

SUNSHINE GUIDE TO THE ACAPULCO AREA, MEXICO

LOCATION: Acapulco is located on the Pacific coast of southwestern Mexico, less than 200 miles south of Mexico city. The resort areas surround beautiful Acapulco bay, one of the world's loveliest and most scenic harbors. Acapulco was the first of Mexico's great beach resorts, and can lay honest claims to being the best. There are more than twenty white sand beaches in the Acapulco area, most of them lined with resorts and resort hotels. Elevations in the areas most frequented by visitors are everywhere close to sea level.

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
HOURS OF DAYLIGHT	11:15	11:36	12:02	12:31	12:55	13:07	13:02	12:42	12:15	11:47	11:22	11:09
HOURS OF SUNSHINE	8:33	8:55	8:50	8:02	7:22	6:40	7:02	7:16	6:06	7:26	8:33	8:20
AREA OF BLUE SKY	73%	80%	81%	71%	58%	33%	32%	32%	25%	44%	69%	70%
LOW FOR MONTH	68°	68°	68°	69°	71°	72°	72°	73°	73°	73°	71°	69°
SUNRISE TEMPERATURE	71°	71°	71°	72°	75°	77°	76°	76°	76°	76°	74°	72°
AFTERNOON TEMPERATURE	87°	88°	87°	88°	89°	90°	90°	90°	89°	90°	89°	88°
HIGH FOR MONTH	90°	91°	91°	91°	93°	94°	93°	93°	92°	92°	92°	92°
FROSTY MORNINGS	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
AFTERNOONS OVER 90°	14%	12%	15%	25%	51%	66%	72%	73%	55%	72%	57%	29%
AFTERNOON HUMIDITY	58%	58%	59%	60%	61%	63%	64%	63%	64%	64%	61%	62%
NEARBY WATERS	82°	82°	82°	82°	84°	85°	85°	86°	85°	85°	84°	82°
DRY DAYS	97%	99%	99%	99%	91%	58%	56%	57%	46%	71%	94%	97%
REASONABLY DRY DAYS	99%	99%	99%	99%	95%	59%	63%	61%	50%	77%	94%	99%
5-DAY PRECIPITATION	0.05	0.01	0.01	0.02	0.19	1.98	1.37	1.76	2.37	1.01	0.28	0.07
SNOWY DAYS	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
THUNDER DAYS	0%	0%	0%	0%	2%	8%	9%	10%	8%	4%	1%	0%
FOGGY DAYS	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	3%	0%

COMMENTS: Bright sunshine occurs on 64% of the year's daylight hours. This ranges from a low of 50% in September, to a high of 77% in February. The expected low temperature for the year will be around 65° on some windless cool-season sunrise, and the high will be near 96° on some sunny hot-season afternoon. Sensible afternoon temperatures (the ones you actually feel) will be a few degrees warmer than actual ones. Acapulco has a tropical two-season year. The wet season runs from June through early October. The rest of the year is relatively dry. Visitors will appreciate the fact most of the annual rainfall comes at night. Just after midnight is the favorite time, and afternoon is the least likely. This rain comes in the form of a series of brief but intense showers with periods of dry (and often clear) weather in between. Even in September, the rainiest month, only 7% of the daylight hours will be rainy.