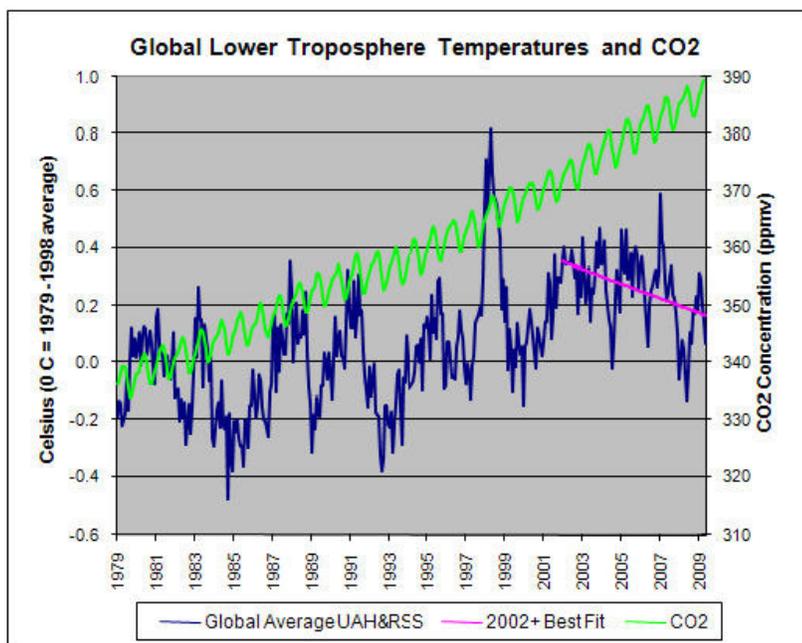


Some news reports on global cooling

Nonoy Oplas
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Introduction

Global temperatures continue to fall – an exact opposite of the predicted continued global warming by the UN IPCC and other groups and individuals. This chart is from the Friends of Science. Data for both CO2 concentration and lower troposphere temperature are until May 2009. They noted that from January 2002 to May 2009, the best fit line for troposphere temperature shows a 0.26 C decline.



Source:

<http://www.friendsofscience.org/assets/documents/FOS%20Essay/GlobalTroposphereTemperaturesAverage.jpg>

The following are news reports about global cooling, like extended rainy season in the tropics and extended snow in the north. The relevant sources are provided.

This is my maiden attempt at compiling some news reports on the issue as I encounter them. For the news reports in North America and Europe, I found them mainly through Anthony Watts' <http://wattsupwiththat.com> and Marc Morano's <http://climatedepot.com>. A few news also from Jennifer Marohasy's <http://jennifermarohasy.com/blog/>.

The reports are grouped into 4: (a) The Philippines, (b) Asia and the Pacific, (c) North America, and (d) Europe. Note that in the Philippines and other tropical countries, "dry" season is from November to May, and summer months are March to May. But here, there are prolonged "cold front" and typhoons even on those summer months.

A. Philippines

(1) Heavy rains trigger flashfloods in Mindanao

(<http://www.gulfnews.com/world/Philippines/10272190.html>)

By Gilbert Felongco, Correspondent

Published: January 03, 2009

Manila: Flashfloods inundated northern areas of Mindanao island including the cities of Cagayan de Oro Iligan and Gingoog, reports reaching Manila said.

According to the Philippine Coast Guard, flashfloods brought about by heavy rains over the past several days isolated several areas in the southern cities....

Philippine weather forecasters said the heavy rains were brought about by a cold front over the northern Mindanao...

(2) Nine dead, 200,000 displaced by floods in Philippines

(<http://www.google.com/hostednews/afp/article/ALeqM5jZkNOjsdp674eYOUHB5tGBOGopCg>)

January 13, 2009

CAGAYAN DE ORO, Philippines (AFP) — Nine people have died and nearly 200,000 have been displaced in flash floods and landslides triggered by heavy rains across the Philippines, relief agency officials said Wednesday....

The tail-end of a cold front sweeping through the country's eastern seaboard had brought heavy rains across 11 provinces from northern Luzon to the eastern section of

southern Mindanao island since last week, it said....

(3) PHILIPPINES Bishops Say Nature Not The Only Troublemaker In Flooded Areas

<http://www.ucanews.com/2009/01/16/bishops-say-nature-not-the-only-troublemaker-in-flooded-areas/>

January 16, 2009

CAGAYAN DE ORO CITY, Philippines (UCAN) -- Floodwaters three meters high recently washed away the family home of Merlyn Rodriguez and those of more than 100 other families in Northern Mindanao coastal villages.

