

# LIVING IN THE ARCTIC

*Barrow, Alaska*

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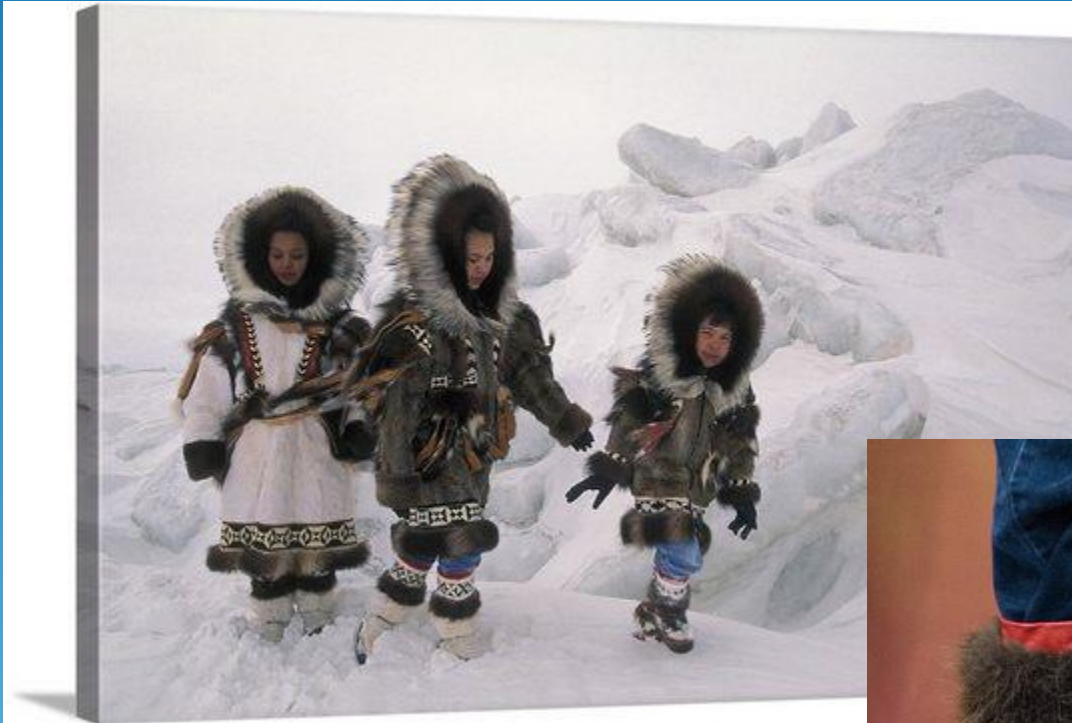
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# THE PEOPLE OF BARROW

# Clothing They Wear



mukluks



The **Inupiat language**, is a group of dialects of the Inuit language, spoken in northern and northwestern Alaska.

○ [Eskimo-English Dictionary](#)

Some words I know...

Most jobs in Barrow are related to oil production.



# MONEY

- Average Household Income \$82,334 in Barrow
- Average Household Income \$57,243 in Minnesota

# TRANSPORTATION





Residents use “snow machines”  
and four wheelers.



# Machines to help us move around.



Model 6660 built for Barrow, Alaska, to move materials across the permafrost.



# WHALING

A tradition in Barrow-



# Tradition of jumping on a trampoline made from seal or walrus skins.



Blanket Toss Back Flip at Barrow, Alaska -- June 26, 2008  
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# Whaling boat and harpoon.



Hundreds of people are needed, EVERY-BODY is needed. A whale weighs a ton per foot. The flippers are rushed back to the village and the church bell is rung over and over and over . The villagers knows what that means. SUCCESS!  
However this is a very dangerous job.



