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Highest

State	Place name	Temp.	Date	Station No.	
South Australia	Oodnadatta Airport	50.7	2 January 1960	17043	
Western Australia	Mardie	50.5	19 February 1998	5008	
New South Wales	Wilcannia Post Office	50.0	11 January 1939	46043	•
Queensland	Birdsville Police Station	49.5	24 December 1972	38002	
Victoria	Hopetoun Airport	48.8	7 February 2009	77010	•
Northern Territory	Finke Post Office	48.3	2 January 1960	15226	
	Finke Post Office	48.3	1 January 1960	15526	
Tasmania	Scamander	42.2	30 January 2009	92094	

Lowest

State	Place name	Temp.	Date	Station No.	
New South Wales	Charlotte Pass	-23.0	29 June 1994	71003	
Tasmania	Liawenee	-14.2	7 August 2020	96033	
Victoria	Falls Creek	-11.7	3 July 1970	83071	
	Omeo Comparison	-11.7	15 June 1965	83025	
Queensland	Warwick (The Hermitage)	-10.6	12 July 1965	41004	•
	Stanthorpe (Leslie Parade	e) –10.6	23 June 1961	41095	
South Australia	Yongala	-8.2	20 July 1976	19062	
Northern Territory	Alice Springs Airport	-7.5	17 July 1976	15590	
Western Australia	Eyre	-7.2	17 August 2008	11019	

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Highest rainfall (mm)

Daily

State	Place name	Rainfall	Date	Station No.
Queensland	Crohamhurst	907.0	3 February 1893	40062
New South Wales	Dorrigo (Myrtle Street)	809.2	21 February 1954	59067
Western Australia	Whim Creek	747.0	3 April 1898	4042
Northern Territory	Dum In Mirrie Airstrip	562.0	11 January 2020	14277
Victoria	Tanybryn	375.0	22 March 1983	90076
Tasmania	St Marys (Cullenswood)	352.0	22 March 1974	92009
South Australia	Motpena	272.6	14 March 1989	17098
Monthly				
State	Place name	Rainfall	Date	Station No.
Quensland	Bellenden Ker (Top Station)) 5387.0	January 1979	31141
New South Wales	Upper Crystal Creek	1620.6	January 1974	58150
Western Australia	Kuri Bay^	1540.4	January 2011	1009
Northern Territory	Redbank Mine	1252.1	January 2003	14718
Victoria	Falls Creek	989.6	July 1964	83037
Tasmania	Mount Mawson	984.0	October 1988	95053
South Australia	Balcanoona	676.0	March 1989	17010
Annual				
State	Place name	Rainfall	Year	Station No.

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Queensland	Bellenden Ker (Top Station)	12461.0	2000	31141	
Tasmania	Mount Read*	4998.4	2016	97085	
New South Wales	Tallowwood Point	4539.7	1950	59066	
Northern Territory	Lake Evella	3866.6	2011	14515	
Victoria	Falls Creek	3738.5	1956	83037	
Western Australia	Doongan	2461.8	2011	1025	
South Australia	Aldgate	1852.6	1917	23768	

*Mount Read was affected by wind, snow and outages on several occasions during 2016, so the exact total is not known but is almost certainly higher. The highest Tasmanian annual total rainfall from a manual site is 4504.1 mm at Lake Margaret Dam in 1948. ^The rainfall gauge at Kuri Bay overflowed between 10 and 11 January 2011. The daily, and hence monthly, total is probably higher than observed given that the gauge overflowed before the observer was able to check the final total.

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