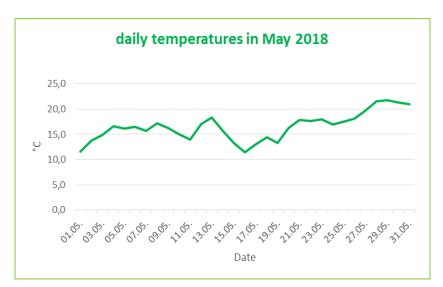
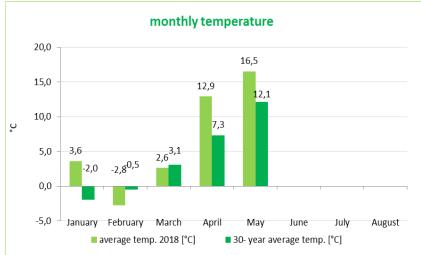
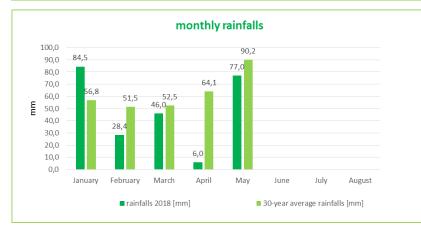
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Further Information:

After about 7 weeks of drought combined with exceptionally warm temperatures in April and early May, the hop populations are well ahead in their development. Rainfall of 40-100 l / m² now helped the hops to perfect growing conditions. However, this has the consequence that early ripening varieties already partially change to flower mode. Due to the long drought, increasingly deficiency symptoms of trace nutrients occur in the soil. Also due to the drought is the already partly massive infestation of the red spider mite. In addition, reports are increasing about the visible infestation of powdery mildew. On the 31st of May, a hailstorm in the northwestern part of the Hallertau caused severe damage in some hop fields.