

CHICAGO THE WINDY CITY

Chicago is the largest city in Illinois, the biggest inland metropolis in the United States, and the third-largest city in the country by population after New York and Los Angeles. Chicago has a population of approximately 2.7 million inhabitants.

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The picture on the right shows a nighttime view of the Chicago skyline from Lake Michigan. Lake Michigan is the second-largest lake in the United States. In the summer, 28 sandy beaches are open to the public. The city is very windy due to the large body of water and the skyscrapers, which can channel and accelerate the winds, creating a "wind tunnel" effect. The city has four distinct seasons, and there are many tourists during the summer.



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