

Fast Facts about Rhode Island



- ❖ **State Capital** - Providence
- ❖ **Size** - 1,545 square miles (smallest state in the United States)
- ❖ **Population** - 1,048,319 (2000 census)
- ❖ **Largest City** - Providence
- ❖ **Major Cities** - Newport, Warwick, Pawtucket, Woonsocket, Cranston,
- ❖ **Major Industries** - Textiles, jewelry, machinery, tourism, health and financial services
- ❖ **Highest Point** - Jerimoth Hill (812 ft.)
- ❖ **Lowest Point** - Sea levels at the coasts
- ❖ **State Nicknames** - The Ocean State, Little Rhody
- ❖ **Number of United States Senators** - 2
- ❖ **Number of United States Representatives** - 2
- ❖ **State Motto** - Hope
- ❖ **State Song** - "Rhode Island's It For Me"

More Facts about Rhode Island

- ❖ Newport, Rhode Island is home to the Tennis Hall of Fame.

- ❖ The Flying Horse Carousel in Watch Hill is the nation's oldest. It was built in 1850.



- ❖ The Redwood Library and Athenaeum in Newport, founded in 1747, is the oldest library in the United States.

- ❖ The first circus took place in Newport in 1774.



- ❖ The oldest schoolhouse in the U.S. is in Portsmouth, built in 1716.

State Symbols



Flag



Seal



Flower: Violet



Bird: Rhode Island Red



Tree: Maple



Fish: Striped bass



Rock: Cumberlandite

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