

SUNSHINE GUIDE TO THE BILOXI - GULFPORT AREA, MISSISSIPPI

LOCATION: The Biloxi - Gulfport area is located in extreme southeastern Mississippi, close to the border with Alabama. The cities are situated on the Gulf of Mexico, around the estuary of the Biloxi River. Elevations are everywhere close to sea level. Just offshore is the Intracoastal Waterway and the Gulf Islands National Seashore. The Visitor's Center for the Seashore is located in Ocean Springs.

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
HOURS OF DAYLIGHT	10:26	11:06	11:59	12:54	13:41	14:05	13:55	13:15	12:23	11:28	10:40	10:14
HOURS OF SUNSHINE	5:22	5:54	7:07	8:36	9:35	9:36	8:34	8:21	8:06	8:04	6:32	4:55
AREA OF BLUE SKY	39%	40%	42%	46%	47%	46%	39%	44%	47%	58%	50%	40%
LOW FOR MONTH	24 °	27 °	34 °	43 °	53 °	62 °	68 °	67 °	57 °	43 °	33 °	26 °
SUNRISE TEMPERATURE	44 °	46 °	53 °	60 °	67 °	73 °	74 °	74 °	70 °	60 °	51 °	45 °
AFTERNOON TEMPERATURE	61 °	63 °	69 °	76 °	83 °	88 °	90 °	90 °	87 °	79 °	69 °	62 °
HIGH FOR MONTH	73 °	75 °	81 °	85 °	91 °	95 °	97 °	97 °	94 °	88 °	81 °	75 °
FROSTY MORNINGS	16%	9%	3%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	3%	11%
AFTERNOONS OVER 90 °	0%	0%	0%	0%	6%	37%	55%	53%	23%	0%	0%	0%
AFTERNOON HUMIDITY	60%	62%	57%	57%	60%	61%	62%	62%	59%	55%	55%	58%
NEARBY WATERS	64 °	63 °	65 °	69 °	76 °	82 °	84 °	85 °	84 °	79 °	73 °	69 °
DRY DAYS	69%	69%	71%	79%	78%	71%	60%	62%	71%	83%	77%	71%
REASONABLY DRY DAYS	79%	79%	81%	83%	84%	78%	69%	74%	78%	87%	85%	79%
5-DAY PRECIPITATION	0.70	0.85	0.93	0.81	0.76	0.85	1.11	1.01	1.05	0.50	0.56	0.81
SNOWY DAYS	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
THUNDER DAYS	5%	7%	15%	14%	18%	31%	48%	39%	22%	5%	5%	7%
FOGGY DAYS	23%	18%	16%	11%	1%	0%	1%	1%	5%	6%	13%	20%

COMMENTS: Bright sunshine is likely on 62% of the year's daylight hours. This might range from a low of 48% in December, to a high of 70% in May and again in October. The year's lowest temperature should be close to 18°, and the highest should be near 99°. Sensible afternoon temperatures (the ones you actually feel) will be a few degrees cooler than actual ones during the cooler months, and up to 5° hotter than actual ones during the summer. The area has a subtropical version of the standard mid-latitude four-season year. Below-freezing temperatures will occur perhaps a dozen times in a normal year, between late November and early March. Summer afternoons are fairly sunny, humid, and hot to very hot. Sensible temperatures will be about five degrees hotter than actual ones. Winter afternoons are moderately sunny, moderately humid, and generally cool to mild. Snow is restricted to the odd flurry--and not even that in every year. Spring and autumn are the most pleasant seasons.