According to the Philippine Atmospheric Geophysical and Astronomical Services Administration, the incessant rains were due to the tail-end of a cold front sweeping through the region. Strong river currents and large sea waves contributed to infrastructure and crop damage estimated by the regional disaster coordinating council at over 100 million pesos (US\$2.1 million)....

(4) Another flooding in Iligan displaces 10,000 residents

By Mindanews (<http://www.mindanaotimes.com.ph/story.php?id=23675>)

January 19, 2009

ILIGAN CITY (MindaNews) — Just as residents are still recovering from the effects of flood last week, continuous heavy rains this week caused yet another flash flood, displacing 10,000 persons, destroying 125 houses and triggering landslides in three barangays, data from the city's Social Welfare office, National Disaster Coordinating Council and the Institute of Peace and Development of Mindanao (IPDM)....

(5) Rains in summer signal climate change -- PAGASA

<http://www.klima.ph/news/galate.htm>

Philippine Daily Inquirer, April 16, 2009

BAGUIO CITY □ Rains in March and April, considered one of the hottest months in summer, are signs of climate change, according to a weather expert...

Aside from climate change, the cold front and the melting of ice in Antarctica have contributed to intermittent rains in summer....

(6) 'Emong' deaths may pass 40; damage now at P380 million

<http://www.gmanews.tv/story/160634/Emong-deaths-may-pass-40-damage-now-at-P380-million>

May 9, 2009

MANILA, Philippines – Typhoon Emong's death toll rose to 28 on Saturday and officials feared that it could surpass 40 as more than 20 residents in various places remained missing.

Casualties

In Pangasinan, GMA reporter Carlo Lorenzo quoted the provincial police as saying that the death toll on Saturday rose to 13 people, with seven injured and 16 missing.

Landslides in the province of Ifugao claimed the lives of 11 people in the towns of Kiangan and Hingyon, police said....

(7) Landslide in Philippines kills at least 26

Most of the victims were miners; area was saturated by heavy rain

<http://www.msnbc.msn.com/id/30815673/>

AP Associated Press

May 19, 2009

MANILA, Philippines - Mudslides tumbled down a rain-soaked mountain in the southern Philippines, burying dozens of shanties in a gold mining village and killing at least 26 people, a provincial governor said Tuesday.

A 50-member police and military rescue team headed to the remote village of Napnapan to help search for at least six people missing a day after the landslides hit, said Gov. Arthur Uy of Compostela Valley province.

B. Asia and Pacific

(1) Cold spell blamed for three deaths in sunny Thailand

Submitted by [Mohit Joshi](#) on Tue, 01/13/2009

<http://www.topnews.in/cold-spell-blamed-three-deaths-sunny-thailand-2109042>

Bangkok - A cold front sweeping in from China that has dropped temperatures to as low as 7 degrees celsius in parts of sunny Thailand has been blamed for three deaths, although alcohol may have contributed, media reports said Tuesday.

The high pressure system that moved into Thailand over the weekend was blamed for the death of a 71-year-old Buddhist monk in Ayutthaya province on Sunday and two men in northern Thailand on Monday, the Bangkok Post reported....

(2) Will it snow in Thailand?

January 14, 2009

<http://www.asiaone.com/News/Latest%2BNews/Asia/Story/A1Story20090114-114493.html>

The wintry weather that has gripped the country over the past few days has chilled Bangkok residents with the coldest air in a decade, said a top official at the Meteorological Department.

The department's Weather Forecast Bureau director Somchai Baimoung told Daily Xpress yesterday that the 15.1 degrees Celsius in Bangkok's Don Muang district on Monday was the lowest the mercury had fallen since 1999....

(3) Low pressure, cold front promise rough weather in Vietnam

April 03, 2009

<http://www.travelvietnam.org/tvn/news/low-pressure-cold-front-promise-rough-weather-in-vietnam-id6974.html>

The weather office warned of gusts, high seas, and rains in the next few days after a low pressure strengthened into a tropical trough off Vietnam's central coast, and a cold front formed over the northern regions.

The Southern Hydrometeorology Station announced Thursday a low pressure to the south of Hoang Sa archipelago, 170 nautical miles from the central Danang city, had

strengthened into a tropical trough with its eye 420km east of Danang and Phu Yen province, and winds blowing at 39-49km per hour...

