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Subject: **Re: New gridded fields**
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 1 Attachment, 192 KB 

Hi Ed,

Welcome back!

I have put the files on our public access ftp site <ftp://ftp.ncdc.noaa.gov/pub/download/> which you can access via your browser. The files are instr00?gr.zip, where ? is a number from 1 to 8 and signifies the element code (there are six files):

001 = precipitation

002 = temperature

005 = PDSI

006 = PHDI

007 = Z Index

008 = PMDI

All four of the Palmer indices are there. In the past you used the PDSI, but I think we talked about using the PMDI (modified PDSI) for this project. Each file is 30-40 MB big, even compressed (zipped), so we're talking nearly 180 MB each unzipped. Each gridbox has data from 1895-2005. The files should stay out on the ftp site for 7 to 14 days before they are automatically deleted.

The attached file (na-gridded-metadata2.dat.changetozip) is the metadata file. You'll need to change the extension changetozip to zip and unzip the file. The second through fourth columns are relevant to your analysis: gridbox i.d. number, longitude, and latitude. I can discuss the other columns if you're interested.

That should do it. Give me a ring if you have questions.

Cheerio,

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Edward Cook said the following on 8/6/2007 10:03 AM:

Hi Richard,

I am back at the lab now. When you are ready, please put the tmp, ppt, and PDSI gridded fields on the ftp server for me to download.

Cheers,

Ed

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