August 2023 Sets Monthly Heat Records

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September has begun with more fiery heat across parts of the United States. On Sunday, the temperature soared to 97° in Duluth, setting a new monthly record. Houston recorded its 3rd 100° temperature this month, approaching its record of 5 days for September. The heat provides a reminder of the records that were set last month. Numerous cities with century or longer periods of record experienced their hottest month on record.

All-Time Monthly Records (U.S. Stations with 100+ Years of Records):

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Station	State	August 2023	Prior August Record	Prior Monthly Record	Period of Record (Years)
Abilene	TX	90.8	90.3	90.7	138
Baton Rouge	LA	90.1	86.3	87.8	130
Beaumont-Port Arthur	TX	89.2	87.7	87.7	113
Brownsville	TX	89.9	89.3	89.3	144
Canton 4n	MS	86.4	85.2	85.2	119
Columbia	MS	89.4	85.5	86.6	106
Corpus Christi	TX	88.8	88.3	88.3	137
Daytona Beach	FL	85.0	84.0	84.5	101
Del Rio	TX	92.9	91.6	92.0	118
Eugene	OR	72.5	72.5	72.0	110
Franklin 3 NW	LA	86.6	84.7	84.7	120
Grand Coteau	LA	87.6	85.5	85.6	115
Hattiesburg 5 SW	MS	87.6	85.4	85.9	123
Houston	TX	91.0	90.4	90.4	135
Jackson	MS	87.8	86.0	86.0	128
Lafayette	LA	90.3	87.1	87.1	130
Lake Charles	LA	89.2	86.9	86.9	109
Meridian	MS	85.3	84.9	85.1	134
Miami	FL	86.6	85.7	86.5	123
Mobile	AL	88.1	85.7	85.7	152
Orlando	FL	85.9	85.4	85.4	128
Pensacola	FL	88.3	85.7	85.7	143
San Antonio	TX	90.6	90.0	90.0	139
Tallahassee	FL	86.4	85.1	85.5	126
Tampa	FL	86.9	85.6	86.5	134
Victoria	TX	89.9	89.5	89.5	111