



## Lake Erie North Shore - September 2011:

Challenging conditions comprising below-normal temperatures and above-normal rainfall characterized the month of September. Accumulated growing degree days remain only slightly ahead of normal values (Fig 1). Both daily maximum and minimum temperatures averaged below normal for the month (Fig 2 and 3).

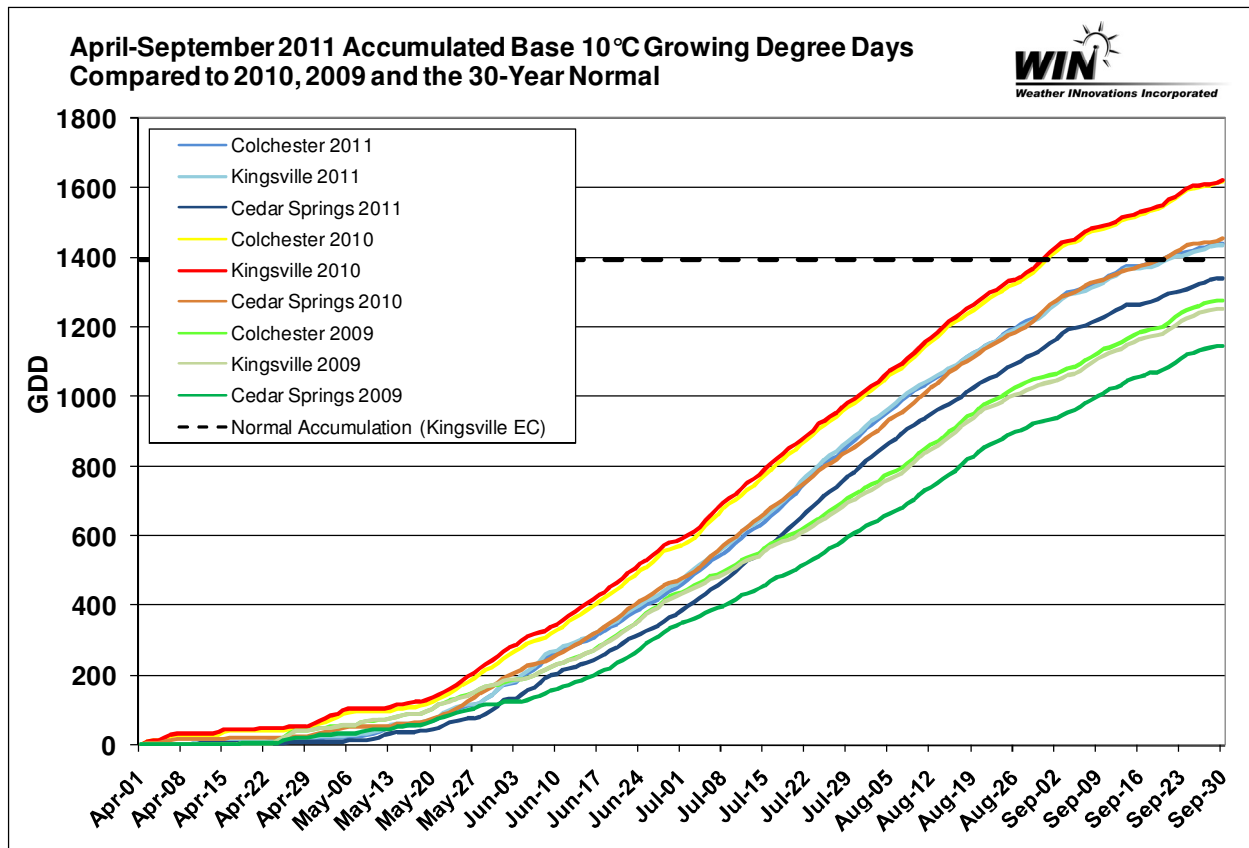


Figure 1: Growing Degree Days

Extremely wet conditions persisted in the Lake Erie North Shore appellation. The month of September brought an above-normal number of rain events: 8 days above normal in Colchester, 6 in Kingsville and 5 in Cedar Springs (Fig 4). These events resulted in highly above-normal rainfall for the month: 227% of normal for Colchester, 185% for Kingsville and 156% for Cedar Springs (Fig 5).

