SUNSHINE GUIDE TO LAUSANNE AND LAKE LEMAN, SWITZERLAND

LOCATION: Lausanne, the capital of the canton of Vaud, is located in the extreme western part of Switzerland. The city is situated on the hilly northern shore of Lake Leman (Lake Geneva). The area is almost exclusively French-speaking. Elevations vary, but are around 1,700 feet above sea level in the city center. Lausanne is noted as the site of the Swiss federal court system and as the Headquarters of the International Olympic Committee. The Musée de l'Art Brut is also worth a visit. The surrounding countryside is noted for its wines.

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
HOURS OF DAYLIGHT	9:02	10:18	11:53	13:33	15:00	15:46	15:26	14:12	12:37	10:58	9:29	8:40
HOURS OF SUNSHINE	2:17	3:53	6:25	7:54	8:51	9:40	10:01	9:28	7:20	4:55	2:38	1:26
AREA OF BLUE SKY	29%	41%	49%	49%	48%	52%	58%	60%	56%	43%	31%	21%
LOW FOR MONTH	17°	19°	24°	31°	37°	44°	48°	47°	41°	32°	26°	19°
SUNRISE TEMPERATURE	27°	29°	32°	39°	46°	52°	55°	54°	50°	42°	35°	29°
AFTERNOON TEMPERATURE	37°	41°	48°	56°	64°	71°	75°	73°	67°	55°	45°	38°
HIGH FOR MONTH	53°	55°	64°	72°	79°	85°	90°	88°	81°	71°	60°	54°
FROSTY MORNINGS	68%	59%	30%	5%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	3%	17%	55%
AFTERNOONS OVER 90°	0 응	0%	0 %	0 %	0 %	0 %	5%	3%	0 %	0%	0%	0%
AFTERNOON HUMIDITY	76%	69%	60%	54%	56%	54%	53%	55%	62%	68%	75%	77%
DRY DAYS	67%	63%	63%	59%	59%	59%	64%	66%	67%	60%	61%	63%
REASONABLY DRY DAYS	8 4 %	81%	80%	77%	77%	75%	78%	78%	78%	76%	77%	80%
5-DAY PRECIPITATION	0.37	0.43	0.48	0.50	0.55	0.66	0.65	0.71	0.69	0.68	0.57	0.52
LIKELY SNOWFALL	13.4"	9.4"	7.2"	1.6"	0.0"	0.0"	0.0"	0.0"	0.0"	0.7"	4.1"	12.2"
DAYS WITH SOME SNOW	19%	17%	13%	4 %	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	7%	15%
DAYS WITH SOME THUNDER	1%	1%	1%	4 %	12%	19%	19%	18%	9%	3%	1%	1%
DAYS WITH SOME FOG	13%	10%	4 %	3%	2%	2%	2%	3%	6%	13%	15%	15%

COMMENTS: Bright sunshine is likely on 48% of the year's daylight hours. This might range from a low of 17% in December, to a high of 67% in August. The year's lowest temperature should be close to 14°, and the highest should be near 91°. Sensible afternoon temperatures (the ones you feel) will be a few degrees cooler than actual ones during the summer afternoons dues to the fairly high relative humidities. The area has a true four-season year. Winters are long and cold, although the lake moderates the temperatures somewhat. The ground is usually frozen and snow-covered from December through March. Summers are short and afternoons are generally warm, rather than hot. Air-conditioning is rarely required.