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TODAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Mostly sunny	Mostly cloudy with a shower	Intervals of clouds and sunshine	Cloudy, a shower in the p.m.	Mostly cloudy and mild
PENDLETON TEMPERATURE FORECAST				
46°	35°	46°	33°	43°
35°	28°	45°	39°	50°
HERMISTON TEMPERATURE FORECAST				
51°	36°	51°	35°	48°
36°	28°	47°	40°	53°
39°				

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PENDLETON

through 3 p.m. yesterday

TEMPERATURE	HIGH	LOW
Yesterday	48°	40°
Normals	43°	30°
Records	71° (1892)	-13° (1896)

PRECIPITATION
24 hours ending 3 p.m. 0.04"
Month to date 0.87"
Normal month to date 1.36"
Year to date 11.26"
Last year to date 7.81"
Normal year to date 11.39"

HERMISTON

through 3 p.m. yesterday

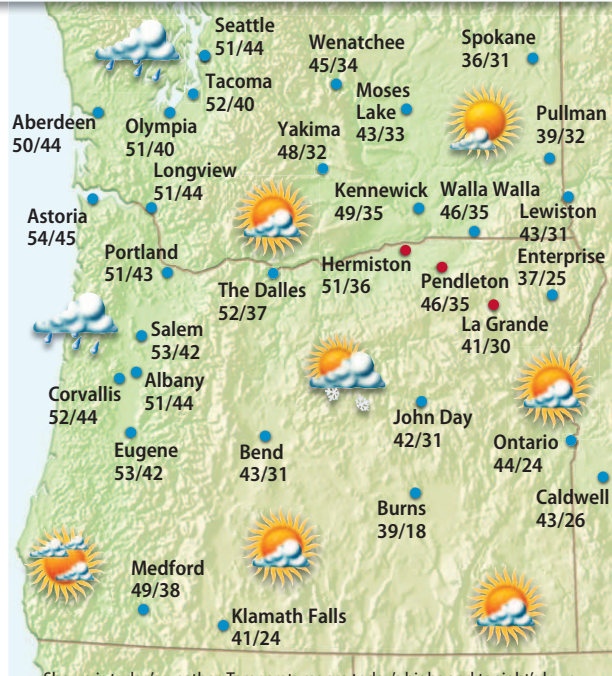
TEMPERATURE	HIGH	LOW
Yesterday	51°	42°
Normals	44°	30°
Records	67° (2014)	0° (1931)

PRECIPITATION
24 hours ending 3 p.m. 0.02"
Month to date 0.54"
Normal month to date 1.10"
Year to date 7.87"
Last year to date 5.39"
Normal year to date 8.41"

SUN AND MOON

Sunrise today	7:13 a.m.
Sunset tonight	4:13 p.m.
Moonrise today	7:05 a.m.
Moonset today	4:55 p.m.

	New	First	Full	Last
Nov 29				
Dec 7				
Dec 13				
Dec 20				



REGIONAL FORECAST

Coastal Oregon: Periods of clouds and sun today; a little afternoon rain across the north.

Eastern and Central Oregon: Partial sunshine today; a snow shower in spots in central parts.

Western Washington: Mostly cloudy today; a little rain at the coast during the afternoon.

Eastern Washington: Sunshine today; fog near the Idaho border and in central sections.

Cascades: Partly sunny today. Snow at times tonight, accumulating 1-3 inches.

Northern California: Mostly sunny today; not as cold in the interior mountains.

REGIONAL CITIES

	Today			Wed.		
	Hi	Lo	W	Hi	Lo	W
Astoria	54	45	r	53	42	sh
Baker City	40	22	pc	38	21	sf
Bend	43	31	pc	41	23	sf
Brookings	53	43	pc	53	40	sh
Burns	39	18	pc	37	17	sf
Enterprise	37	25	pc	36	25	sf
Eugene	53	42	pc	51	36	sh
Heppner	45	34	pc	44	31	pc
Hermiston	51	36	s	51	35	pc
John Day	42	31	sf	40	30	sf
Klamath Falls	41	24	pc	42	22	sn
La Grande	41	30	sf	41	31	sn
Meacham	40	29	pc	38	30	sn
Medford	49	38	pc	51	34	c
Newport	53	44	r	51	40	sh
North Bend	56	46	pc	53	40	sh
Ontario	44	24	pc	40	22	pc
Pasco	48	34	s	50	30	pc
Pendleton	46	35	s	46	33	c
Portland	51	43	c	51	41	sh
Redmond	45	29	pc	44	24	pc
Salem	53	42	pc	52	38	sf
Spokane	36	31	s	38	28	c
Ukiah	38	27	pc	39	28	sf
Vancouver	50	44	c	50	41	sh
Walla Walla	46	35	s	46	33	c
Yakima	48	32	s	50	30	pc

