Girl Scouts: Fun Facts and Figures

BACKGROUND AND HISTORY
- Girl Scouts of the USA (GSUSA) is the largest leadership organization for girls in the world. Currently, there are about 2.6 million girl and adult members worldwide.
- Founder Juliette Gordon Low organized the first Girl Scout troop on March 12, 1912, in Savannah, Georgia. Girl Scouts celebrated its 100th anniversary in 2012.
- Fifty-nine million American women alive today participated in Girl Scouts growing up.

FAMOUS GIRL SCOUT ALUMS
- Famous Girl Scout alums on the stage and screen include Taylor Swift, Mariah Carey, Abigail Breslin, Gwyneth Paltrow, and Dakota Fanning.
- Star athletes who are Girl Scout alums include tennis players Venus and Serena Williams.
- Media greats Katie Couric, Barbara Walters, and Robin Roberts are Girl Scout alums.
- Virtually every female astronaut who has flown in space is a Girl Scout alum.

GIRL SCOUTS RULE
- Successful businesswomen who are Girl Scout alums include Susan Wojcicki, CEO of YouTube, and Virginia Rometty, CEO of IBM.
- Girl Scout alums in the world of public service include former Secretary of State Hillary Clinton, former Secretary of State Madeleine Albright, and former Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice.
- Seventy-six percent of female U.S. senators are Girl Scout alums.
- Fifty-two percent of women serving in the U.S. House of Representatives are Girl Scout alums.
- Three of the four current female governors are Girl Scout alums.

GIRL SCOUT COOKIES: DELIVERING BOTH INSIDE AND OUTSIDE THE BOX
- The Girl Scout Cookie Program is the largest girl-led business in the world.
- Girl Scouts sell about 200 million boxes of cookies—nearly $800 million worth—during each cookie season.
- There’s more to Girl Scout Cookies than what’s in the box. When a Girl Scout sells you cookies, she’s building a lifetime of skills and confidence. She learns goal setting, decision making, money management, people skills, and business ethics—skills essential to leadership, success, and life.
- Thin Mints® are the most popular variety of Girl Scout Cookies, followed by Samoas®/Caramel deLites® and Tagalongs®/Peanut Butter Patties®.