

SUNSHINE GUIDE TO TRABZON AND THE BLACK SEA COAST, TURKEY

LOCATION: Trabzon (the ancient Trapezus) is located at the eastern end of Turkey's Black Sea coast. This part of the coast is well-watered and not quite sub-tropical. Elevations within the city range from sea level to several hundred feet above it on the plateau ("trapezus") that supports the old city. This part of the coast grows tobacco, watermelons, tea, cherries, hazelnuts, and other similar crops. Back of the narrow coastal strip, however, the climate becomes much more severe.

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
HOURS OF DAYLIGHT	9:36	10:37	11:55	13:17	14:28	15:05	14:49	13:49	12:31	11:10	9:57	9:18
HOURS OF SUNSHINE	3:13	3:41	3:47	4:16	5:53	7:42	7:12	7:08	5:13	5:37	3:54	3:18
AREA OF BLUE SKY	38%	36%	36%	37%	42%	54%	51%	52%	53%	50%	43%	39%
LOW FOR MONTH	30 °	30 °	31 °	38 °	46 °	55 °	62 °	62 °	55 °	48 °	41 °	34 °
SUNRISE TEMPERATURE	41 °	40 °	41 °	47 °	55 °	62 °	68 °	68 °	63 °	57 °	51 °	44 °
AFTERNOON TEMPERATURE	51 °	51 °	53 °	58 °	66 °	73 °	78 °	79 °	74 °	68 °	62 °	55 °
HIGH FOR MONTH	65 °	68 °	73 °	81 °	84 °	83 °	84 °	85 °	82 °	81 °	77 °	69 °
FROSTY MORNINGS	8%	5%	5%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	3%
AFTERNOONS OVER 90 °	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
AFTERNOON HUMIDITY	66%	68%	72%	75%	76%	73%	70%	70%	71%	71%	68%	66%
NEARBY WATERS	50 °	46 °	46 °	50 °	58 °	68 °	75 °	76 °	72 °	66 °	60 °	54 °
DRY DAYS	61%	60%	59%	53%	57%	69%	77%	75%	70%	60%	59%	63%
REASONABLY DRY DAYS	76%	75%	79%	79%	82%	84%	90%	89%	85%	74%	74%	81%
5-DAY PRECIPITATION	0.58	0.48	0.37	0.35	0.37	0.30	0.21	0.28	0.50	0.70	0.64	0.48
LIKELY SNOWFALL	11.1"	10.5"	2.2"	0.0"	0.0"	0.0"	0.0"	0.0"	0.0"	0.0"	0.0"	2.5"
DAYS WITH SOME SNOW	8%	11%	3%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	2%
DAYS WITH SOME THUNDER	1%	0%	0%	2%	8%	11%	6%	7%	9%	5%	1%	0%
DAYS WITH SOME FOG	1%	2%	8%	10%	7%	1%	1%	1%	0%	0%	1%	1%

COMMENTS: Bright sunshine is likely on 41% of the daylight hours of the year. This might range from a low of 32% in March and April, to a high of 52% in August. The lowest temperature of the year should be close to 27 on some calm and clear winter sunrise, and the highest should be near 91 on some sunny and windless summer afternoon. Sensible temperatures (the ones you actually feel) will be two to three degrees cooler than actual ones, due to the winds off the Black Sea. Summer afternoons are generally warm, sometimes hot. Winter afternoons are generally cool, sometimes cold. Snow flurries occur throughout the cold season, but snow on the ground past noon of the next day is rare. The mountains behind the city, however, may be snow-covered most of the winter.