

**Average<sup>2</sup>, Least ( - ) and Most ( + ) Number of Days per Month**  
 Period of Record: 1953-May 2015. Averages based on 1961-1990 data

|                   | Clear Skies<br>(clouds covering 0-20% of sky) |    |                   |    |                    | Partly Cloudy Skies<br>(clouds cover 30-70% of sky) |    |                   |     |                   |
|-------------------|---|----|-------------------|----|--------------------|---|----|-------------------|-----|-------------------|
|                   | Avg   | -  | Year              | +  | Year               | Avg   | -  | Year              | +   | Year              |
| JAN               | 3   | 0  | 1986 <sup>1</sup> | 12 | 2015               | 4   | 1  | 1983 <sup>1</sup> | 11  | 1985              |
| FEB               | 3   | 0  | 1978 <sup>1</sup> | 12 | 1968               | 3   | 0  | 1987              | 8   | 2015              |
| MAR               | 3   | 0  | 2011 <sup>1</sup> | 9  | 2015 <sup>1</sup>  | 5   | 0  | 1961              | 14  | 2015              |
| APR               | 3   | 0  | 1969 <sup>1</sup> | 13 | 2015               | 6   | 2  | 1969 <sup>1</sup> | 14  | 2015              |
| MAY               | 3   | 0  | 1967 <sup>1</sup> | 10 | 2014               | 8   | 2  | 1962              | 13  | 1979 <sup>1</sup> |
| JUN               | 3   | 0  | 1971 <sup>1</sup> | 10 | 1961               | 7   | 2  | 1999              | 15  | 1985              |
| JUL               | 6   | 2  | 1989 <sup>1</sup> | 13 | 1988               | 10  | 4  | 2004              | 16  | 1960              |
| AUG               | 6   | 0  | 1980              | 14 | 1996 <sup>1</sup>  | 10  | 5  | 2013 <sup>1</sup> | 15  | 2014              |
| SEP               | 8   | 1  | 1978              | 15 | 1998 <sup>1</sup>  | 8   | 3  | 1971              | 13  | 2003              |
| OCT               | 5   | 0  | 1990 <sup>1</sup> | 12 | 1974               | 7   | 3  | 1992 <sup>1</sup> | 11  | 2014 <sup>1</sup> |
| NOV               | 3   | 0  | 1988 <sup>1</sup> | 11 | 2014               | 5   | 1  | 1996 <sup>1</sup> | 9   | 1967              |
| DEC               | 3   | 0  | 1974 <sup>1</sup> | 8  | 2014 <sup>1</sup>  | 4   | 1  | 1991 <sup>1</sup> | 9   | 1978 <sup>1</sup> |
| Clear Days        |   |    |                   |    | Partly Cloudy Days |   |    |                   |     |                   |
| Year <sup>3</sup> | <b>50</b>                                     | 35 | 1980              | 94 | 2014               | <b>77</b>   | 61 | 1971              | 108 | 1985              |

|                   | Cloudy Skies<br>(clouds cover 80-100% of sky) |     |                   |     |                   | Entire Year<br>(January to December) |      |             |
|-------------------|---|-----|-------------------|-----|-------------------|--------------------------------------|------|-------------|
|                   | Avg   | -   | Year              | +   | Year              | Cloudiest                            |      |             |
| JAN               | 24  | 12  | 2015              | 30  | 1967              | Rank                                 | Year | Cloudy Days |
| FEB               | 22  | 12  | 2015              | 27  | 1984 <sup>1</sup> | 1                                    | 1958 | 257 days    |
| MAR               | 23  | 9   | 2015              | 30  | 1961              | 2                                    | 1990 | 256         |
| APR               | 21  | 3   | 2015              | 28  | 1969              | 3                                    | 1971 | 252         |
| MAY               | 20  | 12  | 2001              | 29  | 1962              | 4                                    | 1963 | 252         |
| JUN               | 19  | 12  | 1985 <sup>1</sup> | 25  | 1959              | 5                                    | 1988 | 251         |
| JUL               | 15  | 6   | 1984              | 22  | 1993              | 6                                    | 1959 | 251         |
| AUG               | 15  | 7   | 1958 <sup>1</sup> | 24  | 1954              | 7                                    | 1960 | 250         |
| SEP               | 15  | 7   | 2003              | 22  | 1986              | 8                                    | 1984 | 249         |
| OCT               | 19  | 9   | 1974              | 26  | 1984              | 9                                    | 1961 | 249         |
| NOV               | 22  | 14  | 2014              | 27  | 1965              | 10                                   | 1983 | 247         |
| DEC               | 24  | 17  | 1985              | 29  | 1991              | 11                                   | 1980 | 247         |
| Cloudy Days       |   |     |                   |     |                   |                                      |      |             |
| Year <sup>3</sup> | <b>239</b>                                    | 168 | 2014              | 257 | 1958              |                                      |      |             |