(4) Northern Vietnam set for chilly weather

<http://www.thanhniennews.com/travel/?catid=7&newsid=24688>

A cold front is hovering over northern Vietnam and is expected to be followed by another, triggering a cold spell in the region.

The National Center for Hydro-Meteorological Forecasts further reported Friday that light, scattered showers would occur in the northern and central regions while there would be heavy winds and rough seas off the central coast and in the Tonkin Gulf.

(5) It is a chill season for summer appliances in Kashmir

Rashid Paul

The Daily Rising Kashmir, June 17, 2009

http://www.risingkashmir.com/?option=com_content&task=view&id=14006

Srinagar June 17: The consumer durables industry in Kashmir is clouded by a spell of coolness this summer as cold weather has put off consumers from making purchases in summer appliances.

The market for the summer appliances like refrigerators, air conditioners, fans and coolers has dipped approximately by 90 percent, said Shafat Ahmed, a prominent dealer in refrigerators. Shafat, who owns a chain of retail outlets in the city, says the cool weather is inflicting serious damage to his business....

(6) AFGHANISTAN: Uphill struggle for potato farmers in Bamyan Province

IRIN, June 17, 2009

<http://www.irinnews.org/Report.aspx?ReportId=84876>

BAMYAN, 17 June 2009 (IRIN) - Farmers in Afghanistan's top potato-producing province are complaining about declining profits, mainly because of cold weather, lack of storage facilities and bad roads.

Potato cultivation in Bamyan Province, central Afghanistan, employs thousands of people and output can top 150,000 tons a year, according to the Ministry of Agriculture, Irrigation and Livestock....

(7) New Australian continent wide low temperature record set for April

Minus 13 degrees – the coldest it's been in April

From Weatherzone – Brett Dutschke,
Wednesday April 29, 2009 – 14:58 EST

<http://wattsupwiththat.com/2009/04/29/new-australian-continent-wide-low-record-set-for-april/#more-7427>

A new Australian record was set early this morning, a temperature of minus 13 degrees, at [Charlotte Pass](#) on the Snowy Mountains.

This is the lowest temperature recorded anywhere in Australia in April and is 13 below the average. Nearby at Perisher it dipped to minus 11 degrees and at the top of Thredbo it dipped to minus 10.

Across the border, on the Victorian Alps April records were broken at Mt Hotham where it chilled to minus eight degrees and Mt Buller and Falls Creek where it got as low as minus seven....

C. North America

(1) Americans suffer record cold as temperatures plunge to -40C

Daily Mail, 16 January 2009

<http://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/worldnews/article-1118244/Americans-suffer-record-cold-temperatures-plunge-40C.html>

This winter has been one of the toughest in decades with temperatures today reaching as low as -38C in large areas of the Midwest and -40C in the coldest place.

But even on the east coast – where conditions are typically milder than the frigid hinterlands – the icy blast was being felt.

New York endured a -14C chill today and further south Washington – which hosts Mr Obama's inauguration on Tuesday – plunged to 11 degrees below zero. Some places have recorded record lows – with the temperature in Flint, Michigan dipping to an incredible -28C...

(2) Cold weather, late-blooming flowers stymie Washington, Oregon tulip festivals

by Allan Brettman, The Oregonian
Tuesday March 31, 2009

http://www.oregonlive.com/news/index.ssf/2009/03/its_showtime_but_where_are_the.html

By this time of year at least part of the Holland America Bulb Farms acreage near Woodland, Wash., should be a sea of color. Dobbe has no doubt the flowers will emerge soon, maybe even next week. But with regional tulip festivals popping up all over, including the Woodland Tulip Festival on Saturday, it would be nice if the blooms showed their faces sooner rather than later.

"I've never, never seen it this late," Dobbe (pronounced "Doe-bah") says. "Not even close."...

(3) Canada has a frigid May after a cool winter

May 27, 2009

<http://wattsupwiththat.com/2009/05/27/canada-has-a-frigid-may-after-a-cold-winter/#more-8048>

By Joseph D'Aleo, CCM, ICECAP

May has been frigid slowing the planting and emergence of the summer crops in Canada. Late freezes and even snows are still occurring regularly and can be expected the rest of the month.

Parts of central Canada (Churchill, Manitoba) are running 16 degrees F below normal for the month through the 26th (map ends 24th). Every day this month has seen lows below freezing in Churchill and only 6 out of the first 26 days had highs edge above freezing. The forecast the rest of the month is for more cold with even some snow today in Churchill and again this weekend perhaps further south....

