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n.

1. The meteorological conditions, including temperature, precipitation, and wind, that characteristically prevail in a particular region.
2. A region of the earth having particular meteorological conditions: *lives in a cold climate*.
3. A prevailing condition or set of attitudes in human affairs: *a climate of unrest*.

[Middle English *climat*, from Old French, from Late Latin *clima*, *climat*-, from Greek *klima*, surface of the earth, region; see **klei-** [in the Appendix of Indo-European roots](#).]

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