

SUNSHINE GUIDE TO THE PYONGYANG METROPOLITAN AREA, NORTH KOREA

LOCATION: Pyongyang, the capital of North Korea, is located in the southwestern part of that country. The city is situated on the western bank of the Taedong River, not far above sea level.

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
HOURS OF DAYLIGHT	9:47	10:43	11:56	13:12	14:18	14:52	14:38	13:42	12:30	11:14	10:06	9:30
HOURS OF SUNSHINE	6:28	7:23	7:39	8:17	8:35	8:37	6:43	6:52	7:47	7:50	5:59	5:49
AREA OF BLUE SKY	57%	58%	51%	45%	44%	38%	29%	35%	45%	58%	49%	55%
LOW FOR MONTH	-4°	2°	14°	31°	42°	53°	62°	61°	46°	32°	16°	2°
SUNRISE TEMPERATURE	9°	15°	27°	40°	51°	61°	69°	69°	57°	44°	33°	16°
AFTERNOON TEMPERATURE	27°	34°	45°	61°	72°	80°	84°	85°	77°	65°	48°	33°
HIGH FOR MONTH	40°	48°	56°	73°	82°	88°	91°	91°	84°	75°	62°	48°
FROSTY MORNINGS	100%	99%	79%	15%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	6%	61%	96%
AFTERNOONS OVER 90°	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	2%	7%	10%	0%	0%	0%	0%
AFTERNOON HUMIDITY	56%	51%	47%	44%	47%	52%	67%	66%	56%	50%	55%	57%
DRY DAYS	81%	84%	81%	77%	75%	69%	52%	57%	72%	77%	72%	79%
REASONABLY DRY DAYS	94%	95%	91%	87%	86%	81%	56%	64%	80%	87%	86%	92%
5-DAY PRECIPITATION	0.09	0.08	0.19	0.35	0.40	0.58	1.70	1.52	0.74	0.28	0.25	0.13
LIKELY SNOWFALL	8.0"	5.4"	6.9"	0.0"	0.0"	0.0"	0.0"	0.0"	0.0"	0.0"	3.2"	9.9"
SNOWY DAYS	19%	16%	15%	3%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	9%	21%
THUNDER DAYS	0%	0%	0%	3%	5%	8%	9%	9%	6%	5%	3%	0%
FOGGY DAYS	14%	9%	11%	10%	9%	9%	9%	17%	12%	16%	14%	12%

COMMENTS: The year is divided into four seasons, based on the solar cycle, the vegetative cycle, and temperature. Spring starts in early April and runs through the end of May. Summer extends from June through August. Autumn runs from September through early November. Winter lasts from the middle of November through the end of March. In general, the area has a short hot summer, and a long cold winter. Winter has the most clear days, and summer the fewest. The afternoons are a bit sunnier than the mornings throughout the year. Morning humidities are high during the cooler months, and approach saturation during the warm ones. Heavy morning dews in the summer and hoarfrosts in the winter are common. A light morning mist, occasionally thickening to fog, is the rule on most days. Pyongyang's west coast location and latitude combine to make the danger from typhoons very slight.