

SUNSHINE GUIDE TO THE SARATOGA SPRINGS RESORT AREA, NEW YORK

LOCATION: Saratoga Springs is located in the central part of eastern New York. The resort community is on the site of a relatively cool (47°) mineral spring first developed in 1774. The town is some ten miles west of the Hudson River, and about the same distance south of the Adirondack Mountains. The countryside is moderately hilly, with the town sitting at an elevation of some 315 feet above sea level.

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
HOURS OF DAYLIGHT	9:24	10:30	11:54	13:23	14:39	15:19	15:02	13:58	12:33	11:05	9:47	9:05
HOURS OF SUNSHINE	4:03	5:20	6:17	7:06	8:13	9:12	9:27	8:25	7:08	5:42	3:30	3:19
AREA OF BLUE SKY	31%	34%	36%	36%	37%	39%	41%	41%	43%	39%	28%	28%
LOW FOR MONTH	-13°	-9°	4°	18°	32°	43°	45°	45°	36°	27°	11°	-6°
SUNRISE TEMPERATURE	9°	10°	22°	34°	45°	54°	59°	56°	49°	39°	29°	16°
AFTERNOON TEMPERATURE	29°	30°	41°	56°	69°	77°	82°	79°	71°	60°	45°	33°
HIGH FOR MONTH	44°	46°	62°	74°	83°	88°	91°	90°	84°	73°	62°	49°
FROSTY MORNINGS	96%	96%	85%	43%	8%	0%	0%	0%	3%	29%	64%	92%
AFTERNOONS OVER 90°	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	4%	11%	7%	1%	0%	0%	0%
AFTERNOON HUMIDITY	55%	52%	45%	41%	45%	47%	47%	50%	52%	54%	56%	57%
DRY DAYS	66%	66%	66%	68%	63%	63%	67%	67%	72%	73%	68%	69%
REASONABLY DRY DAYS	81%	82%	80%	80%	80%	79%	80%	80%	81%	84%	80%	81%
5-DAY PRECIPITATION	0.45	0.48	0.52	0.50	0.50	0.57	0.56	0.55	0.55	0.49	0.51	0.49
LIKELY SNOWFALL	17.1"	17.7"	11.5"	2.4"	0.0"	0.0"	0.0"	0.0"	0.0"	0.1"	3.7"	14.4"
SNOWY DAYS	34%	34%	28%	9%	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%	2%	16%	31%
THUNDER DAYS	0%	0%	1%	4%	10%	17%	20%	16%	7%	3%	1%	0%
FOGGY DAYS	3%	3%	4%	2%	3%	3%	4%	6%	11%	12%	6%	4%

COMMENTS: Bright sunshine is likely on 52% of the year's daylight hours. This might range from a low of 36% in November and December, to a high of 63% in July. The year's lowest temperature should be close to -15°, and the highest should be near 93°. Sensible afternoon temperatures (the ones you actually feel) will be essentially the same as actual ones. The region has the standard mid-latitude four-season year. Summer afternoons are long, sunny, moderately humid, and warm to hot. One or more very hot days are likely in July and August. About half of the summer rain comes as thundershowers. Winter afternoons are short, damp, and quite cold. Winter skies are cloudy in November and December, moderately sunny in January through March. More than half the winter days never get above the freezing point. Snow is the dominant winter precipitation, and generally covers the ground from late November through late March. There are, however, frequent periods of thaw when the ground will be bare for a time.