

## SUNSHINE GUIDE TO KINGMAN AND THE HUALAPAI MOUNTAINS, ARIZONA

LOCATION: Kingman is located in the northwestern quarter of Arizona. The city is situated in the high desert topography that is quite similar to that across the border in Nevada. Isolated mountain ranges, generally running north-south, dot the landscape. Elevations in town are around 3,300 feet above sea level, but reach 8,417 feet at the summit of Hualapai Peak. Hualapai Mountain Park lies just under the summit, but most of the public land around Kingman is administered by the Bureau of Land Management.

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
HOURS OF DAYLIGHT	10:05	10:54	11:57	13:04	14:00	14:30	14:17	13:30	12:26	11:20	10:22	9:51
HOURS OF SUNSHINE	7:47	8:44	9:44	11:15	12:25	13:16	11:45	11:09	10:56	9:41	8:23	7:35
AREA OF BLUE SKY	52%	52%	52%	59%	64%	76%	65%	68%	74%	70%	60%	55%
LOW FOR MONTH	18°	21°	24°	32°	40°	46°	56°	54°	45°	35°	25°	19°
SUNRISE TEMPERATURE	31°	34°	37°	43°	50°	59°	68°	66°	58°	48°	38°	32°
AFTERNOON TEMPERATURE	55°	60°	65°	73°	82°	92°	98°	95°	90°	79°	66°	57°
HIGH FOR MONTH	67°	71°	78°	85°	94°	101°	104°	103°	99°	89°	78°	67°
FROSTY MORNINGS	58%	47%	28%	7%	1%	0%	0%	0%	1%	2%	21%	56%
AFTERNOONS OVER 90°	0%	0%	1%	2%	18%	67%	92%	85%	59%	9%	1%	0%
AFTERNOON HUMIDITY	38%	33%	26%	18%	17%	13%	22%	27%	24%	28%	32%	40%
DRY DAYS	89%	84%	86%	89%	96%	96%	86%	82%	89%	92%	93%	88%
REASONABLY DRY DAYS	90%	91%	94%	95%	97%	98%	92%	90%	93%	96%	97%	92%
5-DAY PRECIPITATION	0.19	0.22	0.17	0.10	0.04	0.03	0.16	0.23	0.15	0.11	0.12	0.18
SNOWY DAYS	1%	0%	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%
THUNDER DAYS	0%	1%	2%	3%	5%	6%	25%	24%	11%	3%	1%	0%
FOGGY DAYS	2%	2%	2%	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	1%	2%

COMMENTS: Bright sunshine is likely on 83% of the year's daylight hours. This might range from a low of 77% in December and January, to a high of 92% in June. The year's lowest temperature should be close to 11°, and the highest should be near 108°. Sensible afternoon temperatures (the ones you actually feel) will be up to 7° cooler than actual ones. As you go up the mountains, daytime temperatures will drop about 3.3° for each additional 1,000' of elevation. Nostalgia buffs can follow the longest still-extant section of the historic Route 66—from Ash Fork to Kingman, and then on to Topock on the Colorado River. Don't expect to make good time, however. Sections of the route are quite poorly maintained. Kingman is a good base of operations for day trips to Hualapai Mountain Park, to the wilder shores of Lake Mohave, to the southern shores of Lake Mead, to the Hualapai Indian Reservation, and to the "ghost towns" of White Hills, Gold Road, and Oatman.