# The enormous job of cutting up a whale.





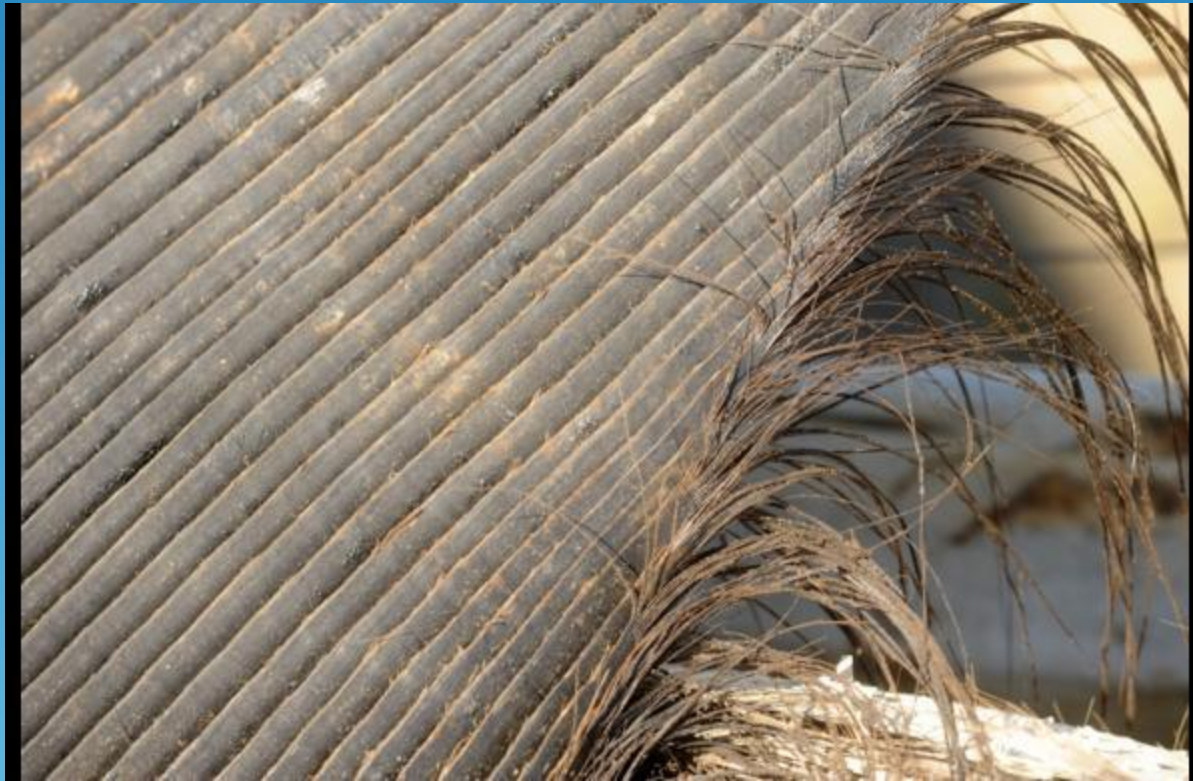
Each family  
gets a  
portion



The skull is all that remains,  
nothing is wasted.



# Baleen outside the Barrow Museum.



Native people celebrating.



# THE TOWN





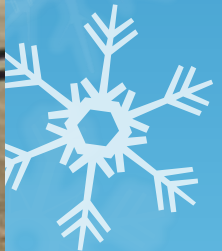
# The town in the summer



# The backyard of Barrow, Alaska.



# A quonset hut in Barrow.





# The beach in the summer



Houses are built up off the ground because of permafrost.



Permafrost- is soil at or below the freezing point 32 °F **for two or more years.**

Whale bones landmark showcasing their traditions.

