

## SUNSHINE GUIDE TO THE CARSON CITY AREA, NEVADA

LOCATION: Carson City is the capital of the State of Nevada, and a separate county all by itself. The city is located in the extreme west-central part of the state, not too far from the California border and Lake Tahoe. It's about thirty miles south of the better-known Reno. The town is situated at the head of Carson Valley, with the Carson Range reaching over 10,000 feet to the west, and the Pine Nut Mountains approaching 9,000 feet to the east. Elevations within the city are in the neighborhood of 4,700 feet above sea level.

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
HOURS OF DAYLIGHT	9:46	10:43	11:56	13:13	14:18	14:53	14:38	13:43	12:30	11:13	10:06	9:29
HOURS OF SUNSHINE	5:36	6:28	7:48	9:15	10:27	11:54	12:59	12:04	10:40	8:27	6:24	5:22
AREA OF BLUE SKY	39%	40%	42%	45%	53%	66%	79%	78%	76%	62%	46%	40%
LOW FOR MONTH	-4 °	3 °	11 °	18 °	28 °	35 °	41 °	37 °	29 °	19 °	10 °	1 °
SUNRISE TEMPERATURE	20 °	24 °	28 °	33 °	39 °	45 °	50 °	48 °	41 °	33 °	25 °	21 °
AFTERNOON TEMPERATURE	45 °	50 °	55 °	62 °	70 °	79 °	88 °	87 °	80 °	69 °	56 °	48 °
HIGH FOR MONTH	58 °	63 °	69 °	75 °	86 °	90 °	96 °	96 °	92 °	80 °	68 °	62 °
FROSTY MORNINGS	89%	86%	69%	50%	19%	3%	0%	0%	10%	50%	78%	87%
AFTERNOONS OVER 90 °	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	15%	53%	44%	13%	0%	0%	0%
AFTERNOON HUMIDITY	53%	46%	38%	31%	29%	24%	20%	21%	24%	31%	42%	53%
DRY DAYS	79%	78%	80%	85%	87%	92%	94%	94%	92%	89%	83%	81%
REASONABLY DRY DAYS	87%	80%	92%	95%	94%	97%	97%	97%	97%	95%	92%	87%
5-DAY PRECIPITATION	0.34	0.30	0.19	0.11	0.10	0.06	0.04	0.03	0.05	0.09	0.21	0.31
LIKELY SNOWFALL	7.5"	6.7"	5.3"	1.8"	0.7"	0.0"	0.0"	0.0"	0.0"	0.3"	1.7"	6.5"
SNOWY DAYS	8%	9%	9%	5%	2%	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	2%	7%
THUNDER DAYS	0%	0%	0%	2%	6%	10%	11%	9%	5%	1%	0%	0%
FOGGY DAYS	9%	5%	5%	3%	2%	1%	0%	0%	0%	2%	4%	9%

COMMENTS: Bright sunshine is likely on 72% of the year's daylight hours. This might range from a low of 57% in December and January, to a high of 89% in July. The year's lowest temperature should be close to -7°, and the highest should be near 99°. Sensible afternoon temperatures (the ones you actually feel) will be from one to five degrees cooler than actual ones. The area has a mid-latitude desert climate. Precipitation is slight, with most of it coming during the cooler months. Summer afternoons are usually very sunny, have very low humidities, and are hot--occasionally very hot. Summer nights are distinctly cool. Winter afternoons are moderately sunny, moderately humid, and chilly. A half dozen times each winter the temperatures will never make it above freezing. Snowfall is light, and rarely stays on the ground for long.