SUNSHINE GUIDE TO THE NASHVILLE AREA, TENNESSEE

LOCATION: Nashville, the state capital, is located in the central part of Tennessee. The city was originally situated on the west bank of a bend or the Cumberland River, near a long-used Indian crossing point. Today, it covers both banks of the river. Elevations are close to 500 feet above sea level.

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
HOURS OF DAYLIGHT	10:01	10:51	11:57	13:06	14:04	14:35	14:22	13:33	12:27	11:19	10:18	9:46
HOURS OF SUNSHINE	4:15	5:09	6:20	7:52	8:52	9:51	9:29	8:57	8:13	7:14	5:22	4:06
AREA OF BLUE SKY	3 4 %	36%	39%	43%	45%	48%	48%	51%	52%	56%	44%	35%
LOW FOR MONTH	10°	13°	22°	33°	44°	55°	61°	59°	47°	34°	22°	15°
SUNRISE TEMPERATURE	30°	32°	40 °	49°	58°	66°	70°	68°	62°	50°	40°	33°
AFTERNOON TEMPERATURE	47°	50°	59°	70°	78°	86°	89°	88°	82°	72°	58°	49°
HIGH FOR MONTH	68°	70°	78°	84°	90°	95°	96°	97°	93°	85°	76°	67°
FROSTY MORNINGS	58%	49%	24%	4%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	3%	27%	50%
AFTERNOONS OVER 90°	0%	0 %	0 %	0 %	3%	30%	47%	39%	20%	0 %	0%	0 %
AFTERNOON HUMIDITY	65%	61%	55%	51%	54%	53%	55%	56%	54%	52%	58%	64%
DRY DAYS	63%	61%	62%	64%	67%	68%	68%	71%	73%	77%	69%	65%
REASONABLY DRY DAYS	76%	75%	73%	76%	78%	80%	77%	83%	8 4 %	85%	79%	79%
5-DAY PRECIPITATION	0.74	0.74	0.82	0.70	0.64	0.65	0.64	0.56	0.55	0.41	0.60	0.65
LIKELY SNOWFALL	3.1"	2.6"	1.4"	0.0"	0.0"	0.0"	0.0"	0.0"	0.0"	0.0"	0.4"	1.4"
SNOWY DAYS	7%	7%	3%	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	5%
THUNDER DAYS	3%	7%	13%	17%	23%	29%	32%	23%	13%	4 %	4 %	3%
FOGGY DAYS	5%	4 %	2%	1%	3%	2%	3%	4 %	4 %	7%	4%	6%

COMMENTS: The area has a mid-latitude four-season year. You can expect to see bright sunshine on some 58% of the year's daylight hours, ranging from a low of 42% in December to a high of 68% in June. The year's lowest temperature will probably be around 5°, while the highest will be close to 98°. Precipitation is moderate, peaks in March, and reaches a minimum in October. A typical summer afternoon will be sunny, moderately humid, and hot to very hot. Sensible temperatures will be only a degree or two above actual ones. Summer nights are usually warm to mild, and quite humid. Summer afternoon and evening thundershowers are common. A typical winter afternoon will be moderately cloudy, humid, and chilly more often than cold. About a half-dozen winter afternoons will fail to warm above the freezing point--usually during a polar outbreak that leaves the norther part of the country in the deep freeze. Winter nights are below freezing more often than not, but below-zero temperatures do not occur in most years. Snowfalls are light and extremely variable from one year to another. Snow rarely remains on the ground for more than a day or two at a time.