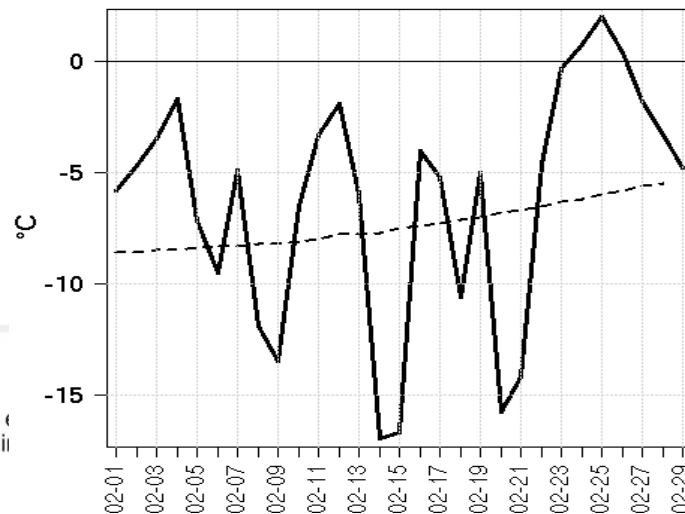
Fredericton



Saint John

All sites were  
above normal

Moncton



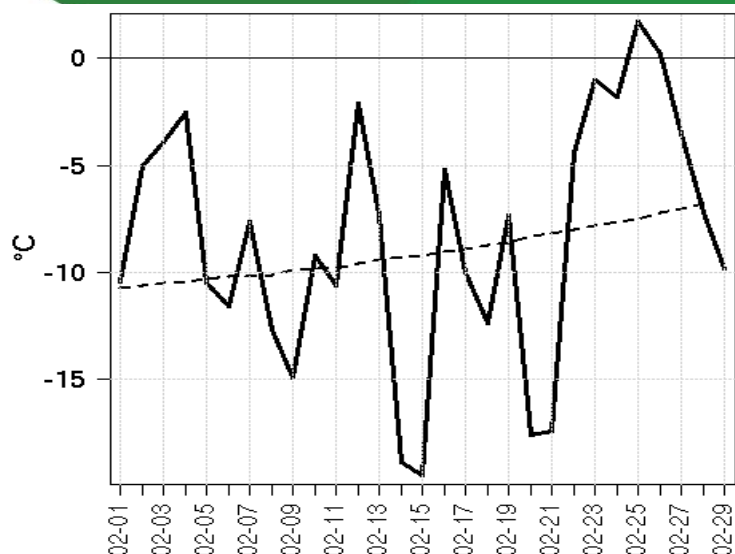
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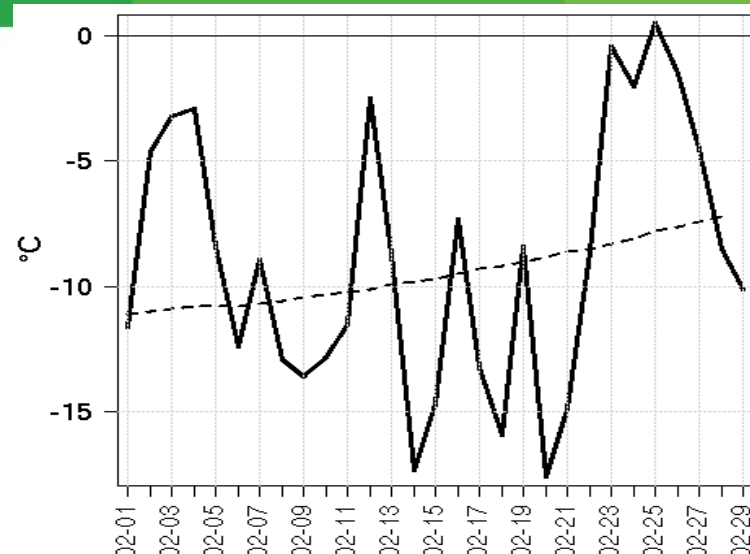
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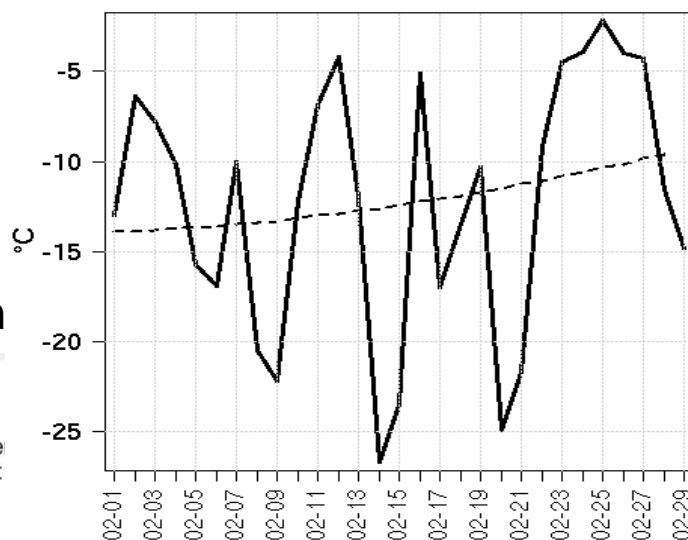
Miramichi



Bathurst

Miramichi  
and Bathurst  
were slightly  
above normal

Edmundston



Edmundston  
was below  
normal



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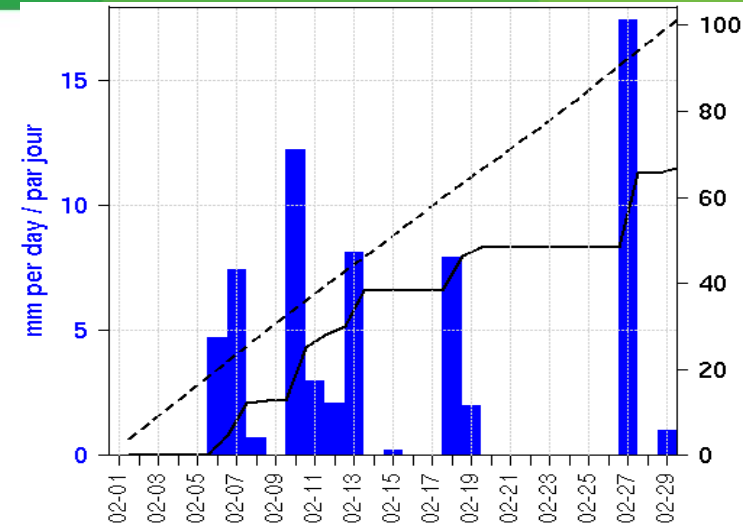
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# February 2020 - Precipitation

Observed Cumulative Precipitation (line) versus Normal (dashed line) and Daily Amounts (bars)

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Fredericton (and area)

