

Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey®
136th Edition Fun Facts

Infrastructure:

- The 136th Edition will play 40 different North American cities in a year.
- The 136th Edition contains 17 acts, including the Clown Alley Blow-off.
- There are over 60 moving Gobo lights and over 320 conventional theatrical lights used during the 136th Edition performance.
- The aerial rigging dimensions are 130' x 80'
- The video screen is 24' in diameter and contains 60,000 individual light bulbs.
- The reconfigured performance space measures 80' x 120'.
- The stars of the 136th Edition perform on 9,600 square feet of space.
- The horse turnaround is 60' x 8' and weighs 2,000 pounds.
- The entrance portal is 40' x 20' x 30'.
- 50 audio speakers are utilized during 136th Edition of *The Greatest Show On Earth*®.
- There are 21 pyro blasts per show.
- It takes 14 hours to assemble the new stage and rigging.
- It takes 7 hours to tear down the stage and rigging.
- 3 miles of cable are used to power the 136th Edition.
- 4,320 tons of equipment is moved from city to city.
- 43 container wagons are used to move *The Greatest Show On Earth*.
- 160 individual costumes are worn during a performance.
- There are 30 costume changes per show.

Concessions:

- 50 pounds of popcorn are consumed in each city *Ringling Bros.* visits.
- At each performance, 1,060 pounds of ice is produced to make snow cones.
- 50 pounds of sugar is used to spin cotton candy in each city.
- There are 40 different *Ringling Bros.*-branded toys and products for consumers to choose from at each show.
- *Ringling Bros.* employees consume 200 pounds of food at the pie car each day.
- An average of 1,000 meals is served at the Pie Car each week.

Train and Travel Fun Facts:

- The average distance the *Ringling Bros.* circus train travels between cities is 350 miles.
- There are 59 cars on the Blue Unit Train: 17 flat bed cars, 4 stock cars, 2 concession stock cars, 1 1/2 shops cars, 1 1/2 generator cars, 1 pie car (restaurant) and 32 coaches (living quarters).
- Each year, an average of 1,000 hours is spent traveling by train from city to city.
- The Blue Unit train will travel an average of 20,000 miles during the 136th Edition tour.
- The *Ringling Bros.* train uses 172,600 gallons of fuel each tour.
- The longest journey the train travels between cities is from Denver to Cleveland, which is 1,335 miles.

Animal Fun Facts:

- 57 animals and 50 birds travel with the Blue Unit: 10 Asian Elephants, 2 alpacas, 2 Zedonks, 2 Angora goats, 14 horses, 14 domestic cats and 13 dogs.
- An average of 160 pounds of food is eaten by each Asian elephant per day.
- There are 10 elephants that perform in the 136th Edition. Their ages range from four to 58 years old.
- The total weight of all the elephants on the show is 60,606 pounds.
- The names and ages of the 10 elephants that perform on the 136th Edition are: Sara (4), Kelly-Ann (9), Bonnie (11), Juliette (13), Nicole (29), Karin (36), Minjak (38), Susan (52), Jewel (55) and Misor (58).
- The Kassaev Cossack's horses come from all over the world. The horses were bred in the United States, Mexico, Canada and Russia.
- The Cossack's horses reach speeds of 25 miles per hour
- The horses in the Kassaev Cossack act gallop 300 feet around the arena during one rotation.

- The average weight of the Cossack's horses is 900 pounds.

Performer/Act Fun Facts:

- 105 performers, 9 musicians, 26 management/staff, 80 crew and 5 pie car staff travel with the 136th Edition of *The Greatest Show On Earth*®.
- There are 70 performers traveling with the 136th Edition of *Ringling Bros.* for the very first time.
- 35 performers are returning to *Ringling Bros.*
- 15 clowns make up the 136th Edition Clown Alley.
- 16 countries are represented on the 136th Edition.
- 14 languages, including English, Spanish, Portuguese, Russian and Chinese, are spoken on the 136th Edition.
- 20 children are traveling with the 136th Edition with 13 enrolled in the *Ringling Bros.* school.
- 15 families currently travel with the Blue Edition.
- The Yunnan Flyers are propelled 29.5 feet across the arena.
- The Shenzhen Troupe members are able to juggle up to 7 hats at a time.
- Strongman Herkules is able to lift up to 465 pounds.
- The 70-pound cannonball that Herkules catches is propelled at him at 75 miles per hour.
- The Jeep Wrangler that drives over Herkules weighs 2 tons.
- The motorcycles in Motorcycle Mania reach speeds of 50 miles per hour and come within 4 inches of each other.
- The Motorcycle Mania Globe circumference is 18 feet and the steel cage weighs 3,300 pounds.