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# Manhattan Snapshot

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“ I look out the window and I see the lights and the skyline and the people on the street rushing around looking for action, love, and the world’s greatest chocolate chip cookie, and my heart does a little dance.”

—Nora Ephron, *Heartburn*

**1**  
in every  
**38**  
Americans  
lives in  
NYC.

The price of a slice of pizza and the cost of a single ride on the subway has been nearly equal for the past 50 years.

Central  
Park  
covers  
  
843  
acres.

The *New York Post*, founded in 1801 by Alexander Hamilton, is the oldest continuously published daily newspaper in the U.S.



It is currently estimated that there are **10,500** restaurants in Manhattan alone.

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# Brooklyn Snapshot

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“What I love about Brooklyn is there are more wonderful little joints than anywhere.”

—Arthur Schwartz

Brooklyn has  
**30**  
miles of  
shoreline.



Brooklyn has over 700 cultural institutions, including the Brooklyn Museum, New York Transit Museum, Brooklyn Children's Museum, Barclays Center, and the Brooklyn Academy of Music (BAM).

The  
median  
age of  
Brooklyn  
residents  
is  
**34.7.**



The wooden Cyclone roller coaster at Coney Island opened on June 26, 1927.



Brooklyn is larger, both in terms of land area and population, than Manhattan.

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# Queens Snapshot

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“Queens is famous throughout the world for diversity and tolerance. But really it’s what we have in common that makes our neighborhoods work, our students succeed, and our families able to care for children and grandparents as they can.”

—Grace Meng



Queens was named for the Portuguese princess Catherine of Braganza (1638–1705), Queen of England, Scotland, and Ireland.

Kaufman Astoria Studios has been longtime host to the PBS series *Sesame Street*.

Over **56%** of Queens’s population over the age of 5 speaks a language other than English.

Queens was monumental in the 1940s jazz scene, producing greats like Louis Armstrong, Charlie Parker, and Ella Fitzgerald.



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In total, residents of Queens speak **138** different languages—more than anywhere else in the world.

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# Long Island Snapshot

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“There are so many different worlds in Long Island. That’s why it’s so fascinating. Between Great Neck and Montauk, there are 10,000 worlds.”

—Susan Isaacs

Long Island is the longest island in the continental U.S., extending **118** miles eastward from New York Harbor to Montauk Point.



Deep Hollow Ranch, located in Montauk, was the first working ranch in the U.S.

Montauk Point Lighthouse is the oldest lighthouse in New York state.

Long Island produces over **500,000** cases of wine annually.



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Long Island’s Gold Coast served as the backdrop to F. Scott Fitzgerald’s classic novel *The Great Gatsby*.

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# Westchester Snapshot

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“All that is  
within me cries  
out to go back to  
my home on the  
Hudson River.”

—Franklin D. Roosevelt

Westchester  
spreads out over  
approximately  
**500**  
square miles,  
making it larger than  
more than  
**40**  
countries and  
territories.

On February 22,  
1888, Yonkers  
resident John Reid  
became the first  
person to play golf on  
American soil.



  
The first  
chapter of the  
Garden Club  
of America  
was founded  
in Bedford  
in 1938.

The average  
weekday inbound  
ridership on  
Metro-North from  
Westchester is  
**74,785.**  
On weekends, it's  
**52,774.**



Ward Pound Ridge Reservation is 4,315 acres, more than 5 times the size of Central Park.

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# *New Jersey Snapshot*

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“New Jersey is the most poetic state: close enough to New York to be urban and cosmopolitan, far enough to be desirous and unsure; densely populated, but full of farms and woods, with the most deer of any state.”

—Robert Pinsky



New Jersey  
has over  
**50**  
resort cities  
and  
towns.

Modern paleontology, the science of studying dinosaur fossils, began in 1858 with the discovery of the first nearly complete skeleton of a dinosaur in Haddonfield, New Jersey.



New Jersey  
has the  
**most diners**  
per capita in  
the world.

The lightbulb, phonograph (record player), and motion picture projector were invented by Thomas Edison in his Menlo Park laboratory.

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Cape May is the oldest seashore resort in the United States.

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# Florida Snapshot

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“My escape is to just get in a boat and disappear on the water.”

—Carl Hiaasen



Key West has the highest average temperature in the United States—77°.

Greater Miami is the only metropolitan area in the United States bordered by two national parks. You can hike through pristine Everglades National Park or ride on glass-bottomed boats across Biscayne National Park.

Orlando attracts more visitors than any other amusement park destination in the United States.



With over **1,300** courses, Florida has more golf courses than any other state in the U.S.



The phrase “cool as a cucumber” originated in Florida.

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# California Snapshot

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“The two girls grew up at the edge of the ocean and knew it was paradise, and better than Eden, which was only a garden.”

—Eve Babitz

1

out of every

8

United States residents lives in California.

The first person to receive a star on the Walk of Fame in Hollywood was actress Joanne Woodward. She received it in 1960.

California produces more than

638 million gallons of wine a year.



Pacific Park, on the Santa Monica Pier, re-creates the amusement parks that once dotted the Pacific Coast. Featured are 11 amusement rides, including the 1910-vintage hand-carved merry-go-round featured in *The Sting*.



California is the only state that's hosted both the Summer and Winter Olympics.



“The ideal place for me is the one in which it is most natural to live as a foreigner.”

—Italo Calvino

# International Snapshot

In the Netherlands, the overall average working week is

4

days and less than

30

hours.

Brazil offers workers the most paid vacation days per year in the world. Full-time workers can earn 41 paid days off—30 are mandated for leisure and the other 11 are considered paid federal holidays.

In Paris, workers only have to clock in for an average of

6

hours a day.



In Sweden, as many as 480 days, or 16 months, of paid parental leave is offered to workers, 60 days of which are reserved for the father.

Siestas are common in Spanish-speaking countries, including Costa Rica, Ecuador, and Spain itself.

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# Rentals Snapshot

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“There’s nothing I like better than going to my apartment, closing the door, cooking my little dinner for one, and just tuning out. My apartment really is my haven. It’s a nest where I go to heal.”

–Tim Gunn

432 Park Avenue is the tallest residential tower in the Western Hemisphere, standing at 1,396 feet with 96 stories.



There are more than 4.5 million people living in apartments in New York.

The Broadway musical *Rent* was based on the Puccini opera *La Bohème*.



50% of all housing in NYC is apartments.



More than 51% of residential units in NYC are rental units.

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