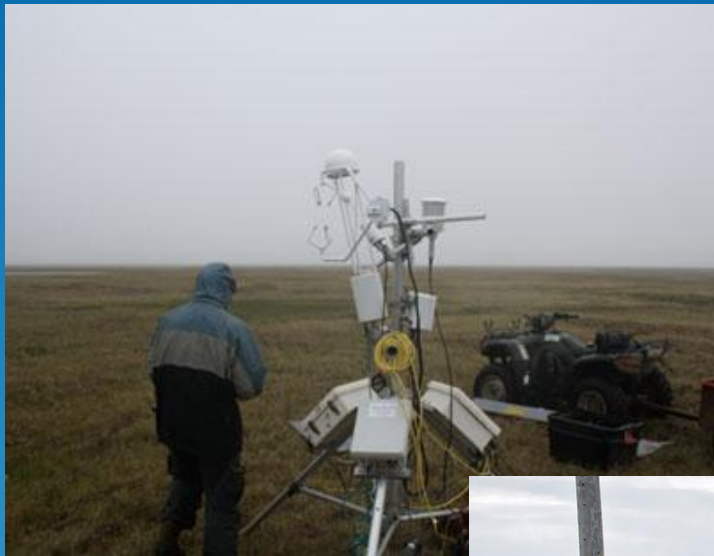


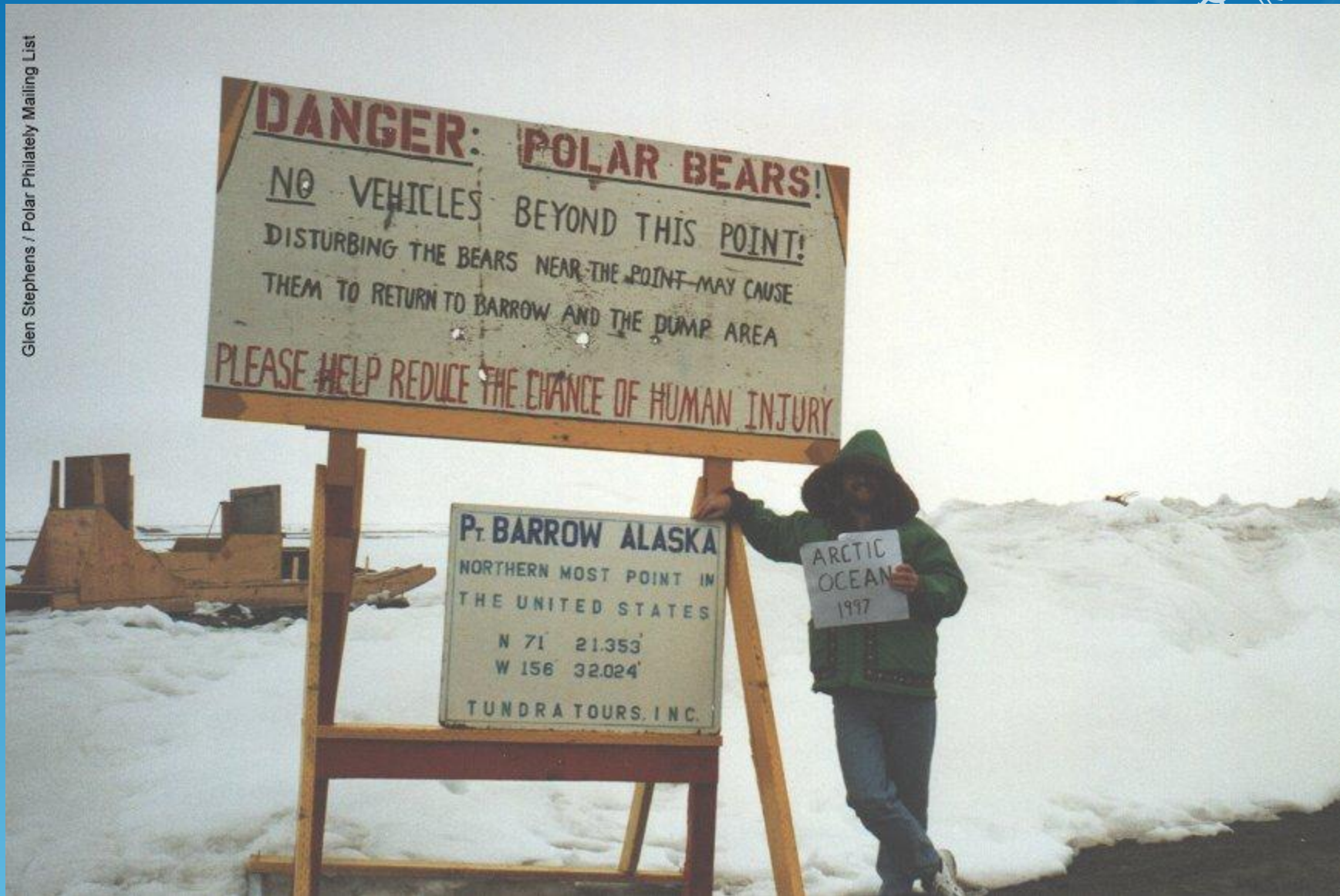
Machines moving ice that came in off the Arctic Ocean. The size of the pieces of ice make the machines look like toys.