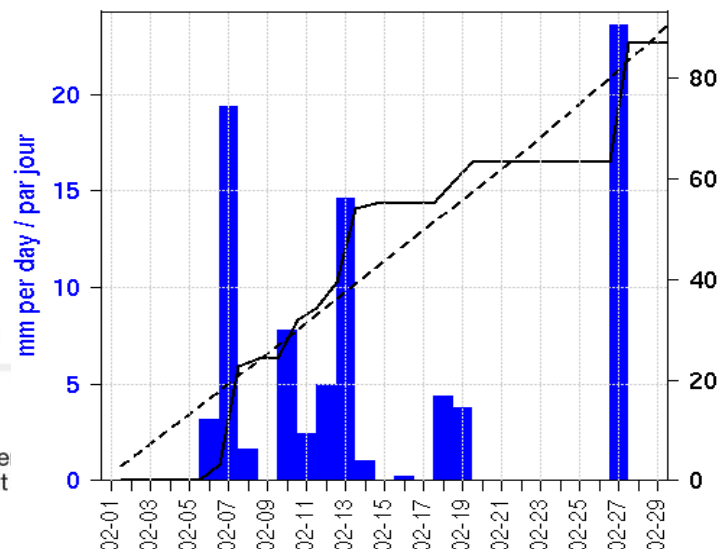


Saint John

Saint John  
was below  
normal

Moncton was  
near normal

Moncton



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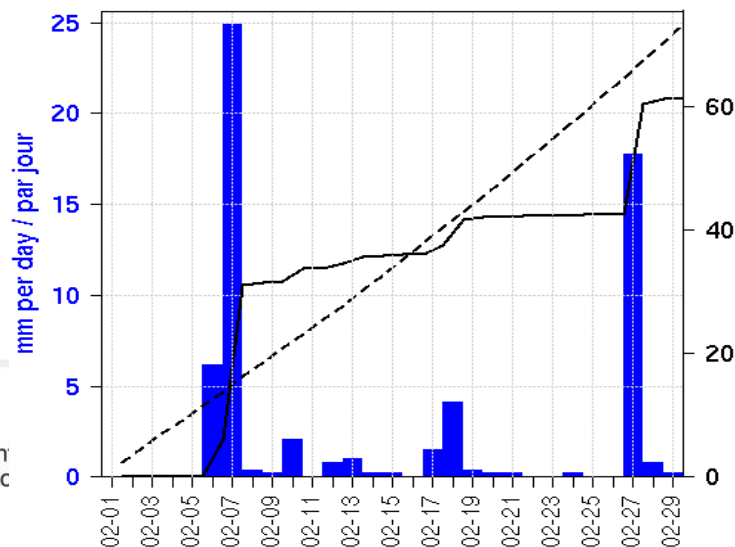
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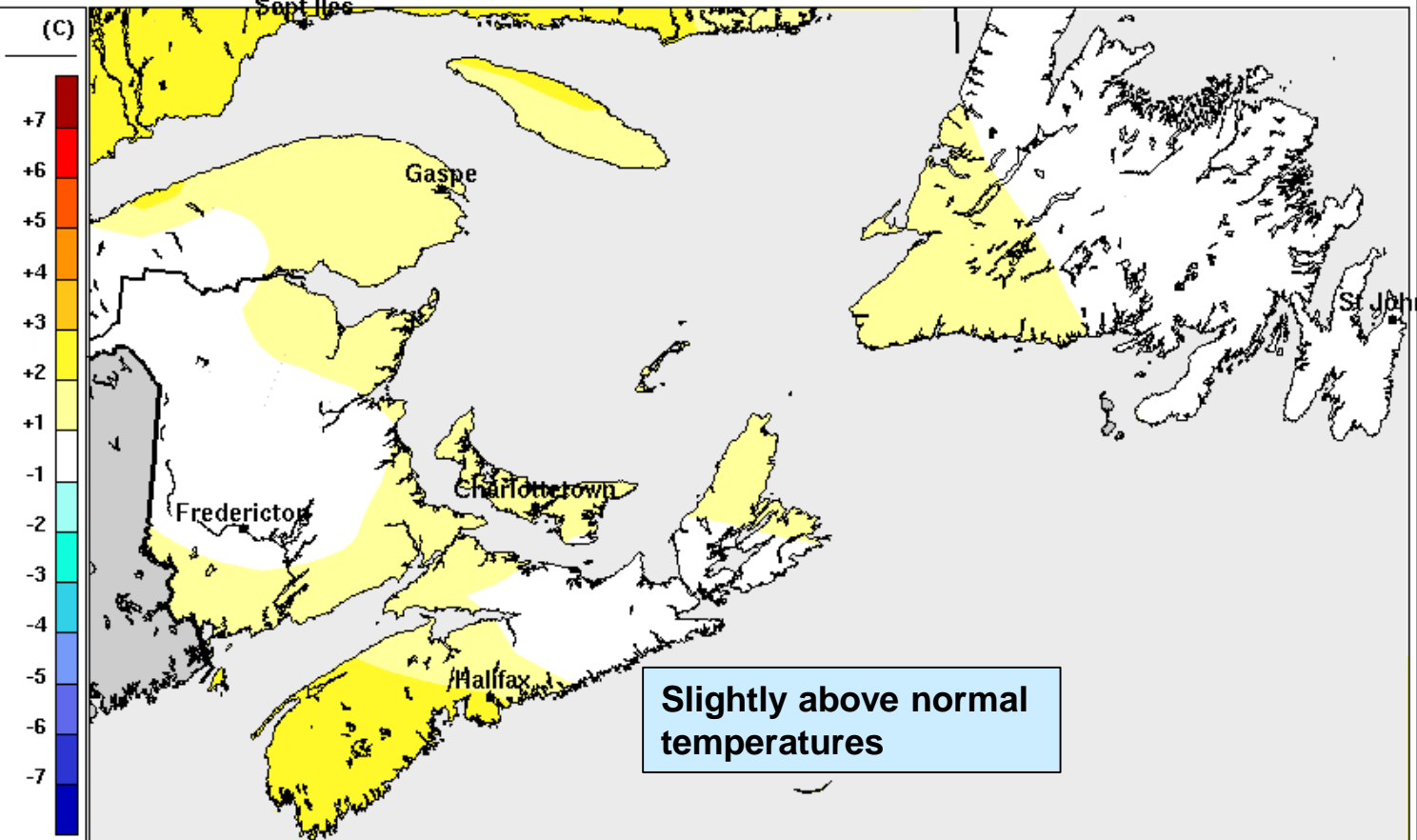
# February 2020 – Temperature departure from 1981-2010 mean

Temperature Anomaly: 202002  
Anomalie de température: 202002



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ECCC Climate Archives data / Données des Archives Climatiques de ECCC. Cim: 1981-2010

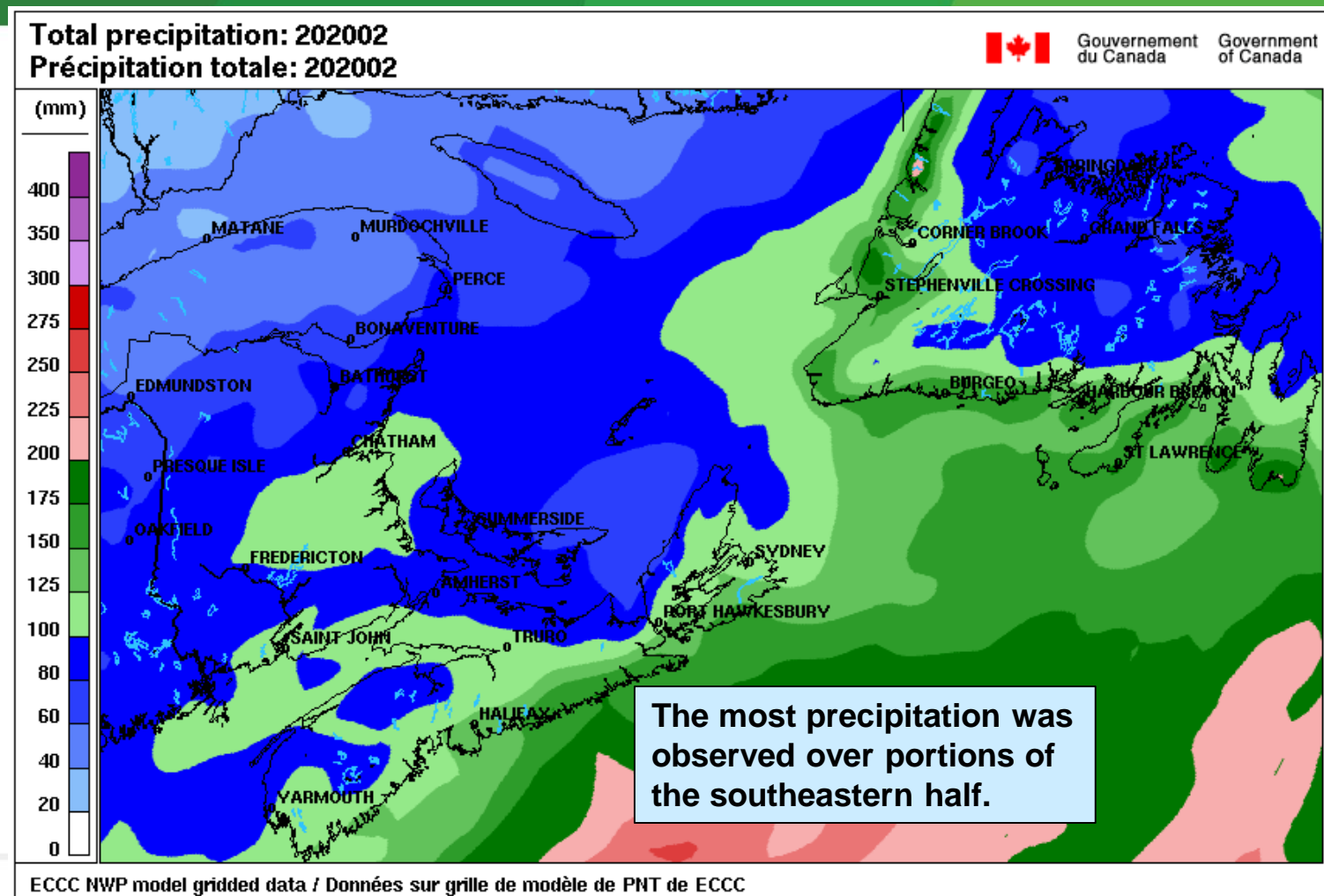


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# February 2020 – Total precipitation



