

# Fun Facts about the month of August

## AUGUST BIRTH MONTH

- Birthstone is the peridot and sardonyx
- Flower is the poppy and gladiolus
- Zodiac signs are Leo and Virgo

## THE MONTH OF AUGUST

- National Family Fun Month
- National Peach Month
- National Golf Month
- International Pirate Month
- National Catfish Month

## WEEKLY CELEBRATIONS IN AUGUST 2024

- August 1-7: International Clown Week
- August 1-7: Simplify Your Life Week
- August 11-17: National Resurrect Romance Week
- August 25-31: Be Kind to Humankind Week

## FUN DAYS IN AUGUST 2024

- August 4th: Chocolate Chip Cookie Day
- August 13th: National Prosecco Day
- August 24th: Kobe Bryant Day
- August 29th: National Chop Suey Day

## THE MONTH OF AUGUST IN HISTORY

- August 1, 1790: The first U.S. Census is completed. There are four million people in the U.S.
- August 2, 1909: The Lincoln cent (Lincoln penny) is issued by the U.S. Mint.
- August 3, 1958: The Nautilus, a nuclear powered submarine is the first submarine to cross the North Pole under water.
- August 13, 1907: The first taxi cabs begin operation in NYC.
- August 23, 1966: The first picture of Earth from the moon is taken by Lunar Orbiter 1.
- August 26, 1920: U.S. Congress passes the 19th Amendment, granting women the right to vote.
- August 31, 1994: A Pentium computer beats world chess champion Garry Kasparov.



## *Did you know?*

August was once the sixth month of the year. In the original ten-month Roman calendar, it went by the name of Sextilis, meaning “the sixth month” in Latin. Around 700BC August was moved back when January and February were added to the beginning of the year by King Numa Pompilius.

## *What's in season?*

- Acorn squash
- Apples
- Apricots
- Blueberries
- Butternut squash
- Cantaloupe
- Corn
- Cucumbers
- Eggplant
- Figs
- Green beans
- Kiwi
- Kohlrabi
- Lemons
- Lettuce
- Mangoes
- Okra
- Peaches
- Peppers
- Plums
- Raspberries
- Strawberries
- Summer squash
- Swiss chard
- Tomatoes
- Watermelon
- Winter squash
- Zucchini