

## SUNSHINE GUIDE TO THE SEOUL AND INCHON AREAS, SOUTH KOREA

LOCATION: Seoul, the capital of South Korea, is located in the northwestern corner of the country, not too far from the border with North Korea. The city is situated on the north bank of the Han River, not too far above sea level. Inchon, westward on the coast of the Yellow Sea, serves as Seoul's port.

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
HOURS OF DAYLIGHT	9:54	10:47	11:56	13:09	14:11	14:43	14:30	13:37	12:28	11:16	10:12	9:38
HOURS OF SUNSHINE	5:47	6:28	6:47	7:27	8:01	6:56	5:16	6:08	6:42	7:18	5:47	5:12
AREA OF BLUE SKY	52%	50%	45%	40%	40%	29%	18%	28%	38%	53%	49%	49%
LOW FOR MONTH	2°	5°	19°	32°	44°	55°	63°	63°	47°	33°	20°	7°
SUNRISE TEMPERATURE	16°	21°	30°	42°	53°	62°	71°	71°	60°	46°	34°	22°
AFTERNOON TEMPERATURE	32°	37°	48°	62°	72°	79°	84°	86°	78°	67°	52°	38°
HIGH FOR MONTH	46°	52°	62°	75°	84°	89°	92°	93°	85°	77°	65°	53°
FROSTY MORNINGS	95%	92%	60%	6%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	3%	41%	87%
AFTERNOONS OVER 90°	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	2%	12%	22%	0%	0%	0%	0%
AFTERNOON HUMIDITY	57%	55%	54%	52%	54%	60%	71%	67%	61%	55%	58%	59%
NEARBY WATERS	40°	39°	40°	45°	54°	62°	68°	75°	74°	66°	55°	45°
DRY DAYS	77%	81%	80%	73%	72%	68%	51%	60%	70%	78%	73%	74%
REASONABLY DRY DAYS	91%	92%	89%	83%	83%	75%	51%	63%	77%	88%	86%	90%
5-DAY PRECIPITATION	0.15	0.16	0.30	0.55	0.56	0.99	2.36	1.66	0.98	0.31	0.28	0.17
LIKELY SNOWFALL	8.4"	4.8"	2.7"	0.0"	0.0"	0.0"	0.0"	0.0"	0.0"	0.0"	1.0"	2.8"
SNOWY DAYS	18%	11%	5%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	3%	13%
THUNDER DAYS	0%	0%	0%	3%	3%	5%	9%	8%	5%	3%	1%	0%
FOGGY DAYS	28%	25%	18%	15%	13%	17%	25%	15%	17%	17%	32%	31%

COMMENTS: The year is divided into four seasons, based on the vegetative cycle, temperature, and precipitation. Spring is the season of vegetative regrowth, and usually starts in late March and runs through May. Summer is hot and rainy, and extends from June through September. Autumn is the harvest season, and runs from October through the middle of November. Winter is the season of cold and snow, and lasts from late November through the middle of March. During that season, the ground will be snow-covered for about thirty days, on and off. Weather systems alternate in three to five day periods throughout the year, bringing warmer and cooler, wetter and drier spells. Sea temperatures are for the waters off Inchon. June through September is the typhoon season, with July and August the peak months in Seoul. One of these storms will approach within one hundred nautical miles in two out of three years, but Seoul's location on the west coast of the peninsula gives it protection from the worst effects.