WORLD CITIES

	Today			Wed.		
	Hi	Lo	W	Hi	Lo	W
Beijing	42	27	pc	50	28	pc
Hong Kong	74	63	pc	71	60	c
Jerusalem	63	49	sh	61	50	t
London	42	26	s	42	34	s
Mexico City	74	45	s	76	43	pc
Moscow	14	10	i	15	13	pc
Paris	40	24	s	40	28	s
Rome	52	34	s	54	35	s
Seoul	44	31	s	46	38	c
Sydney	76	64	pc	77	66	s
Tokyo	56	43	pc	52	46	pc

WINDS

	Today	Wednesday
Boardman	SW 4-8	WSW 8-16
Pendleton	SW 6-12	WSW 7-14

UV INDEX TODAY

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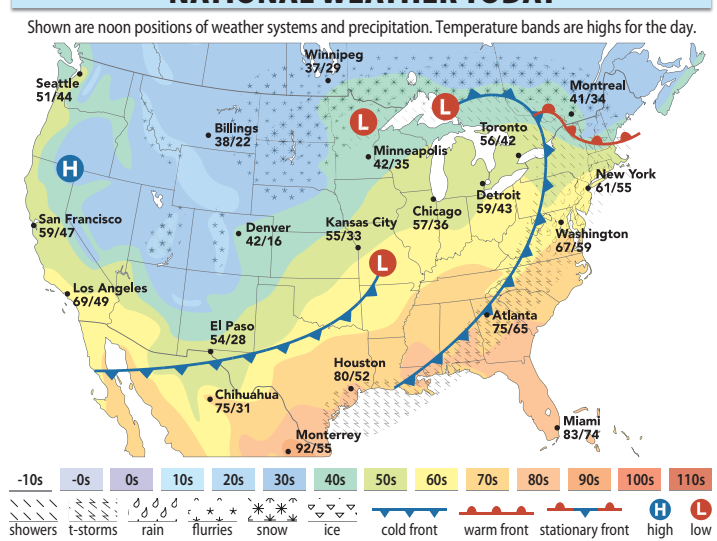
8 a.m. 10 a.m. Noon 2 p.m. 4 p.m. 6 p.m.

0-2, Low 3-5, Moderate 6-7, High; 8-10, Very High; 11+, Extreme

The higher the AccuWeather.com UV Index™ number, the greater the need for eye and skin protection.

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NATIONAL WEATHER TODAY



National Summary: Rain and thunderstorms will extend from the Gulf coast to south New England today. Snow and/or a wintry mix will fall in north New England with snow over the northern Plains. Flurries will dust the Rockies.

Yesterday's National Extremes: (for the 48 contiguous states)
High 99° in McAllen, Texas Low -4° in Monte Vista, Colo.

NATIONAL CITIES

	Today			Wed.			Today			Wed.			
	Hi	Lo	W	Hi	Lo	W	Hi	Lo	W	Hi	Lo	W	
Albuquerque	40	23	c	42	23	s	Louisville	68	50	pc	61	36	pc
Atlanta	75	65	t	71	44	t	Memphis	71	47	pc	59	37	s
Boise	62	58	r	64	53	r	Miami	83	74	pc	83	73	pc
Baltimore	64	52	r	69	48	r	Milwaukee	57	37	s	48	35	pc
Birmingham	38	22	pc	38	27	s	Minneapolis	42	35	sh	43	33	sn
Bozeman	76	64	pc	66	37	r	Nashville	72	56	pc	65	37	r
Boston	51	46	r	54	46	r	New Orleans	81	65	t	69	47	t
Charleston, SC	79	64	c	79	60	pc	New York City	61	55	r	62	53	r
Charleston, WV	68	52	r	61	40	r	Oklahoma City	62	32	s	56	28	s
Chicago	57	36	s	47	36	pc	Omaha	47	33	pc	42	29	c
Cleveland	62	49	pc	61	39	sh	Philadelphia	64	56	r	67	53	r
Dallas	72	44	s	62	39	s	Phoenix	62	40	s	63	40	s
Denver	42	16	c	43	18	pc	Portland, ME	45	36	r	49	42	r
Detroit	59	43	pc	56	37	sh	Providence	57	51	r	57	49	r
El Paso	54	28	pc	54	28	s	Raleigh	74	60	sh	78	50	r
Fairbanks	-13	-21	c	-15	-23	s	Rapid City	36	20	sn	36	13	pc
Fargo	42	32	sn	38	28	sf	Reno	43	24	pc	48	28	pc
Honolulu	81	71	s	81	72	sh	Sacramento	56	36	s	56	37	pc
Houston	80	52	t	70	39	pc	St. Louis	64	38	s	51	34	pc
Indianapolis	59	43	pc	53	34	pc	Salt Lake City	36	22	pc	38	26	pc
Jacksonville	83	60	pc	84	63	pc	San Diego	69	47	s	69	50	s
Kansas City	55	33	s	46	29	c	San Francisco	59	47	s	58	47	pc
Las Vegas	58	37	s	56	38	s	Seattle	51	44	c	51	40	sh
Little Rock	67	41	pc	56	33	s	Tucson	60	34	c	63	35	s
Los Angeles	69	49	s	69	49	s	Washington, DC	67	59	r	71	51	r
							Wichita	57	31	s	52	24	s

Weather (W): s-sunny, pc-partly cloudy, c-cloudy, sh-showers, t-thunderstorms, r-rain, sf-snow flurries, sn-snow, i-ice.

