

## SUNSHINE GUIDE TO THE MONTERREY AREA, NUEVO LEON, MEXICO

LOCATION: Monterrey, Mexico's third-largest city (after Mexico City and Guadalajara), is located in (and the capital of) the state of Nuevo Leon in northeastern Mexico. Monterrey is some 130 miles south of Laredo, Texas. Monterrey is a modern, industrialized, commercial city. It is, perhaps, the most American of all of Mexico's major cities, and its shopping malls and suburbs looks pretty much the same as you would find in California or Texas. Its setting is an attractive one, being situated on the banks of the Rio Santa Catarina, and surrounded by scenic mountains. Elevations are some 1,750 feet above sea level.

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
HOURS OF DAYLIGHT	10:44	11:17	12:00	12:45	13:23	13:43	13:35	13:03	12:20	11:35	10:56	10:35
HOURS OF SUNSHINE	4:51	5:24	6:02	5:32	5:50	6:34	6:34	6:32	5:34	5:21	5:05	4:31
AREA OF BLUE SKY	51%	56%	51%	49%	46%	52%	52%	57%	47%	49%	50%	50%
LOW FOR MONTH	35°	38°	43°	51°	59°	66°	69°	68°	63°	52°	42°	37°
SUNRISE TEMPERATURE	49°	52°	58°	64°	69°	73°	73°	73°	71°	64°	56°	50°
AFTERNOON TEMPERATURE	67°	72°	79°	85°	88°	92°	93°	93°	87°	81°	74°	67°
HIGH FOR MONTH	86°	91°	96°	100°	101°	100°	99°	99°	96°	92°	89°	85°
FROSTY MORNINGS	3%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	2%
AFTERNOONS OVER 90°	2%	7%	20%	36%	52%	73%	80%	82%	50%	17%	7%	3%
AFTERNOON HUMIDITY	53%	49%	43%	45%	50%	47%	45%	46%	53%	55%	52%	53%
DRY DAYS	86%	85%	90%	80%	83%	80%	82%	76%	69%	78%	83%	83%
REASONABLY DRY DAYS	94%	94%	95%	90%	91%	87%	88%	84%	77%	86%	91%	94%
5-DAY PRECIPITATION	0.11	0.12	0.11	0.20	0.22	0.44	0.38	0.51	0.95	0.51	0.21	0.12
DAYS WITH SOME SNOW	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
DAYS WITH SOME THUNDER	0%	1%	2%	4%	7%	6%	7%	7%	7%	4%	1%	0%
DAYS WITH SOME FOG	26%	30%	24%	23%	21%	19%	17%	15%	23%	23%	29%	27%

COMMENTS: Bright sunshine is likely on 46% of the year's daylight hours. This might range from a low of 43% in December and again in April, to a high of 50% in March and again in August. Actually, there is not a lot of variation in the percentage of sunshine from one month to another over the course of the year. This is largely due to the fact that the cloud cover does not vary much either—being pretty close to 50%. The year's lowest temperature should be right around the freezing point, and the highest should be near 104°. Sensible afternoon temperatures (the ones you actually feel) will be up to 3° cooler than actual ones during the cooler months, and up to 5° warmer than actual ones during the warmer months. Winters are mild and dry, while summers are hot, humid, and somewhat rainy.