

New York

New York City has a population of approximately 8.5 million people and covers an area of 302 square miles.

New York City is the most populated city in the USA.

New York City was the capital city of the USA from 1785-1790.

The Statue of Liberty was presented to New York by France in 1875. It stands on Liberty Island in New York harbour.

The New York subway (underground train) system has the most stations in the world.

Taxis in New York City are yellow. It's thought that they're yellow because it's the easiest colour to spot.

The first pizzeria in the USA opened in New York City.

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Washington DC

Washington DC is the capital city of the USA.

Washington DC is not a state.

The population of Washington DC is 711,000 and covers an area of 68 square miles.

The White House is where the president of the USA lives and works. It has 35 bathrooms.

The Washington Memorial was once the largest structure in the world.
The Library of Congress in Washington DC is the largest in the world.
There are underground tunnels across Washington DC that link different government buildings.



Chicago

Chicago has a population of 2.7 million people and covers an area of 234 square miles.

Chicago's nickname is 'The Windy City'.

Chicago is next to Lake Michigan, one of the Great Lakes of North America.

Chicago has 25 beaches.

Chicago is the 'railroad capital' of the USA – it has more railways connecting the city than any other.

In Chicago's downtown, there are some streets that have different levels.

On St Patrick's Day, 17th March, people dye the Chicago river green.

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New Orleans

The population of New Orleans is approximately 420,000 people.

New Orleans is one of the USA's biggest ports.

On a map, New Orleans looks like a crescent. This is because the city grew around the Mississippi river.

New Orleans has more canals than Venice.

New Orleans was once part of France. The food, culture and street names still have a French influence.

The Superdome in New Orleans is one of the world's largest stadiums.

New Orleans is famous for its colourful and exciting Mardi Gras parade.

The official colours of Mardi Gras have a hidden meaning: purple stands for justice; green for faith; and gold for power.

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Los Angeles

LA is short for Los Angeles and means the 'City of Angels'.

The population of LA is 3.9 million and covers an area of 469 square miles.

LA is the second most populated city in the USA, after New York City.

LA became a part of the USA in 1848, at the end of the Mexican-American war.

The city experiences earthquakes because it's between two tectonic plates.



The city of Los Angeles is divided by the Santa Monica mountains.

Hiking is a popular pastime in LA.

The city features many famous beaches, such as Santa Monica, Malibu and Venice beaches.

LA is home to Hollywood, where many films are made.

Orlando



Orlando has over 100 lakes. The largest, Lake Eola, is a giant sinkhole.

Orlando has a tropical climate and is prone to hurricanes.

Orlando is home to many theme parks.

66 million people visited Orlando in 2017.

Two of the most popular theme parks are Walt Disney World and Universal Studios.

Water activities, such as sailing and windsurfing, are popular in Orlando.