

CLIMATE & WEATHER

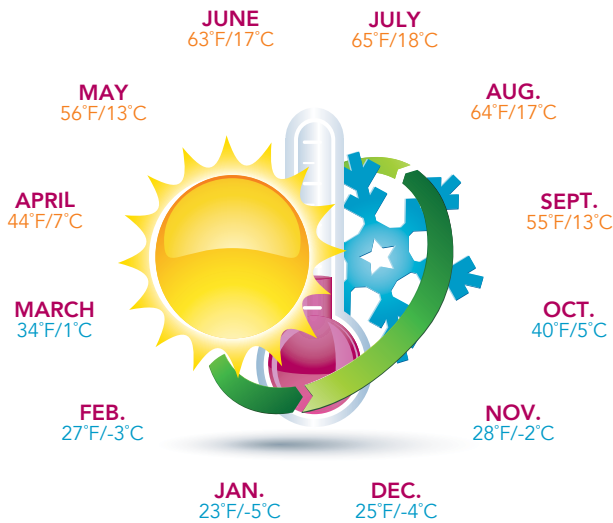
Protected by the Chugach Mountains and warmed by currents of the Pacific Ocean, Anchorage's climate is mild. Summer temperatures here get into the 70s. On long summer days, the sun sets for a few twilight hours, but the streetlights won't ever switch on.

In winter, highs in the mid 20s keep snow on the ground. The city is only as far north as Helsinki, Finland, and that means that even the shortest winter days still have more than 7 hours of functional daylight, and plenty of nighttime for northern lights viewing.

Packing for Anchorage

No matter the season, layering is key. Being able to add and subtract is key when time atop a glacier could easily be followed with dinner on a sun-soaked deck. And Anchorage doesn't stand on formality, so you only need to dress to the nines if you feel like it. Think Patagonia instead of Prada, Columbia instead of Coach, and you'll fit in with the locals.

Year-round Climate Chart



Hours of daylight