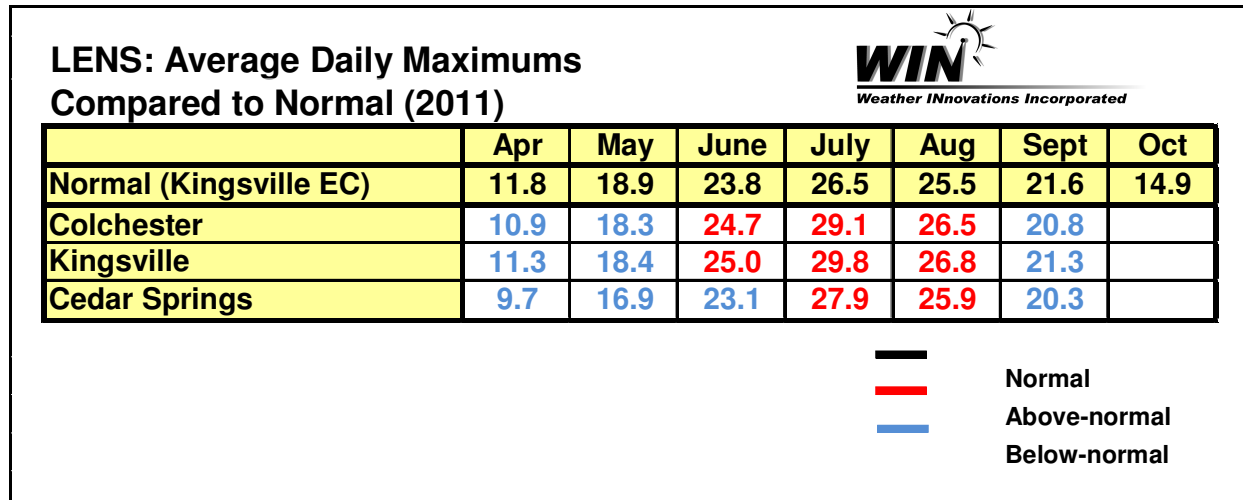


Figure 2: Maximum Temperatures

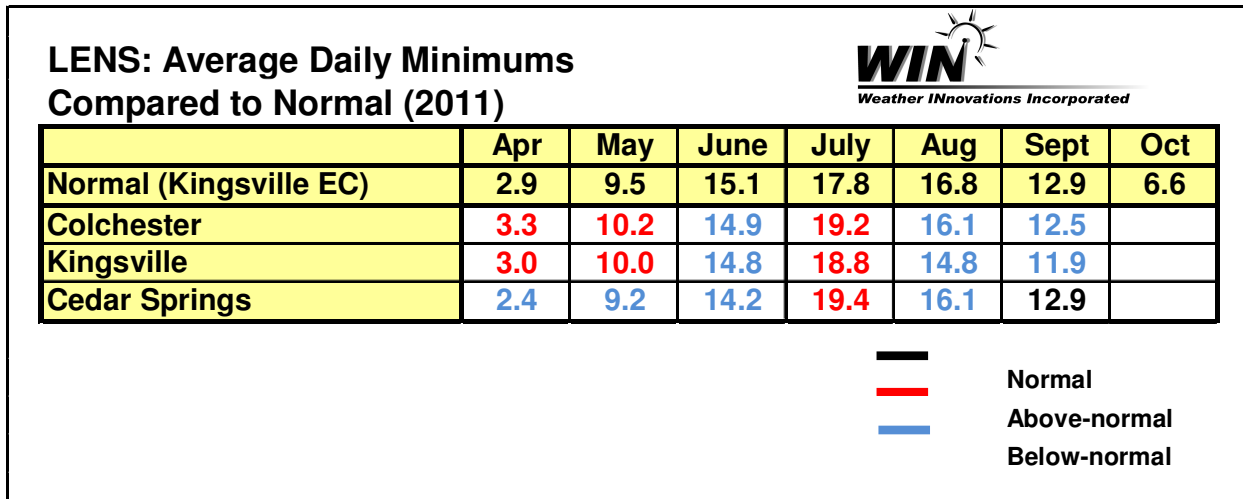


