

SUNSHINE GUIDE TO COUNTY MAYO, IRELAND

LOCATION: County Mayo is located on the northwestern coast of Ireland. Its Atlantic coastline runs from Killary Harbor on the south around to Killala Bay on the north. Inland, it extends as far as Ballyhaunis. The county seat is Castlebar. Elevations range from sea level to more than 2,600 feet above it at the summit of Mweelrea. Major lakes include Lough Conn and Lough Mask.

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
HOURS OF DAYLIGHT	8:05	9:46	11:50	13:59	15:55	17:00	16:32	14:51	12:47	10:38	8:40	7:34
HOURS OF SUNSHINE	1:49	2:35	3:22	5:01	6:30	5:37	4:17	4:42	3:33	2:40	1:58	1:17
AREA OF BLUE SKY	28%	28%	29%	34%	33%	27%	25%	29%	31%	29%	30%	28%
LOW FOR MONTH	25°	28°	30°	32°	36°	41°	45°	44°	41°	35°	31°	29°
SUNRISE TEMPERATURE	37°	38°	39°	41°	45°	50°	53°	52°	50°	46°	41°	39°
AFTERNOON TEMPERATURE	47°	47°	50°	53°	58°	62°	63°	64°	61°	56°	51°	48°
HIGH FOR MONTH	53°	53°	58°	61°	68°	71°	71°	71°	67°	63°	57°	54°
FROSTY MORNINGS	11%	13%	5%	3%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	4%	7%
AFTERNOONS OVER 90°	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
AFTERNOON HUMIDITY	83%	79%	76%	73%	72%	76%	79%	78%	78%	79%	82%	85%
NEARBY WATERS	50°	49°	49°	50°	52°	55°	58°	58°	57°	55°	52°	51°
DRY DAYS	24%	37%	30%	41%	47%	42%	36%	35%	32%	23%	26%	26%
REASONABLY DRY DAYS	61%	69%	66%	69%	72%	69%	67%	64%	61%	56%	58%	60%
5-DAY PRECIPITATION	0.93	0.71	0.60	0.51	0.48	0.58	0.67	0.79	0.81	0.91	0.97	1.02
LIKELY SNOWFALL	7.8"	6.8"	5.1"	1.3"	0.0"	0.0"	0.0"	0.0"	0.0"	0.0"	1.3"	5.1"
SNOWY DAYS	10%	11%	10%	2%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	2%	6%
THUNDER DAYS	2%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	0%	1%	0%	1%	1%
FOGGY DAYS	9%	14%	9%	13%	17%	11%	15%	10%	11%	12%	11%	14%

COMMENTS: County Mayo has a four-season year. Spring is the sunniest time of year. It features lengthening days and alternating spells of nice weather and nasty weather, with the nice spells growing more frequent. Summer is cloudy and mild, with long days. Hot days are almost unknown, and even warm days are rare. Autumn features shortening days and increasing spells of cold stormy weather. Winter brings short gloomy days, with frequent storms and persistent rains. It is nowhere near as cold as the same latitude farther east in mainland Europe. Snow flurries and snowfalls are common enough in the lowlands, and heavy snowfalls mantle the higher elevations throughout much of the winter. On one day in three or four during the winter, the sun will not be seen at all. When it does shine, it doesn't rise very far above the horizon.

