

Weather chart for 1200 GMT on 10 July 1968

Daily weather extremes

Highest Maximum Temperature:
21.5 °C at Milford Haven (Pembrokeshire)

Lowest Maximum Temperature:
11.5 °C at Cape Wrath (Sutherland)

Lowest Minimum Temperature:
4.4 °C at Kinlochewe (Ross and Cromarty)

Lowest Grass Minimum Temperature:
-1.2 °C at Benbecula Airport (Inverness-shire)

Most Rainfall:
143.5 mm at Chew Stoke Pumping Station (Somerset)

Most Sunshine:
16.1 hours at Benbecula Airport (Inverness-shire)

General summary

Apart from a few showers across the far north, much of northern Britain had a dry night with clear spells although the odd patch of sea fog affected eastern coastal areas. Southern England, the Midlands and South Wales had a cloudy night with heavy rain and thunderstorms across southern most counties.

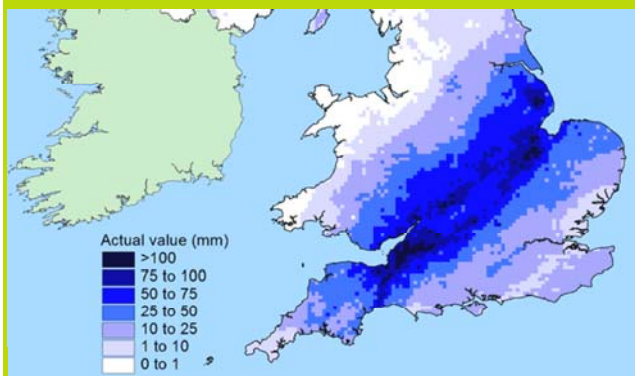
Persistent and heavy rain with thunderstorms continued across southern counties of England and Wales during the morning. For much of Scotland and Northern Ireland it was a dry morning and although cloudy for many, some breaks across western areas allowed some bright or sunny spells to develop here. Showers, however, continued across the far north.

Heavy rain and thunderstorms continued to track northwards across the rest of England and Wales during the afternoon and evening. Some of the rain across southern England was exceptionally heavy with flooding across many areas. Seven people were killed by the floods and hundreds of bridges were washed away. For much of Scotland and Northern Ireland it was a cloudy afternoon and although mainly dry, patchy rain continued across northern and some eastern districts.

Winds were generally light and from the east or northeast.

It was a cool day with values well below the normal for the time of year.

24-hour rainfall totals map



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	Rainfall	
	(mm)	(in.)
Chew Stoke Pumping Station (Somerset)	143.5	5.65
Stanground (Cambridgeshire)	143.3	5.64
Blagdon Pumping Station (Somerset)	142.2	5.60
Wedmore (Somerset)	141.2	5.56
Barrow Gurney Reservoir (Somerset)	140.7	5.54
Cheddar Secondary School (Somerset)	137.2	5.40
Charlcombe (Somerset)	134.6	5.30
Thorney, Nutsgrove Farm (Cambridgeshire)	134.1	5.28
Shipham (Somerset)	131.3	5.17

Daily weather statistics

	London	Edinburgh	Cardiff	Belfast
Maximum Temperature/°C:	17.2	13.9	18.3	15.4
Minimum Temperature/°C:	13.9	10.0	13.3	9.8
Rainfall Amount/mm:	20.1	8.6	54.9	0.8
Sunshine Amount/hours:	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1