Figure 3: Minimum Temperatures

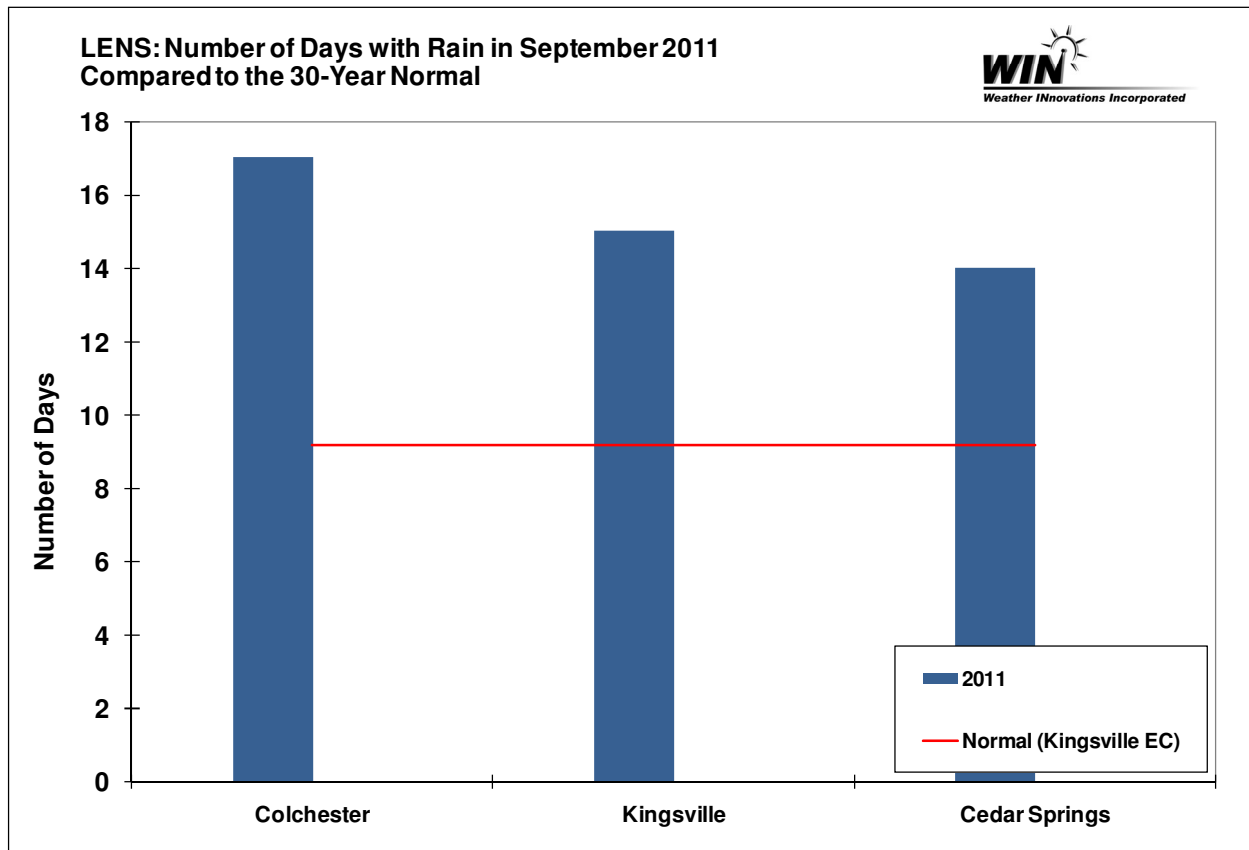


