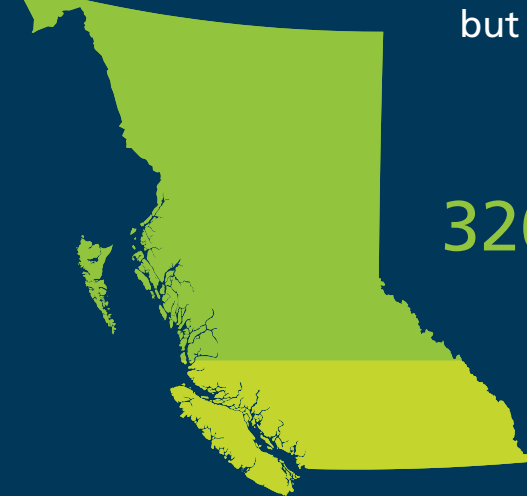


# Did You Know?



**Northern B.C. is larger than France** but it's home to only **326,000** people. The population of France is approximately **66 million**

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Did you know that **B.C.'s Peace region has two time zones?**

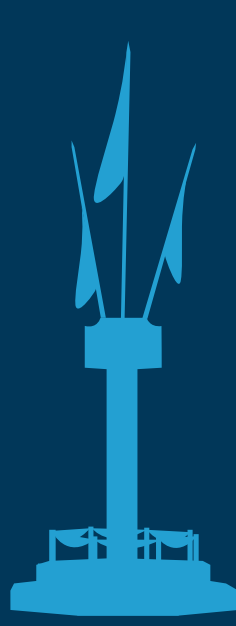
**Mountain Standard Time** in the winter and **Pacific Standard Time** in the summer



MST



PST



Did you know that **'Mile 0'** of the world famous Alaska Highway **is located in Dawson Creek?**

Every year, more than **1,000** Trumpeter Swans descend on **Fraser Lake**, for a brief time making it the **swan capital of the world**



**The largest lake in B.C. is Williston Lake**, which was created as a result of the development of the **WAC Bennett Hydroelectric dam** near Hudson's Hope – it encompasses **1,761 square kilometres**

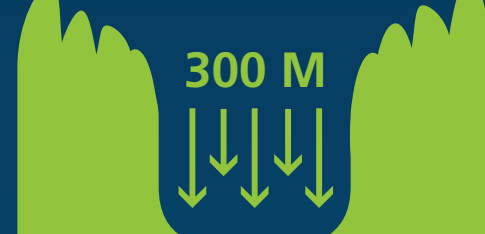
**Highway 97 is the longest highway in B.C.**, stretching more than **2,000 kilometres** from the U.S. border at Osoyoos to Watson Lake, Yukon. Approximately **87%** of the highway is located in northern B.C.



**1.6** million acres

Northern B.C.'s **Spatsizi Plateau** is often described as the Serengeti of Canada, and is the province's **largest road-less preserve** encompassing **1.6 million acres**

Northern B.C.'s **Grand Canyon of the Stikine**, which is more than **70 kilometres** long, is the **deepest canyon in Canada**, gouging **300 metres** into the earth in some places



Did you know that **Barkerville**, now anational historic site near Quesnel, was once the **largest city in North America** north of San Francisco and West of Chicago?

Now a national historic site, **The North Pacific Salmon Cannery** in Port Edward, built in **1889**, is the **oldest surviving cannery** in British Columbia



**Chetwynd** is home to more than **120 elaborate chainsaw carvings** displayed throughout the town, and hosts an annual chainsaw carving contest that attracts competitors from all over the world



Did you know that **Smithers** has the **second-most PhDs** per capita of any community in B.C.? (Victoria has the most)

**The egg carton was invented** in **1911** by newspaper editor Joseph Coyle in **Smithers**, B.C. to solve a dispute between a local farmer and hotel owner in Aldermere, near present day Telkwa, over the farmer's eggs often being delivered broken



Originally established in **1794**, **Fort St. John** is the **oldest European-established settlement** in present-day British Columbia

**Terrace was once the cedar pole capital of the world.**

More than **50,000** poles were manufactured annually to supply many parts of North America with telephone and electric power poles. **The world's tallest cedar pole** is more than **200** feet high and was cut in Terrace. It's currently standing in **New York City**



**Liard River Hot Springs** Provincial Park north in the Northern Rockies is home to the **second largest** hot spring in Canada



Did you know that the Barkerville Fudge & Bumblebee Boutique in **Quesnel** is one of the **only places** in northern B.C. where you can still purchase Vanilla Coke? The owners of Barkerville Fudge regularly drive down to Washington State to import it back to Quesnel

