

## Fact file about Ellis Island

Ellis Island has been called Little Oyster Island, Dyer's Island, Bucking Island and Gibbet Island.

Ellis Island was the largest immigration station in the United States from 1892 to 1924.

Over 12 million immigrants came through Ellis Island during this period.

The Island was nicknamed the Island of hope for many immigrants coming to America to find a better life. Ellis Island opened in 1892 as an immigration station.

The area of Ellis Island is about 27.5 acres. The Island lies about 1 mile southwest of Manhattan Island and New York City. The Island has about 1300 feet east of the New Jersey shore.