AUGUST 2026 CLIMATE SUMMARY

Warm and relatively dry without heat extremes

The mean 24-hour temperature was 16.7°C, 1.3°C above the August climatological average*, making August 2026 the 4th warmest August on record**. The mean minimum temperature was 13.7°C, making it the 3rd warmest August nights on record. Meanwhile, the mean maximum temperature was 19.6°C, the 8th warmest August days on record.

In contrast, the highest maximum temperature was just 23.6°C on the 12th, 4.3°C below the August record set in 2022. Therefore, unusually warm nights played a significant role in making August 2026 consistently warm despite a lack of extreme daytime temperatures.

There was 40.3mm of rain recorded at Ronaldsway, 59% of the August climatological average of 68.2mm. There were 15 rain days, close to the August climatological average of 14.7. Therefore, rain was typical in frequency, but generally light when it did occur.

There were 181.4 hours of sunshine, just 3% below the August climatological average. The sunniest day was the 22nd with 13.1 hours, while only 1.6 hours were recorded between the 16th and 18th.

The average wind speed was 9.0 knots, 0.9 knots below the August climatological average, with 1 day of strong wind and no gales. Fog only occurred on 1 day, compared with the August climatological average of 3.3 days. No thunder was reported at the airport.

**A climatological average is calculated over a 30-year period (1991-2020), the international standard in climate research and is updated every decade.*

*** Most Isle of Man meteorological records date from 1947, when observations began at Ronaldsway.*