The roads in Barrow are unpaved due to the permafrost, and no roads connect the city to the rest of Alaska.







**DANGER: POLAR BEARS!**  
**NO VEHICLES BEYOND THIS POINT!**  
DISTURBING THE BEARS NEAR THE POINT MAY CAUSE  
THEM TO RETURN TO BARROW AND THE DUMP AREA  
**PLEASE HELP REDUCE THE CHANCE OF HUMAN INJURY**

**Pt. BARROW ALASKA**  
NORTHERN MOST POINT IN  
THE UNITED STATES  
N 71 21.353  
W 156 32.024  
TUNDRA TOURS, INC.

ARCTIC  
OCEAN  
1997

Directions  
to other  
cities  
from  
Barrow.





This is a picture of pack ice.



# ANIMALS OF THE ARCTIC



# Narwhal



Siren



Polar Bear





Walrus



Caribou



# Arctic Fox



# Ptarmigan



Bowhead whale



Grey whale



Orca whale



THE SKIES,  
RAINFALL,  
AND  
TEMPERATURES





# Northern Light from Barrow.



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Dark for 6 months, then light for 6 months.

**storm TRACK 7 BARROW, ALASKA**

**Last Sunrise/Sunset Today**  
**Daylight Today: 57 min**

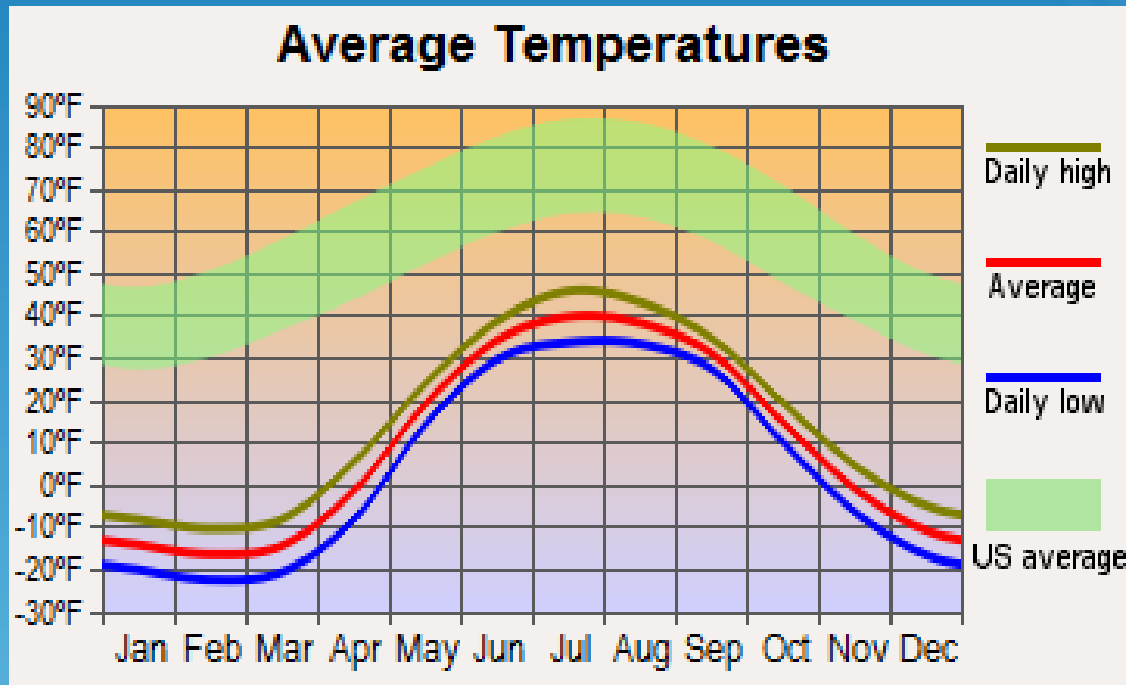
**Next Sunrise/Sunset**  
**Jan 23, 2010**

