

SUNSHINE GUIDE TO THE HOUSTON AREA, TEXAS

LOCATION: Houston, the largest city in Texas, is located in the southeastern part of that state. The city is situated on the coastal plain of the Gulf of Mexico, to which it is connected by the Houston Ship Canal and Galveston Bay. Elevations in the relatively flat area are everywhere close to sea level.

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
HOURS OF DAYLIGHT	10:28	11:08	11:59	12:53	13:38	14:02	13:52	13:14	12:23	11:29	10:42	10:17
HOURS OF SUNSHINE	4:35	5:24	5:58	7:05	8:07	9:37	9:37	9:14	8:28	7:39	6:24	5:13
AREA OF BLUE SKY	36%	38%	38%	40%	43%	49%	46%	48%	50%	55%	46%	36%
LOW FOR MONTH	25 °	29 °	35 °	43 °	55 °	64 °	69 °	69 °	58 °	45 °	34 °	28 °
SUNRISE TEMPERATURE	44 °	46 °	53 °	60 °	66 °	72 °	74 °	74 °	70 °	61 °	51 °	46 °
AFTERNOON TEMPERATURE	62 °	65 °	72 °	78 °	84 °	90 °	93 °	93 °	88 °	81 °	71 °	64 °
HIGH FOR MONTH	78 °	80 °	85 °	88 °	92 °	96 °	98 °	98 °	96 °	91 °	85 °	79 °
FROSTY MORNINGS	16%	8%	2%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	2%	9%
AFTERNOONS OVER 90 °	0%	0%	0%	1%	11%	57%	79%	81%	48%	7%	0%	0%
AFTERNOON HUMIDITY	65%	62%	59%	59%	59%	59%	58%	57%	59%	55%	58%	64%
NEARBY WATERS	61 °	62 °	64 °	69 °	76 °	83 °	85 °	85 °	83 °	78 °	70 °	68 °
DRY DAYS	65%	66%	73%	74%	74%	72%	70%	71%	69%	77%	73%	69%
REASONABLY DRY DAYS	82%	84%	85%	86%	84%	83%	82%	81%	81%	84%	83%	84%
5-DAY PRECIPITATION	0.59	0.55	0.47	0.59	0.75	0.73	0.69	0.61	0.68	0.60	0.63	0.67
SNOWY DAYS	0%	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
THUNDER DAYS	6%	7%	10%	13%	20%	25%	33%	33%	22%	11%	8%	6%
FOGGY DAYS	12%	9%	8%	6%	4%	1%	0%	0%	2%	10%	9%	11%

COMMENTS: Bright sunshine occurs on 59% of the year's daylight hours, ranging from a low of 44% in January to a high of 70% in August. The low temperature for the year will be near 22° some windless winter sunrise, while the high will be around 100° some sunny summer afternoon. Precipitation is abundant and is fairly evenly distributed throughout the year, with a summer maximum brought on by the thundershowers of that season. A typical summer afternoon will be sunny, humid, and hot to very hot. Sensible temperatures will higher than actual ones. Summer nights are warm and very humid. Thunderstorms are common in the afternoon and evening hours. A typical winter afternoon will be moderately cloudy, quite humid, and generally mild. Winter nights are chilly more often than cold, with temperatures dropping below freezing on only a dozen occasions during that season. High nighttime humidity can lead to fogs and early morning mists. Snow flurries are fairly common during the winter. But snowfalls occur only about one year in ten.