(4) Snow falls in western ND, in June

Jun 6 2009 2:49PM
KXNewsTeam

<http://www.kxmc.com/getArticle.asp?ArticleId=386720>

BISMARCK, N.D. (AP) Snow has fallen in Dickinson in June, the first time in nearly 60 years the city has seen snow past May.

National Weather Service meteorologist Janine Vining in Bismarck says there were unofficial reports of a couple of inches of snow in Dickinson on Saturday.

Vining says snow in North Dakota in June is uncommon, though it's not unheard of. She says other parts of the state have seen June snow within the past 10 years....

(5) Canada frosts the most widespread in recent memory

By [Rod Nickel](#)
Tue Jun 9, 2009

<http://www.reuters.com/article/environmentNews/idUSTRE55851U20090609>

WINNIPEG, Manitoba (Reuters) - The multiple frosts that have blanketed Western Canada in the last week are the most widespread in the top canola-growing province of Saskatchewan in at least five years, the Canola Council of Canada said on Tuesday....

In Manitoba, the frost is the worst in memory for its frequency and area covered, said Derwyn Hammond, the province's senior agronomy specialist for the Canola Council.

"Certainly (it's) the worst year I've seen," said Hammond, who has worked for the Canola Council for 15 years.

(6) Canadian Wheat Output May Fall on Dry, Cool Weather (Update1)

By Tony C. Dreibus

<http://www.bloomberg.com/apps/news?pid=20601082&sid=aLrrq268WnQQ>

June 11 (Bloomberg) -- Canada's wheat production may fall 18 percent this year as dry, cool conditions in the western Prairies slow crop development and wet weather in Manitoba delays seeding, the [Canadian Wheat Board](#) said today in a [report](#).

Cooler temperatures for the past four to six months may curb yields to 33.4 bushels an acre, the lowest initial projection in seven years, [Bruce Burnett](#), the director of weather and market analysis at the CWB, said today in a conference call....

(7) Big chill in Churchill

Winter grips 90 per cent of north, migratory birds can't breed

By: Robert Alison

June 13, 2009

<http://www.winnipegfreepress.com/opinion/westview/big-chill-in-churchill-47992231.html>

It is the winter that refuses to go away in northern Manitoba and most of the eastern Arctic. Prolonged cold snowy conditions in the Hudson Bay area are expected to obliterate the breeding season for migratory birds and most other species of wildlife this year.

According to Environment Canada, the spring of 2009 is record-late in the eastern Arctic with virtually 100 per cent snow cover from James Bay north as of June 11.

May temperatures in northern Manitoba were almost four degrees C below the long-term average of -0.7, and in early June, temperatures averaged three degrees below normal....

"I have lived in Churchill since the 1950s, and this the latest spring I have ever seen here," said local resident Pat Penwarden. "The spring of 1962 was almost this bad."

(8) Southeastern Missouri farmers try to overcome wet spring, soggy crops

By Associated Press, June 14, 2009

<http://www.fox4kc.com/news/sns-ap-mo-pan--soggycrops,0,707208.story>

BLOOMFIELD, Mo. (AP) — Southeastern Missouri's Mike Bell is among area farmers struggling to get crops planted after a wet spring.

Bell, of Bloomfield, usually has about 2,000 acres of corn planted by now. This year, he's has only 1,100 acres finished. Bell expects he'll face a harvesting date nearly a month late this fall. He was also behind on his soybean crop....

(9) Cooler Temps Making Jersey Mosquito Problem Worse [Greg Pollowitz]

[The Star-Ledger reports:](#)

<http://planetgore.nationalreview.com/post/?q=NzZkNjBmNTgwNDk4ODdiODNIZGU1NjBjZTE4MWE3YTA=>

"It's not just that it's been wet, but the cooler weather is giving mosquitos more time to develop. So, we're seeing more mosquitos, and they are bigger than usual," said Bob Kent, administrator of the state's Office of Mosquito Control Coordination.

But neither Kent nor other mosquito fighters are about to cede control of the state to *Aedes Vexans*, or any of the other approximately 40 species of mosquito that live in New Jersey. They are working overtime to prevent larvae from hatching and trying to exterminate those that have made it to adulthood....

(10) Many forecasters have one word for this summer: COOL by Bill McAuliffe Summer's coming. Grab a sweater.

Tuesday, June 16th 2009

<http://climaterealist.com/index.php?id=3588&linkbox=true>

"A year without summer" - that's how one forecaster is looking at the next 2 1/2 months in Minnesota. But there isn't consensus.

