

# Lousy weather takes hold in Puget Sound 🌧️

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SEATTLE - Some people are calling it June-uary.

Weather in Seattle is in a super air-conditioned mode for this time of year. So far this month, temperatures are running about 10 to 15 degrees below normal.

On Friday morning it snowed at Stevens Pass. Snow was in the forecast again Friday night for higher elevations in the Olympics and north Cascades

For weather forecasters including KING 5's Rich Marriott, it's frustrating.

"It's over when it's over, is what it's going to be. Looking out two weeks - which is as far as our computer models go - it stays cool and wet, but maybe the good news is it's not quite as cool and not quite as wet," he said.

Climatologist Nick Bond is with the Joint Institute for the Study of Atmosphere and Ocean. He described what happens when air is pushed up north and then down across cold water.

"And that is from the Bering Sea and the Gulf of Alaska, which helps explain how chilly it's been," Bond said.



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Even the water just off the Washington coast is colder than normal.

And then there's the La Nina effect, where colder ocean temperatures at the equator helped drive record-setting snowfall. It's not entirely gone.

Bond says the longer range climate outlook expects July and August to be just fine, but maybe slightly cooler than normal.

Scientists don't expect a repeat of a year like 1993, when even July was a lot colder and soggier than normal.