### State Bird
In 1929, the Western Meadowlark was chosen the state bird. A list of five birds where given to the schools in Nebraska. The Western Meadowlark received the most student votes.

### State Flower
In 1895, the Goldenrod was chosen the state flower. It is a native plant to Nebraska and many species of goldenrod grow throughout the state.

### State Tree
In 1972, the Cottonwood was chosen the state tree. It is associated with Nebraska history. Shoots were collected and planted by pioneers. Today, cottonwood trees grow throughout the state.

### State Fish
In 1997 the Channel Catfish was chosen the state fish. It was declared the state fish by the Governor Ben Nelson. It is the most numerous catfish species in North America.

### State Animal
In 1981, the White-tailed Deer was chosen the state animal. They are found in farmlands, bushy areas, and the woods of Nebraska.

### State Insect
In 1975 the Honeybee was chosen the state insect. Honeybees play an important role in agriculture. Honey and beeswax production are industries in Nebraska.

### State Rock
In 1967 Prairie Agate was chosen the state rock. It is a semi-precious stone that Nebraska has an abundance of, especially in the Oglala National Grassland.

### State Gemstone
In 1967, Blue Chalcedony (blue agate) was chosen the state gemstone. A pale stone which sometimes has bands of blue and white. It is found in northwestern Nebraska.

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Nebraska State Motto: Equality Before the Law
Origin of Name: From an Oto Indian word meaning flat water.