

National Weather Service Forecast Office Green Bay, Wisconsin



Office Location:

The [Green Bay Weather Forecast Office](#) is located in the Village of Ashwaubenon, which adjoins the southwest border of the City of Green Bay. It is located seven miles southwest of downtown Green Bay and a half mile northeast of Austin Straubel International Airport. The Doppler radar is co-located with the 5,000 square foot brick forecast office building.

Office Activities:

The Green Bay NWS office (GRB) operates 24 hours a day, 365 days a year, with responsibility for 22 counties in northeast and north-central Wisconsin. We prepare aviation forecasts for six sites year-round: Green Bay, Appleton, Wausau, Rhinelander, Mosinee (Central Wisconsin Airport), and Manitowoc. In addition, aviation forecasts are prepared for Oshkosh during the annual EAA AirVenture. We have marine responsibility on Lake Michigan from Sheboygan to Rock Island, Wisconsin, and for Green Bay south of Rock Island Passage at the northern tip of Door County. The office also offers hydrological products to users in every county of our County Warning Area (CWA). Point and spot forecasts are also provided to our partners in the fire weather community. Green Bay is an upper air station, operating the Radiosonde Replacement System (RRS). Our Cooperative Observation Program is well established with over 60 cooperative sites in operation in our CWA. The office programs nine NOAA radio transmitters for Green Bay, Sister Bay, Wausau, Crandon, Rhinelander, Wausaukee, Coloma, New London, and Gresham.

Community Description:

Established in 1764, the [City of Green Bay](#) was the first permanent settlement in Wisconsin. It is located in Northeast Wisconsin at the mouth of the Fox River at the southern point of the Bay of Green Bay. Green Bay is 2 hours north of Milwaukee, 3.5 hours north of Chicago, and 5.5 hours

east of Minneapolis. The 2015 estimated population of the City of Green Bay is 105,207. The 2015 demographic makeup of Green Bay is 74 percent White, 15 percent Hispanic, 4 percent Native American, 4 percent Asian, and 3 percent African American. The median age of a Green Bay resident is 33 years. Approximately 60 percent of the jobs are white collar representing industries such as health care, finance, and insurance. Paper making, meat packaging, and food processing industries are also significant. Dairy farms may be found in the rural areas surrounding Green Bay. Four large regional hospitals serve the Greater Green Bay area. There are more than 200 places of worship in the community. Bay Park Square Mall, East Town Mall, and Green Bay Plaza offer shoppers a selection of nationally known stores as well as local favorites. Fox River Mall, located about 25 miles south in Appleton, provides another shopping opportunity. There are a number of restaurants within a few miles of the office. Prices for meals vary depending upon cuisine, although most are very reasonable. Full service hotels and motels are available at various rates affordable to travelers.

Climate:

The average winter temperature is 26 degrees, while the average summer temperature is 70 degrees. The average high temperature in January is 24 degrees, while the average low temperature is 7 degrees. The average high temperature in July is 81 degrees, while the average low temperature is 59 degrees. Seasonal snowfall averages about 53 inches with most of the



snow falling from late November through late March. Yearly precipitation averages 29 inches with more than half of the total falling from showers and thunderstorms in late spring and summer. The coldest temperature recorded in Green Bay was -36 degrees on January 21, 1888, and the warmest was 104 degrees on July 13, 1936.

Recreation:

Green Bay offers many choices for recreation in sports, the arts, and entertainment. The Green Bay Packers remain the oldest team in the National Football League still in their original city. They play before sellout crowds at Lambeau Field. In addition to the Packers, Green Bay also is home to Green Bay Blizzard arena football, Green Bay Gamblers ice hockey, and Green Bay Bullfrogs baseball. The Wisconsin Timber Rattlers, a Class A team affiliated with the Milwaukee Brewers baseball team, play in nearby Appleton. At the college level, the University of Wisconsin-Green Bay "Fighting Phoenix" basketball teams have enjoyed success at both the NCAA and NIT tournaments. The St. Norbert College "Green Knights" also compete in basketball, football, and ice hockey. The Brown County Arena and nearby Resch Center are host to a large variety of events during the year including musical entertainment, arts and crafts fairs, a circus, a rodeo, Ice Capades, Harlem Globetrotters, home and garden show, boat show, RV and camping show, fishing show, and many other shows, conventions, and sporting events. There



are four YMCA locations and a YWCA. Indoor tennis and racquetball facilities are available as well as indoor hockey and skating rinks. Runners, walkers, and bicyclists enjoy the Fox River Trail. There are many public golf courses within 20 miles of Green Bay. Hidden Valley Ski Area is located within 10 miles of Green Bay, Granite Peak in Wausau is located 1½ hours away, and there are several more ski hills 2 to 4 hours away in Michigan's Upper Peninsula. Snowmobiling and cross-country skiing are also very

popular winter sports, as is ice fishing on Green Bay and the many inland lakes. Fishing is popular year-round on Lake Michigan, Green Bay, and the Fox River. Deer hunting is a favorite fall pastime, as is bird, duck, and grouse hunting. Patrons of the arts will enjoy the selection of shows available at the Weidner Center for the Performing Arts and Meyer Theatre in Green Bay, as well as the Performing Arts Center in Appleton. There are excellent museums and other sites of interest including the Neville Public Museum, National Railroad Museum, Heritage Hill State Historical Park, Green Bay Botanical Garden, NEW Zoo, Bay Beach Amusement Park, and Bay Beach Wildlife Sanctuary. The Oneida Bingo and Casino, operated by the Oneida Nation, is located across from the Airport. The [Green Bay Visitors Guide](#) is a good source of information on activities and events in the Greater Green Bay area.



Educational Facilities:

There are 80 Grade 4K through Grade 12 [public](#) and private schools in the Greater Green Bay area. Green Bay area student test scores are higher than Wisconsin's average on SAT, ACT, and elementary SRA tests. The University of Wisconsin-Green Bay has a beautiful campus overlooking the Bay of Green Bay and offers both bachelors and master's degree programs. St. Norbert College, nestled along the banks of the Fox River, is a private liberal arts college. Additional schools of higher learning include Bellin College, Northeast Wisconsin Technical College, and Rasmussen College. There are nine libraries in the Brown County Library System.

Child Care Facilities:

There are more than 170 child care options in the Greater Green Bay area including day care and after school facilities as well as family settings.

Housing:

There are many nice residential areas within minutes of the office. New three-bedroom homes sell for \$160,000 to \$180,000, with custom built homes selling in the \$225,000 to \$275,000 price range. Upscale homes are available for \$300,000+. The average home in the Greater Green Bay area is valued at \$130,000. Two- and three-bedroom condominiums are available for \$125,000 to \$150,000. There are many apartments and duplexes for rent. One-bedroom apartments average \$500, and two-bedroom apartments are about \$650. The rent for two- or three-bedroom duplexes ranges from about \$700 to \$900.

Transportation:

The median travel time to work in the Green Bay area is 15 minutes. The City of Green Bay operates city buses, and taxi service is available. Green Bay is served by Austin Straubel International Airport which offers numerous flights to larger hubs on major airline carriers. Greyhound Bus Lines serves Green Bay, and the nearest Amtrak train station is in Milwaukee.

Taxes:

There are no city or county income taxes. State sales tax is 5 percent. Wisconsin individual income tax rates vary from 4.6 percent to 6.75 percent depending upon income. Green Bay's net real estate tax rate for 2015 was 24.6. For a home valued at \$150,000, the property tax is approximately \$3,700.