

SUNSHINE GUIDE TO THE RANGOON (YANGON) AREA, BURMA (MYANMAR)

LOCATION: Rangoon (Yangon) is located in central Burma, just east of the delta of the Irrawaddy (Ayeyarwady) River. The city is situated at the head of the estuary of the Yangon River. Elevations are everywhere very close to sea level.

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
HOURS OF DAYLIGHT	11:15	11:36	12:03	12:31	12:55	13:07	13:02	12:42	12:15	11:47	11:22	11:09
HOURS OF SUNSHINE	8:34	8:58	8:44	8:38	7:21	4:21	3:46	4:03	4:41	6:31	8:14	8:31
AREA OF BLUE SKY	78%	74%	75%	62%	37%	19%	17%	19%	24%	42%	55%	72%
LOW FOR MONTH	60°	61°	67°	73°	73°	74°	73°	73°	73°	73°	68°	62°
SUNRISE TEMPERATURE	64°	67°	71°	76°	77°	76°	76°	76°	76°	76°	73°	67°
AFTERNOON TEMPERATURE	89°	92°	96°	98°	92°	86°	85°	85°	86°	88°	88°	88°
HIGH FOR MONTH	93°	98°	100°	102°	100°	92°	91°	89°	91°	92°	92°	91°
FROSTY MORNINGS	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
AFTERNOONS OVER 90°	57%	93%	98%	98%	68%	19%	13%	11%	21%	42%	57%	37%
AFTERNOON HUMIDITY	44%	40%	42%	48%	69%	84%	86%	87%	82%	74%	64%	53%
NEARBY WATERS	78°	79°	82°	84°	84°	82°	81°	82°	82°	83°	83°	79°
DRY DAYS	96%	95%	95%	92%	47%	13%	11%	11%	26%	57%	81%	96%
REASONABLY DRY DAYS	98%	99%	98%	94%	55%	24%	17%	20%	32%	68%	91%	98%
5-DAY PRECIPITATION	0.03	0.04	0.05	0.32	1.88	3.16	3.73	3.29	2.64	1.10	0.41	0.07
SNOWY DAYS	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
THUNDER DAYS	0%	1%	2%	11%	35%	30%	20%	17%	24%	24%	4%	1%
FOGGY DAYS	2%	8%	10%	2%	3%	2%	2%	3%	1%	6%	0%	0%

COMMENTS: Rangoon residents see the year as having three seasons. These seasons are based upon rainfall, temperature, and wind direction. The period of the northeast monsoon is one of little rain. It is divided into two seasons by temperature. The "cold" season runs from the middle of November through the first part of February. Although not cold by world standards, the local people view the nighttime temperatures as such. The hot season runs from the middle of February until the onset of the southwest monsoon near the end of April. The rainy season coincides with the southwest monsoon, and runs from June through October. Some people see the transitional period in October and November between the southwest monsoon and the northeast monsoon as a separate season. Most do not. Although the monsoonal rainfall is heavy, it usually comes as a series of intense but brief showers. Even during the height of the monsoon, it is not raining more often than it is. Occasional light rains during the dry season are referred to as "mango rains".