

SUNSHINE GUIDE TO THE EUGENE AREA, OREGON

LOCATION: Eugene, the seat of the University of Oregon, is located in the west-central part of that state. The city is situated on the west bank of the Willamette (will-AM-ette) River, as it flows northward to join the Columbia. The valley here is broad, and is bordered by the Cascade Mountains to the east and the Coastal Ranges to the west. Elevations are about four to five hundred feet above sea level.

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
HOURS OF DAYLIGHT	9:18	10:27	11:54	13:26	14:44	15:26	15:09	14:01	12:34	11:03	9:42	8:58
HOURS OF SUNSHINE	1:58	2:57	4:02	5:32	7:05	7:53	10:44	8:23	7:07	3:40	1:34	1:02
AREA OF BLUE SKY	16%	20%	23%	27%	34%	40%	62%	57%	53%	33%	17%	14%
LOW FOR MONTH	19°	23°	28°	31°	35°	39°	43°	43°	37°	31°	26°	23°
SUNRISE TEMPERATURE	33°	35°	37°	40°	44°	48°	51°	51°	47°	42°	38°	35°
AFTERNOON TEMPERATURE	46°	51°	55°	61°	67°	73°	82°	81°	75°	64°	53°	47°
HIGH FOR MONTH	59°	63°	68°	76°	84°	90°	96°	95°	92°	80°	65°	60°
FROSTY MORNINGS	45%	33%	22%	10%	2%	0%	0%	0%	0%	7%	23%	36%
AFTERNOONS OVER 90°	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	4%	20%	17%	8%	0%	0%	0%
AFTERNOON HUMIDITY	80%	72%	64%	58%	54%	49%	38%	39%	44%	62%	79%	84%
DRY DAYS	42%	44%	47%	56%	66%	76%	93%	89%	79%	63%	46%	42%
REASONABLY DRY DAYS	61%	64%	63%	73%	80%	87%	96%	94%	88%	77%	59%	61%
5-DAY PRECIPITATION	1.05	0.91	0.74	0.45	0.35	0.24	0.06	0.10	0.27	0.55	1.08	1.11
LIKELY SNOWFALL	3.2"	1.0"	0.8"	0.0"	0.0"	0.0"	0.0"	0.0"	0.0"	0.0"	0.2"	1.3"
SNOWY DAYS	5%	3%	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	3%
THUNDER DAYS	1%	0%	1%	1%	3%	2%	2%	2%	2%	1%	0%	1%
FOGGY DAYS	29%	23%	13%	7%	4%	3%	2%	4%	14%	33%	30%	31%

COMMENTS: Look for bright sunshine on some 39% of the year's daylight hours, ranging from a low of some 11% in December to a high of 71% in July. A typical year will see temperatures drop down into the middle 'teens at some point during the winter, and rise almost to the century mark at some time during the summer. Precipitation is moderate, and is concentrated in the cooler months. Late June through early September is usually quite dry. A typical summer afternoon will be fairly sunny, moderately arid, and hot more often than warm. Summer nights are cool to chilly. A typical winter afternoon will be overcast, very humid, and chilly more often than cold. Only a couple of afternoons each winter will fail to rise above freezing. Below-zero temperatures do not occur in most winters. Precipitation falls on more than half the winter days, with rain far more likely than snow. Look for morning fogs and mists along the river.