**Meteorological services highlights**

* The 12-month period from July 2018 until June 2019 was the warmest on record in Blenheim for the 87-year period 1932-2018.
* Quite remarkably, the previous 12-month period from July 2017 until June 2018 was the second warmest on record*.*
* January 2018 and 2019 both recorded mean temperatures of 20.7°C, the warmest mean temperature on record.
* 28 January 2019 recorded a maximum temperature of 35.0°C, the third hottest day on record for Blenheim (1930-2019).
* January and February 2019 recorded 15 days when the maximum temperature exceeded 30°C, compared with the average of only two days over 30°C.
* Total rainfall in January and February 2019 was 11.8mm, the fourth lowest on record and in contrast to January and February 2018 with 261.8mm.
* The 12-month period from July 2018 until June 2019 was the second sunniest on record.
* The first six months of 2019 were the sunniest on record for the 90 years, 1930 to 2019.
* The 2017-18 and 2018-19 growing seasons were both markedly warmer than any season since 1997/98.