**Reynolds Wrap** 250 SQUARE FEET QUALITY ALUMINUM FOIL

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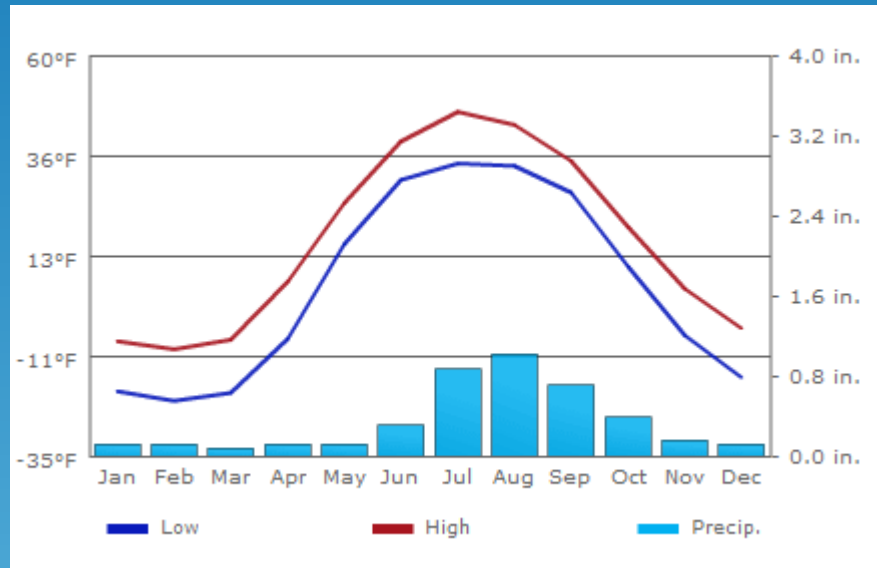
# Average Temps



People think it is a "heat wave" at 60 degrees.



# Barrow is actually a “Frozen Desert”



# COST OF FOOD



Food barge comes **once a year.**



Also bring vehicles, 4-wheelers, clothes, etc.



\$17.65



\$8.65



\$11.39



# OTHER FUN FACTS



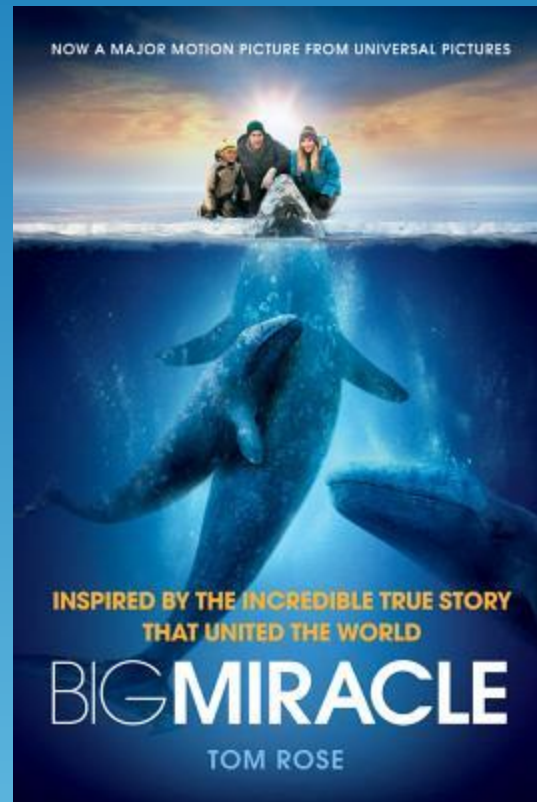
In 2007, \$500,000 football field  
for the high school football team.  
It is an artificial turf field.



My husband's favorite restaurant.



The movie Big Miracle was filmed in Barrow, Alaska.



# STORIES AND QUESTIONS:

