

NEBRASKA FACTS

Entered the Union: March 1, 1867 (37th state)

Capital: Lincoln

Origin of Name: From an Oto Indian word meaning "flat water"

State Nickname: Cornhusker State • Beef State

State Bird: Western Meadowlark

State Tree: Cottonwood

State Mammal: White-tailed Deer

State Flower: Goldenrod

State Song: "Beautiful Nebraska"

State Parks: 87

State Motto: Equality before the law

Famous For: Chimney Rock, Jail & Courthouse Rock, Agate Fossil Beds

Famous Nebraskans:

Bob Gibson (baseball)

Fr. Edward Flanagan (founder of Boys Town)

Frank Leahy (football coach)

Fred Astaire (dancer, actor)

Gerald Ford (President)

Henry Fonda (actor)

Johnny Carson (TV host)

Marlon Brando (actor)

Richard Cheney (Vice President)

Warren Buffett (investor)

William "Buffalo Bill" Cody (showman)