Christmas Fact List

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There are many interesting facts about Christmas that you may have known before. Here are some Christmas facts that may be funny, yet interesting. Enjoy!

* The well-liked Christmas song “Jingle Bells” was actually written for Thanksgiving.
* There are 364 gifts mentioned in “The Twelve Days of Christmas”.
* Artificial Christmas trees have outsold real ones since 1991.
* Christmas has many meanings around the world; Christmas Eve in Japan is a good day to eat fried chicken and strawberry shortcake.
* An estimated 1 of 3 people around the world celebrate Christmas.
* The most popular Christmas Song ever is *We Wish You a Merry Christmas.*
* Christmas trees come from the forest.
* Averages of 5,800 people end up in the ER after suffering from injuries from holiday decorating.
* Each year about 3 billion Christmas cards are sent in the U.S.
* The percentage of all greetings card sent every year that are Christmas related is 45%
* The U.S. makes 1.76 billion candy canes each year.
* The most pricey Christmas tree was decorated in the United Arab Emirates in 2010 at an estimated cost of over $11 million.
* Americans buy 25-30 million real trees and 8-12 million artificial trees to decorate each year.
* Christmas is celebrated by both Christians and non-Christians around the world.
* All letters addressed to Santa in the United States go to Santa Claus, Indiana.