

SUNSHINE GUIDE TO THE INTERNATIONAL FALLS AREA, MINNESOTA AND ONTARIO

LOCATION: International Falls is located on the Ontario border in northeastern Minnesota. Fort Frances, Ontario, lies just across the Rainy River. That river empties into Rainy Lake—most of which is situated in Ontario. Just east of the city is Voyageurs National Park—a paradise for boaters and fishermen. Elevations in the area are some 1,100 feet above sea level.

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
HOURS OF DAYLIGHT	8:48	10:09	11:52	13:40	15:14	16:04	15:43	14:22	12:39	10:53	9:17	8:23
HOURS OF SUNSHINE	3:16	4:42	5:32	6:49	7:36	8:03	8:22	7:47	5:16	3:39	2:22	2:38
AREA OF BLUE SKY	34%	39%	36%	38%	36%	35%	40%	41%	34%	30%	23%	31%
LOW FOR MONTH	-35°	-30°	-17°	8°	24°	34°	42°	38°	27°	18°	-7°	-27°
SUNRISE TEMPERATURE	-9°	-3°	9°	27°	39°	49°	54°	51°	43°	32°	17°	0°
AFTERNOON TEMPERATURE	13°	20°	32°	50°	64°	74°	79°	76°	65°	52°	33°	18°
HIGH FOR MONTH	34°	40°	51°	73°	84°	88°	91°	89°	83°	75°	53°	38°
FROSTY MORNINGS	100%	100%	95%	72%	23%	1%	0%	0%	14%	52%	94%	99%
AFTERNOONS OVER 90°	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	3%	6%	3%	0%	0%	0%	0%
AFTERNOON HUMIDITY	68%	62%	58%	50%	48%	54%	56%	58%	62%	61%	72%	72%
DRY DAYS	68%	72%	72%	72%	69%	60%	66%	65%	65%	72%	69%	68%
REASONABLY DRY DAYS	93%	93%	91%	87%	82%	76%	78%	81%	81%	86%	88%	92%
DRY HOURS	69%	76%	81%	87%	88%	90%	93%	92%	88%	87%	70%	67%
LIKELY SNOWFALL	12.2"	9.4"	9.2"	5.1"	0.9"	0.0"	0.0"	0.0"	0.1"	1.8"	10.8"	11.5"
DAYS WITH SOME SNOW	32%	28%	28%	15%	3%	0%	0%	0%	1%	7%	31%	32%
DAYS WITH SOME THUNDER	0%	0%	1%	3%	12%	23%	28%	22%	12%	3%	0%	0%
DAYS WITH SOME FOG	3%	4%	4%	3%	3%	3%	5%	7%	6%	4%	4%	5%

COMMENTS: Bright sunshine is likely on 43% of the year's daylight hours. This might range from a low of 25% in November, to a high of 54% in August. The year's lowest temperature should be close to -37°, and the highest should be near 93°. Sensible afternoon temperatures (the ones you actually feel) will be essentially the same as or a touch cooler than actual ones. Winter is the dominant season, with the lakes and streams freezing over sometime in November and remaining frozen until sometime in April. Below-zero temperatures are nightly occurrences from early December through early March, and temperatures may remain below zero for a week or more in midwinter. Spring is a very brief season, usually lasting little more than a month (May, more or less). Summers feature warm days and cool to chilly nights. Autumn is often prolonged well into late November, and is a generally pleasant season with some cold (or very cold) spells.