

## AccuWeather.com Forecast

TODAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
Mostly cloudy with a shower	Intervals of clouds and sunshine	Cloudy	Turning cloudy	Cloudy, a few showers; cooler
<b>47° 37°</b>	<b>44° 30°</b>	<b>44° 39°</b>	<b>49° 40°</b>	<b>45° 29°</b>
<b>PENDLETON TEMPERATURE FORECAST</b>				
<b>47° 37°</b>	<b>44° 30°</b>	<b>44° 39°</b>	<b>49° 40°</b>	<b>45° 29°</b>
<b>HERMISTON TEMPERATURE FORECAST</b>				
<b>51° 38°</b>	<b>49° 31°</b>	<b>48° 41°</b>	<b>53° 42°</b>	<b>49° 30°</b>

### ALMANAC

#### PENDLETON

through 3 p.m. yesterday

TEMPERATURE	
HIGH	LOW
Yesterday 49°	37°
Normals 43°	29°
Records 72° (1892)	-13° (1896)

#### PRECIPITATION

24 hours ending 3 p.m.	0.00"
Month to date	0.87"
Normal month to date	1.42"
Year to date	11.26"
Last year to date	7.81"
Normal year to date	11.45"

#### HERMISTON

through 3 p.m. yesterday

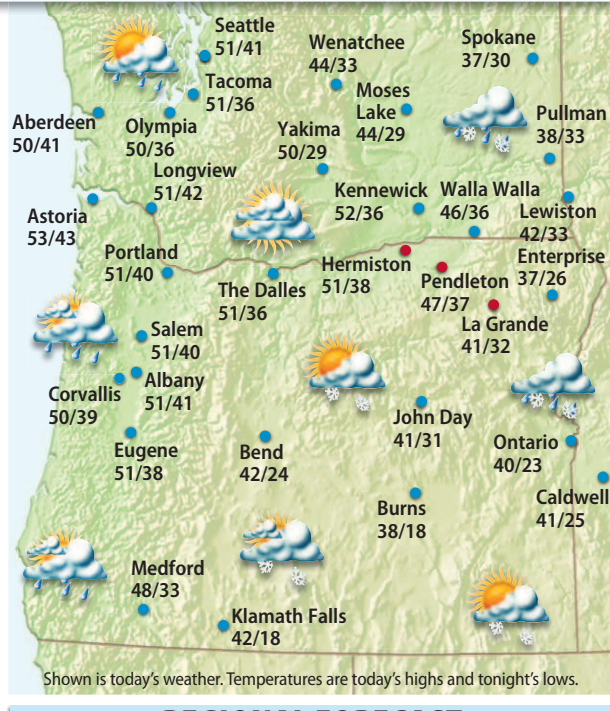
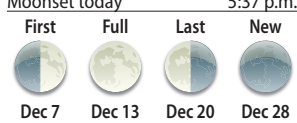
TEMPERATURE	
HIGH	LOW
Yesterday 52°	31°
Normals 44°	30°
Records 67° (1973)	8° (1985)

#### PRECIPITATION

24 hours ending 3 p.m.	0.00"
Month to date	0.54"
Normal month to date	1.15"
Year to date	7.87"
Last year to date	5.39"
Normal year to date	8.46"

#### SUN AND MOON

Sunrise today	7:15 a.m.
Sunset tonight	4:13 p.m.
Moonrise today	7:59 a.m.
Moonset today	5:37 p.m.



Shown is today's weather. Temperatures are today's highs and tonight's lows.

### REGIONAL FORECAST

**Coastal Oregon:** Variable cloudiness today with showers; showers will be most numerous in the north.

**Eastern and Central Oregon:** A bit of snow and rain at times today; mainly only during the morning in the west.

**Western Washington:** Clouds and occasional sunshine today with spotty showers. A stray shower tonight.

**Eastern Washington:** A little snow and rain ending in the west this morning; spotty snow and rain anytime east.

**Cascades:** Mostly cloudy today with snow showers, accumulating a coating to an inch or two.

**Northern California:** A shower in spots today, but a snow shower in the interior mountains.

### REGIONAL CITIES

	Today			Thu.		
	Hi	Lo	W	Hi	Lo	W
Astoria	53	43	sh	52	44	sh
Baker City	38	22	sf	38	16	c
Bend	42	24	pc	39	22	pc
Brookings	52	39	c	52	40	pc
Burns	38	18	sf	35	13	pc
Enterprise	37	26	sf	34	17	c
Eugene	51	38	sh	50	35	c
Heppner	45	33	pc	42	26	pc
Hermiston	51	38	pc	49	31	pc
John Day	41	31	sf	37	23	pc
Klamath Falls	42	18	sn	39	21	pc
La Grande	41	32	sn	39	24	c
Meacham	40	30	sn	36	24	c
Medford	48	33	c	49	31	pc
Newport	51	41	sh	51	41	c
North Bend	53	41	sh	53	41	c
Ontario	40	23	pc	41	19	pc
Pasco	51	35	pc	49	27	pc
Pendleton	47	37	c	44	30	pc
Portland	51	40	sh	49	41	c
Redmond	45	22	pc	43	24	pc
Salem	51	40	sh	50	39	c
Spokane	37	30	sn	37	26	sf
Ukiah	39	28	sf	36	22	pc
Vancouver	51	42	sh	48	42	c
Walla Walla	46	36	sh	44	32	pc
Yakima	50	29	pc	49	26	pc

