

SUNSHINE GUIDE TO THE GREEN RIVER RECREATION AREA, UTAH

LOCATION: Green River is located off of I-70 in Utah's southeastern quarter. The town is situated on the banks of the Green River, a major tributary of the Colorado River. The town lies at the northeastern edge of the San Rafael Desert within the Colorado Plateau country the surrounds the "four-corners" of Utah, Arizona, Colorado, and New Mexico. Elevations are around 4,100 feet above sea level. Green River is the major (almost the only) stopping place on the long stretch of interstate between Salina and Grand Junction. The area produces excellent cantaloupes and watermelons. It is also a major staging area for raft trips on the Green River both above the town (Desolation and Gray Canyons) and below it (Labyrinth and Stillwater Canyons).

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
HOURS OF DAYLIGHT	9:47	10:43	11:56	13:12	14:18	14:52	14:38	13:42	12:30	11:14	10:06	9:30
HOURS OF SUNSHINE	6:02	6:49	7:55	9:03	10:27	11:59	11:11	10:21	9:47	8:25	6:47	5:48
AREA OF BLUE SKY	46%	45%	46%	46%	51%	65%	60%	60%	67%	64%	55%	49%
LOW FOR MONTH	-17 °	-7 °	15 °	22 °	33 °	41 °	50 °	48 °	33 °	22 °	8 °	-5 °
SUNRISE TEMPERATURE	9 °	18 °	27 °	35 °	44 °	52 °	60 °	58 °	47 °	35 °	22 °	13 °
AFTERNOON TEMPERATURE	37 °	48 °	59 °	70 °	80 °	91 °	98 °	95 °	86 °	72 °	55 °	41 °
HIGH FOR MONTH	54 °	67 °	71 °	83 °	91 °	101 °	105 °	103 °	97 °	85 °	68 °	58 °
FROSTY MORNINGS	100%	96%	79%	35%	3%	0%	0%	0%	2%	39%	90%	98%
AFTERNOONS OVER 90 °	0%	0%	0%	0%	14%	62%	94%	82%	37%	0%	0%	0%
AFTERNOON HUMIDITY	61%	50%	38%	29%	25%	19%	23%	27%	27%	34%	45%	58%
DRY DAYS	90%	89%	87%	87%	87%	93%	87%	84%	87%	87%	90%	90%
REASONABLY DRY DAYS	97%	96%	97%	95%	94%	97%	97%	94%	93%	94%	97%	97%
5-DAY PRECIPITATION	0.06	0.07	0.07	0.08	0.08	0.06	0.07	0.13	0.11	0.12	0.07	0.06
LIKELY SNOWFALL	3.4 "	2.0 "	0.3 "	0.0 "	0.1 "	0.0 "	0.0 "	0.0 "	0.0 "	0.0 "	0.5 "	2.7 "
DAYS WITH SOME SNOW	9%	5%	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	6%
DAYS WITH SOME THUNDER	0%	1%	3%	7%	14%	14%	32%	32%	15%	5%	1%	1%
DAYS WITH SOME FOG	6%	3%	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	5%

COMMENTS: Bright sunshine is likely on 71% of the daylight hours of the year. This might range from a low of 61% in December, to a high of 81% in June. The lowest temperature of the year should be close to -20° on some calm and clear winter sunrise, and the highest should be near 108° on some sunny and windless summer afternoon. Sensible temperatures (the ones you actually feel) will be up to 5° cooler than actual ones most of the year, due to the low humidity. Summers are long, sunny, very hot, and dry. The thunderstorms of late June through early September bring more thunder than rain. Winters are short, sunny, very cold, and dry. Occasional frontal storms bring light snow, but it rarely stays on the ground for long. The best weather comes in May and June, then again in September and October.