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## **Sunrise and Sunset Information**

### **U.S. Naval Observatory**

**<http://www.usno.navy.mil>**



*Purpose:* To determine sunrise and sunset times for any date at any location.

*Content:* Click the **Sun Rise/Set** link on the left-hand side of the screen to input a date and location for which you want to know this information. Using **Form A**, you can retrieve this information by entering a date, city or town name, and selecting the state from a pull-down menu. Using **Form B**, you can retrieve information for any point on the globe by entering latitude and longitude coordinates.

*Our View:* This site allows you to easily find the sunrise, sunset, high noon, or other sun and moon information for any place and any time in the U.S. The available city and state list for the country, based on U.S. Census Bureau data, contains more than twenty-two thousand places. While the site does not list a limit as to how far back it can supply data, recent searches returned data for dates as far back as 1900.

For the importance of this data, see “War Stories: Sunset Time” at the beginning of this chapter.

*Tip:* Click **What time is it?** on the site’s home page to locate a page containing the current time (wherever you are in the U.S.) according to the Observatory’s atomic clock.