

# Rode Weather Report for May 2025

The following is a summary of the key readings on my Davis Vantage Vue weather station located in the middle of our back garden in Rode. I have put the readings in a table and shown the equivalent readings since mid-2020 when I installed the system.

## May Readings

	2021	2022	2023	2024
Average Maximum	16°C	19°C	19°C	20°C
Average Minimum	6°C	9°C	7°C	9°C
Max Temp/dates	26°C 31	24°C 17	24°C 18	28°C 12
Min Temp/dates	-1°C 1,2	5°C 9,28	3°C 16	3°C 5
Total Rain	120.2mm	67.6mm	65.4mm	68.8mm
Max 24hr Rain	18.0mm 12-13	20.6mm 15-16	21.6mm 8-9	20.8mm 25-26
Days with Zero rain	8	13	19	14

	2025
Average Maximum	21°C
Average Minimum	7°C
Max Temp/dates	29°C 1
Min Temp/dates	1°C 6
Total Rain	29.0mm
Max 24hr Rain	17.0mm 20-21
Days with Zero rain	23

May started out with a continuation of the warm, sunny and dry conditions that have been a feature of this spring. Up to the 21<sup>st</sup> only 1.4mm of rain fell. But on the 21<sup>st</sup> 17mm fell in 24 hours! In 2022 Mike Cooper gave the average for Frome for the previous 21 years was 68mm. This figure almost exactly matches the figure for Rode for 2022, 2023 and 2024. The total for May this year of 23.2mm was less than half the Frome average and no rain was recorded on 23 days.

It was also relatively warm with an average maximum of 21°C, a bit warmer than the previous 4 years, and the maximum of 29°C recorded on the first of the month was warmer than the last 4 years.

The weather in Rode reflected the nationwide warm, dry spring. Reporting on the Spring months of March, April and May, the Met Office says:

*"Spring 2025 has broken historical climate records, marking an unprecedented season of warmth and sunshine across the UK, according to provisional Met Office statistics."*

Their full report is here:

<https://www.metoffice.gov.uk/about-us/news-and-media/media-centre/weather-and-climate-news/2025/double-record-breaker-spring-2025-is-warmest-and-sunniest-on-uk-record>

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