

SUNSHINE GUIDE TO THE CHARLEVOIX RESORT AND RECREATION AREA, QUEBEC

LOCATION: The Charlevoix is a vaguely-defined riverside district along the north shore of the St. Lawrence river northeast of Quebec City. It serves as a weekend and vacation retreat for the residents of that city. North of the Charlevoix are the many winter-sports resorts of the Laurentian Mountains, some only a few minutes drive away. However, they are not normally considered as part of the Charlevoix. Elevations along the river, of course, are close to sea level.

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
HOURS OF DAYLIGHT	8:55	10:13	11:52	13:37	15:07	15:56	15:35	14:18	12:38	10:55	9:22	8:31
HOURS OF SUNSHINE	2:48	3:49	4:27	5:40	6:49	7:19	8:01	7:36	5:06	3:48	2:18	2:17
AREA OF BLUE SKY	34%	37%	41%	37%	37%	36%	41%	45%	42%	39%	26%	32%
LOW FOR MONTH	-23 °	-20 °	-10 °	12 °	26 °	36 °	44 °	40 °	30 °	22 °	5 °	-9 °
SUNRISE TEMPERATURE	-2 °	2 °	13 °	28 °	39 °	49 °	55 °	53 °	45 °	35 °	24 °	7 °
AFTERNOON TEMPERATURE	16 °	20 °	31 °	45 °	59 °	69 °	75 °	72 °	63 °	51 °	37 °	21 °
HIGH FOR MONTH	38 °	39 °	47 °	64 °	80 °	87 °	88 °	86 °	81 °	70 °	56 °	42 °
FROSTY MORNINGS	100%	99%	94%	67%	15%	0%	0%	0%	6%	40%	81%	99%
AFTERNOONS OVER 90 °	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	2%	3%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
AFTERNOON HUMIDITY	75%	71%	67%	58%	52%	55%	59%	60%	63%	64%	75%	78%
NEARBY WATERS	30 °	30 °	30 °	36 °	42 °	48 °	53 °	53 °	50 °	45 °	40 °	37 °
DRY DAYS	52%	52%	60%	62%	60%	56%	56%	60%	58%	61%	49%	50%
REASONABLY DRY DAYS	77%	77%	80%	79%	77%	74%	73%	76%	74%	78%	72%	75%
5-DAY PRECIPITATION	0.49	0.50	0.43	0.45	0.48	0.67	0.67	0.59	0.65	0.48	0.57	0.54
LIKELY SNOWFALL	26.1"	27.1"	18.2"	6.7"	0.5"	0.0"	0.0"	0.0"	0.0"	1.5"	12.3"	30.1"
DAYS WITH SOME SNOW	48%	48%	40%	25%	4%	1%	0%	0%	1%	13%	45%	50%
DAYS WITH SOME THUNDER	0%	0%	0%	1%	4%	9%	13%	8%	4%	1%	0%	0%
DAYS WITH SOME FOG	8%	6%	7%	10%	5%	6%	7%	8%	10%	9%	13%	10%

COMMENTS: Bright sunshine is likely on 41% of the year's daylight hours. This might range from a low of 24% in November, to a high of 53% in August. The year's lowest temperature should be close to -26°, and the highest should be near 90°. Sensible afternoon temperatures (the ones you actually feel) will be pretty much the same as actual ones. In general, the area has a four-season year with short, mild to warm summers, and long, very cold winters. Almost half the days will have either rain or snow throughout the year, and skies are cloudy more often than not in all seasons. Both spring and autumn are changeable seasons, with rapid alternation of weather patterns. Most of the weather is frontal in nature, and since the passage of frontal systems is independent of the time of day, so is the weather.