

SUNSHINE GUIDE TO THE TUSKEGEE INSTITUTE NATIONAL HISTORIC SITE, ALABAMA

LOCATION: The Tuskegee Institute National Historic Site is located on the campus of Tuskegee University, in the town of Tuskegee, some forty miles east of Montgomery, Alabama. It commemorates the work of essentially two men: Booker T. Washington and George Washington Carver, but serves also as a reminder of the contributions to American culture made by African-Americans. The NHS facilities are open from 09:00 to 17:00 every day, except for Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Year's Day. A few miles farther east, is Tuskegee National Forest and Chewacla State Park, to which this climatic description also applies. Elevations are in the vicinity of a few hundred feet above sea level.

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
HOURS OF DAYLIGHT	10:17	11:01	11:58	12:58	13:49	14:15	14:04	13:21	12:24	11:25	10:32	10:05
HOURS OF SUNSHINE	5:04	5:56	7:09	8:38	9:25	9:37	8:55	8:40	8:02	7:39	6:20	4:52
AREA OF BLUE SKY	39%	41%	44%	49%	49%	47%	42%	46%	51%	58%	51%	41%
LOW FOR MONTH	19°	18°	31°	41°	47°	57°	64°	62°	52°	39°	28°	22°
SUNRISE TEMPERATURE	39°	40°	46°	53°	61°	68°	70°	70°	66°	55°	44°	39°
AFTERNOON TEMPERATURE	61°	62°	69°	77°	84°	91°	91°	91°	88°	79°	68°	59°
HIGH FOR MONTH	72°	73°	80°	85°	93°	99°	99°	98°	97°	89°	78°	72°
FROSTY MORNINGS	40%	29%	10%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	14%	33%
AFTERNOONS OVER 90°	0%	0%	0%	1%	14%	51%	64%	62%	36%	4%	0%	0%
AFTERNOON HUMIDITY	57%	54%	50%	48%	51%	53%	57%	56%	55%	49%	52%	57%
DRY DAYS	69%	69%	71%	76%	75%	70%	64%	70%	77%	83%	78%	71%
REASONABLY DRY DAYS	78%	74%	75%	82%	84%	81%	75%	81%	85%	89%	84%	79%
5-DAY PRECIPITATION	0.69	0.88	0.92	0.72	0.54	0.60	0.79	0.61	0.53	0.34	0.54	0.79
DAYS WITH SOME SNOW	4%	3%	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	2%
DAYS WITH SOME THUNDER	4%	7%	13%	16%	20%	30%	36%	29%	13%	4%	4%	4%
DAYS WITH SOME FOG	10%	6%	3%	2%	2%	1%	2%	2%	3%	5%	6%	9%

COMMENTS: Bright sunshine is likely on 61% of the year's daylight hours. This might range from a low of 48% in December, to a high of 68% in May and October. The year's lowest temperature should be close to 16° on some chilly February sunrise, and the highest should be near 101° on some windless July afternoon. Sensible afternoon temperatures (the ones you feel) will be pretty close to actual ones most of the year. However, from late June through early September, the combination of afternoon heat and humidity will make the air seem to be up to 7° hotter than the thermometer shows. The area enjoys a typical mid-latitude four-season year. Summer afternoons are long, generally sunny, very hot, and quite humid. Afternoon and early evening thunderstorms occur about one day in three. Winter afternoons are short, moderately sunny, mild to cool, and humid. Snow flurries will occur on two or three days most winters, but snow on the ground is rare. Spring and autumn are seasons of transition, but are considered by residents to have the most enjoyable weather of the year.