

SUNSHINE GUIDE TO THE ALBANY AREA, NEW YORK

LOCATION: Albany, the capital of the state of New York, is located close to the eastern margin of that state. The city is situated on the banks of the Hudson River, at an elevation of just under 100 feet above sea level.

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
HOURS OF DAYLIGHT	9:27	10:32	11:55	13:22	14:36	15:16	14:59	13:56	12:33	11:06	9:49	9:08
HOURS OF SUNSHINE	4:08	5:26	6:20	7:11	8:17	9:16	9:22	8:25	7:13	5:50	3:38	3:25
AREA OF BLUE SKY	33%	36%	37%	37%	39%	41%	42%	42%	45%	42%	31%	30%
LOW FOR MONTH	-8°	-7°	6°	23°	34°	43°	50°	47°	37°	27°	16°	-2°
SUNRISE TEMPERATURE	15°	15°	25°	37°	48°	57°	62°	60°	53°	42°	32°	20°
AFTERNOON TEMPERATURE	31°	32°	42°	56°	69°	78°	83°	80°	73°	61°	47°	35°
HIGH FOR MONTH	50°	50°	67°	79°	86°	91°	94°	91°	87°	78°	66°	54°
FROSTY MORNINGS	92%	93%	77%	29%	3%	0%	0%	0%	2%	15%	53%	87%
AFTERNOONS OVER 90°	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	5%	14%	7%	3%	1%	0%	0%
AFTERNOON HUMIDITY	66%	62%	56%	51%	51%	54%	53%	55%	58%	57%	63%	67%
DRY DAYS	59%	61%	61%	59%	59%	62%	64%	66%	67%	70%	62%	63%
REASONABLY DRY DAYS	83%	82%	82%	79%	76%	78%	80%	79%	81%	83%	78%	81%
5-DAY PRECIPITATION	0.39	0.42	0.44	0.46	0.52	0.61	0.58	0.57	0.54	0.48	0.48	0.42
LIKELY SNOWFALL	14.0"	13.8"	10.1"	2.4"	0.1"	0.0"	0.0"	0.0"	0.0"	0.1"	3.8"	12.5"
SNOWY DAYS	38%	39%	27%	9%	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%	2%	16%	34%
THUNDER DAYS	0%	1%	1%	4%	10%	17%	20%	16%	7%	3%	1%	0%
FOGGY DAYS	3%	3%	4%	2%	2%	3%	4%	6%	11%	13%	6%	4%

COMMENTS: Bright sunshine is likely on 53% of the year's daylight hours. This might range from a low of 37% in November and December, to a high of 63% in July. The year's lowest temperature should be close to -13°, and the highest should be near 96°. Sensible afternoon temperatures (the ones you actually feel) will be essentially the same as actual ones. The area has a mid-latitude four-season year. Precipitation is frontal in nature, and is fairly evenly distributed throughout the year. Summer thunderstorms lead to a slight maximum during that season. Snowfalls and flurries are common from November through early April, but the ground is not usually snow-covered all winter--although this may be the case for weeks at a time. Afternoon humidities will be moderate, with morning dews common during the warmer months and morning hoarfrosts common during the winter. Light mists are common over the river, especially in the late summer and early fall. During the winter months, one afternoon in two or three will fail to warm above the freezing point, and about a dozen winter nights will drop below zero.