

# Climate in the USA

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Figure out the best time to visit the different regions of the United States based on their climate.

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The **United States** is a vast country and the climate is **fittingly complex and diverse**.

Without doubt, the best time to visit the **North-East, from Portland (Maine)** to New York, is at the **beginning of fall**. There is still plenty of sunshine, with warm temperatures during the day and milder temperatures at night. In contrast, the winters can be rather harsh and snowy, and the summers hot with heavy thunderstorms.

In the **South-East**, it is equally **mild in the fall** and the **spring**. The winters are rather warm, but the summers are hot and humid, and often disrupted by tornadoes between August and October.

Florida shares a **similar climate** to the rest of the South-East, however is more sub-tropical. The southern region of Florida is therefore the only region where it is possible to swim comfortably all year-long.

The central region of the country, also known as **The Great Plains**, is characterized by a continental climate. The differences in temperature between the winter and the summer can be drastic, however the rain is weaker and it is often sunny. In the north, for example Bismarck, the winters are bitter and icy, and the areas around The Great Lakes are known to be particularly windy. The further you move to the south, the winters are milder and the summers warmer.

In **Texas**, the winters are very mild in the south, but colder in the north. The summers are very hot and dry in the **Dallas region**, and very hot and humid in the Houston region.

Along the **Rocky Mountains**, the climate is similar to the **Great Plains**, however take into account the altitude.

The **Pacific North-West** is the region where it rains the most. The summers can be **dry and sunny**, and the winters mild. Closer to San Francisco, the seasons tend to blend together. The days in summer and winter can be quite pleasant, but the evenings can often be crisp and cold.

In **Southern California**, the climate closely resembles a Mediterranean climate. Although the winters are mild and the summers are hot and dry, the water can be crisp with strong and sometimes dangerous currents.

Please find below a chart breaking down the average monthly temperatures by rental location. (all temps in Celsius)

	J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D
Anchorage	-6	-3	1	6	12	16	18	17	13	5	-3	-5
	-13	-11	-8	-2	4	8	11	10	5	-2	-9	-12
Atlanta	12	14	17	23	27	30	32	31	28	23	17	12
	1	3	6	10	15	19	21	21	18	12	6	2
Boston	3	4	7	13	20	25	28	27	23	18	10	5
	-6	-5	-1	4	10	15	18	18	14	9	3	-3
Chicago	-1	1	8	14	21	26	29	27	23	17	8	1
	-10	-7	-2	3	9	14	18	17	12	6	0	-6
Dallas	12	16	20	24	29	33	35	35	31	25	18	14
	1	4	8	12	17	21	24	23	20	14	7	3
Denver	6	8	12	16	21	28	31	30	26	19	11	7
	-10	-7	-3	1	7	12	15	14	8	2	-4	-8
Fort Lauderdale	26	26	28	29	30	32	33	33	32	30	28	26
	16	16	18	20	22	24	25	25	25	23	20	17

Houston	18	19	23	27	30	33	34	35	32	28	23	18
	8	9	13	17	20	23	24	24	22	17	12	8
Las Vegas	14	17	21	26	32	37	40	39	34	27	19	14
	3	5	8	12	18	22	26	25	20	13	7	3
Los Angeles	20	21	21	23	24	26	28	29	26	26	23	20
	9	10	11	12	14	16	18	19	18	15	12	9
Miami	24	24	26	27	30	31	32	32	31	29	27	25
	16	17	18	20	23	24	25	25	24	23	20	17
Minneapolis	-6	-3	4	14	21	26	29	27	22	15	5	-4
	-16	-13	-5	2	9	14	17	15	10	4	-4	-12
Newark	3	5	10	16	21	26	29	28	24	18	12	6
	-3	-2	2	7	12	17	20	20	16	10	4	0
New York	3	5	10	16	21	26	29	28	24	18	12	6
	-3	-2	2	7	12	17	20	20	16	10	4	0
Orlando	21	23	25	28	31	32	33	33	32	29	25	22
	11	13	15	18	21	24	25	25	24	21	16	13
Philadelphia	5	7	12	18	23	28	31	30	26	19	13	7
	-4	-3	1	7	12	18	21	20	16	9	4	-1
Phoenix	18	21	24	28	33	39	40	39	36	30	23	18
	6	8	10	14	19	24	27	26	23	17	10	6
Portland	0	1	6	11	17	23	26	25	20	14	8	2
	-11	-9	-4	2	7	12	15	14	9	3	-2	-7
Salt Lake City	4	6	12	16	21	27	32	31	25	18	10	4
	-3	-1	3	6	10	14	19	19	14	8	2	-3
San Diego	18	18	19	19	20	22	24	25	24	22	21	17
	10	11	12	14	16	17	19	20	19	16	13	10
San Francisco	14	16	17	18	19	20	20	21	22	21	18	15
	6	9	9	10	11	12	13	13	13	12	8	6
Seattle	8	10	12	15	18	21	24	24	21	15	10	8
	2	3	4	6	8	11	13	13	11	8	4	2
Tampa	21	22	25	28	31	32	32	33	32	29	25	22
	11	13	16	18	21	24	25	25	24	20	16	13
Washington D.C.	6	8	13	19	24	29	31	30	26	20	14	8
	-6	-4	0	4	10	15	18	17	13	6	1	-3