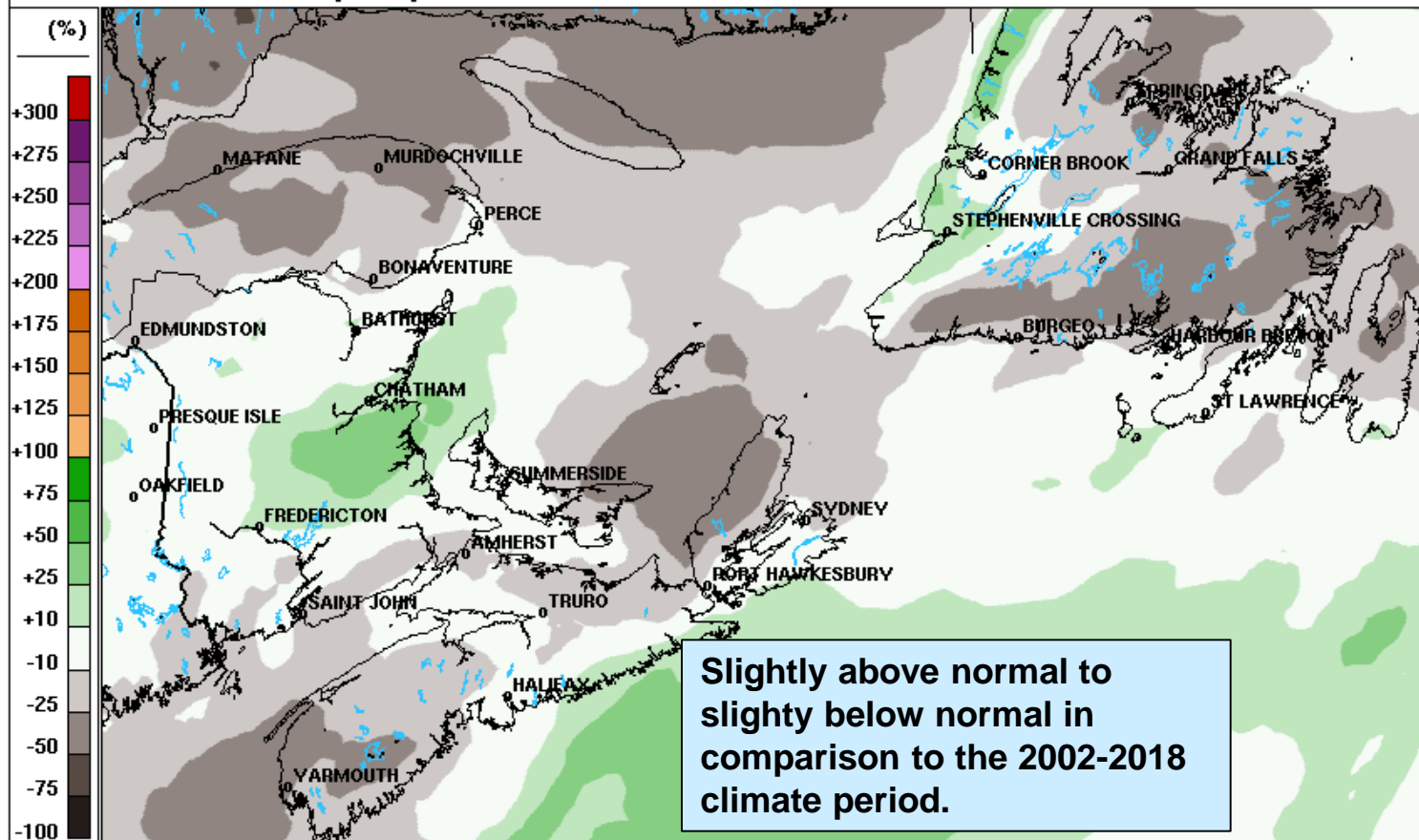
# February 2020 – Precipitation departure from 2002-2018 mean

Precipitation Relative Anomaly: 202002  
Anomalie relative de précipitation: 202002



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ECCC NWP model gridded data / Données sur grille de modèle de PNT de ECCC. Clim: 2002-2018



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# February 2020 – Snowfall departure from 1981-2010 mean

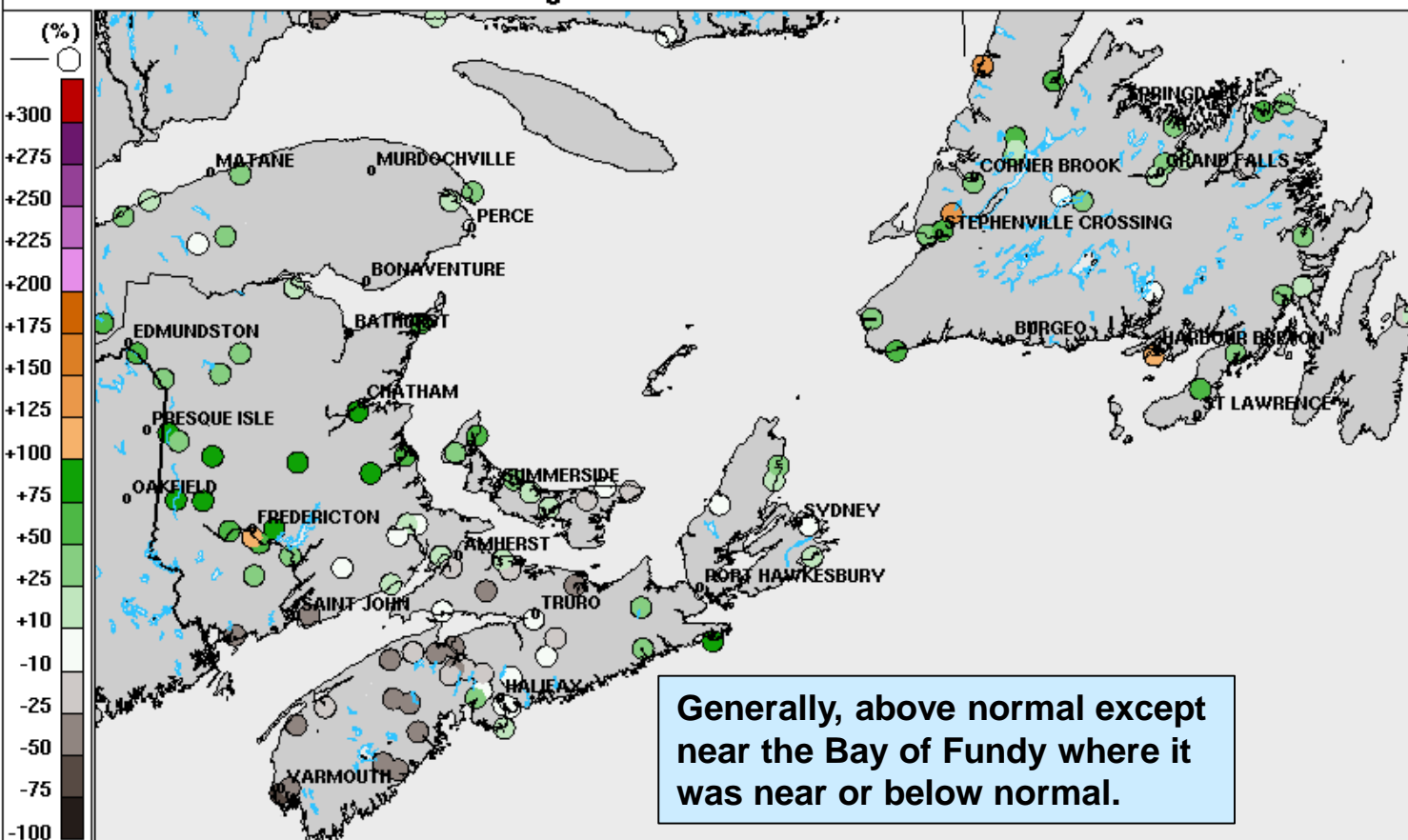
**Snowfall Relative Anomaly: 202002**

**Anomalie relative des chutes de neige: 202002**



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Observations blended with NWP model data / Observations intégrées à des données de modèle de PNT. Clim: 1981-2010



