

## Christmas Tree Trivia

- ❖ **Real Trees are a renewable, recyclable resource. Artificial trees contain non-biodegradable plastics and possible metal toxins such as lead.**
- ❖ **There are approximately 25-30 million Real Christmas Trees sold in the U.S. every year.**
- ❖ **There are close to 350 million Real Christmas Trees currently growing on Christmas Tree farms in the U.S. alone, all planted by farmers.**
- ❖ **There are about 350,000 acres in production for growing Christmas Trees in the U.S.; much of it preserving green space.**
- ❖ **North American Real Christmas Trees are grown in all 50 states and Canada. 80% of artificial trees worldwide are manufactured in China according to U.S. Commerce Department.**
- ❖ **For every Real Christmas Tree harvested, 1 to 3 seedlings are planted the following spring.**
- ❖ **There are close to 15,000 farms growing Christmas Trees in the U.S. and over 100,000 people are employed full or part-time in the industry.**
- ❖ **It can take as many as 15 years to grow a tree of typical height (6-7 feet) or as little as 4 years, but the average growing time is 7 years.**
- ❖ **Trees absorb carbon dioxide and produce oxygen while growing.**
- ❖ **For more information about Real Christmas Trees visit [www.christmastree.org](http://www.christmastree.org)**