HOMETOWN TRIVIA · PROVIDENCE, RI

How well do you know Providence?

Circle the answer you think is right. Answers are on the last page.

1. Which famous actor was born in Providence in 1952?

A. Harry Anderson
B. Ruth Buzzi
C. Marilyn Chambers

2. Which famous public figure was born in Providence in 1949?

A. Daniel McKee
B. Donald Carcieri
C. Jack Reed

3. About how many people lived in Providence in 1950?

A. 573,000
B. 249,000
C. 100,000

How well do you know Providence?

4. The Providence Biltmore dates back to about which year?

A. 1892
B. 1952
C. 1922

5. Between 2010 and 2020, did Providence grow or shrink?

A. It grew
B. It shrank

REMEMBER WHEN · PROVIDENCE

Let's talk about home

Read one aloud and let the stories come. There are no wrong answers on this page.

- Marilyn Chambers was born right here in Providence in 1952. What's your favorite movie or show with Marilyn Chambers in it?
- Jack Reed was born right here in Providence in 1949. Do you remember Jack Reed from the news?
- In 1950 about 249,000 people lived in Providence. What is the biggest change you have seen in town since then?
- The Providence Biltmore dates back to 1922. Have you ever been there, or driven past it?
- Where did people in Providence go for an ice cream cone on a summer night?
- What was downtown Providence like on a Saturday when you were young?

WORD SEARCH · PROVIDENCE

Around Providence

P R O V I D E N C E O G Y R T
W N L G S R K T R O L L E Y E
G L I O L I G I E K P I P E Y
H I B N Y H D S A N I I O N A
F M R A R B U I E O F L S A V
P O A B K O I B N C H N T E O
S A R I H E C L N E M I O H W
M I Y E N N R O T A R E F A A
Y F R K E S K Y E M B F F O K
L I G A C D T R R L O S I P S
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A M L A C A S O R R N N L E E

- [ ] BAKERY
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- [ ] ICECREAM
- [ ] LIBRARY
- [ ] MAINSTREET
- [ ] PARADE
- [ ] POSTOFFICE
- [ ] PROVIDENCE
- [ ] REED
- [ ] TROLLEY

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Answers and sources

1. Marilyn Chambers Marilyn Chambers was born in Providence in 1952.

Sources: https://www.wikidata.org/wiki/Q220693 · https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Marilyn_Chambers

2. Jack Reed Jack Reed was born in Providence in 1949.

Sources: https://www.wikidata.org/wiki/Q528979 · https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Jack_Reed_(Rhode_Island_politician)

3. 249,000 The 1950 census counted 248,674 people in Providence.

Sources: https://www2.census.gov/library/publications/decennial/1960/pc-s1-supplementary-reports/pc-s1-9.pdf · https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Providence,_Rhode_Island

4. 1922 The Providence Biltmore dates back to 1922.

Sources: https://www.wikidata.org/wiki/Q7252390 · https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Providence_Biltmore

5. It grew Providence counted 178,042 people in 2010 and 190,934 in 2020.

Sources: https://api.census.gov/data/2020/dec/pl · https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Providence,_Rhode_Island

Word search answers. Every word reads left to right, top to bottom, or diagonally downward. None run backwards.

P	R	O	V	I	D	E	N	C	E	O	G	Y	R	T
W	N	L	G	S	R	K	T	R	O	L	L	E	Y	E
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Y	F	R	K	E	S	K	Y	E	M	B	F	F	O	K
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