Across Minnesota and the Dakotas, temperatures could be below normal through the end of August, according to the federal Climate Prediction Center. The outlook for "meteorological summer" -- June, July and August -- prompted one Accuweather forecaster to predict a "year without summer."

So far, the trend toward a cool summer has been emphatic, with furnaces blasting through the first days of June across the state. The average daily temperature for the first 11 days of June in the Twin Cities was 7.2 degrees below normal....

(11) Long cold spell is to blame for lack of shellfish

By Jess Stevenson

The Gurnsey News

June 16, 2009

<http://www.thisisguernsey.com/2009/06/16/long-cold-spell-is-to-blame-for-lack-of-shellfish/>

GUERNSEY fisherman are struggling to make a living after a reduction in crab stocks.

It is thought that this year's cold spell, which lasted longer than in previous years, might have something to do with the poor amount of shellfish being caught.

Potter Robert Le Noury, who fishes off the west coast of the island, said he was putting down the same amount of pots but was struggling to find any crab.

(12) Grizzly warning issued

BEARS: Cold temperatures making food scarce

Posted By DAVE DORMER, SUN MEDIA

<http://www.orilliaipacket.com/ArticleDisplay.aspx?e=1620385>

Officials in Banff are warning anyone headed to the mountains to use caution after a female grizzly with two cubs acted aggressively toward a kayaker recently.

Unseasonably cold temperatures earlier this year have made food scarce for the bears, pushing them closer to towns to find more.

"We've had a really cool, late spring so what that means is when Mother Nature is uncooperative like that, the snow sticks around and there's nothing for them to eat up high," said Macullo.

(13) June hasn't been this nice since ... 1913

by **John Faherty** - Jun. 19, 2009 12:00 AM
The Arizona Republic

<http://www.azcentral.com/news/articles/2009/06/19/20090619junelovely0619.html>

"It's probably the best June since I've been here, and I've been here most of my life," said the National Weather Service's Valerie Meyers, who is in her late 40s. "It's been really nice."

Possibly the nicest June ever.

Thursday, however, was the 14th consecutive day to stay below 100 degrees. That's the longest stretch of its kind in any June since 1913....

(14) Sun Road may not open for weeks

By Eric Newhouse, Tribune Projects Editor
June 13, 2009
Great Falls tribune.com, Montana

<http://www.greatfallstribune.com/article/20090613/NEWS01/906130304>

Snowplows cleared the Going-to-the-Sun Road atop Logan Pass this week, but the 50-mile alpine route through Glacier National Park probably won't be fully open for several weeks.

Big Drift, just east of the Continental Divide, is living up to its name with about 70 feet of snow still clogging the road, according to road crew superintendent Stan Stehr. "In past years, we used dozers, but this year, we're mostly using excavators that inch their way along through the drift," Stehr said. "I think we could have this section cleaned up by early next week."...

(15) Harsh winter leaves mark on flowers, trees, crops

By Tom Alex, talex@dmreg.com, June 21, 2009

<http://www.desmoinesregister.com/article/20090621/NEWS/906210348/-1/NEWS04>

The thermometer says another Iowa summer has arrived. But winter continues to hang around in the form of dead trees, flowers, plants and shrubs that were unable to rebound from one the snowiest and coldest seasons on record....

Experts call it "winterkill," and it's been reported from the alfalfa fields of Ontario to the wheat stands of Kansas to golf courses in Massachusetts.

"We've had literally hundreds of people calling and complaining about" winter-

ravaged bushes and shrubs, said Jeff Westphal, a salesman at Miller Nursery in Johnston. "Some of them were already weak going into the winter. But that doesn't explain what happened to the boxwoods and yews. I think it was just too cold for some of them."...

(16) Arctic freeze brings odd birds to Northeast Ohio

by [Jim McCarty/Plain Dealer Reporter](#)

Monday June 22, 2009, 2:12 PM

<http://www.cleveland.com/neobirding/index.ssf/2009/06/ what an odd month.html>

A simple explanation would be that the changes are somehow linked to global warming. Except that the eastern Arctic is currently experiencing its coldest spring in more than 50 years. The prolonged snowy conditions, with six-foot snowdrifts lingering in Churchill, Manitoba, could all but doom the breeding season for migratory birds this year, Robert Alison, a wildlife biologist, reported recently in the [Winnipeg Free Press](#).

