

## SUNSHINE GUIDE TO THE GUADALAJARA AREA, MEXICO

LOCATION: Guadalajara is Mexico's second largest city, after only Mexico City itself. It is located in west-central Mexico, in the state of Jalisco--of which it is the capital. Guadalajara is situated on the Great Central Upland of Mexico, at an elevation of some 5,200 feet above sea level. The city covers a considerable geographic area. The city has the largest population of expatriate Americans and Canadians of any city in the world.

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
HOURS OF DAYLIGHT	11:02	11:28	12:01	12:37	13:07	13:22	13:16	12:51	12:17	11:42	11:11	10:55
HOURS OF SUNSHINE	6:19	7:39	8:25	8:21	8:28	6:49	6:10	6:37	5:56	6:49	7:14	6:21
AREA OF BLUE SKY	56%	67%	72%	63%	61%	35%	25%	31%	31%	43%	62%	55%
LOW FOR MONTH	35°	36°	39°	43°	48°	55°	56°	55°	53°	45°	39°	36°
SUNRISE TEMPERATURE	44°	46°	49°	53°	58°	62°	61°	61°	60°	56°	49°	46°
AFTERNOON TEMPERATURE	74°	77°	82°	85°	88°	85°	80°	79°	79°	79°	77°	75°
HIGH FOR MONTH	82°	85°	89°	92°	95°	93°	85°	84°	83°	84°	84°	81°
FROSTY MORNINGS	3%	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%
AFTERNOONS OVER 90°	0%	0%	6%	33%	57%	29%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
AFTERNOON HUMIDITY	36%	29%	22%	21%	24%	41%	58%	59%	58%	48%	39%	38%
DRY DAYS	93%	95%	96%	96%	88%	47%	29%	36%	44%	75%	92%	92%
REASONABLY DRY DAYS	97%	98%	99%	99%	94%	63%	49%	58%	63%	86%	96%	97%
5-DAY PRECIPITATION	0.08	0.04	0.03	0.03	0.16	1.29	1.62	1.34	1.13	0.35	0.09	0.09
SNOWY DAYS	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
THUNDER DAYS	0%	0%	1%	3%	5%	18%	25%	24%	15%	6%	1%	1%
FOGGY DAYS	26%	26%	23%	27%	21%	15%	14%	15%	19%	23%	27%	25%

COMMENTS: Bright sunshine is likely on 58% of the year's daylight hours. This might range from a low of 46% in July, to a high of 70% in March. The year's lowest temperature should be close to 33°, and the highest should be near 96°. Sensible summer afternoon temperatures (the ones you actually feel) will be up to 4° warmer than actual ones. Guadalajara has one of the world's most pleasant and least stressful climates. It is a highland variation of the tropical two-season climate. The warm and dry season runs from the middle of October through early June, getting a touch hot toward the end just before the rains come. The rainy season runs from the middle of June through early October. On the days that are rainy, three-fourths of the rain will fall at night. Guadalajara's elevation of almost a mile above sea level makes all months cooler than similar latitudes at sea level. Only the three months of April, May, and June really have much hot weather, and then the relatively low humidities make the sensible temperatures (the ones you actually feel) some three or four degrees *lower* than the ones in the table above or on the thermometer. The "ex-pat" community comes here primarily for the lower cost of living. The excellent climate is a bonus.