

SUNSHINE GUIDE TO ALLEGHENY NATIONAL RECREATION AREA, PENNSYLVANIA

LOCATION: The Allegheny National Recreation Area is located in northwestern Pennsylvania. It is situated along the Allegheny River and around the Allegheny Reservoir in two major sections on either side of the community of Warren. The total area in the NRA is some thirty-six square miles. Elevations natural vary somewhat, but are between a thousand and fifteen hundred feet above sea level for the most part. In addition to the NRA, this stretch of the Allegheny River is classified as a National Recreation River. Almost all of the area to the east of the river lies within Allegheny National Forest.

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
HOURS OF DAYLIGHT	9:31	10:34	11:55	13:20	14:32	15:11	14:55	13:53	12:32	11:08	9:53	9:12
HOURS OF SUNSHINE	3:02	4:02	5:34	6:43	8:18	9:40	9:48	8:38	7:22	5:38	3:17	2:30
AREA OF BLUE SKY	21%	25%	30%	35%	38%	43%	45%	45%	44%	39%	24%	19%
LOW FOR MONTH	-9 °	-7 °	3 °	14 °	22 °	35 °	40 °	39 °	28 °	19 °	10 °	-2 °
SUNRISE TEMPERATURE	15 °	15 °	23 °	33 °	42 °	52 °	55 °	54 °	48 °	38 °	30 °	21 °
AFTERNOON TEMPERATURE	32 °	35 °	44 °	58 °	69 °	78 °	81 °	79 °	73 °	62 °	48 °	36 °
HIGH FOR MONTH	57 °	62 °	70 °	82 °	89 °	91 °	92 °	92 °	90 °	84 °	72 °	57 °
FROSTY MORNINGS	94%	95%	81%	52%	18%	0%	0%	0%	5%	27%	63%	89%
AFTERNOONS OVER 90 °	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	5%	6%	5%	3%	0%	0%	0%
AFTERNOON HUMIDITY	70%	67%	61%	55%	54%	54%	54%	56%	58%	58%	66%	71%
DRY DAYS	44%	41%	49%	52%	50%	55%	59%	58%	62%	57%	39%	34%
REASONABLY DRY DAYS	76%	75%	74%	72%	71%	73%	74%	76%	77%	77%	68%	69%
5-DAY PRECIPITATION	0.44	0.45	0.50	0.60	0.63	0.73	0.65	0.62	0.67	0.55	0.66	0.54
LIKELY SNOWFALL	18.0"	17.0"	12.7"	3.2"	0.1"	0.0"	0.0"	0.0"	0.0"	0.9"	10.3"	19.6"
DAYS WITH SOME SNOW	37%	39%	21%	4%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	16%	38%
DAYS WITH SOME THUNDER	1%	1%	4%	8%	13%	20%	21%	19%	11%	5%	2%	1%
DAYS WITH SOME FOG	6%	7%	7%	6%	8%	6%	6%	7%	7%	6%	5%	5%

COMMENTS: Bright sunshine is likely on 50% of the daylight hours of the year. This might range from a low of 27% in December, to a high of 66% in July. The lowest temperature of the year should be close to -11 on some calm and clear winter sunrise, and the highest should be near 94 on some sunny and windless summer afternoon. Sensible temperatures (the ones you actually feel) will be pretty much the same as actual ones. From December through February, about two days out of five will remain below the freezing point all day long. During that same period, about a dozen nights will drop below zero. Snowfall is extremely variable from place to place within the NRA and from year to year. During the summer months, about one day in three or four will be clear. You can expect the higher elevations in the NRA to be a touch cooler and a touch wetter.