

SUNSHINE GUIDE TO THE JACKSONVILLE AREA, FLORIDA

LOCATION: The city of Jacksonville is located on Florida's northeast coast, near the mouth of the St. Johns River. Jacksonville covers a very large geographic area, some 840 square miles, and extends inland almost 40 miles from the beach. The downtown area is situated inland about 17 miles inland, on the banks of the river. Elevations are everywhere close to sea level.

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
HOURS OF DAYLIGHT	10:26	11:06	11:59	12:54	13:40	14:05	13:55	13:15	12:23	11:28	10:40	10:14
HOURS OF SUNSHINE	5:59	6:46	8:06	9:14	9:41	9:01	8:46	8:24	7:18	6:47	6:26	5:33
AREA OF BLUE SKY	45%	46%	50%	53%	51%	44%	42%	43%	43%	49%	51%	45%
LOW FOR MONTH	29°	32°	37°	46°	56°	65°	69°	69°	63°	48°	37°	31°
SUNRISE TEMPERATURE	45°	47°	52°	58°	65°	71°	73°	73°	71°	62°	52°	46°
AFTERNOON TEMPERATURE	64°	67°	72°	78°	84°	88°	90°	89°	86°	78°	71°	65°
HIGH FOR MONTH	78°	80°	85°	88°	93°	96°	96°	96°	94°	88°	83°	79°
FROSTY MORNINGS	14%	10%	2%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	3%	10%
AFTERNOONS OVER 90°	0%	0%	0%	5%	25%	54%	73%	66%	36%	5%	0%	0%
AFTERNOON HUMIDITY	56%	53%	50%	48%	51%	59%	61%	62%	64%	59%	56%	58%
NEARBY WATERS	57°	56°	61°	70°	76°	81°	84°	83°	83°	75°	67°	60°
DRY DAYS	74%	72%	74%	79%	73%	59%	53%	53%	57%	73%	78%	77%
REASONABLY DRY DAYS	85%	82%	84%	86%	83%	73%	69%	72%	73%	85%	89%	86%
5-DAY PRECIPITATION	0.47	0.56	0.56	0.46	0.60	0.94	1.05	1.07	1.16	0.67	0.32	0.42
SNOWY DAYS	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
THUNDER DAYS	3%	6%	10%	13%	22%	40%	53%	46%	25%	6%	3%	3%
FOGGY DAYS	21%	14%	10%	10%	7%	4%	3%	4%	4%	10%	18%	17%

COMMENTS: Bright sunshine is probable on 63% of the year's daylight hours. This might range from a low of 54% in December, to a high of 72% in April. The year's lowest temperature should be close to 25°, and the highest might well be near 98°. Sensible afternoon temperatures (the ones you actually feel) will be essentially the same as actual ones from October through March, and up to 6° hotter during the summer months. Given the city's large area, there are significant local differences in micro-climates from one place to another. This is especially true between the inland areas (they get higher highs and lower lows) and the beach (much more moderate temperatures). The configuration of the coastline and the habits of tropical storms are such that the Jacksonville area can expect a hurricane within 50 miles about twice a century.