

SUNSHINE GUIDE TO BODO AND THE KYSTRIKSVEIEN, NORWAY

LOCATION: The Kystriksveien is the spectacularly scenic Coastal Route that runs from Steinkjer to Narvik. Bodo is the major town on this route, and the principal city of the Nordland region. It is also the northern terminus of the Nordlandsbanen railway. The town is situated on a peninsula, facing the Norwegian Sea and the Lofoten Islands. Elevations are close to sea level.

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
HOURS OF DAYLIGHT	3:50	7:51	11:39	15:33	20:04	24:00	22:23	17:18	13:20	9:30	5:30	1:48
HOURS OF SUNSHINE	0:16	1:33	3:44	5:19	6:44	7:11	5:40	5:30	3:17	1:46	0:34	0:00
AREA OF BLUE SKY	27%	28%	32%	33%	33%	32%	29%	31%	28%	28%	27%	29%
LOW FOR MONTH	12 °	11 °	13 °	20 °	30 °	36 °	42 °	41 °	35 °	25 °	18 °	14 °
SUNRISE TEMPERATURE	25 °	24 °	26 °	31 °	38 °	44 °	50 °	49 °	43 °	36 °	30 °	26 °
AFTERNOON TEMPERATURE	33 °	33 °	35 °	42 °	49 °	55 °	60 °	59 °	53 °	44 °	37 °	33 °
HIGH FOR MONTH	43 °	41 °	44 °	51 °	61 °	70 °	75 °	70 °	62 °	53 °	47 °	44 °
FROSTY MORNINGS	82%	81%	72%	52%	9%	1%	0%	1%	3%	22%	58%	73%
AFTERNOONS OVER 90 °	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
AFTERNOON HUMIDITY	74%	74%	71%	68%	67%	71%	73%	74%	73%	74%	75%	74%
NEARBY WATERS	43 °	42 °	42 °	42 °	43 °	47 °	51 °	53 °	50 °	47 °	45 °	43 °
DRY DAYS	43%	42%	47%	46%	49%	45%	48%	42%	34%	32%	43%	41%
REASONABLY DRY DAYS	71%	73%	74%	73%	75%	73%	74%	70%	61%	60%	66%	69%
5-DAY PRECIPITATION	0.60	0.54	0.44	0.40	0.32	0.42	0.46	0.57	0.84	0.85	0.71	0.60
LIKELY SNOWFALL	29.0"	25.3"	18.3"	11.4"	4.1"	0.6"	0.0"	0.0"	2.0"	12.0"	25.1"	22.2"
SNOWY DAYS	45%	49%	35%	26%	10%	1%	0%	0%	3%	16%	34%	35%
THUNDER DAYS	4%	3%	1%	1%	0%	1%	3%	1%	0%	1%	2%	4%
FOGGY DAYS	4%	2%	2%	2%	3%	5%	5%	4%	1%	1%	1%	1%

COMMENTS: The region has a coastal variant of Europe's four-season year. Precipitation is abundant in all months, and peaks in autumn and early winter. Summer afternoons are cloudy, humid, and cool to mild. The combination of full daylight and twilight is continuous from early May through late August. Conversely, the sun never appears above the horizon during a spell in late December and early January--although a few hours of twilight keep noontime from being completely dark. Winter days are characteristically short, gloomy, raw, and cold. Half the days never make it above freezing. Winter snowfalls dominate the precipitation pattern, but rainy days make their appearance as well. Nevertheless, the ground is usually snow-covered from November through April. The waters off Bodo never completely freeze over during the winter months.