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(Departure from 30-year means in brackets)

MONTH	Total sunshine:		Mean temperature: °C			
	hours		Air(1)	Dew point	In ground under grass	
					30cm	100cm
JAN	62	(+10)	4.8 (+1.7)	3.0	5.7	7.4
FEB	117	(+52)	6.4 (+3.2)	3.7	5.7	6.5
MAR	76	(-30)	7.3 (+2.1)	5.0	7.5	7.4
APR	102	(-36)	7.7 (+0.1)	5.3	9.1	8.5
MAY	205	(+18)	12.7 (+1.8)	9.0	12.9	10.7
JUN	156	(-35)	14.4 (+0.5)	12.4	15.2	13.0
JUL	180	(-9)	15.7 (-0.2)	11.8	16.6	14.5
AUG	232	(+53)	16.3 (+0.4)	11.8	16.9	15.5
SEP	139	(-1)	15.0 (+1.5)	12.5	15.5	15.0
OCT	88	(-16)	10.3 (-0.1)	8.6	12.4	13.6
NOV	68	(+3)	5.3 (-0.7)	3.3	7.6	10.2
DEC	38	(-9)	5.5 (+1.5)	3.5	6.2	7.9
YEAR*	1463	0	10.1 (+1.0)	7.5	10.9	10.9

MONTH	Ground frosts (2)	Total rainfall:mm		Rain days (3)	Drainage through 50.8cm (20 in) soil:mm	Wind km per hour (4)
		12.7cm (5 in) gauge				
JAN	17	70	(+5)	13	59	10.1
FEB	15	9	(-39)	7	0	7.5
MAR	11	63	(+6)	12	30	8.1
APR	9	115	(+62)	25	74	6.7
MAY	2	20	(-33)	8	0	4.9
JUN	1	103	(+46)	22	30	4.3
JUL	0	39	(-8)	12	4	4.9
AUG	0	29	(-25)	9	0	4.0
SEP	0	130	(+75)	14	65	4.8
OCT	5	115	(+50)	21	77	9.5
NOV	17	81	(+17)	18	67	4.7
DEC	14	68	(-1)	21	56	7.4
YEAR*	91	842	(+154)	182	462	6.4

30-year means are for the period 1961-90

- (1) Mean of maximum and minimum
- (2) Number of nights grass min. was below 0.0°C
- (3) Number of days rainfall was 0.2 mm or more
- (4) At 2 metres above ground level

*Mean or total