

SUNSHINE GUIDE TO TAMPERE AND THE FINNISH LAKE COUNTRY, FINLAND

LOCATION: Tampere, Finland's second-largest city, is located in the lake country of southern Finland. The city is situated between lakes Nasijarvi and Pyhajarvi (*jarvi* means "lake" in Finnish), and astride the Tammerkoski River that connects the two. Elevations are some 300 feet above sea level.

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
HOURS OF DAYLIGHT	6:24	8:54	11:44	14:42	17:32	19:20	18:32	15:56	13:02	10:07	7:19	5:34
HOURS OF SUNSHINE	1:03	2:37	5:08	6:22	7:46	8:57	8:16	7:12	4:32	1:58	0:57	0:38
AREA OF BLUE SKY	24%	30%	40%	44%	47%	50%	50%	42%	38%	26%	21%	18%
LOW FOR MONTH	-14 °	-12 °	-6 °	12 °	26 °	35 °	43 °	40 °	30 °	21 °	11 °	-2 °
SUNRISE TEMPERATURE	12 °	12 °	17 °	28 °	38 °	47 °	54 °	51 °	44 °	36 °	28 °	20 °
AFTERNOON TEMPERATURE	23 °	24 °	33 °	45 °	58 °	66 °	72 °	68 °	57 °	45 °	35 °	29 °
HIGH FOR MONTH	38 °	37 °	46 °	60 °	73 °	80 °	83 °	63 °	68 °	56 °	46 °	39 °
FROSTY MORNINGS	94%	93%	88%	68%	23%	2%	0%	1%	9%	25%	67%	88%
AFTERNOONS OVER 90 °	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
AFTERNOON HUMIDITY	86%	81%	69%	63%	54%	56%	59%	63%	69%	79%	87%	88%
DRY DAYS	44%	52%	62%	62%	66%	60%	55%	54%	51%	49%	41%	42%
REASONABLY DRY DAYS	84%	85%	86%	82%	83%	79%	77%	76%	75%	74%	73%	81%
5-DAY PRECIPITATION	0.25	0.23	0.19	0.21	0.27	0.39	0.45	0.48	0.40	0.38	0.33	0.28
LIKELY SNOWFALL	19.1"	15.6"	13.8"	6.2"	1.1"	0.0"	0.0"	0.0"	0.0"	3.5"	11.6"	17.5"
SNOWY DAYS	50%	42%	37%	18%	2%	0%	0%	0%	1%	8%	34%	48%
THUNDER DAYS	1%	0%	0%	1%	3%	9%	15%	9%	3%	1%	1%	1%
FOGGY DAYS	11%	9%	8%	5%	3%	2%	4%	7%	11%	9%	9%	8%

COMMENTS: Tampere has a four-season mid-latitude year, dominated by the winter season. Spring runs from the middle of April through early June. Summer extends from the middle of June through late August. Autumn is brief, and lasts from the end of August through early October. Winter holds sway over almost half of the year, from the middle of October through the middle of April. The presence of so much water nearby slows the onset of all of the seasons somewhat. The lakes, streams and ground are usually frozen and snow-covered from November through April. The lakes have a moderating effect on the local weather, slowing the onset of all of the seasons, making the days and summer cooler and the nights and the winter warmer than would otherwise be the case. They also have an effect on the local pockets of frost and fog. The residents of Tampere will be happy to point out these local peculiarities of climate.