

SNOWFALL IN SACRAMENTO
(January 1878 - June 2007)

<u>Year</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Total Snow</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Total Snow</u>
2002	January 28	T	1933	January 18	T
1996	February 27	T	1932	February 01	T
1988	December 27, 28	T	1932	January 12	0.2
1982	March 17	T	1930	January 12	T
1976	February 5	2.0	1925	April 20	T
1974	January 4	T	1922	January 30	1.5
1972	December 6, 12	T	1916	January 1	2.5
1968	December 19, 20, 23	T	1916	January 27	0.5
1964	January 21	T	1913	January 9	0.1
1962	January 21	T	1911	December 29	T
1957	January 25, 26	T	1911	February 26, 27	T
1955	April 18,26	T	1907	January 6	0.4
1954	March 19	T	1899	February 2	T
1952	March 15	T	1896	March 2	T
1952	February 20	T	1888	January 16	0.1
1952	January 12	T	1888	January 5	3.0
1949	February 11	T	1888	January 4	0.5
1942	March 14	2.0	1883	February 1, 6	T
1937	January 10, 11, 24, 30	T	1882	February 17, 18	1.0
1935	March 8	T	1880	January 26	1.0
1932	December 9	T	1879	January 13	0.5

Snowfall data is based on the city office records from January 1878 through December 1950. Executive Airport data is used from that time until April 15, 1998. Thereafter, records revert to Sacramento City data.*

Sleet and ice pellets were included in snowfall totals beginning July 1948. Ice pellets is a term that is internationally recognized and includes solid grains of ice (sleet) and particles consisting of snow pellets encased in a thin layer of ice.

"Snow" in April of 1925 and 1955 was actually a mixture of hail and sleet. The observer's weather log for April 20, 1925, indicated that there was a mixture of rain and sleet "...with an occasional flake of snow." The "Trace" recorded April 18, 1955, was during a brief hailstorm, with hail measuring one half-inch in diameter. Small hail was observed on April 26, 1955.

In most instances, snowfall at Sacramento is estimated as the snow usually melts as it reaches the ground.

* *Snowfall observation point is Sacramento WFO: near the corner of Watt & El Camino Avenues.*