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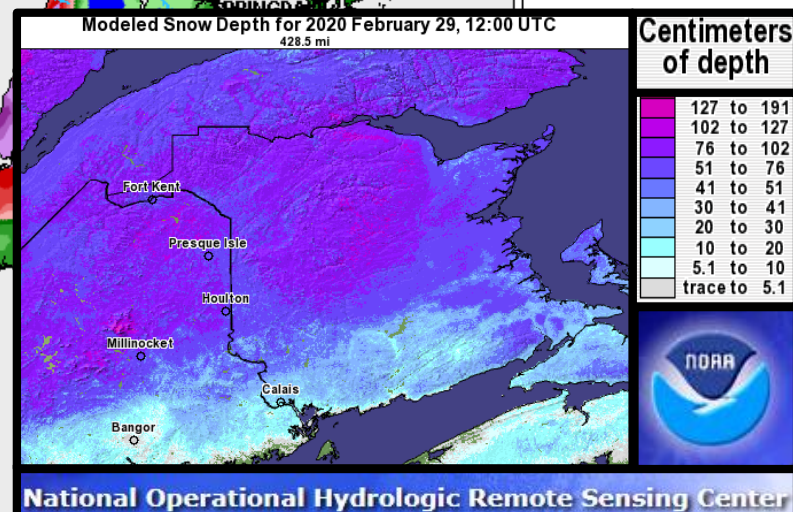
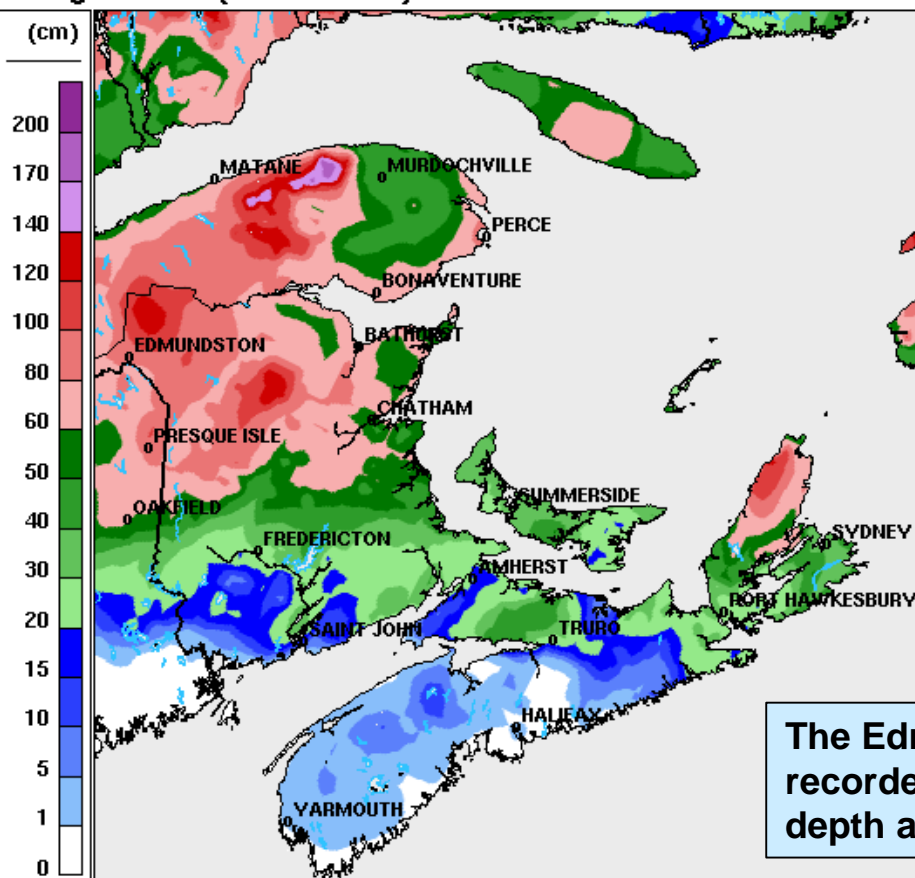
# February 2020 – Snow depth at month end

Extracted from Canadian computer model

Snow Depth (end of month): 202002  
Neige au sol (fin de mois): 202002



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The Edmundston area  
recorded the greatest snow  
depth at 86 cm.

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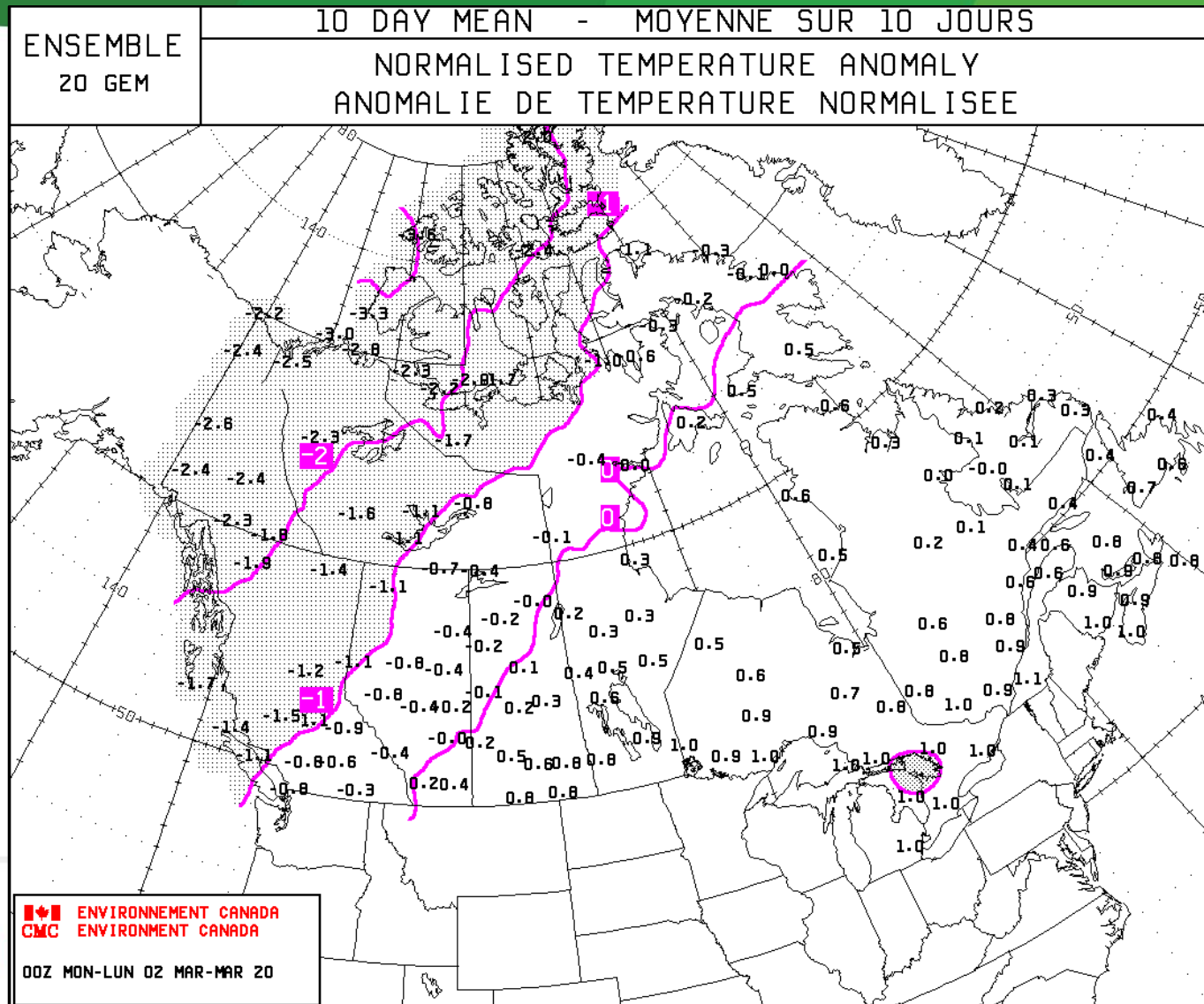
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# Outlook – 10 day mean temperature

(Suggesting slightly above normal conditions (+0.5 to +1.0°C))



