

SUNSHINE GUIDE TO THE VIRGINIA BEACH RESORT AREA, VIRGINIA

LOCATION: The city of Virginia Beach is located in the extreme southeastern corner of Virginia, between the city of Norfolk and the Atlantic Ocean. The city is situated south of the entrance to Chesapeake Bay. The landscape is flat, level, and only a few feet above sea level throughout. Much of the land within the city limits is composed of rivers, inlets, bays, and marshes.

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
HOURS OF DAYLIGHT	9:57	10:49	11:57	13:07	14:07	14:39	14:26	13:35	12:28	11:18	10:15	9:42
HOURS OF SUNSHINE	5:14	6:07	7:14	8:20	9:15	9:57	9:22	8:49	7:55	7:10	6:03	5:17
AREA OF BLUE SKY	38%	36%	42%	45%	44%	45%	44%	46%	46%	50%	48%	40%
LOW FOR MONTH	16°	20°	27°	34°	43°	53°	60°	60°	53°	38°	29°	20°
SUNRISE TEMPERATURE	34°	34°	40°	48°	57°	66°	70°	70°	66°	55°	45°	36°
AFTERNOON TEMPERATURE	49°	50°	56°	65°	74°	81°	85°	84°	79°	69°	60°	51°
HIGH FOR MONTH	70°	72°	80°	86°	90°	94°	96°	95°	92°	84°	78°	72°
FROSTY MORNINGS	43%	40%	17%	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	6%	34%
AFTERNOONS OVER 90°	0%	0%	0%	1%	3%	15%	26%	19%	7%	1%	0%	0%
AFTERNOON HUMIDITY	64%	61%	59%	58%	61%	62%	65%	66%	66%	62%	62%	64%
NEARBY WATERS	49°	47°	47°	51°	59°	69°	76°	77°	74°	67°	60°	53°
DRY DAYS	65%	64%	63%	67%	66%	68%	65%	66%	74%	77%	74%	68%
REASONABLY DRY DAYS	80%	76%	78%	82%	79%	81%	76%	78%	84%	84%	83%	81%
5-DAY PRECIPITATION	0.54	0.60	0.61	0.52	0.56	0.62	0.83	0.82	0.60	0.59	0.45	0.51
LIKELY SNOWFALL	2.2"	2.4"	1.1"	0.0"	0.0"	0.0"	0.0"	0.0"	0.0"	0.0"	0.0"	1.1"
SNOWY DAYS	4%	4%	2%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	2%
THUNDER DAYS	0%	3%	6%	9%	16%	22%	28%	23%	10%	4%	3%	1%
FOGGY DAYS	9%	10%	8%	6%	8%	3%	3%	2%	4%	5%	6%	9%

COMMENTS: The area has a mid-latitude four-season year, with long hot summers and short cool winters. Bright sunshine occurs on 62% of the year's daylight hours, ranging from a low of 53% in January to a high of 68% in June. The low temperature for the year will be near 14° some windless winter sunrise, while the high will be around 97° some sunny summer afternoon. Precipitation is moderately heavy, with a distinct summer maximum brought on by the addition of summer afternoon thunderstorms to the normal frontal precipitation. Throughout the year, the climate of Virginia Beach is strongly influenced by the surrounding waters. They keep conditions from getting as hot in summer as places farther inland, and as cold in winter. They also keep humidities relatively high throughout the year.