

**St John's Vicarage,  
Spittal, Berwick-upon-Tweed**  
**Monthly Return of Weather Observations  
for Spittal Weather Station**

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Month: MARCH

Year: 2009

MEAN MAXIMUM TEMPERATURE 10.8°C

This is 2.4°C higher than the long-term average

Highest Maximum 17.0 on 31st

Lowest Maximum 5.6 on 28th

MEAN MINIMUM TEMPERATURE 3.6°C

This is 1.0°C higher than the long-term average

Highest Minimum 7.5 on 15th

Lowest Minimum -1.5 on 29th

Number of days with airfrost : 3

TOTAL RAINFALL 25.1 mm (0.99")

This is approximately 64% of the average for this month

Wettest day 8.8 mm on 7th

Number of days rainfall 0.2mm or greater 9

Number of days rainfall 1.0mm or greater 5

Number of days rainfall 5.0mm or greater 2

Number of days snow or sleet falling 3

Number of days snow lying at 0900 0

Number of days hail falling 0

Number of days fog at 0900 0

Number of days thunder heard 0

Average Atmospheric Pressure at 09.00 1011.2mb

Average Cloud Cover (%) at 09.00 57.3%

Average wind speed (based on Beaufort estimates) 9.2 mph

*(Long-term averages derived using records for the former Berwick weather station with cross-reference to Dunbar weather station)*

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**NOTES**

- On the whole a relatively warm and dry month. With the wind mainly between SW and NW temperatures were at or above the long-term average on 28 days. There were two brief cold spells which were accompanied by snow flurries and frost, the 4th to 8th, and the 26th to 30th. Although the recorded temperature was above average, however, moderate to fresh breezes over the last two weeks meant that the weather had a raw feel.
- The main feature was the lack of rain. No rain was recorded on 22 days. Rain fell in two brief spells between the 2nd and 7th and 25th to 27th.
- Although the winds were moderate to fresh at times, the usual March storms were absent this year. Only the 28th was wild and wet, with a heavy sea running.

# SPITTAL WEATHER STATION

Summary of Daily Observations

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**MONTH** MARCH

**YEAR** 2009

Day	Maximum m °C	Minimum m °C	Rainfall 24hr mm	Cloud Oktas	Pressure mb 0900	Wind Direction 0900	Wind Force 0900 (Beaufort)
01	10.8	6.8	0	8	1004	SW	2
02	9.5	2.4	0.3	7	1008	W	3
03	8.6	2.0	3.2	8	999	SW	2
04	7.7	0.8	1.1	3	978	SW	2
05	6.6	-1.4	0	4	990	W	2
06	8.7	-0.8	Trace	1	1002	NW	1
07	10.0	4.3	8.8	7	1004	SW	3
08	8.3	2.5	0	1	990	SW	4
09	9.7	3.0	0	3	998	W	3
10	10.0	2.8	0	1	1004	NW	2
11	11.1	1.2	0	7	1019	NW	1
12	12.4	6.3	0	6	1013	W	4
13	12.7	5.8	0	4	1017	SW	3
14	12.0	7.4	0	5	1006	W	4
15	14.0	7.5	0.5	5	1027	SW	1
16	11.0	7.3	0	8	1030	SW	2
17	9.5	4.6	0	2	1041	NW	1
18	13.2	3.3	0	1	1036	N	1
19	9.0	4.6	0	7	1037	SE	3
20	10.9	0.3	0	1	1035	SW	1
21	13.7	3.3	0	0	1033	SW	2
22	13.5	5.1	0	8	1030	NW	4
23	10.1	6.0	0.3	4	1010	NW	5
24	9.9	3.7	0	7	1020	NW	3
25	13.2	5.1	3.2	1	998	NW	4
26	10.2	5.6	0.4	6	990	NW	4
27	10.8	3.2	7.3	4	984	W	5
28	5.6	3.5	0	8	1002	N	6
29	10.4	-1.5	0	2	1010	NW	1
30	14.5	0.7	0	7	1012	W	2
31	17.0	6.2	0	6	1020	N	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>334.6</b>	<b>111.6</b>	<b>25.1</b>	<b>57.3%</b>	<b>===</b>	<b>==</b>	<b>mph</b>
<b>Mean</b>	<b>10.8</b>	<b>3.6</b>	<b>==</b>	<b>4.6</b>	<b>1011.2</b>	<b>==</b>	<b>9.2</b>

Barometric pressure is from an aneroid barometer.