10 day  
forecast  
ending  
March 12,  
2020

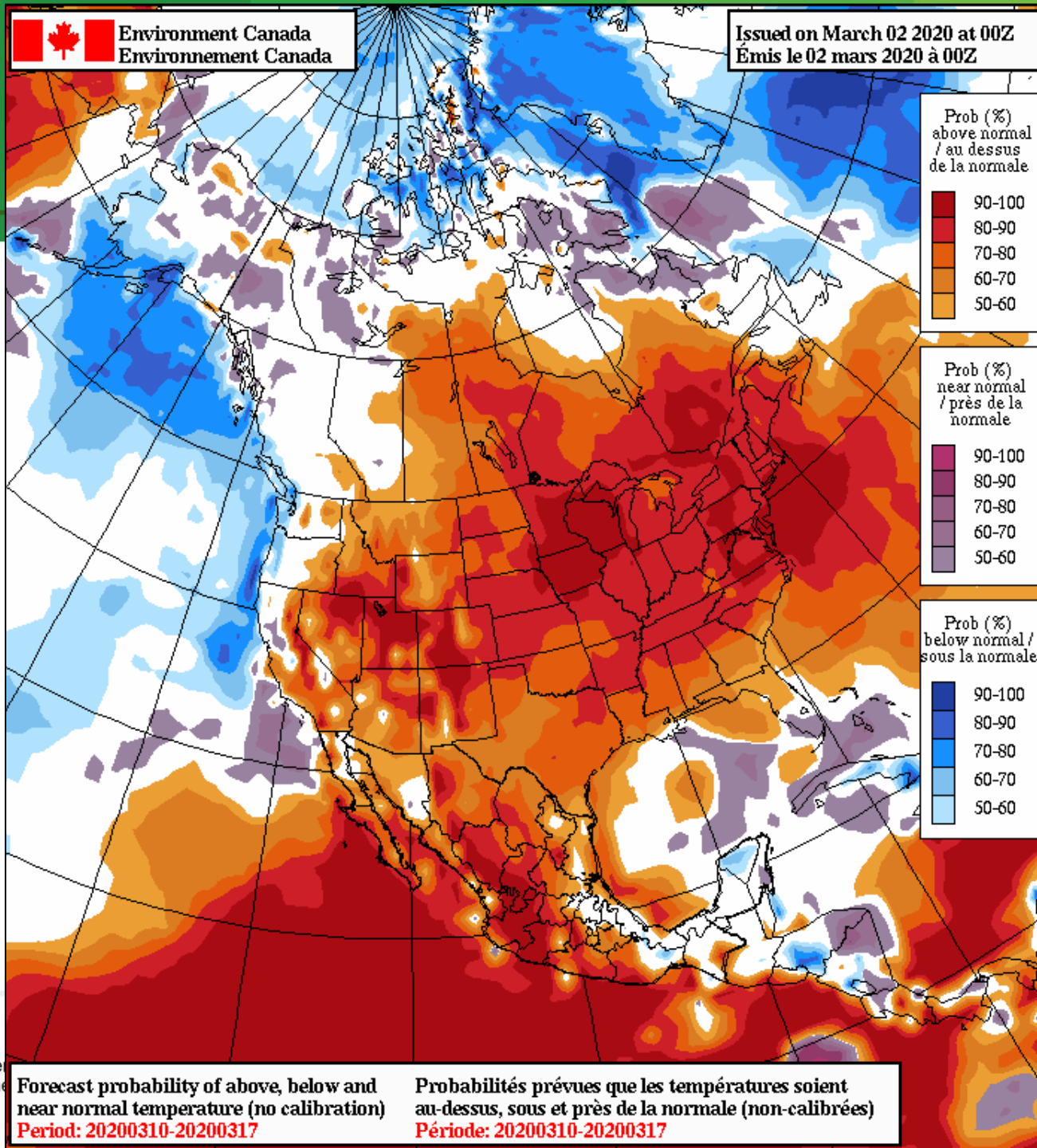


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# Day 8 to 14 Forecast

Period ending  
March 17, 2020

Moderate to strong  
signal of above normal.



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# Fredericton

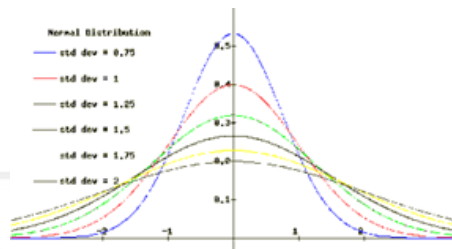
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Normal high: +3.0C

Normal low: -7.8C

**Next 15 days; ending  
March 17, 2020**

Below normal for today, then  
above normal for the  
next three days, then a lot of  
variability (no trend) for the rest  
of the period.

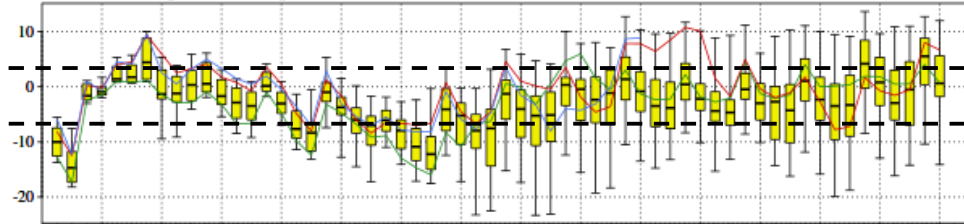


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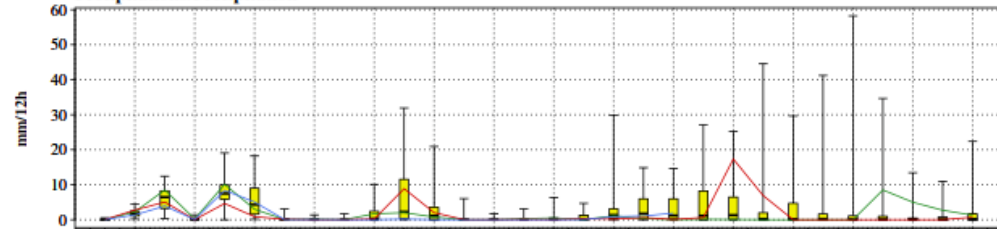
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**FREDERICTON (YFC) 45.87 N 66.53 W/O**

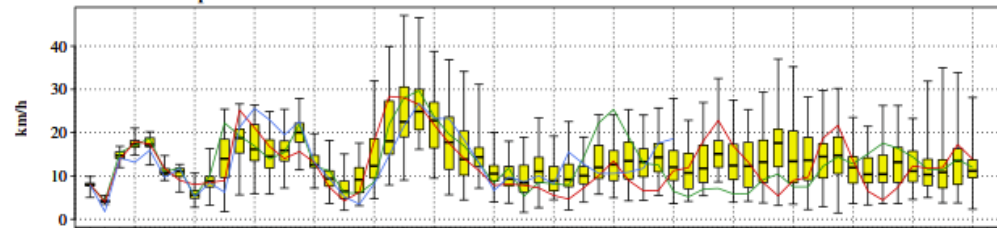
Surface air temperature/Température de l'air à la surface



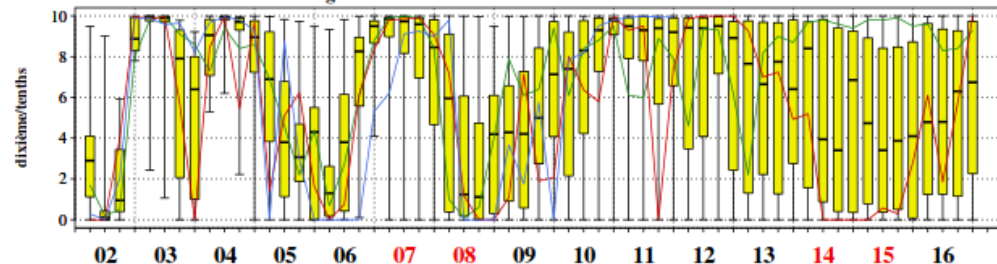
Précipitations/Precipitation



Surface wind speed/Vitesse du vent à la surface



Total cloud cover/Couvert nuageux



March/Mars 2020



Global Model / Modèle global

Control Member / Membre contrôlé CMC

Control Member / Membre contrôlé NCEP



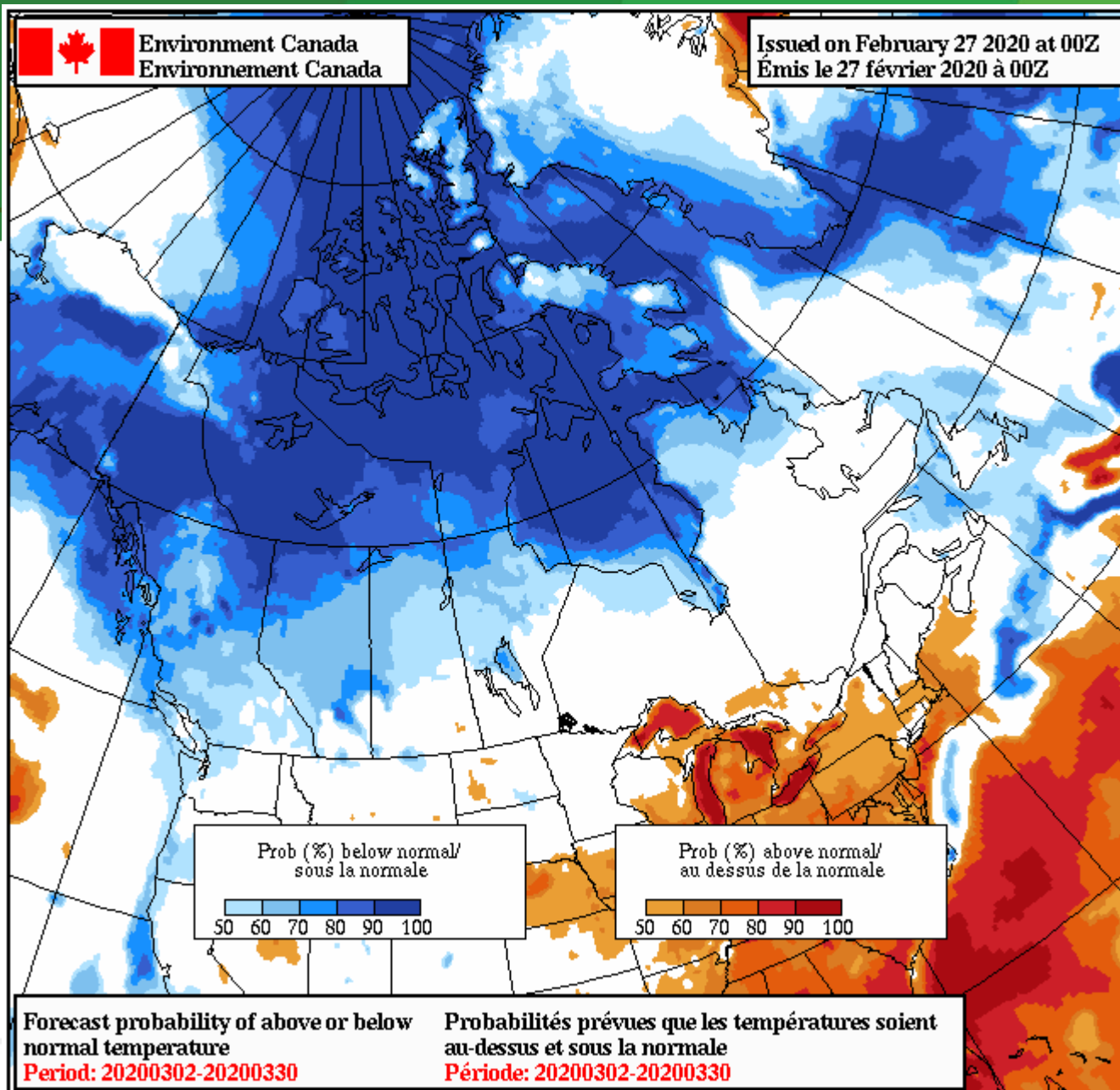


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# Temperature March 2 to March 30

CMC  
Monthly  
Forecast  
Product  
using GEPS  
50km res.

