

## SUNSHINE GUIDE TO THE WALLA WALLA AREA, WASHINGTON

LOCATION: Walla Walla (everybody loves to say the name) is located in southeastern Washington, close to the Oregon border. The city is situated on the Walla Walla River, a tributary of the Columbia River. Elevations are some 950 feet above sea level.

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
HOURS OF DAYLIGHT	9:06	10:20	11:53	13:31	14:56	15:42	15:23	14:10	12:36	10:59	9:32	8:44
HOURS OF SUNSHINE	2:02	3:27	6:00	8:10	9:45	11:13	12:56	11:38	9:02	6:30	2:55	1:36
AREA OF BLUE SKY	19%	26%	35%	42%	47%	54%	74%	72%	60%	48%	26%	17%
LOW FOR MONTH	9°	17°	26°	33°	39°	47°	52°	51°	42°	33°	23°	15°
SUNRISE TEMPERATURE	28°	32°	38°	43°	49°	55°	62°	61°	53°	45°	36°	30°
AFTERNOON TEMPERATURE	39°	45°	55°	63°	71°	79°	89°	87°	77°	64°	49°	41°
HIGH FOR MONTH	59°	61°	70°	80°	89°	97°	104°	100°	93°	80°	66°	62°
FROSTY MORNINGS	63%	45%	16%	2%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	3%	30%	57%
AFTERNOONS OVER 90°	0%	0%	0%	0%	4%	16%	49%	40%	9%	0%	0%	0%
AFTERNOON HUMIDITY	54%	55%	43%	38%	37%	35%	25%	27%	30%	43%	58%	65%
DRY DAYS	57%	59%	63%	69%	72%	77%	91%	89%	81%	74%	60%	55%
REASONABLY DRY DAYS	79%	81%	83%	86%	87%	91%	97%	94%	92%	88%	81%	80%
5-DAY PRECIPITATION	0.31	0.29	0.27	0.23	0.24	0.18	0.06	0.08	0.15	0.23	0.33	0.32
LIKELY SNOWFALL	8.0"	4.5"	1.3"	0.2"	0.0"	0.0"	0.0"	0.0"	0.0"	0.1"	1.9"	5.0"
SNOWY DAYS	22%	16%	7%	2%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	6%	17%
THUNDER DAYS	0%	0%	1%	3%	4%	7%	6%	7%	4%	1%	0%	0%
FOGGY DAYS	10%	7%	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	10%	16%

COMMENTS: Bright sunshine occurs on 54% of the year's daylight hours, ranging from a low of 18% in December to a high of 84% in July. The low temperature for the year will be near 3° some windless winter sunrise, while the high will be around 104° some sunny summer afternoon. A typical summer afternoon will be long, very sunny, quite arid, rainless, and hot to very hot. Summer nights are generally clear and mild. Most of what summer rain does fall comes from afternoon thundershowers two or three times a month. A typical winter afternoon will be short, cloudy, moderately humid, dry three days out of five, and cold. About one afternoon in four will fail to warm to above freezing. Winter nights are quite cold, with more than half dropping below freezing, and three or four dropping below zero each winter. Snowfalls are highly variable, and rarely remain on the ground for long. Most winter precipitation comes as rain, sleet, freezing rain, or a mixture of all three with some snow thrown in for good measure.