

5.3 Climate

Tallahassee has a mild, moist climate characteristic of the Gulf States, experiencing a subtropical summer similar to the rest of Florida. In contrast to the Florida peninsula, Northwest Florida of which Tallahassee is a part, experiences four seasons. Prevailing winds average 6.2 miles per hour and are from a southerly direction in the spring and summer, then shift toward a more northerly direction later in the year.

Figure 5-2
Climactic Data for the Tallahassee Area

Month	Avg. High Temperature (Fahrenheit)	Avg. Low Temperature (Fahrenheit)	Avg. Days Above 90 degrees (Fahrenheit)	Avg. Days Below 32 degrees (Fahrenheit)	Avg. Number of Days With Rain	Avg. Rainfall (Inches)
January	64	40	0	10	9	5.4
February	67	42	0	7	8	4.6
March	74	48	0	2	8	6.5
April	80	53	1	3	6	3.6
May	87	62	9	0	8	5.0
June	91	70	19	0	13	6.9
July	92	73	23	0	16	8.0
August	92	73	22	0	14	7.0
September	89	69	15	0	9	5.0
October	81	57	2	0	5	3.3
November	73	48	0	3	6	3.9
December	66	42	0	9	8	4.1
Annual	79.5	56.3	91	34	110	63.2

Source: National Climatic Data Center