

Forecast Cloud Cover for Every Hour of the Day

- Visit the [Gfs-Lamp Text by State](https://www.nws.noaa.gov/mdl/gfslamp/statebull.shtml) site.
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- Next select the state for which you want to forecast and click on it. Select desired city.
- To decode this information visit [Description of the GFS LAMP Alphanumeric Message](#). YOU HAVE ALREADY COPIED THIS.
- (https://www.nws.noaa.gov/mdl/gfslamp/docs/LAMP_description.shtml)
- At the left is a column...second line down is UTC (Universal Time). A complete time chart is available to all for all time zones in the United States.

The 17th line DOWN ON THE LEFT is CLD. This is the cloud or sky cover for each hour of the day. This lists the forecasted cloud cover for each hour for the next 24 hours. See decoding below: Pretty simple.

- **CI** = clear (Sunny during the daytime)
- **FW** = a few clouds (Mostly sunny during daytime)
- **SC** = Scattered clouds, Partly sunny during daytime
- **BK** = Broken clouds (Mostly cloudy)
- **OV** = Overcast (Cloudy)