SUNSHINE GUIDE TO GRAZ AND THE REGION OF STYRIA, AUSTRIA

LOCATION: Graz, the capital of the state of Styria, is located in southeastern Austria. The city is situated on the Mur River, in an area of Alpine foothills. Elevations are about 1,200 feet above sea level.

| | JAN | FEB | MAR | APR | MAY | JUN | JUL | AUG | SEP | OCT | NOV | DEC |
|-----------------------|------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|------|
| HOURS OF DAYLIGHT | 8:59 | 10:16 | 11:53 | 13:35 | 15:03 | 15:51 | 15:31 | 14:15 | 12:38 | 10:56 | 9:26 | 8:36 |
| HOURS OF SUNSHINE | 2:17 | 3:40 | 4:45 | 5:45 | 6:45 | 7:33 | 8:07 | 7:32 | 6:03 | 4:17 | 2:26 | 1:57 |
| AREA OF BLUE SKY | 34% | 39% | 41% | 40% | 41% | 42% | 49% | 50% | 48% | 42% | 31% | 32% |
| LOW FOR MONTH | 10° | 11° | 19° | 30° | 37° | 45° | 49° | 47° | 40° | 31° | 23° | 14° |
| SUNRISE TEMPERATURE | 23° | 25° | 32° | 41° | 49° | 55° | 58° | 56° | 51° | 42° | 35° | 27° |
| AFTERNOON TEMPERATURE | 33° | 38° | 48° | 58° | 66° | 73° | 77° | 75° | 68° | 57° | 45° | 36° |
| HIGH FOR MONTH | 47° | 52° | 65° | 73° | 80° | 85° | 87° | 86° | 81° | 70° | 58° | 49° |
| FROSTY MORNINGS | 93% | 87% | 55% | 15% | 2% | 0% | 0% | 0% | 1% | 13% | 49% | 83% |
| AFTERNOONS OVER 90° | 0% | 0% | 0% | 0% | 0% | 0% | 2% | 1% | 0% | 0% | 0% | 0% |
| AFTERNOON HUMIDITY | 72% | 64% | 54% | 50% | 53% | 54% | 53% | 53% | 58% | 64% | 72% | 75% |
| DRY DAYS | 73% | 68% | 71% | 64% | 54% | 50% | 55% | 59% | 65% | 65% | 63% | 67% |
| REASONABLY DRY DAYS | 89% | 87% | 86% | 81% | 75% | 70% | 71% | 75% | 79% | 80% | 81% | 86% |
| 5-DAY PRECIPITATION | 0.19 | 0.22 | 0.26 | 0.39 | 0.53 | 0.77 | 0.80 | 0.71 | 0.57 | 0.47 | 0.35 | 0.25 |
| LIKELY SNOWFALL | 8.7" | 7.3" | 5.6" | 1.9" | 0.0" | 0.0" | 0.0" | 0.0" | 0.0" | 0.0" | 4.1" | 7.1" |
| SNOWY DAYS | 18% | 19% | 10% | 3% | 1% | 0% | 0% | 0% | 0% | 1% | 7% | 15% |
| THUNDER DAYS | 0% | 1% | 1% | 6% | 19% | 26% | 26% | 22% | 9% | 2% | 1% | 0% |
| FOGGY DAYS | 53% | 43% | 27% | 17% | 18% | 18% | 20% | 31% | 45% | 51% | 48% | 57% |

COMMENTS: The region has a mid-latitude, four-season climate. Summers are warm, rather than hot; and winters are cold with below-freezing nights and frequent snows. Winter rain is almost as likely as winter snow, so snow rarely remains on the ground in the city for more than a few days at a time. Spring and autumn are seasons of transition, where warm spells and cold spells succeed one another as frontal systems move across Europe. In most years, summer runs from late May through mid-September, autumn from late September through early November, winter from mid-November through March, and spring from April through the middle of May. Graz is a foggy city, with early morning mists a common sight even on mornings that don't have fog. Summer morning dews and winter morning hoarfrosts are the rule. Much of this is due to the temperature inversions that are common during the winter months. Temperatures in the valley bottoms are often significantly colder than those only a few hundred feet higher in elevation.

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