

SUNSHINE GUIDE TO THE ATLANTIC CITY AREA, NEW JERSEY

LOCATION: The resort community of Atlantic City is located on the Atlantic coast of southeastern New Jersey. The city is situated on what was once a low, marshy island but is now a firm part of the mainland. Elevations are everywhere close to sea level.

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
HOURS OF DAYLIGHT	9:45	10:42	11:56	13:13	14:20	14:54	14:40	13:44	12:30	11:13	10:05	9:28
HOURS OF SUNSHINE	4:56	5:55	6:48	7:37	8:32	9:20	9:28	8:58	7:52	6:59	5:34	4:40
AREA OF BLUE SKY	38%	41%	41%	40%	41%	43%	44%	45%	47%	50%	43%	39%
LOW FOR MONTH	10°	11°	19°	29°	41°	50°	58°	56°	43°	35°	24°	13°
SUNRISE TEMPERATURE	27°	28°	34°	43°	53°	62°	67°	67°	62°	51°	40°	31°
AFTERNOON TEMPERATURE	40°	41°	48°	57°	67°	76°	81°	80°	74°	65°	54°	44°
HIGH FOR MONTH	58°	58°	67°	78°	85°	92°	92°	92°	87°	80°	69°	61°
FROSTY MORNINGS	67%	64%	37%	6%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	18%	54%
AFTERNOONS OVER 90°	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	3%	4%	3%	0%	0%	0%	0%
AFTERNOON HUMIDITY	63%	62%	60%	58%	62%	63%	65%	65%	65%	61%	63%	63%
NEARBY WATERS	37°	35°	42°	48°	56°	63°	70°	73°	70°	61°	53°	44°
DRY DAYS	63%	65%	63%	64%	65%	68%	69%	69%	74%	72%	70%	68%
REASONABLY DRY DAYS	79%	80%	80%	79%	82%	83%	80%	81%	85%	85%	81%	81%
5-DAY PRECIPITATION	0.55	0.58	0.59	0.54	0.49	0.48	0.62	0.72	0.49	0.49	0.53	0.58
SNOWY DAYS	11%	11%	4%	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	6%
THUNDER DAYS	0%	0%	3%	7%	10%	16%	17%	14%	7%	3%	0%	0%
FOGGY DAYS	8%	9%	8%	9%	12%	9%	9%	7%	6%	8%	6%	6%

COMMENTS: Bright sunshine is likely on 59% of the year's daylight hours. This might range from a low of 49% in December, to a high of 65% in July and August. The year's lowest temperature should be close to 7°, and the highest should be near 94°. Sensible afternoon temperatures (the ones you actually feel) will be essentially the same as actual ones. The high season for the beaches runs from late May through early September, but the casinos do a thriving business all year around. Unless overwhelmed by passing storms, there is a regular daily alternation of land and sea breezes along the coastline, and for a short distance inland. During the day, the winds are off the sea. These sea breezes start before noon and will reach a peak in the late afternoon, when the temperature contrast between the land and the sea is greatest. Before midnight, the gentler land breezes start and blow from the land out to sea. They will reach their peak just about sunrise. This timing accounts for the common practice of sailing ships leaving port at dawn. This alternation of shore winds also keeps the coastal strip more moderate in temperatures than places only a few miles farther inland. Days and summers are not so hot, while nights and winters won't usually get as cold.