<sup>1</sup>Multiple occurrences with the same number, with the year of most recent occurrence listed.

<sup>2</sup>Averages are rounded to nearest whole number.

<sup>3</sup>Annual Averages is calculated using the entire year of data, and is not the same as adding the totals from each month.

## Astoria's Cloud Cover Frequency

Astoria's hourly observations (1948-1995 data) were categorized into groups of coverage and time. Cloud cover coverage is either clear, scattered or broken clouds, or overcast. For example, at 10 am in January, 5.2% of the time it was clear, but 72.9% of the time, skies were overcast.

|            |                  |                      |   |
|------------|------------------|----------------------|---|
| <b>CLR</b> | clear skies      | <i>clear</i>         | less than 10% of sky is covered by clouds |
| <b>SCT</b> | scattered clouds | <i>partly cloudy</i> | 10% to 60% of sky is covered by clouds    |
| <b>BKN</b> | broken clouds    | <i>mostly cloudy</i> | 60% to 90% of sky is covered by clouds    |
| <b>OVC</b> | overcast         | <i>cloudy</i>        | more than 90% of sky is covered by clouds |

| LST Hour       | CLR            | SCT       | BKN       | OVC       | CLR             | SCT       | BKN       | OVC       | CLR              | SCT       | BKN       | OVC       |
|----------------|----------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
|                | <b>January</b> |           |           |           | <b>February</b> |           |           |           | <b>March</b>     |           |           |           |
| <i>1 am</i>    | 15%            | 11%       | 10%       | 64%       | 16%             | 12%       | 12%       | 60%       | 16%              | 15%       | 11%       | 59%       |
| <i>4 am</i>    | 15             | 10        | 11        | 64        | 15              | 12        | 11        | 63        | 14               | 12        | 13        | 61        |
| <i>7 am</i>    | 11             | 12        | 14        | 63        | 10              | 11        | 16        | 63        | 6                | 11        | 20        | 63        |
| <i>10 am</i>   | 7              | 10        | 16        | 67        | 8               | 10        | 16        | 65        | 7                | 11        | 20        | 62        |
| <i>1 pm</i>    | 7              | 8         | 16        | 68        | 8               | 11        | 19        | 63        | 6                | 13        | 21        | 60        |
| <i>4 pm</i>    | 7              | 10        | 18        | 67        | 7               | 11        | 19        | 63        | 6                | 13        | 23        | 58        |
| <i>7 pm</i>    | 11             | 12        | 11        | 65        | 11              | 16        | 15        | 58        | 9                | 17        | 19        | 56        |
| <i>10 pm</i>   | 13             | 14        | 11        | 62        | 15              | 14        | 12        | 60        | 17               | 15        | 13        | 56        |
| <i>All Day</i> | <b>11</b>      | <b>11</b> | <b>14</b> | <b>65</b> | <b>11</b>       | <b>12</b> | <b>15</b> | <b>62</b> | <b>10</b>        | <b>13</b> | <b>17</b> | <b>59</b> |
|                | <b>April</b>   |           |           |           | <b>May</b>      |           |           |           | <b>June</b>      |           |           |           |
| <i>1 am</i>    | 15%            | 14%       | 15%       | 56%       | 16%             | 13%       | 13%       | 58%       | 14%              | 15%       | 13%       | 60%       |
| <i>4 am</i>    | 12             | 13        | 15        | 61        | 9               | 13        | 18        | 60        | 7                | 12        | 15        | 66        |
| <i>7 am</i>    | 7              | 10        | 20        | 63        | 7               | 10        | 20        | 63        | 5                | 9         | 15        | 71        |
| <i>10 am</i>   | 7              | 12        | 24        | 58        | 7               | 14        | 25        | 55        | 7                | 13        | 21        | 59        |
| <i>1 pm</i>    | 6              | 17        | 24        | 54        | 7               | 20        | 27        | 46        | 10               | 18        | 26        | 46        |
