

SUNSHINE GUIDE TO PERTH AND THE FIRTH OF TAY, SCOTLAND

LOCATION: Perth is located in the Tayside of southeastern Scotland. The city is situated at the mouth of the River Tay where it empties into its estuary, the Firth of Tay. This, in turn, leads to the North Sea. Elevations are close to sea level. A few miles up the River Earn is the town of Auchterader, known for its internationally famous hotel, the Gleneagles, and its championship golf course. The surrounding countryside is quite attractive.

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
HOURS OF DAYLIGHT	7:36	9:30	11:48	14:12	16:22	17:37	17:05	15:10	12:51	10:29	8:17	7:01
HOURS OF SUNSHINE	1:18	2:39	3:12	5:05	5:46	6:11	5:17	4:24	4:00	2:44	1:39	0:59
AREA OF BLUE SKY	29%	28%	30%	31%	31%	31%	30%	29%	32%	30%	31%	28%
LOW FOR MONTH	17°	20°	23°	27°	30°	37°	42°	39°	34°	28°	23°	19°
SUNRISE TEMPERATURE	31°	32°	35°	38°	42°	48°	51°	50°	46°	41°	35°	33°
AFTERNOON TEMPERATURE	43°	44°	48°	53°	59°	65°	68°	66°	62°	55°	48°	44°
HIGH FOR MONTH	53°	54°	59°	64°	71°	78°	78°	77°	71°	65°	57°	54°
FROSTY MORNINGS	39%	37%	27%	14%	3%	0%	0%	0%	0%	5%	21%	31%
AFTERNOONS OVER 90°	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
AFTERNOON HUMIDITY	80%	74%	69%	66%	68%	66%	66%	67%	68%	74%	78%	82%
NEARBY WATERS	44°	43°	43°	44°	47°	51°	54°	55°	54°	52°	49°	48°
DRY DAYS	45%	48%	53%	57%	56%	55%	48%	52%	50%	45%	43%	42%
REASONABLY DRY DAYS	76%	78%	78%	79%	78%	78%	74%	75%	74%	71%	72%	74%
5-DAY PRECIPITATION	0.45	0.39	0.34	0.29	0.36	0.34	0.50	0.49	0.42	0.50	0.47	0.49
LIKELY SNOWFALL	8.1"	6.4"	4.3"	1.5"	0.0"	0.0"	0.0"	0.0"	0.0"	0.0"	1.6"	4.6"
SNOWY DAYS	20%	20%	15%	7%	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	5%	11%
THUNDER DAYS	0%	0%	0%	0%	3%	3%	2%	2%	1%	1%	1%	0%
FOGGY DAYS	13%	14%	10%	16%	21%	16%	19%	17%	12%	18%	13%	15%

COMMENTS: The region has the standard four-season year of northern Europe. Summer afternoons are long, cloudy, humid, and mild. Warm days are fairly common, but hot ones do not occur in most years. Summer nights are short, damp, and cool to chilly. Morning dews and mists are common. Winter afternoons are short, overcast, very humid, and chilly to cold. Two winter mornings out of five will start out below freezing, but only a handful of winter afternoons will fail to rise above that point. Snowfalls and flurries are common during the cooler months, but winter rains are three times as common. Mixtures of snow, rain, and sleet are routine. Snow rarely remains on the ground for long, especially in town. Fogs are common in the morning hours, but strong winds are more likely to blow them away than the sun is to burn them off. About half the days get precipitation, regardless of season.