

SUNSHINE GUIDE TO THE LOS ANGELES CITY AREA, CALIFORNIA

LOCATION: The fabled city of Los Angeles is located on the Pacific Coast of southwestern California. It is situated in the Los Angeles Basin, between the San Gabriel Mountains and the Pacific Ocean. It is part of a vast metropolitan area made up of scores of cities, towns, and unincorporated places. Local climates vary significantly with distance from the sea, elevation, and the local topography of hills and hollows. This *Guide* is for the downtown area, around the Civic Center, Union Station, and Chinatown. It also applies to Beverly the University of Southern California, Paramount Studios, and the Memorial Coliseum and Sports Arena.

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
HOURS OF DAYLIGHT	10:10	10:57	11:57	13:01	13:55	14:23	14:12	13:26	12:26	11:22	10:26	9:57
HOURS OF SUNSHINE	7:03	7:39	8:25	8:58	9:02	9:45	11:17	10:50	9:39	8:28	8:00	7:05
AREA OF BLUE SKY	56%	53%	53%	53%	52%	58%	73%	74%	70%	63%	64%	57%
LOW FOR MONTH	39 °	41 °	42 °	45 °	49 °	53 °	57 °	57 °	55 °	50 °	44 °	40 °
SUNRISE TEMPERATURE	47 °	49 °	50 °	52 °	55 °	58 °	62 °	63 °	61 °	57 °	52 °	49 °
AFTERNOON TEMPERATURE	66 °	67 °	68 °	70 °	73 °	77 °	82 °	83 °	81 °	77 °	73 °	67 °
HIGH FOR MONTH	80 °	81 °	84 °	87 °	88 °	90 °	92 °	94 °	96 °	93 °	87 °	81 °
FROSTY MORNINGS	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
AFTERNOONS OVER 90 °	0%	0%	1%	3%	4%	6%	13%	15%	20%	11%	2%	0%
AFTERNOON HUMIDITY	48%	52%	51%	54%	56%	57%	54%	54%	53%	52%	42%	44%
NEARBY WATERS	58 °	58 °	58 °	58 °	60 °	63 °	65 °	67 °	66 °	64 °	62 °	60 °
DRY DAYS	81%	80%	80%	87%	95%	97%	99%	99%	96%	94%	89%	82%
REASONABLY DRY DAYS	86%	85%	89%	92%	98%	99%	99%	99%	99%	97%	94%	88%
5-DAY PRECIPITATION	0.51	0.57	0.43	0.17	0.05	0.01	0.00	0.01	0.04	0.07	0.22	0.38
DAYS WITH SOME SNOW	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
DAYS WITH SOME THUNDER	1%	2%	3%	3%	0%	0%	0%	1%	1%	0%	1%	1%
DAYS WITH SOME FOG	4%	7%	5%	6%	4%	7%	6%	7%	8%	9%	7%	5%

COMMENTS: Bright sunshine is likely on 73% of the daylight hours of the year. This might range from a “low” of 65% in January, to a high of 81% in sunny August. The lowest temperature of the year should be close to 35° at some clear and windless winter sunrise, and the highest should be near 100° on some sunny summer afternoon when the sea breeze fails. Sensible afternoon temperatures (the ones you feel) will be pretty much the same as actual ones, since both the temperatures. Fog is the great determinant of local weather. Some areas get it and some don’t. If it moves in, then sunshine drops, temperatures become more moderate, and humidity increases. The foggy areas can be gloomy, chilly, and damp while the clear areas are sunny, warm and dry. Conversely, the foggy areas can be mild and comfortable while the clear ones are blazing hot and arid. Local residents will be happy to discuss these enchanting differences.