

## SUNSHINE GUIDE TO TROMSO AND THE TROMS AREA, NORWAY

LOCATION: Both Tromso and the Troms area of which it is the capital are located in Norway's Far North. Tromso is situated on the island of Tromsoya, and is connected to the mainland by a causeway. It is separated from the Barents Sea by the larger island of Kvaloy. Elevations are close to sea level.

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
HOURS OF DAYLIGHT	1:38	7:13	11:36	16:04	21:57	24:00	23:44	18:14	13:30	9:09	3:58	0:00
HOURS OF SUNSHINE	0:05	1:10	3:31	5:28	6:40	7:13	6:47	5:28	3:07	1:36	0:12	0:00
AREA OF BLUE SKY	34%	34%	35%	34%	29%	30%	34%	30%	24%	28%	31%	36%
LOW FOR MONTH	9°	8°	11°	16°	25°	34°	40°	37°	31°	21°	15°	11°
SUNRISE TEMPERATURE	22°	21°	22°	27°	35°	42°	48°	46°	40°	33°	27°	23°
AFTERNOON TEMPERATURE	30°	29°	32°	37°	45°	53°	59°	57°	49°	40°	34°	31°
HIGH FOR MONTH	40°	39°	41°	45°	57°	67°	73°	68°	59°	50°	44°	41°
FROSTY MORNINGS	89%	91%	90%	71%	28%	1%	0%	1%	10%	50%	77%	89%
AFTERNOONS OVER 90°	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
AFTERNOON HUMIDITY	77%	75%	70%	67%	65%	65%	69%	71%	73%	76%	79%	77%
NEARBY WATERS	42°	42°	42°	41°	42°	45°	49°	51°	50°	47°	45°	42°
DRY DAYS	42%	40%	45%	43%	45%	44%	52%	43%	33%	33%	39%	38%
REASONABLY DRY DAYS	70%	70%	73%	71%	73%	74%	77%	71%	63%	61%	66%	68%
5-DAY PRECIPITATION	0.67	0.66	0.56	0.42	0.35	0.36	0.39	0.49	0.75	0.77	0.66	0.66
LIKELY SNOWFALL	28.4"	29.2"	20.8"	13.0"	6.4"	1.3"	0.0"	0.0"	2.9"	15.6"	24.6"	23.5"
SNOWY DAYS	40%	47%	33%	29%	16%	3%	0%	0%	4%	22%	38%	36%
THUNDER DAYS	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	1%	1%	0%	0%	0%	1%
FOGGY DAYS	1%	1%	0%	0%	2%	2%	5%	6%	4%	1%	1%	1%

COMMENTS: In the Barents Sea off of Tromso flows the North Cape Current, a remnant of the Norwegian Current, a remnant of the North Atlantic Drift, which is a remnant of the Gulf Stream. Despite its diminution, this current gives the Troms area a much milder climate than its 70° latitude in the Arctic would otherwise suggest. Summer afternoons are cool, occasionally mild, rarely warm. The skies are light with either daylight or twilight continuously from late April through the middle of August. Winter afternoons are cold, with only one out of three warming to above freezing. Although there is some twilight at noon, the sun's disc remains below the horizon from late November through the middle of January. The ground is usually frozen and snow-covered from late September through early June. Snow flurries can occur in any month, but July and August are usually spared. Inland and at higher elevations, conditions are much colder, and colder for longer.