(17) Summer snow, cold abnormal, but not unheard of

By [Michelle McNiel](#)

[World staff writer](#)

Posted June 22, 2009

<http://wenatcheeworld.com/article/20090622/NEWS04/706229926/-1/PRINTINDEX?Summer-snow-and-cold-abnormal--but-not-unheard-of>

WENATCHEE — Snow fell on Mission Ridge and temperatures dropped 10 degrees below normal as summer arrived on Sunday.

"I know it doesn't feel like it, but summer is here," said Ron Miller, a meteorologist for the National Weather Service in Spokane. "We commonly say around here that you can't pay attention to the calendar because spring can be a long, drawn-out season. We typically get strange weather like this."

The high temperature in Wenatchee Sunday was 70 — well below the average of 80 for that day. Miller said the high temperatures have plummeted into the 40s in late June in years past.

(18) Rain, cool weather dampen U.S. June retail sales

Monday, June 22, 2009

By [Aarthi Sivaraman](#) – Analysis

<http://www.reuters.com/article/ousiv/idUSTRE55L5WS20090622?pageNumber=2&virtualBrandChannel=0&sp=true>

NEW YORK (Reuters) - Rain and cooler-than-usual weather so far in June may have dampened demand for summer items such as sandals, swimwear and beer for retailers already hard put to counter sales declines during the recession.

The effect may be most pronounced in the U.S. Northeast, where June so far has been the coldest in 27 years and is on track to become one of the wettest Junes on record, according to weather research firm Planalytics, which has tracked such data since the 1930s.

June in the Midwest so far is the coldest in six years and has been wetter than normal, but still not close to last year when it was the second wettest in 50 years....

With 15 days of rain in the first 21 days of June, New York City is on track for an all-time record in days and amount, Planalytics said. June is also set to be one of the city's coolest in 50 years, Planalytics added.

D. Europe

(1) Thousands shiver in Europe's big chill

Reuters, 7 January 2009

<http://uk.reuters.com/article/latestCrisis/idUKL72936>

Temperatures plunged to record lows in Germany and heavy snow forced normally sunny Marseille to close its international airport as freezing winter weather gripped much of Europe on Wednesday.

Port authorities in the Dutch city of Rotterdam deployed an icebreaking ship for the first time 12 years, while in Britain forecasters issued a new severe weather warning.

A weather station in the eastern state of Saxony, Germany, said the coldest spot was -27.7 degrees Celsius. In France, temperatures dropped as low as -16 degrees Celsius on Wednesday in the north of country, while 40 cm of snow fell in the Marseille region in just a few hours...

(2) It's June...so it must be snowing: Great British summer goes from sweltering to shivering in just a week

By Colin Fernandez

06th June 2009

<http://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-1191089/Its-June--snowing-From-sweltering-shivering-just-week-happen-great-British-summer.html>

Five days ago we were flocking to the beach, queueing for ice-creams and slathering on the sunscreen.

Yesterday, we were shivering in summer's first dusting of snow. Yes, snow.

After the hottest spell of the year so far, sleet and snow swept in across northern parts of Britain while the rest of the country also cooled down considerably...

(3) CROPS UNDER STRESS AS TEMPERATURES FALL

By Christopher Booker
The Sunday Telegraph, 14 June 2009

<http://www.telegraph.co.uk/comment/columnists/christopherbooker/5525933/Crops-under-stress-as-temperatures-fall.html>

For the second time in little over a year, it looks as though the world may be heading for a serious food crisis, thanks to our old friend "climate change". In many parts of the world recently the weather has not been too brilliant for farmers. After a fearsomely cold winter, June brought heavy snowfall across large parts of western Canada and the northern states of the American Midwest. In Manitoba last week, it was -4°C. North Dakota had its first June snow for 60 years.

There was midsummer snow not just in Norway and the Cairngorms, but even in Saudi Arabia. At least in the southern hemisphere it is winter, but snowfalls in New Zealand and Australia have been abnormal. There have been frosts in Brazil, elsewhere in South America they have had prolonged droughts, while in China they have had to cope with abnormal rain and freak hailstorms, which in one province killed 20 people....

(4) Harvesting of strawberry crop to be delayed by cold early summer

June 18, 2009

<http://www.hs.fi/english/article/Harvesting+of+strawberry+crop+to+be+delayed+by+cold+early+summer/1135247016058>

Strawberries are an integral part of the Finnish summer, but this year we will have to wait a little longer for the arrival of locally-grown fruit.

The cold weather at the beginning of the summer has delayed the ripening of Finnish strawberries by at least one week....