





Happy Birthday California!

This month we celebrate California's **172nd** anniversary of statehood on **September 9th**.

 **Did you know?** California is the **3rd** largest state by area and was the **31st** state to join the Union.

 The state tree is the **Redwood**.

 The state nickname is the **Golden State**.

 The largest city is **Los Angeles**.

California remained the most populous state in 2020, but growth slowed in the last decade.

The results of the 2020 Census show that:

- The total population of California was **39,538,223** – an increase of **6.1%** from 2010
- **15,579,652** or **39.4%** of people in California reported Hispanic or Latino origin – an increase of **11.2%** from 2010

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