

## SUNSHINE GUIDE TO THE INDIANA HILL COUNTRY RESORT AREA, INDIANA

LOCATION: The Indiana hill country stretches from south of Bloomington all the way to the Ohio River. Much of the area is covered by Hoosier National Forest and by several state forests. Dotted throughout this essentially rural area are a number of small resorts. The largest and best-known of these is the French Lick Springs Resort, in French Lick. Elevations in these hills range from less than 400 feet above sea level near the Ohio River to some over 1,000 feet at the summit of some of the higher hills. It's not the Smokies, but it's quite pleasant.

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
HOURS OF DAYLIGHT	9:49	10:44	11:56	13:11	14:16	14:49	14:35	13:41	12:29	11:14	10:08	9:32
HOURS OF SUNSHINE	4:09	5:10	6:18	7:41	9:06	10:23	10:38	9:46	8:40	7:11	4:52	3:52
AREA OF BLUE SKY	32%	35%	35%	38%	41%	45%	50%	51%	52%	52%	39%	32%
LOW FOR MONTH	-4°	-4°	6°	28°	37°	47°	52°	51°	42°	28°	13°	3°
SUNRISE TEMPERATURE	19°	22°	30°	41°	50°	59°	63°	61°	53°	41°	31°	23°
AFTERNOON TEMPERATURE	40°	44°	53°	67°	76°	84°	87°	87°	81°	70°	55°	44°
HIGH FOR MONTH	57°	59°	68°	78°	87°	93°	97°	94°	93°	83°	69°	58°
FROSTY MORNINGS	85%	85%	65%	24%	3%	0%	0%	0%	0%	23%	61%	79%
AFTERNOONS OVER 90°	0%	0%	0%	0%	4%	24%	36%	34%	18%	1%	0%	0%
AFTERNOON HUMIDITY	66%	62%	57%	52%	52%	52%	54%	55%	53%	52%	61%	67%
DRY DAYS	66%	69%	66%	65%	63%	66%	73%	71%	73%	75%	73%	69%
REASONABLY DRY DAYS	78%	79%	73%	74%	74%	77%	77%	84%	84%	84%	79%	80%
5-DAY PRECIPITATION	0.60	0.56	0.74	0.69	0.71	0.72	0.70	0.55	0.49	0.41	0.61	0.55
LIKELY SNOWFALL	5.4"	3.7"	3.5"	0.1"	0.0"	0.0"	0.0"	0.0"	0.0"	0.0"	1.3"	2.7"
DAYS WITH SOME SNOW	20%	16%	10%	2%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	6%	14%
DAYS WITH SOME THUNDER	3%	4%	10%	15%	20%	25%	24%	19%	13%	7%	4%	2%
DAYS WITH SOME FOG	7%	6%	3%	1%	1%	1%	2%	3%	4%	4%	5%	7%

COMMENTS: Bright sunshine is likely on 59% of the year's daylight hours. This might range from a low of 41% in December, to a high of 73% in July. The year's lowest temperature should be close to -6°, and the highest should be near 99°. Sensible afternoon temperatures (the ones you actually feel) will be essentially the same as actual ones. The area has the standard, mid-latitude, four-season year of much of the Midwest. Summer are sunny, hot, and moderately humid. Winters are somewhat cloudy, chilly to cold, and damp. Snowfall is erratic, with winter rains being almost as common as winter snows. Snows rarely remain on the ground for more than a few days except in sheltered locations. Three winter afternoons out of four will warm to above freezing. Most residents favor late summer and autumn as their favorite time of year (August through October). This is when two days out of five will be clear and sunny.