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**In some areas of Alaska there is
24 hours of daylight
Alaska is HUGE!**

- **24 hours of night**
- **3 million lakes**

We are 2 times the size of Texas (*Tallest in North America*)

- We have 29 volcanoes
- **586,400 Square Miles**
- 33,000 miles of coastline!
- 1,400 miles North to South
- 2,700 miles East to West
- Over 1/2 the world's Glaciers
- 55 miles east of Russia
- We are the only state to have coastlines on three different seas.
Arctic Ocean, Pacific Ocean and Bering Sea.

Records

- Record high temperature: 1915 +100 oF
- Record low temperature: Tanana -78 oF
- High tides of 37 feet
- Snow: 24 hours; 62 inches
1 year; 974 inches (Thompson Alaska, near Valdez).

Mountains

- **Mount Elias: 18,008 feet**
- State Motto: North to the future.
- State Flower: Forget-me-not.
The plant grows well in most of Alaska's varied climate.
- **State Bird: Alaska Willow Ptarmigan (*Lagopus lagopus alascensis* Swarth)**
It can change it's color from light brown to snow white. The willow ptarmigan was named