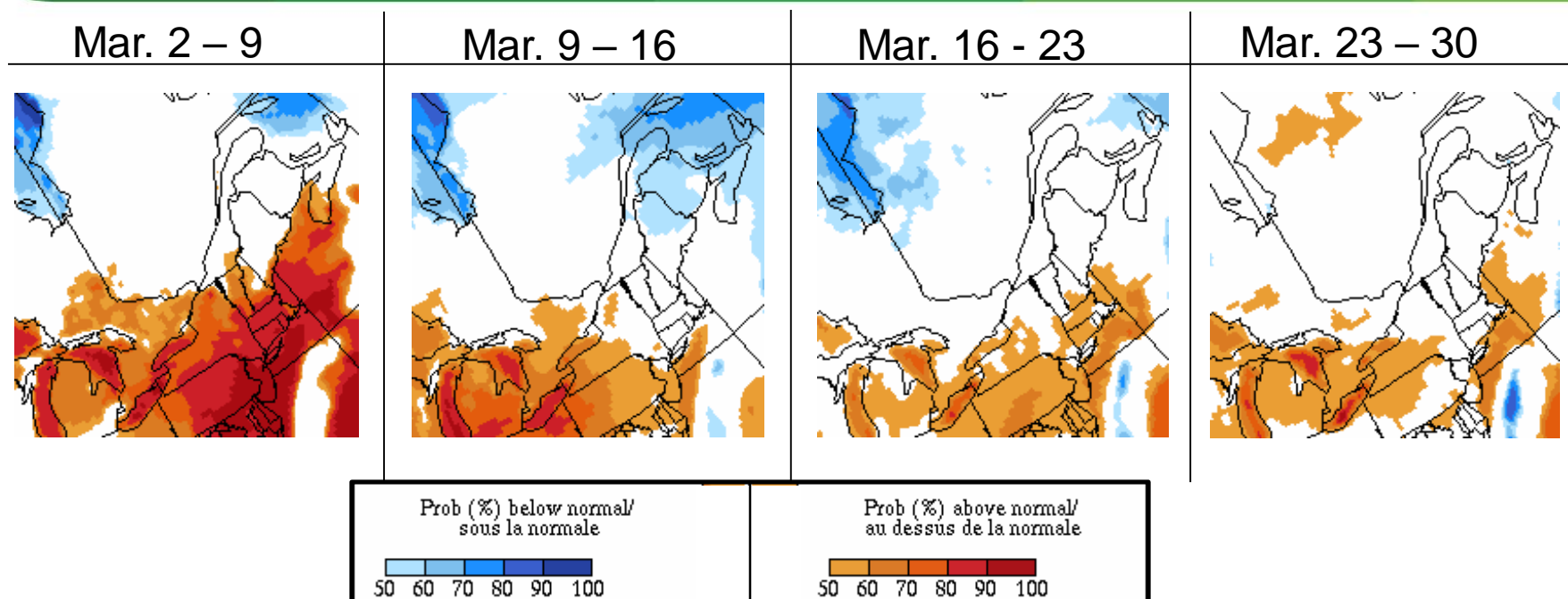


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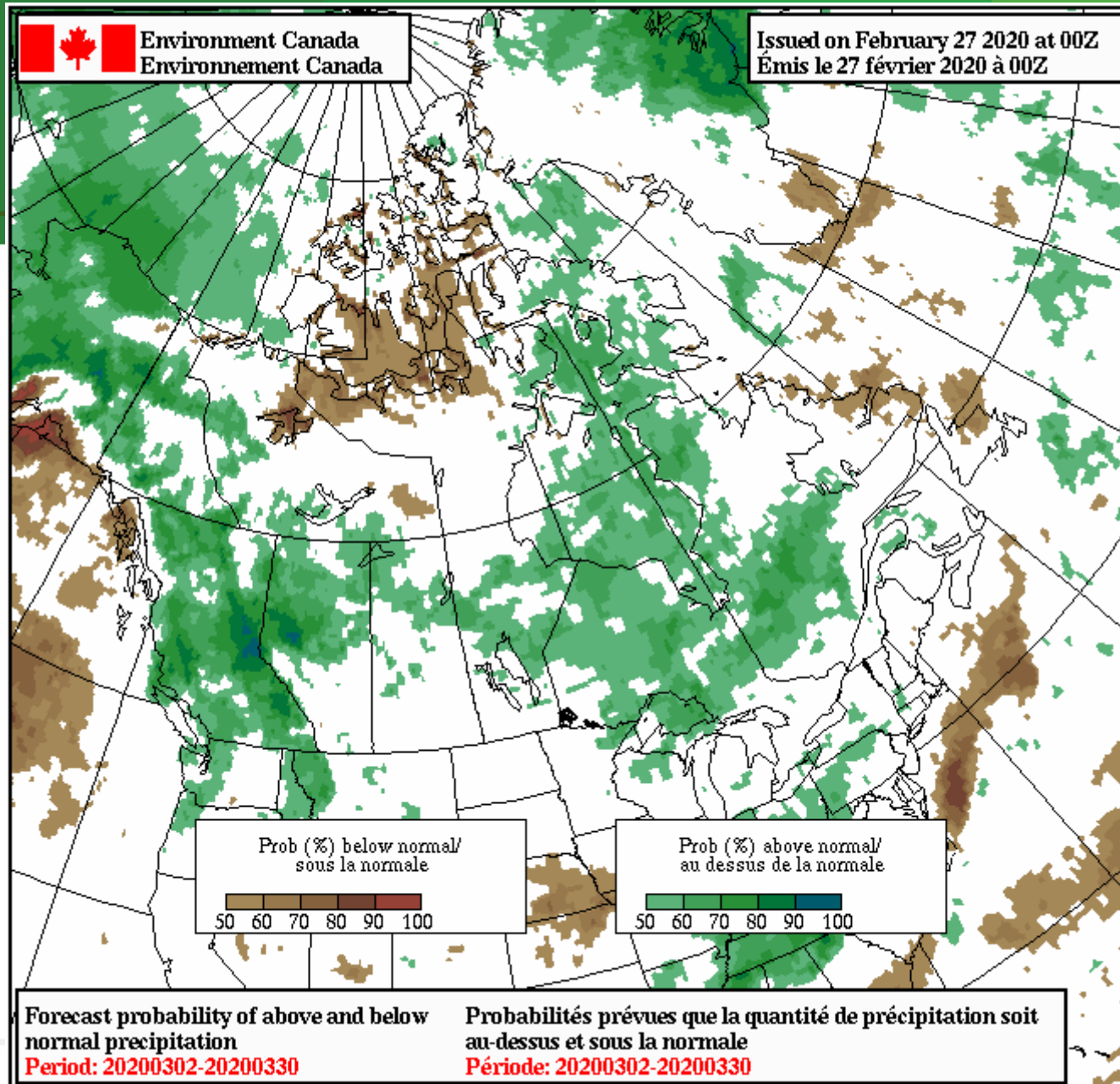
# Weekly signature from GEPS 50km resolution



Generally, there is no conclusive signal for the period with the exception of a weak signal of below normal for the second week.