Figure 4: Days with Rainfall

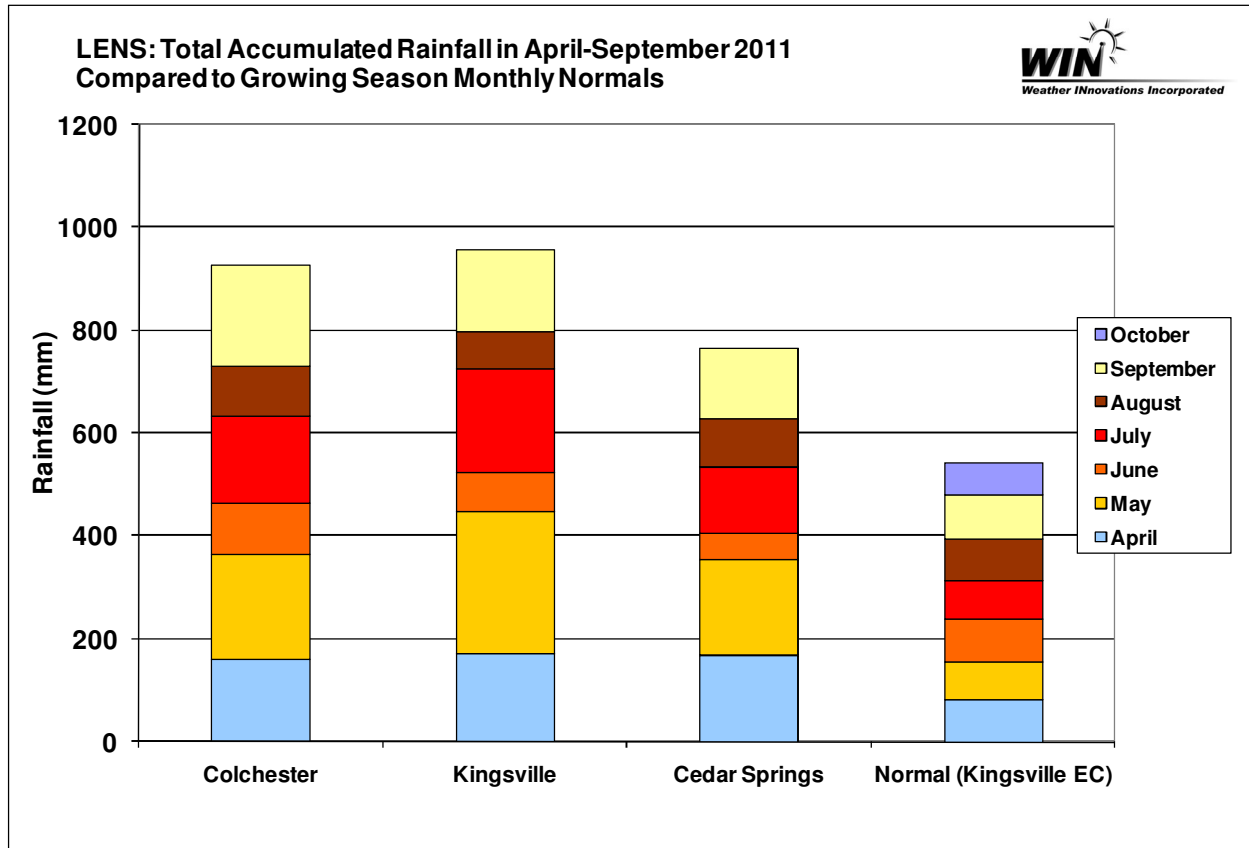


Figure 5: Monthly Rainfall