

## SUNSHINE GUIDE TO THE SUN VALLEY - KETCHUM RESORT AREA, IDAHO

LOCATION: The adjacent communities of Sun Valley and Ketchum are located in the Challis National Forest of south-central Idaho. The resort area is centered on the junction of Trail Creek with the Wood River, at the foot of the Sawtooth Mountains. Elevations at the resort level are just under 6,000 feet above sea level, with the nearby mountains rising to more than 12,000 feet in elevation.

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
HOURS OF DAYLIGHT	9:21	10:28	11:54	13:25	14:42	15:24	15:06	14:00	12:34	11:04	9:44	9:00
HOURS OF SUNSHINE	3:45	5:18	7:17	8:50	10:09	11:33	12:44	11:33	9:54	7:34	4:28	3:29
AREA OF BLUE SKY	25%	30%	34%	38%	44%	54%	69%	68%	64%	52%	34%	27%
LOW FOR MONTH	-21 °	-21 °	-10 °	9 °	17 °	25 °	28 °	26 °	20 °	10 °	-6 °	-17 °
SUNRISE TEMPERATURE	0 °	3 °	9 °	22 °	29 °	34 °	37 °	36 °	29 °	23 °	14 °	4 °
AFTERNOON TEMPERATURE	31 °	36 °	40 °	52 °	64 °	71 °	82 °	81 °	72 °	61 °	44 °	33 °
HIGH FOR MONTH	41 °	46 °	51 °	66 °	75 °	82 °	89 °	89 °	83 °	73 °	56 °	47 °
FROSTY MORNINGS	100%	100%	100%	93%	73%	44%	23%	31%	69%	92%	99%	100%
AFTERNOONS OVER 90 °	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	10%	8%	0%	0%	0%	0%
AFTERNOON HUMIDITY	70%	61%	48%	37%	34%	30%	22%	23%	29%	40%	59%	71%
DRY DAYS	68%	68%	77%	77%	74%	80%	87%	87%	83%	81%	77%	74%
REASONABLY DRY DAYS	81%	84%	87%	90%	84%	83%	94%	94%	92%	90%	85%	79%
5-DAY PRECIPITATION	0.39	0.34	0.21	0.17	0.26	0.26	0.11	0.12	0.14	0.17	0.26	0.40
LIKELY SNOWFALL	32.9"	23.7"	14.8"	3.8"	1.3"	0.0"	0.0"	0.0"	0.4"	2.0"	12.7"	29.1"
SNOWY DAYS	32%	32%	23%	9%	2%	0%	0%	0%	1%	4%	19%	26%
THUNDER DAYS	0%	1%	1%	4%	10%	12%	14%	13%	8%	2%	1%	0%
FOGGY DAYS	14%	9%	2%	1%	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	7%	15%

COMMENTS: Bright sunshine is probable on 64% of the year's daylight hours. This might range from a low of 39% in January, to a high of 84% in July. The year's lowest temperature should be close to -34°, and the highest might well be near 93°. Sensible afternoon temperatures (the ones you actually feel) will be essentially the same as actual ones from November through March, and up to 5° cooler than actual ones for the rest of the year. No month is free from frosty mornings, with even July and August starting out below freezing one day in three or four. From late October through late April, even the afternoons will remain well below freezing. These low temperatures are due to the combination of high latitude and high elevation. It makes the area great for snow sports! Sun Valley - Ketchum offers all of the amenities and services that you would expect from a world-class resort area. Snow sports include both alpine and nordic skiing, heated outdoor pools (with drink service, of course), ice-skating, and sleigh-rides. Golf and tennis are featured during the summer months.