

SUNSHINE GUIDE TO THE KUALA LUMPUR AREA, MALAYSIA

LOCATION: Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia's capital and largest city, is located in the southwestern part of the Malay Peninsula. The city is situated inland, at the junction of the Gombek and Kelang Rivers. Elevations within the city itself are everywhere within a few hundred feet of sea level. Just behind the city, however, low mountains rise to almost 5,000 feet in elevation.

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
HOURS OF DAYLIGHT	11:58	12:02	12:06	12:11	12:16	12:18	12:17	12:14	12:09	12:04	11:59	11:57
HOURS OF SUNSHINE	6:04	7:13	6:36	6:25	6:28	6:35	6:29	6:08	5:34	5:21	4:59	5:19
AREA OF BLUE SKY	27%	28%	26%	25%	25%	26%	26%	24%	24%	23%	22%	25%
LOW FOR MONTH	69 °	69 °	70 °	72 °	72 °	71 °	70 °	71 °	70 °	71 °	71 °	70 °
SUNRISE TEMPERATURE	72 °	72 °	73 °	74 °	74 °	74 °	73 °	73 °	73 °	73 °	73 °	73 °
AFTERNOON TEMPERATURE	89 °	91 °	92 °	91 °	91 °	91 °	90 °	90 °	89 °	89 °	89 °	89 °
HIGH FOR MONTH	94 °	95 °	95 °	94 °	94 °	94 °	93 °	94 °	94 °	93 °	92 °	92 °
FROSTY MORNINGS	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
AFTERNOONS OVER 90 °	50%	73%	74%	72%	65%	65%	52%	57%	42%	45%	32%	37%
AFTERNOON HUMIDITY	64%	64%	65%	70%	70%	65%	65%	64%	69%	71%	73%	69%
NEARBY WATERS	82 °	83 °	84 °	84 °	85 °	84 °	84 °	84 °	84 °	83 °	83 °	80 °
DRY DAYS	52%	49%	45%	32%	46%	58%	62%	55%	44%	34%	28%	42%
REASONABLY DRY DAYS	66%	64%	57%	51%	63%	73%	75%	70%	61%	52%	48%	58%
5-DAY PRECIPITATION	1.06	1.15	1.47	1.83	1.29	0.82	0.73	0.95	1.25	1.73	1.77	1.46
SNOWY DAYS	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
THUNDER DAYS	35%	39%	59%	76%	55%	42%	41%	38%	52%	56%	61%	49%
FOGGY DAYS	18%	13%	13%	12%	10%	7%	7%	8%	11%	16%	17%	17%

COMMENTS: Kuala Lumpur has an equatorial four-season year based on the rainfall pattern. There are two very rainy seasons (peaks in April and October), and two somewhat less rainy seasons (driest in January and July). Temperatures are remarkably uniform throughout the year---hot and humid, as is the length of the daylight period. Since the weather on any given day could just as easily occur in any month of the year, it may justifiably be said that Kuala Lumpur does not have seasons, just weather.

When the sun starts to fall, humidities start to rise. During the night, the streets are often softened by a light mist. Heavy dews during the night are the rule. Drying clothing overnight is virtually hopeless, except in a "drying closet" where some source of heat (often just a light bulb) is available.