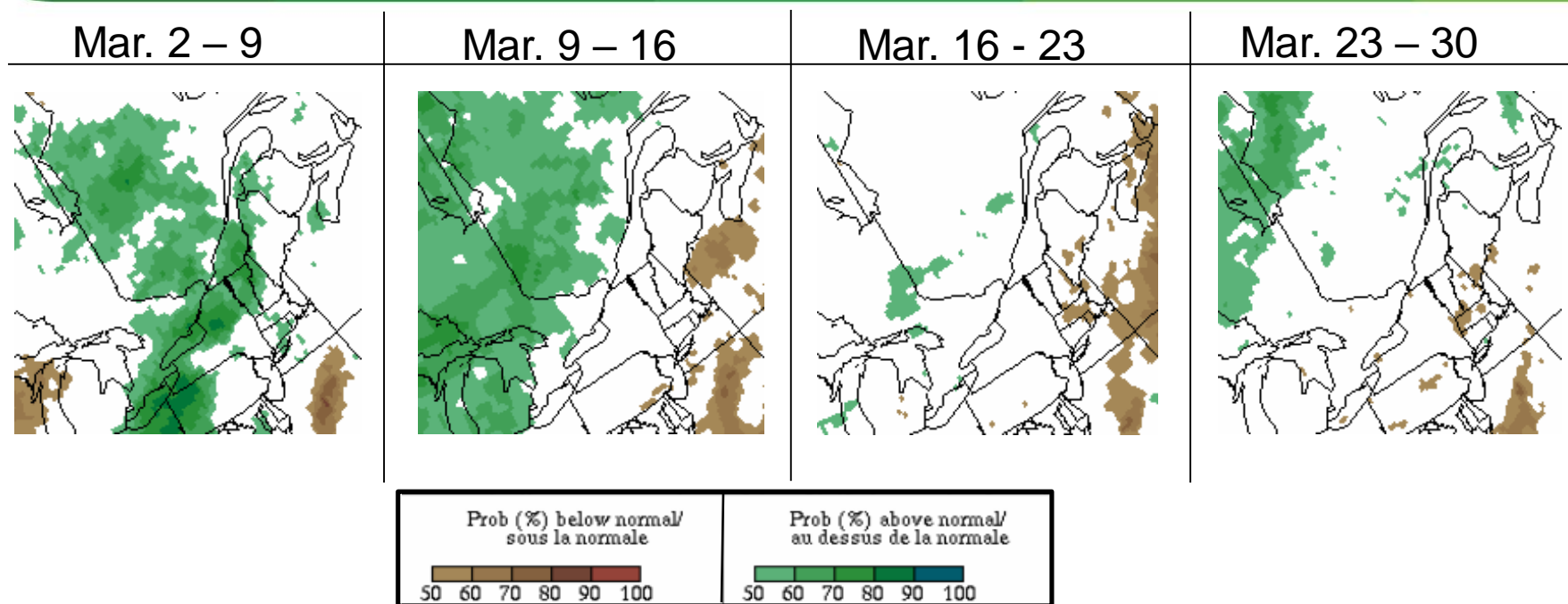


# Precipitation March 2 to March 30



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# Weekly signature from GEPS 50km resolution



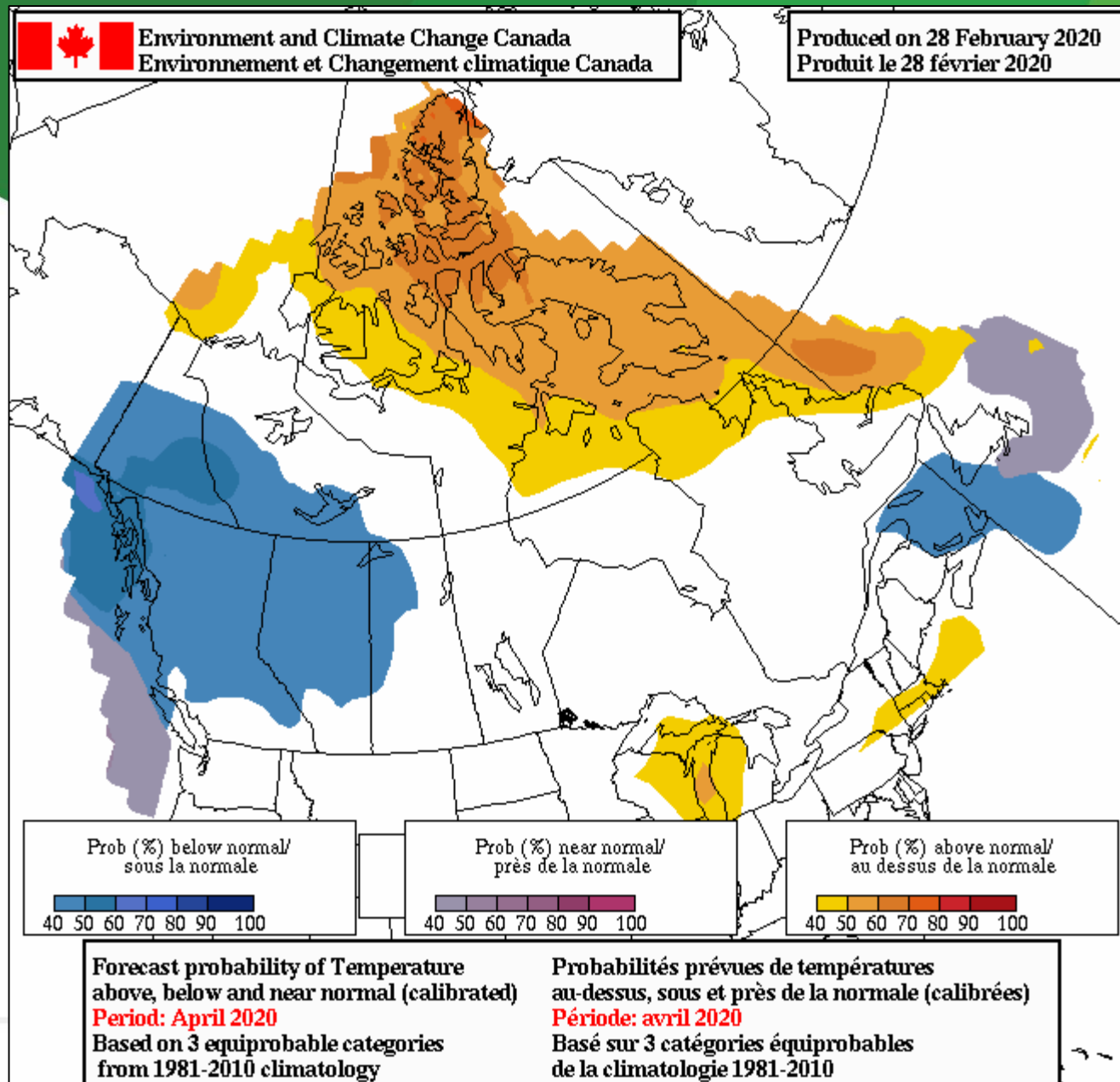
No real conclusive signal (near normal) for the period.





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## Temperature April 2020

CanSIPS  
(Canadian Seasonal and  
Interannual Prediction  
System)

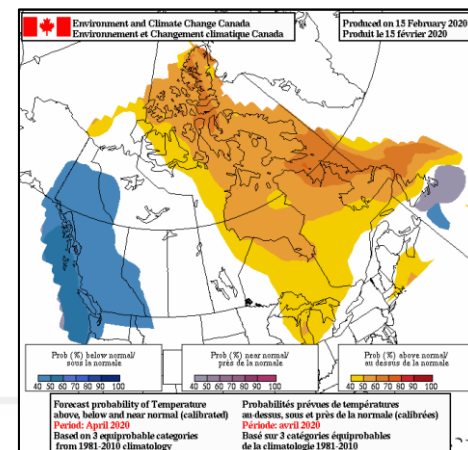
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CanAM4

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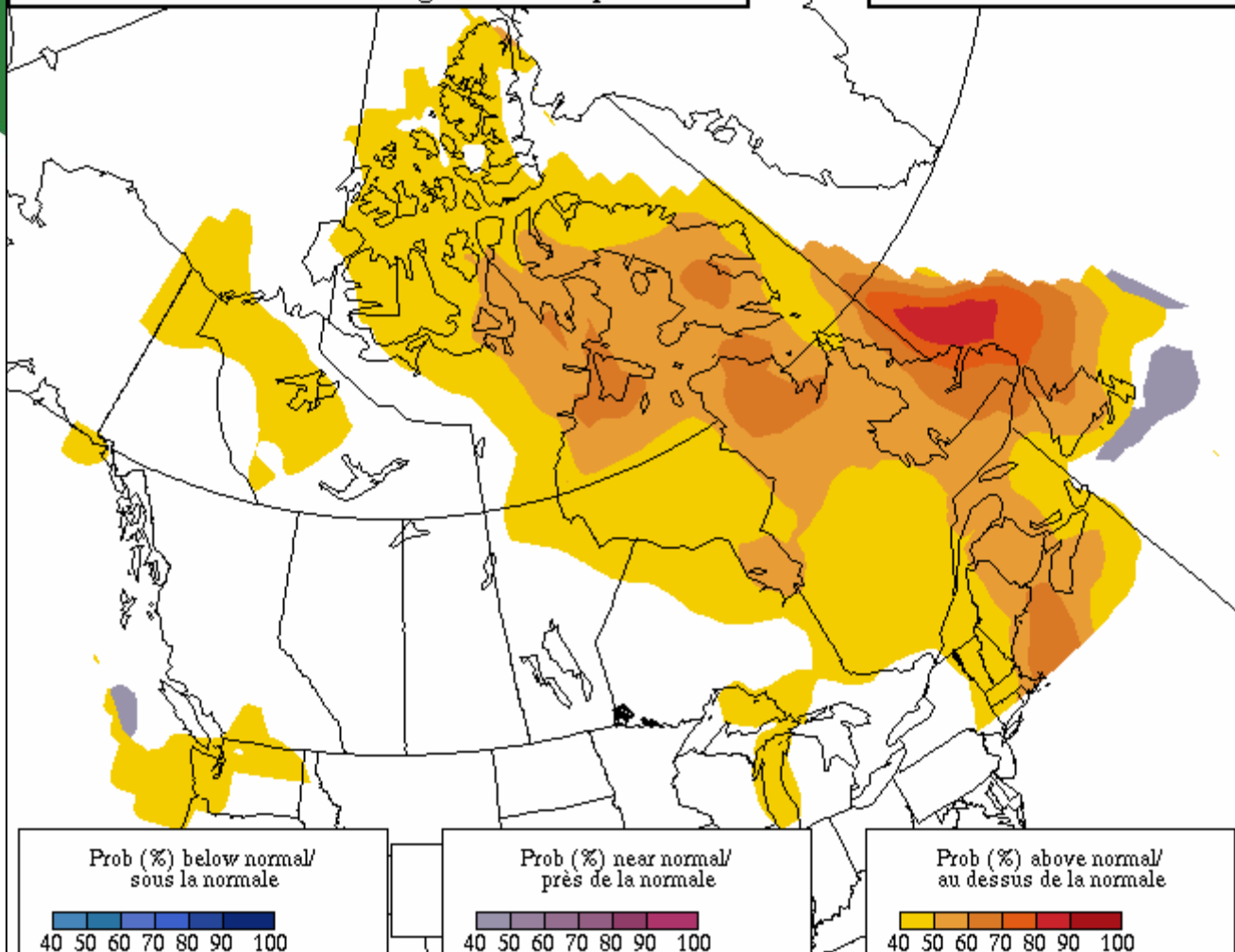
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Forecast probability of Temperature  
above, below and near normal (calibrated)