| <i>4 pm</i>    | 7              | 18        | 22        | 53        | 9               | 22        | 25        | 45        | 12               | 21        | 25        | 53        |
| <i>7 pm</i>    | 8              | 18        | 22        | 52        | 9               | 21        | 23        | 47        | 11               | 20        | 19        | 50        |
| <i>10 pm</i>   | 15             | 18        | 16        | 52        | 17              | 17        | 16        | 50        | 13               | 20        | 14        | 54        |
| <i>All Day</i> | <b>9</b>       | <b>15</b> | <b>20</b> | <b>56</b> | <b>10</b>       | <b>16</b> | <b>21</b> | <b>53</b> | <b>10</b>        | <b>16</b> | <b>19</b> | <b>56</b> |
|                | <b>July</b>    |           |           |           | <b>August</b>   |           |           |           | <b>September</b> |           |           |           |
| <i>1 am</i>    | 20%            | 11%       | 9%        | 59%       | 20%             | 13%       | 11%       | 57%       | 28%              | 16%       | 10%       | 45%       |
| <i>4 am</i>    | 12             | 10        | 12        | 67        | 13              | 12        | 10        | 65        | 26               | 14        | 13        | 48        |
| <i>7 am</i>    | 10             | 8         | 13        | 70        | 7               | 10        | 13        | 69        | 15               | 14        | 17        | 54        |
| <i>10 am</i>   | 14             | 13        | 17        | 56        | 12              | 17        | 16        | 54        | 19               | 19        | 19        | 43        |
| <i>1 pm</i>    | 21             | 20        | 22        | 37        | 19              | 22        | 24        | 36        | 21               | 22        | 20        | 37        |
| <i>4 pm</i>    | 25             | 23        | 21        | 31        | 23              | 24        | 21        | 32        | 22               | 24        | 19        | 35        |
| <i>7 pm</i>    | 22             | 25        | 15        | 38        | 20              | 25        | 18        | 38        | 22               | 24        | 16        | 38        |
| <i>10 pm</i>   | 24             | 19        | 10        | 47        | 24              | 20        | 9         | 47        | 32               | 17        | 12        | 39        |
| <i>All Day</i> | <b>18</b>      | <b>16</b> | <b>15</b> | <b>51</b> | <b>17</b>       | <b>18</b> | <b>15</b> | <b>50</b> | <b>23</b>        | <b>19</b> | <b>16</b> | <b>42</b> |
|                | <b>October</b> |           |           |           | <b>November</b> |           |           |           | <b>December</b>  |           |           |           |
| <i>1 am</i>    | 22%            | 16%       | 11%       | 50%       | 14%             | 12%       | 15%       | 59%       | 12%              | 14%       | 11%       | 63%       |
| <i>4 am</i>    | 19             | 16        | 11        | 54        | 14              | 13        | 11        | 62        | 12               | 12        | 11        | 65        |
| <i>7 am</i>    | 10             | 16        | 18        | 57        | 8               | 12        | 20        | 60        | 9                | 11        | 16        | 64        |
| <i>10 am</i>   | 12             | 16        | 18        | 54        | 7               | 11        | 19        | 62        | 6                | 9         | 18        | 67        |
| <i>1 pm</i>    | 13             | 19        | 20        | 49        | 7               | 12        | 20        | 62        | 6                | 10        | 18        | 66        |
| <i>4 pm</i>    | 14             | 19        | 21        | 47        | 7               | 12        | 19        | 61        | 5                | 11        | 19        | 65        |
| <i>7 pm</i>    | 18             | 20        | 15        | 47        | 12              | 14        | 13        | 62        | 10               | 13        | 13        | 63        |
| <i>10 pm</i>   | 22             | 16        | 13        | 49        | 14              | 14        | 11        | 62        | 13               | 13        | 12        | 62        |
| <i>All Day</i> | <b>16</b>      | <b>17</b> | <b>16</b> | <b>51</b> | <b>10</b>       | <b>13</b> | <b>16</b> | <b>61</b> | <b>9</b>         | <b>12</b> | <b>15</b> | <b>64</b> |