SUNSHINE GUIDE TO LIMOGES AND THE LIMOUSIN, FRANCE

LOCATION: The Limousin area, the most rural and least populated of the French countrysides, is located in the southwestern part of the country. Its capital and major city is Limoges, noted for fine porcelain and enamelwork. The city is situated on the banks of the River Vienne. Elevations are some 830 feet above sea level.

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
HOURS OF DAYLIGHT	9:07	10:20	11:53	13:31	14:55	15:41	15:21	14:09	12:36	10:59	9:33	8:45
HOURS OF SUNSHINE	2:22	3:19	4:43	5:56	6:28	7:46	7:55	7:21	6:16	4:43	2:58	2:19
AREA OF BLUE SKY	20%	22%	26%	30%	26%	34%	39%	39%	38%	32%	25%	22%
LOW FOR MONTH	17°	17°	23°	28°	34°	41°	45°	44°	38°	30°	24°	19°
SUNRISE TEMPERATURE	32°	32°	36°	40 °	45°	51°	54°	53°	50°	43°	38°	34°
AFTERNOON TEMPERATURE	45°	48°	54°	61°	67°	74°	78°	77°	72°	62°	52°	46°
HIGH FOR MONTH	57°	60°	67°	74°	80°	87°	91°	90°	84°	76°	66°	58°
FROSTY MORNINGS	43%	41%	27%	13%	2%	0%	0%	0%	0%	5%	24%	38%
AFTERNOONS OVER 90°	0%	0%	0 %	0 %	0 %	2%	4 %	3%	1%	0%	0 %	0%
AFTERNOON HUMIDITY	77%	69%	60%	54%	57%	58%	54%	57%	62%	66%	74%	79%
DRY DAYS	46%	50%	54%	52%	52%	61%	63%	62%	62%	55%	51%	46%
REASONABLY DRY DAYS	76%	76%	76%	75%	75%	79%	81%	79%	78%	75%	73%	74%
5-DAY PRECIPITATION	0.49	0.51	0.48	0.48	0.47	0.46	0.41	0.46	0.48	0.52	0.60	0.57
LIKELY SNOWFALL	4.4"	4.3"	1.5"	0.0"	0.0"	0.0"	0.0"	0.0"	0.0"	0.0"	1.5"	3.2"
DAYS WITH SOME SNOW	10%	11%	4 %	3%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0 %	3%	6%
DAYS WITH SOME THUNDER	0%	1%	2%	4 %	11%	14%	11%	12%	7%	2%	1%	1%
DAYS WITH SOME FOG	16%	11%	8%	8%	8%	10%	9%	11%	15%	18%	16%	17%

COMMENTS: : Bright sunshine is likely on 42% of the year's daylight hours. This might range from a low of 26% in January, to a high of 52% in July and August. The year's lowest temperature should be close to 12°, and the highest should be near 94°. Sensible afternoon temperatures (the ones you actually feel) will be essentially the same as (or, perhaps, a touch cooler than) actual ones. The area has a standard mid-latitude four-season year. Precipitation is at least adequate in all months, with a slight cool-season maximum. Summers feature warm afternoons (occasionally hot) and cool nights. Winter afternoons are cloudy, chilly, and damp. A half-dozen days each winter will fail to warm to above freezing. Snowfalls are common enough, but both amounts and frequencies vary considerably from one year to another. Snow rarely remains on the ground for more than a few days at a time.