### WORLD CITIES

	Today			Thu.		
	Hi	Lo	W	Hi	Lo	W
Beijing	51	28	s	48	23	s
Hong Kong	74	61	s	74	62	s
Jerusalem	60	50	t	58	46	pc
London	41	30	pc	44	37	pc
Mexico City	76	44	pc	74	45	pc
Moscow	17	14	c	27	25	sn
Paris	40	26	s	42	32	c
Rome	54	35	s	56	42	pc
Seoul	48	38	r	44	26	s
Sydney	76	67	t	87	67	pc
Tokyo	52	46	pc	62	48	r

### WINDS

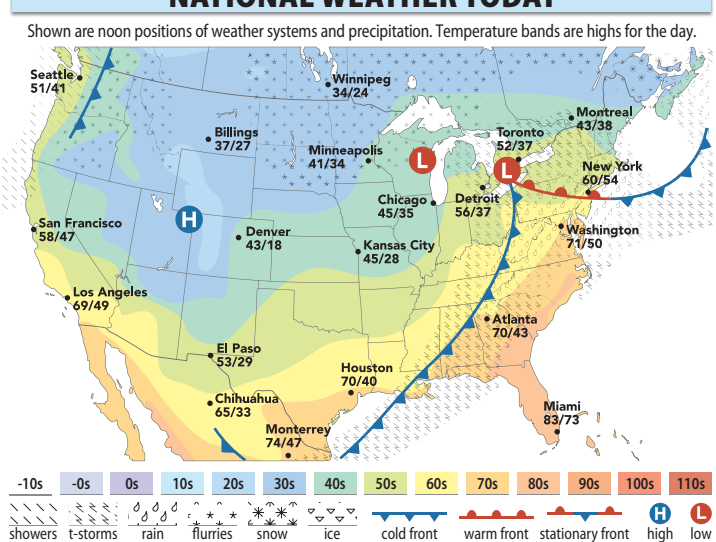
(in mph)	Today	Thursday
Boardman	WSW 7-14	WSW 6-12
Pendleton	WSW 8-16	WSW 7-14

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### NATIONAL WEATHER TODAY



Shown are noon positions of weather systems and precipitation. Temperature bands are highs for the day.

**National Summary:** Rain and thunderstorms will affect much of the eastern third of the nation with snow in northern Maine, the Upper Midwest and interior Northwest today. Rain will dampen the coastal Northwest.

**Yesterday's National Extremes:** (for the 48 contiguous states)  
**High** 94° in McAllen, Texas **Low** -5° in Grand Canyon, Ariz.

### NATIONAL CITIES

	Today			Thur.		
	Hi	Lo	W	Hi	Lo	W
Albuquerque	41	23	s	44	28	pc
Atlanta	70	43	t	59	38	s
Atlantic City	63	53	r	58	41	s
Baltimore	70	47	r	58	33	s
Billings	37	27	s	41	24	pc
Birmingham	65	36	r	59	33	s
Boise	41	26	sn	40	21	pc
Boston	52	46	r	57	39	pc
Charleston, SC	81	56	pc	70	40	pc
Charleston, WV	65	39	r	48	32	pc
Chicago	45	35	pc	44	31	c
Cleveland	59	38	sh	46	36	c
Dallas	62	39	s	66	46	s
Denver	43	18	pc	41	19	pc
Detroit	56	37	c	46	35	c
El Paso	53	29	s	60	36	s
Fairbanks	-12	-22	s	-6	-11	c
Fargo	37	28	sf	35	23	sf
Honolulu	82	71	sh	82	70	sh
Houston	70	40	s	67	46	s
Indianapolis	54	33	pc	44	31	pc
Jacksonville	84	61	pc	68	43	c
Kansas City	45	28	c	45	26	s
Las Vegas	55	37	s	58	41	pc
Little Rock	55	32	s	57	34	s
Los Angeles	69	49	s	67	48	s
Louisville	59	36	pc	50	31	pc
Memphis	58	36	s	57	37	s
Miami	83	73	pc	84	72	sh
Milwaukee	47	36	pc	46	32	c
Minneapolis	41	34	c	38	27	sn
Nashville	63	36	pc	55	32	s
New Orleans	68	46	t	64	47	s
New York City	60	54	r	58	41	pc
Oklahoma City	56	30	s	62	30	s
Omaha	41	27	c	40	25	pc
Philadelphia	67	53	r	57	39	pc
Phoenix	63	40	s	63	43	s
Portland, ME	47	39	r	54	36	pc
Providence	57	47	r	59	37	pc
Raleigh	79	53	t	65	36	s
Rapid City	36	13	sf	37	17	pc
Reno	47	26	pc	41	21	pc
Sacramento	56	37	pc	58	37	s
St. Louis	49	34	pc	47	30	s
Salt Lake City	37	25	pc	36	21	sf
San Diego	68	50	s	66	49	s
San Francisco	58	47	pc	59	47	s
Seattle	51	41	sh	49	42	c
Tucson	62	34	s	66	38	s
Washington, DC	71	50	r	60	39	s
Wichita	51	24	s	55	26	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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## Parties reach settlement in DHS lawsuit

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PORTLAND — The Oregon Department of Human Services has agreed to stop temporarily housing foster kids in hotels or offices except under certain circumstances.

The department is defending itself against a lawsuit filed by children's advocates challenging its practice of housing foster children in those settings.

The department and plaintiffs in the lawsuit reached an interim settlement agreement earlier this month.

The agreement, publicly announced Tuesday, states that effective Dec. 31, DHS will cease placing children overnight in DHS offices unless there is no "available and safe hotel" within 30 miles or 30 minutes of the office.

DHS has agreed to not house children in its care for more than two nights in a DHS office prior to Dec. 31.

The agreement also says that foster children will be placed in hotels only in "emergency circumstances" where no "safe or appropriate" licensed residential placement or certified foster home is available.

Further, a foster child who is housed temporarily in DHS offices or hotels must continue to attend the school or daycare in which he or she is enrolled, according to the agreement.

Settlement talks continue in the case, according to Youth Rights and Justice, a Portland group that is providing legal representation to the two young plaintiffs.

The parties have agreed to stay all action in the lawsuit while confidential settlement discussions continue.

The lawsuit was filed on behalf of the two Multnomah

County children, who are represented by guardian ad litem Richard Vangelisti.

The plaintiffs, in essence, wanted the court to require DHS to stop housing kids in hotels or offices.

Neither party is waiving argument, but the interim settlement agreement means that the plaintiffs have agreed that putting a child up in a hotel temporarily, for the time period in the agreement, is an acceptable exception to what they argue is a generally "nonpermissible" practice.

DHS has said that beds for children in foster care are increasingly scarce; since this summer, it has been under scrutiny both for persistent safety problems and for putting children up temporarily in hotels and its field offices.

Some foster children have also been held in juvenile detention or in hospitals when they no longer needed a high level of medical care.

DHS, under the agreement, also must not "seek" to place kids in detention centers temporarily. At least one foster child in Deschutes County has been held in the local juvenile detention facility.

The agency must not also keep children in hospitals in the absence of a medical purpose, unless the child faces a safety risk.

Child welfare issues will likely continue to be the subject of discussion going into the legislative session, which is scheduled to get underway in February.

In late August, a consulting firm found the state had a number of gaps in how safety issues are reported and addressed in the foster care system.

The governor's new foster care advisory commission will study foster care issues and recommend legislation.

## Seattle home prices see biggest growth in U.S.

Portland ousted from top spot

SEATTLE (AP) — The Seattle area has the hottest housing market in the country — the first time in nine years that Seattle has led the United States in home-price growth.

The *Seattle Times* reports the typical single-family home across King, Snohomish and Pierce counties cost 11 percent more in September than a year prior, according to the monthly Case-Shiller home price index released Tuesday.

That marked the biggest increase among the 20 major metro areas covered.

Seattle narrowly topped Portland,

where home values gained 10.9 percent. For the prior eight months, Seattle had seen its home-price growth sit second in the country behind Portland.

Overall, Seattle prices are rising twice as fast as the rest of the country, as they have for most of this year.

The Seattle area had already broken its old record earlier this year after seeing prices rise for more than four straight years. The region has seen home values jump nearly 60 percent since early 2012.

Seattle-area home values are the fifth-priciest among the 50 biggest metro areas in the country, behind San Jose, San Francisco, Los Angeles and

San Diego, according to a Zillow analysis. In the past year, Greater Seattle surpassed the Boston, New York and Washington, D.C., metro areas on the list of most expensive regions to buy a house.

The Zillow data shows that home values across the Seattle metro area — King, Pierce and Snohomish counties — topped \$400,000 for the first time a few months ago, up from \$300,000 just three years prior.

The latest figures from the Northwest Multiple Listing Service showed the median single-family house in October cost \$550,000 in King County, \$387,000 in Snohomish County and \$280,000 in Pierce County.

## Eugene police arrest man 7 days after initial standoff

EUGENE (AP) — Eugene police have arrested a man seven days after he held them at bay in a six-hour standoff.

The *Register Guard* reports Tuesday that 26-year-old Joshua Austin Thomas was booked into

Lane County Jail late Monday on suspicion of violating parole, menacing, being a felon in possession of a weapon, unlawful use of a weapon, as well as interfering with making a report.

The newspaper

previously reported that Thomas, of Eugene, held police at bay for hours on Nov. 22 until police command staff decided to retreat and come back later to arrest Thomas.

That decision drew the ire of the Eugene Police Employees Association.

The police union released a letter that said the decision as "unethical, cowardly and irresponsible."

Thomas eluded officers again on Nov. 23 and once more on Saturday.

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