RECORD YEAR OF RAIN FOR NEW JERSEY IN 2018

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2018 in New Jersey was marked by no-name nor'easters and a jet stream that favored conditions that produce wet weather on an ongoing basis.

That total comes from Philadelphia International Airport. Some sources also cite 67.4 inches for Philadelphia, but that's an average based on multiple reporting sites.

"It's just been a very moisture-rich atmosphere," said David Robinson, who is New Jersey state climatologist and a Rutgers professor. "Everyone remembers just how darn humid it was this summer. The humidity and rain were just very persistent and recurrent."

David Robinson, NJ's State Climatologist said this week that 2018 will go down as the wettest on record for New Jersey as a whole, dating to 1895. As of Monday morning, before additional rains arrived, the state had averaged 64.49 inches of precipitation for the year. That beat the record of 63.95 set in 2011.

Atlantic City saw 67.90 inches before Monday's rain. That bested the 65.80 inches that fell in 1948.

Robinson said there was a dip in the jet stream over the eastern part of the U.S. that introduced moisture up and down the coast in 2018, helping "bring a train of rain." But he also factors in climate change.

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