



# Pennsylvania Facts 2013



## POPULATION

July 1, 2011 Estimate .....	12,742,886
April 1, 2010 Census .....	12,702,379
Population Rank Among States (2011).....	6th
Estimated Persons per Square Mile (2011).....	285

- July 1st, 2011 estimated population data from the U.S. Census Bureau's Population Estimates Division

	Number	Percent
Males .....	6,214,562	48.8
Females .....	6,528,324	51.2
White (alone) .....	10,673,040	83.8
Black or African American (alone) ..	1,443,659	11.3
Amer. Indian/Alaska Native (alone) ..	40,421	0.3
Asian (alone) .....	368,649	2.9
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander (alone) ..	7,344	0.1
Two or more races .....	237,835	1.9
Hispanic or Latino (of any race) .....	750,431	5.9

	Number	Percent
Under 5 Years of Age .....	723,886	5.7
Age 5-17 .....	2,037,273	16.0
Age 18 and Over.....	9,981,727	78.3
Age 65 and Over.....	1,981,565	15.6
Age 85 and Over.....	316,339	2.5

Net Natural Increase (2010-11).....	18,268
Net Migration Rate (2010-11).....	0.6/1,000
Median Age .....	40. years
Foreign born * .....	756,410
Residents Born in PA * .....	74.0

- Pennsylvania's population has the 4th highest proportion of people 65 and older in the United States.

## ECONOMIC

Median Household Income * .....	\$50,228
Median Family Income * .....	\$63,283
Per Capita Personal Income (BEA) .....	\$42,478
Number of Persons in Poverty * .....	1,695,996
Poverty Rate * .....	13.8%
Gross State Product (2010) .....	\$578.8 billion

- Pennsylvania has the sixth-largest state economy.

## POLITICAL OFFICES (2012)

Governor .....	Tom Corbett
Lieutenant Governor .....	James F. Cawley
U.S. Senators .....	Robert Casey Jr., Pat Toomey
U.S. Representatives (post-2010) .....	18
PA General Assembly ....	50 Senators, 203 Representatives
App. Persons Per State Representative (2011) .....	62,773
Persons Per State Senator (2011) .....	254,858
Electoral Votes (post-2010) .....	20

## BASIC FACTS

Nickname .....	Keystone State
Motto .....	Virtue, Liberty, and Independence
Flag .....	A blue field on which is embroidered the State Coat of Arms
Gained Statehood.....	December 12, 1787
Capital .....	Harrisburg
Counties .....	67
Municipalities .....	2,562
State Animal .....	Whitetail Deer
State Bird .....	Ruffed Grouse
State Flower .....	Mountain Laurel
State Tree .....	Hemlock
State Dog .....	Great Dane
State Fish.....	Brook Trout
State Insect .....	Firefly
State Beverage .....	Milk
State Fossil .....	Phacops Rana
State Flagship.....	U.S. Brig Niagara

## TRANSPORTATION

Miles in Highway System (2010).....	119,686 miles
Average travel time to work * .....	25.9 minutes

- 70 railroad companies operate in Pennsylvania, more than any other state.
- Pennsylvania is ranked 9th among the states in the proportion of its workforce that commutes via public transportation (5.3 percent). \*
- 76.6% of workers drove to work alone, 9.1% carpooled, 5.3% used public transportation, 1.3% used other means, 3.9% walked, 3.8% worked from home \*
- 53.7% of households have 2 or more vehicles. \*

\* Estimated data from the 2011 American Community Survey.

## FUN FACTS

### EMPLOYMENT AND HOUSING

Number in Civilian Labor Force (2011) .....	6,386,000
Percent Civilian Labor Force Unemployed (2011) ....	7.9%
Total Housing Units .....	5,579,394
Total Households .....	4,937,333
Number of Family Households .....	3,193,701
Home Ownership Rate .....	69.5%
Single Family Units * .....	76.4%
Mobile Homes * .....	4.2%
Majority Home Heating Source * .....	Utility Gas
Median Gross Rent * .....	\$786
Owner-Occupied Homes with a Mortgage * .....	62.5%
Median Value of Owner-occupied Housing* ....	\$164,800

- Pennsylvania ranks 5th among states and the District of Columbia in the proportion of housing units built in 1939 or earlier (27.4 percent)\*

### MARRIAGE AND DIVORCE

Marriages (2010) .....	67,950
Annual Marriage Rate (2010) .....	5.3 /1,000 pop.
Median Age at First Marriage, Male (2011) * .....	29.7
Median Age at First Marriage, Female (2011) * .....	28.1
Divorces (2010) .....	34,899
Annual Divorce Rate (2010) .....	2.7 /1,000 pop.

- The median duration of a current marriient in Pennsylvania is 21.8 years \*

- At 27,500 square miles, the Susquahanna River basin is the largest watershed east of the Mississippi.
- David Evans Strickler, a 23 year old apprentice pharmacist at the Tassel Pharmacy, located in Latrobe, Pennsylvania, invented the banana split in 1904.
- Of Pennsylvania's 67 counties, Lycoming County is the largest in land area, encompassing 1,215 square miles within its widest east-west breadth being approximately 50 miles.

- Known as THE RIVALRY, the Lehigh-Lafayette football game is the most-played college football rivalry in the nation. The two teams took to the gridiron in 1884, a mere one year after standardized football rules were established. This year marks the 148th game.
- Canton Avenue in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania is the steepest officially recorded public street in the United States.

### EDUCATION

High School Graduate or higher * .....	88.6%, age 25 +
Bachelor's Degree or higher * .....	27.0%, age 25 +
Total Public School Enrollment (2010-11).....	1,781,206
Total Non-Public Enrollment (2010-11).....	276,527
Drop-Out Rate (2010-11) .....	1.25%
Avg. Public Teacher Salary (2010-11).....	\$60,674
Public School College bound (2010-11).....	73.9%
Average Math SAT Score (2010-11).....	501
Average Critical Reading SAT Score (2010-11) .....	493
Average Writing SAT Score (2010-11).....	479

- Pennsylvania has the 3rd-largest number of colleges and universities in the United States.

### INDUSTRY AND AGRICULTURE

Total Business Estab. (1qtr-2011) .....	339,427
Number of Manufacturing Estab. (1qtr-2011).....	14,840
Professional, Scientific, Technical Est. (1qtr-2011) ..	36,338
Largest Industry Employer (1qtr-2011) .....	Health Care & Social Assistance
- Number of Employees .....	911,246
Farms (2011).....	62,200
Land in Farms (2011) .....	7,650,000 acres
Estimated Value of Agricultural Production	
- Crops, incl. Fruits & Vegetables (2011).....	\$3.3 billion
- Livestock, Poultry, & Products (2011) .....	\$4.3 billion
Top Agricultural Commodity (2011).....	Milk Production
- Value (2011) .....	\$2.3 billion

### HEALTH AND VITAL STATISTICS

Birth Rate (2010-11) .....	11.3/1,000
Mortality Rate (2010-11) .....	9.8/1,000

- 8th lowest birth rate nationally.
- Top five birth names for males (2010):  
Jacob, Michael, Mason, Logan, Ethan
- Top five birth names for females (2010):  
Isabella, Sophia, Emma, Olivia, Ava

Number of Hospitals (2010) .....	253
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### GEOGRAPHY AND CLIMATE

Lowest Geographic Point. Sea Level (Delaware River)	
Highest Geographic Point .....	3,213' (Somerset Co.)
Land Area (sq. mi.) .....	44,817
Water Area (sq. mi.) .....	1,239

- Pennsylvania is bordered by Delaware, Maryland, New Jersey, New York, Ohio and West Virginia.

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