

**What a difference a century makes!
Here are some statistics from the Year 1909:**

The average life expectancy was 47 years.

Only 14 percent of homes had a bathtub.

Only 8 percent of homes had a telephone.

There were only 8,000 cars and only 144 miles of paved roads.

The maximum speed limit in most cities was 10 mph.

The tallest structure in the world was the Eiffel Tower

The average wage in 1909 was 22 cents per hour.

The average worker made between \$200 and \$400 per year .

A competent accountant could expect to earn \$2000 per year.

A dentist made \$2,500 per year, a veterinarian between \$1,500 and \$4,000 per year, and a mechanical engineer about \$5,000 per year.

More than 95 percent of all births took place at home.

Sugar cost four cents a pound.

Eggs were fourteen cents a dozen.

Coffee was fifteen cents a pound.

The American flag had 45 stars.

The population of Las Vegas, NV was 30!

Eighteen percent of households had at least one full-time servant or domestic help.