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Giant ponderosa pine in the Pacific Northwest has died

VANCOUVER, Wash. (AP) — One of the oldest and tallest ponderosa pines in the Pacific Northwest has died with little fanfare after hundreds of years.

The so-called "Big Tree" was a well-known attraction for tourists driving through the Columbia River Gorge and was for decades the centerpiece of an interpretive site for travelers headed to Mount Adams, *The Columbian* reported.

The massive specimen near Trout Lake in the Gifford Pinchot National Forest in southwest Washington state was declared dead last year but it was left standing and the news of its demise is not widely known, the paper reported.

The Big Tree contained about 22,000 board feet of lumber — enough wood to frame almost one and a half 2,400-square-foot homes.

No one from the U.S. Forest Service is quite sure of the tree's age. The web page devoted to the Big Tree pegged it at about 370 years old, but Jon Nakae, a scientist with the Mount Adams Ranger District, thinks it's likely more than 500 years old.

Nakae can't count the rings of the giant tree to determine its age because he doesn't have a sampling tool long enough to get all the way through the Big Tree's trunk.

The Forest Service could cut it down to know exactly how old it was, but agency officials say it's worth more standing.

It survived an untold number of forest fires and the estimated magnitude 9 Cascadia earthquake of 1700.

According to the book



The Columbian/File
In this 2000 photo, Dennis Seidman of the U.S. Forest Service measures the Big Tree on Mount Adams in Washington. The 213-foot-tall ponderosa near Trout Lake in the Gifford Pinchot National Forest in southwest Washington died last year but its demise was not made public. The tree was estimated to be between 370 and 500 years old.

"Champion Trees of Washington," published in 1996, the Big Tree was 22 feet around and 213 feet tall, though Nakae said it was 202 feet tall in 2015.

It wasn't the biggest known ponderosa alive on Earth, but it might have been the tallest.

A ponderosa on the Yakama Indian Reservation, which also recently died, was shorter but considerably stouter and thus the biggest ponderosa in Washington state.

The world's largest known living ponderosa named Big Red sits in Oregon's La Pine State Park. It is more than 500 years old, nearly 29 feet around and 162 feet tall.

Its girth made it bigger, but the Big Tree towered over it by about 40 feet.

Ponderosas typically live between 300 and 600 years, Zobrist said, so the Big Tree

was well within its twilight years.

The tree was already in rough shape from old age, a regional drought, insect damage and perhaps years of visitors' footsteps crushing the soil around its roots.

A Western Pine beetle attack that began about three years ago finally killed it last year, Nakae said.

Venezuelan served sentence for drugs; faces deportation

SALEM (AP) — An immigration lawyer and a rights group say a Venezuelan man who is HIV positive and is in the U.S. legally was arrested in Portland in a pre-dawn raid because of a meth-possession conviction. They fear he will be deported to his home country, which is experiencing economic collapse with medication scarce, saying it would be tantamount to a death sentence.

N. David Shamloo, attorney for Luis Garcia, said Monday that instead of being locked up in a federal immigration detention center in Tacoma, Washington, Garcia could have been allowed to return home and put on electronic monitoring pending his

Corrections

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hearing before a federal immigration court. Shamloo says Garcia has a job and is a legal permanent resident of the United States.

Salem dumps raw sewage into Willamette River during storm

SALEM (AP) — The city of Salem says it dumped nearly 20 million gallons of raw sewage into the Willamette River last week after heavy rains overwhelmed its sewer system.

The *Statesman Journal* reported Monday that the release was legal under state law because 24-hour rain levels exceeded a predetermined threshold.

City spokesman Mike Gotterba says the release late Thursday and early Friday prevented raw sewage from backing up into people's homes.

City workers posted signs at both the Willamette River and Pringle Creek throughout the weekend warning the public to avoid the water.

The signs were removed Monday when tests showed normal bacteria levels.

Fewer suppliers means Christmas trees may cost more

SALEM (AP) — Christmas trees in Oregon may cost a bit more this year as the supply of holiday firs in the state has dropped.

The *Statesman Journal* reports that an oversupply of trees in 2015 has led some growers to leave the market, meaning there are fewer trees to go around this year, which could push prices slightly up.

According to the United States Department of Agriculture, harvest and sales of trees dropped 26 percent in 2015 compared to 2010. USDA statistician Dave Losh says growers planted an overabundance of trees compared to the demand for them.