

SUNSHINE GUIDE TO THE RECIFE (PERNAMBUCO) AREA, BRAZIL

LOCATION: Recife, the capital of Pernambuco (and once known by that name), is located in northeastern Brazil. The city is situated where the River Capibaribe meets the Atlantic Ocean. Elevations are everywhere close to sea level.

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
HOURS OF DAYLIGHT	12:33	12:23	12:10	11:56	11:46	11:40	11:42	11:51	12:04	12:17	12:29	12:35
HOURS OF SUNSHINE	8:06	7:20	6:42	6:20	5:59	5:40	5:18	5:02	7:20	7:50	8:21	8:22
AREA OF BLUE SKY	45%	42%	43%	39%	36%	36%	37%	39%	46%	51%	51%	49%
LOW FOR MONTH	72°	72°	72°	72°	71°	69°	68°	68°	69°	71°	72°	72°
SUNRISE TEMPERATURE	75°	75°	75°	74°	73°	72°	71°	71°	72°	73°	74°	75°
AFTERNOON TEMPERATURE	87°	86°	86°	86°	84°	83°	81°	82°	83°	84°	86°	86°
HIGH FOR MONTH	90°	90°	90°	89°	88°	86°	84°	85°	87°	88°	89°	89°
FROSTY MORNINGS	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
AFTERNOONS OVER 90°	28%	27%	26%	15%	5%	1%	0%	1%	1%	4%	14%	22%
AFTERNOON HUMIDITY	67%	68%	70%	72%	73%	74%	74%	71%	68%	66%	66%	66%
NEARBY WATERS	81°	82°	82°	82°	81°	80°	79°	78°	78°	79°	80°	79°
DRY DAYS	63%	52%	51%	34%	28%	23%	23%	32%	54%	68%	72%	72%
REASONABLY DRY DAYS	84%	74%	66%	56%	51%	47%	49%	62%	76%	86%	87%	89%
5-DAY PRECIPITATION	0.32	0.65	1.01	1.46	1.68	1.77	1.46	0.89	0.39	0.17	0.17	0.19
SNOWY DAYS	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
THUNDER DAYS	2%	4%	6%	10%	2%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	1%
FOGGY DAYS	7%	11%	12%	14%	12%	7%	6%	8%	10%	5%	4%	4%

COMMENTS: The region has a tropical wet-and-dry climate. The length of the daylight period varies by less than an hour throughout the year, and the daily temperatures by only about five degrees. The rainy season usually runs from late February through August, when seven out of eight days get measurable rain, and humidities are more than a little oppressive. The dry season is not all that dry, with rainy days about one day in three. It runs from September through early February, with humidities moderate to high. You will want an air-conditioned room to sleep comfortably at any time of year. The humidity is such that the sensible temperatures (the ones you actually feel) are from 1° (July) to 5° (November through April) higher than those shown in the table or on the thermometer. Below-freezing temperatures do not occur in the area. The low 60's is about as cold as it's going to get, and that's most likely in July and August. Tropical storms of hurricane magnitude are rare.