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National States & Capitals Day

September 22nd



Illinois

SPRINGFIELD

NATIONAL DAY CALENDAR®

National States & Capitals Day focuses on raising awareness and sharing education about all 50 states and their capitals on National States & Capitals Day.



Dick & Jane are the proud founders of **National States & Capitals Day**.

The *National Day Calendar* gets over 30,000 applications every year for new, national holidays, but they only choose 10 per year. In 2022, National States & Capitals Day was chosen and became an official, national holiday!

Let's celebrate!

★ #NationalStatesandCapitalsDay ★

4 state capitals are named after U.S. Presidents –
Jackson, MS,
Jefferson City, MO,
Lincoln, NE &
Madison, WI.



Des Moines, IA was originally named
"Fort Racoon."



Montpelier, VT is the smallest U.S. capital by population.

17 state's capital city is also the **largest city** in that state.



Juneau, Alaska is the **LARGEST** U.S. capital by land area.

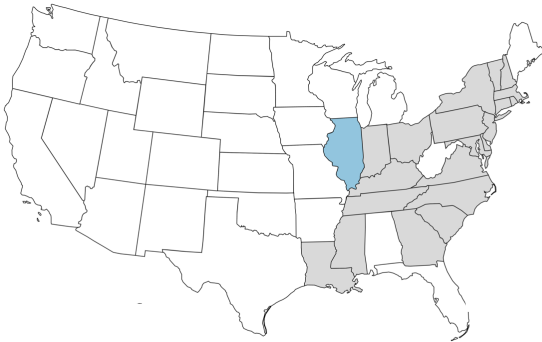


Honolulu, HI has the **highest average annual temperature** of all U.S. capital cities.

Phoenix, AZ is the **most populous** U.S. state capital with over **1.6 million people.**

Can you figure out the **ONLY letter** not used to spell any state name?

Illinois



21st State to join the Union
on December 3, 1818.

Fun Facts:

Softball got its start in Illinois, beginning as a sport called "indoor baseball".

Illinois is where the world's first modern skyscraper was built in 1885.

Illinois has had six capitol buildings. The current one resides in Springfield.

The Prairie State

State Tree



White Oak

State Bird



Cardinal

State Capital



Springfield

State Flower



Common Blue
Violet

State Butterfly

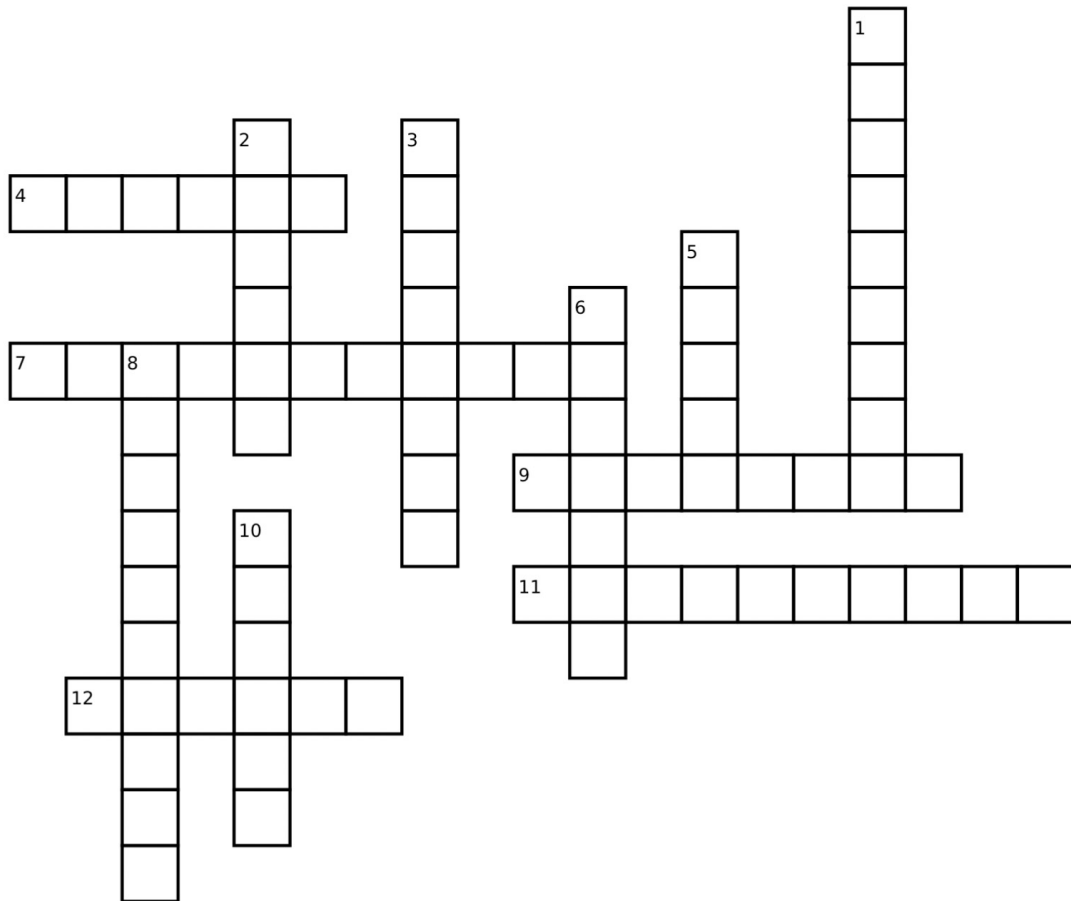


Monarch

Springfield

★ Crossword Puzzle

Answers found in the States & Capitals Learn More magazine.



Down:

Across:

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| 1. The state flower of Kansas. | 4. The only U.S. capital inaccessible by car. |
| 2. The 50 th state the join the Union. | 7. The Magnolia State. |
| 3. The Great Lakes State. | 9. The 1 st state to join the Union. |
| 5. The state flower of New Mexico. | 11. The capital of Louisiana. |
| 6. The state tree of Georgia. | 12. The capital of Colorado. |
| 8. The capital of California. | |
| 10. The state mammal of Oregon. | |

ALL 50 STATES

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