

NATIONAL HOLIDAYS IN THE U.S.A.

Americans do not go to work on national holidays.



January 1

New Year's Day



Third Monday in January

Martin Luther King's Birthday



Third Monday in February

Presidents' Day



Last Monday in May

Memorial Day



July 4

Independence Day



First Monday in September

Labor Day



Second Monday in October

Columbus Day





November 11

Veterans Day



Fourth Thursday in November

Thanksgiving Day



December 25

Christmas

CELEBRATIONS

These are not national holidays, but they are very popular days in the U.S.!



February 14

Valentine's Day



Second Sunday in May

Mother's Day



Third Sunday in June

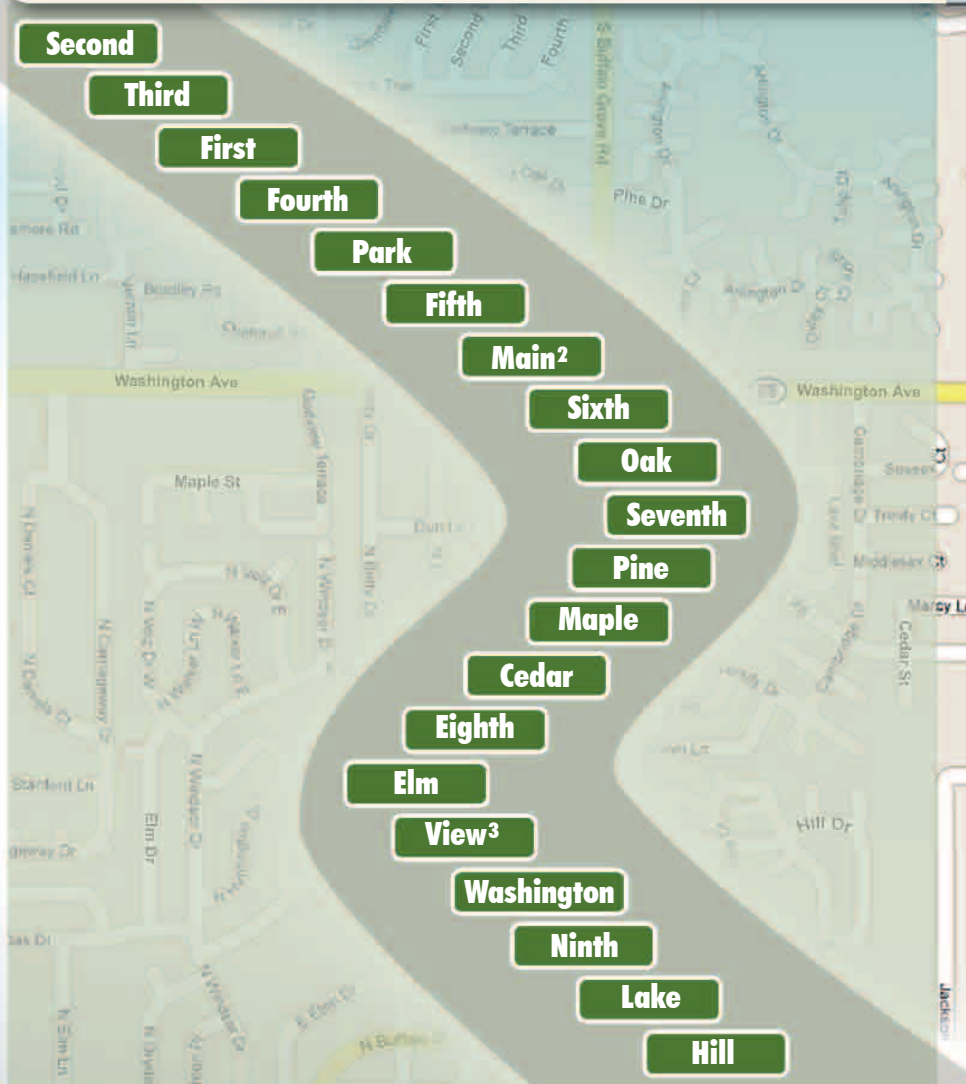
Father's Day



October 31

Halloween

TOP 20 STREET¹ NAMES IN THE U.S.



¹street—used to refer to avenues, drives and streets in general

²main—principal, important

³View—usually used in conjunction with other descriptive words (e.g., Park View, Lake View)

Based on information from the U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census, Geography Division.

Note that **Second** and **Third** are more common names than **First**. How can that be? Well, a lot of cities do not have a First Street; they have a **Main Street**, for example. And sometimes First Street is renamed after a historical figure, like Martin Luther King, Jr.

e.g. Martin Luther King, Jr. Street

Oak, Pine, Maple, Cedar and **Elm** are names of trees that are common in the U.S.

e.g. Maple Avenue

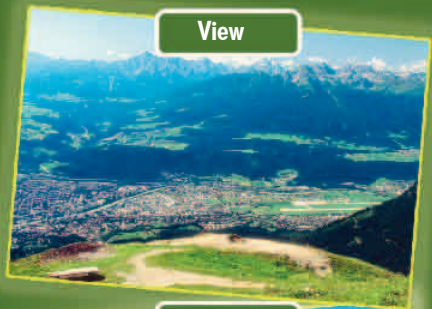


Park, View, Lake and **Hill** are geographical features.

Park



View



Lake



Hill



A street named Lake Avenue is probably near a lake. And there is probably a beautiful view of pine trees from a street named Pine View Drive.



Some cities are organized with a special street name system. If you want to visit Manhattan in New York City, it's important to understand how the system works there.

Numbered **STREETS** run **EAST-WEST**, beginning with First Street and ending at 218th Street.

Numbered **AVENUES** run **NORTH-SOUTH** beginning with First Avenue and ending at 12th Avenue, including named avenues like Park, Madison and Broadway.

In Manhattan, cab drivers need to know the names of the street and avenue near where you want to go. For example:

“Where are you headed?”

“I’m going to 56th Street between 5th and 6th.”

“No problem.”

