

SUNSHINE GUIDE TO THE NEWPORT RESORT AREA, RHODE ISLAND

LOCATION: Newport is located in southeastern Rhode Island. The city is situated on a peninsula off of Aquidneck island, with Narragansett Bay to the north and west and Rhode Island Sound to the south and east. Elevations are all within a few tens of feet of sea level.

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
HOURS OF DAYLIGHT	9:33	10:35	11:55	13:18	14:30	15:08	14:52	13:51	12:32	11:09	9:55	9:15
HOURS OF SUNSHINE	4:41	5:55	6:19	7:33	8:30	9:13	9:16	8:35	7:33	6:39	4:59	4:23
AREA OF BLUE SKY	39%	43%	42%	40%	40%	42%	42%	44%	47%	50%	41%	41%
LOW FOR MONTH	5°	7°	16°	27°	36°	46°	53°	52°	43°	33°	24°	9°
SUNRISE TEMPERATURE	23°	24°	30°	38°	47°	57°	63°	63°	57°	47°	38°	28°
AFTERNOON TEMPERATURE	38°	39°	46°	55°	64°	73°	79°	78°	72°	63°	53°	42°
HIGH FOR MONTH	53°	52°	60°	72°	79°	86°	89°	88°	84°	74°	66°	58°
FROSTY MORNINGS	81%	82%	61%	17%	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%	3%	23%	71%
AFTERNOONS OVER 90°	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	2%	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%
AFTERNOON HUMIDITY	65%	63%	62%	61%	64%	67%	67%	66%	66%	63%	65%	65%
NEARBY WATERS	37°	36°	37°	46°	55°	62°	69°	70°	67°	60°	52°	44°
DRY DAYS	68%	68%	65%	65%	65%	68%	72%	72%	73%	73%	65%	64%
REASONABLY DRY DAYS	78%	79%	79%	80%	78%	81%	83%	84%	83%	82%	77%	77%
5-DAY PRECIPITATION	0.62	0.66	0.71	0.71	0.58	0.51	0.47	0.53	0.62	0.53	0.76	0.71
LIKELY SNOWFALL	7.2"	6.6"	2.5"	0.2"	0.0"	0.0"	0.0"	0.0"	0.0"	0.0"	0.5"	3.4"
DAYS WITH SOME SNOW	8%	8%	4%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	4%
DAYS WITH SOME THUNDER	1%	2%	3%	7%	9%	13%	21%	20%	11%	7%	3%	1%
DAYS WITH SOME FOG	8%	10%	10%	11%	17%	18%	17%	12%	10%	8%	7%	7%

COMMENTS: Bright sunshine is likely on 57% of the year's daylight hours. This might range from a low of 47% in December, to a high of 62% in July and August. The year's lowest temperature should be close to 2°, and the highest should be near 91°. Sensible afternoon temperatures (the ones you actually feel) will be up to 3° warmer than actual ones during July and August, and pretty much the same as actual ones the rest of the year. A third of the year's days will be clear and sunny, with October getting two such days out of five. The Newport area shares New England's most characteristic climatic element—changeability. Abrupt and dramatic changes in weather from one hour to the next, one day to the next, and one year to the next are all standard. Many people feel that this is part of the charm of the area. They speak of it as “invigorating”. Canny residents usually prepare for a variety of weather conditions before leaving the house.