

SUNSHINE GUIDE TO THE ADELAIDE AREA (SOUTH AUSTRALIA), AUSTRALIA

LOCATION: Adelaide, the capital of South Australia, is located in the south-central part of the continent. The city lies on the banks of the Torrens River where it meets the Gulf of St. Vincent, an inlet of the Indian Ocean. Elevations within the city are generally within a few hundred feet of sea level, but rise steeply to the east to the 2,300-foot summits of the Mount Lofty Range.

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
HOURS OF DAYLIGHT	14:13	13:24	12:20	11:15	10:20	9:52	10:03	10:50	11:51	12:57	13:56	14:28
HOURS OF SUNSHINE	10:06	9:28	8:04	6:29	4:59	4:21	4:26	5:22	6:27	7:29	8:36	9:22
AREA OF BLUE SKY	63%	62%	58%	49%	43%	41%	41%	45%	47%	45%	50%	55%
LOW FOR MONTH	51 °	51 °	48 °	45 °	41 °	37 °	36 °	37 °	39 °	41 °	45 °	48 °
SUNRISE TEMPERATURE	61 °	62 °	59 °	55 °	50 °	47 °	45 °	46 °	48 °	51 °	55 °	59 °
AFTERNOON TEMPERATURE	85 °	85 °	80 °	73 °	66 °	61 °	59 °	62 °	66 °	72 °	78 °	82 °
HIGH FOR MONTH	106 °	104 °	99 °	89 °	77 °	68 °	67 °	72 °	81 °	91 °	98 °	103 °
FROSTY MORNINGS	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
AFTERNOONS OVER 90 °	31%	30%	17%	2%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	4%	15%	23%
AFTERNOON HUMIDITY	41%	41%	45%	50%	58%	63%	65%	62%	55%	49%	45%	44%
NEARBY WATERS	66 °	68 °	67 °	64 °	61 °	59 °	57 °	56 °	56 °	58 °	62 °	64 °
DRY DAYS	86%	86%	83%	67%	58%	51%	48%	48%	57%	65%	74%	80%
REASONABLY DRY DAYS	95%	96%	93%	87%	79%	80%	76%	80%	82%	88%	92%	93%
5-DAY PRECIPITATION	0.13	0.13	0.16	0.29	0.42	0.46	0.42	0.40	0.33	0.27	0.18	0.16
SNOWY DAYS	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
THUNDER DAYS	4%	4%	3%	3%	3%	2%	2%	4%	4%	6%	7%	5%
FOGGY DAYS	0%	0%	0%	0%	2%	4%	4%	2%	0%	0%	0%	0%

COMMENTS: The area has a somewhat dry version of the Mediterranean-type climate with its winter rains and summer droughts. Precipitation is light, and is concentrated in the winter season of late April through the middle of September. Winter afternoons are cool to mild, while the nights are chilly. Below-freezing temperatures have been recorded in every month from May through August, but won't come around in most years. Winter skies are moderately sunny, and the winter afternoon humidities are moderately high. Winter grades gradually into spring as the days lengthen in September and grow warmer. Although the vegetation continues to thrive during the winter months, spring is a season of vegetative resurgence and increased blossoming. Spring grades imperceptibly into summer sometime in November. Summer afternoons are very sunny, have moderately low humidities, and temperatures that are generally hot, occasionally very hot. Rain is infrequent. Although local custom insists on an autumn, there is no "fall" of leaves.