**Period: May 2020**

Based on 3 equiprobable categories  
from 1981-2010 climatology

Probabilités prévues de températures  
au-dessus, sous et près de la normale (calibrées)

**Période: mai 2020**

Basé sur 3 catégories équiprobables  
de la climatologie 1981-2010

# Temperature May 2020

CanSIPS  
(Canadian Seasonal and  
Interannual Prediction  
System)

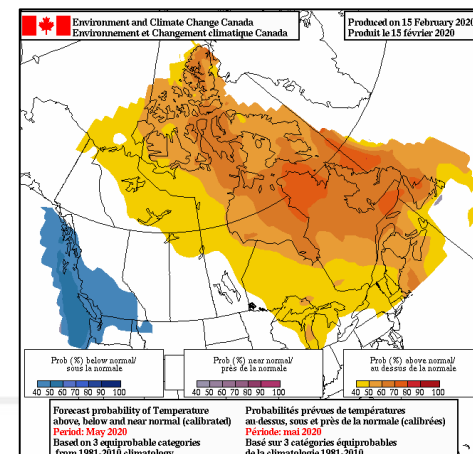
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Produced February 15



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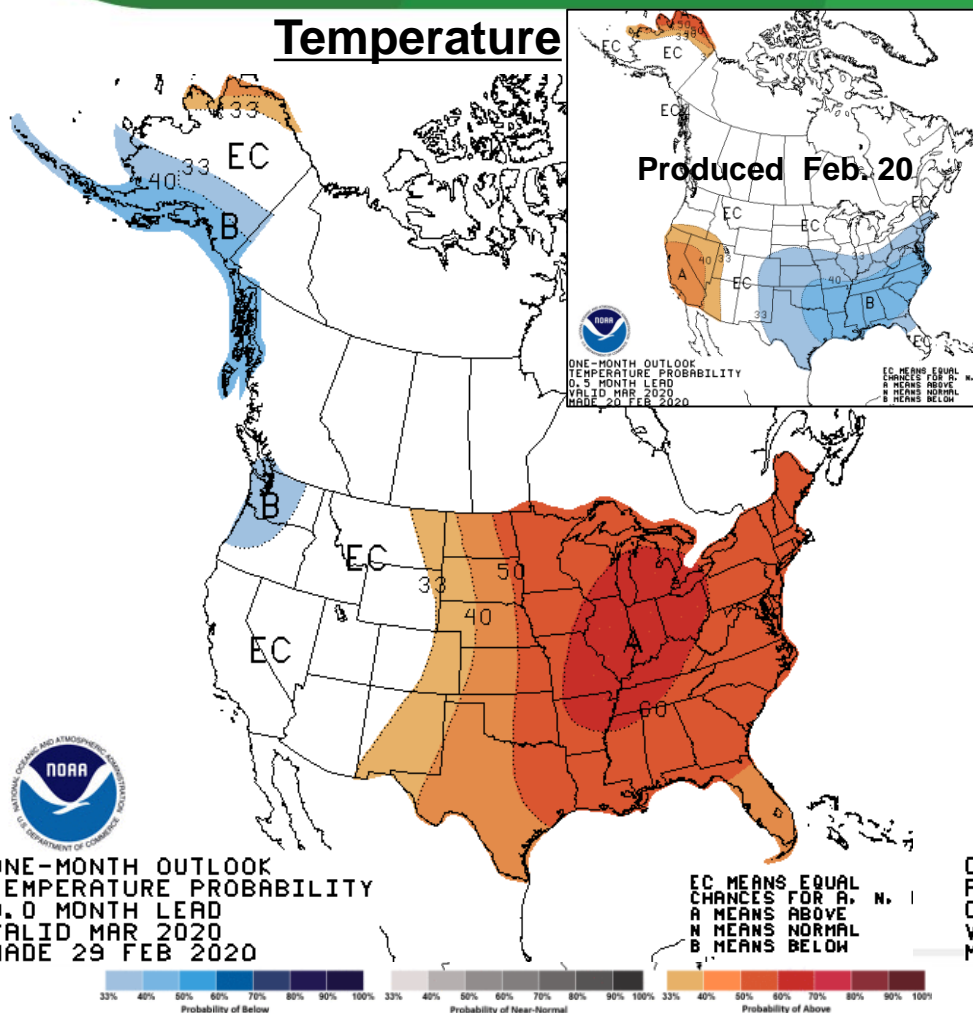
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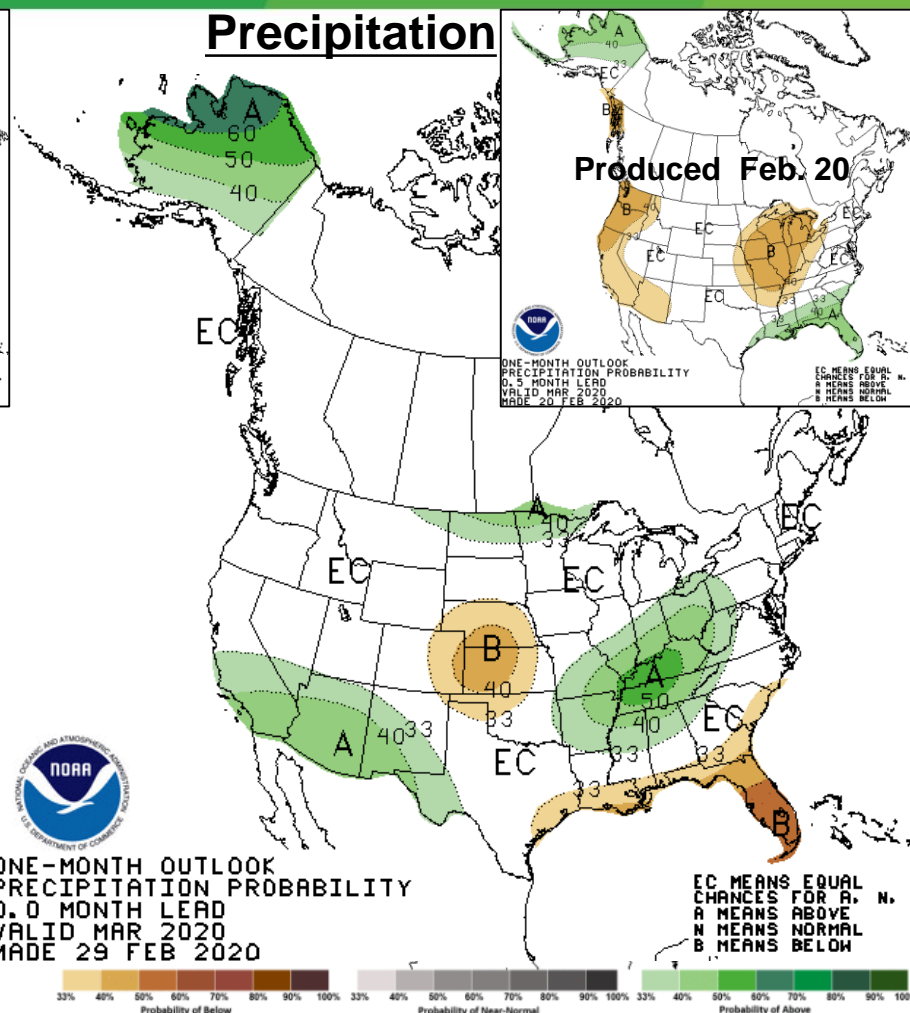


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## Temperature



## Precipitation



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