



POPULATION

July 1, 2014 Estimate	12,787,209
April 1, 2010 Census	12,702,379
Population Rank Among States	6th
Estimated Persons per Square Mile	286

- July 1st, 2014 estimated population data from the U.S. Census Bureau's Population Estimates Division

	Number	Percent
Males	6,253,817	48.9
Females	6,533,392	51.1
White (alone)*	9,958,389	77.9
Black or African American (alone) ..	1,365,794	10.7
Amer. Indian/Alaska Native (alone) ..	17,858	0.1
Asian (alone)	409,249	3.2
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander (alone)	3,584	0.0
Two or more races	193,512	1.5
Hispanic or Latino (of any race)	838,823	6.6
* race alone, non-Hispanic	Number	Percent
Under 5 Years of Age	715,084	5.6
Age 5-17	1,985,809	15.5
Age 18 and Over.....	10,086,316	78.9
Age 65 and Over.....	2,134,521	16.7
Age 85 and Over.....	331,229	2.6

Net Natural Increase (2010-14).....	65,025
Net Migration Increase (2010-14).....	29,004
Median Age	40.7 years
Foreign born	821,700
Residents Born in PA	73.4

- Pennsylvania ranks 4th nationally in the percentage of its population born in their state of current residence, behind only LA, MI and OH.

ECONOMIC

Median Household Income	\$53,234
Median Family Income	\$67,876
Per Capita Personal Income (BEA)	\$47,679
Number of Persons in Poverty	1,682,212
Poverty Rate	13.6%
Gross State Product (2014)	\$662.8 billion

- Pennsylvania has the sixth-largest state economy.

POLITICAL OFFICES (2016)

Governor	Tom Wolf	
Lieutenant Governor	Mike Stack	
U.S. Senators	Robert Casey Jr., Patrick Toomey	
U.S. Representatives (post-2010)	18	
PA General Assembly	50 Senators, 203 Representatives	
App. Persons Per State Representative (2014)	62,991	
Persons Per State Senator (2014)	255,744 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 (2014)	2,561
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

Linear Miles in Highway System (2014)	120,039 miles
Average travel time to work	26.4 minutes

- Pennsylvania is ranked 9th among the states in the proportion of its workforce that commutes via public transportation (5.7 percent).
- 76.4% of workers drove to work alone, 8.5% carpooled, 5.7% used public transportation, 3.9% walked, 1.4% used other means, and 4.1% worked from home
- 54.4% of households have 2 or more vehicles.

Trucks accounted for 37.1 percent of all vehicle miles traveled on Pennsylvania Interstates in 2014

FUN FACTS

EMPLOYMENT AND HOUSING

Number in Civilian Labor Force (Oct 2015) 6,415,000
 Percent Civilian Labor Force Unemployed (Oct 2015) 5.1%
 Total Housing Units 5,590,712
 Total Households 4,945,972
 Number of Family Households 3,185,054
 Home Ownership Rate 68.8%
 Single Family Units 75.5%
 Mobile Homes 4.0%
 Majority Home Heating Source Utility Gas (51.1%)
 Median Gross Rent \$848
 Owner-Occupied Homes with a Mortgage 60.6%
 Median Value of Owner-occupied Housing \$165,400

- Pennsylvania ranks 5th among states and the District of Columbia in the proportion of housing units built in 1939 or earlier (26.8 percent)

HEALTH INSURANCE

Percent With Health Insurance Coverage 91.5%
 Private Health Insurance 73.2%
 Public Health Insurance 32.8%
 Percent Lacking Health Insurance Coverage 8.5%
 Under 18 years 5.2%
 18 to 64 years 11.7%
 65 years and over 0.5%

- The percentage of Pennsylvanians without health insurance coverage has declined from 10.2 percent in 2010 to 8.5 percent in 2014.

EDUCATION

High School Graduate or higher 89.4%, age 25 +
 Bachelor's Degree or higher 29.0%, age 25 +
 Total Public School Enrollment (2014-15) 1,739,559
 Total Non-Public Enrollment (2014-15) 253,929
 Drop-Out Rate (2013-14) 1.7%
 Avg. Public Teacher Salary (2013-14) \$64,072
 Public School College bound (2013-14) 69.8%
 Average Math SAT Score (2013-14) 504
 Average Critical Reading SAT Score (2013-14) 497
 Average Writing SAT Score (2013-14) 480

- Pennsylvania has the 4th-largest number of colleges and universities in the United States.

INDUSTRY AND AGRICULTURE

Total Business Estab. (1qtr-2015) 357,407
 Number of Manufacturing Estab. (1qtr-2015) 14,530
 Professional, Scientific, Technical Est. (1qtr-2015) 39,332
 Largest Industry Employer (1qtr-2015) Health Care & Social Assistance
 - Number of Employees 986,941
 Farms (2014) 58,800
 Land in Farms (2014) 7,720,000 acres
 Estimated Value of Agricultural Production
 - Crops, incl. Nursery & Greenhouse (2012) ... \$2.78 billion
 - Livestock, Poultry, & Products (2012) \$4.61 billion
 Top Agricultural Commodity (2014) Milk Production
 - Value (2014) \$2.74 billion

- Sixteen of the commonwealth's 67 counties have the same name as their county seat.
- The largest rainbow trout (*Oncorhynchus mykiss*) caught in Pennsylvania was 15lbs 6.25 oz. The fish was captured in 1986 from the Jordan Creek in Lehigh County.
- Bethlehem, PA is home to the longest continually running pharmacy in the United States. The drug store was founded by John Frederick Otto and operated from 1743 to 1954.

- The first radio broadcast of a baseball game occurred on August 5, 1921 over KDKA. The Pittsburgh Pirates played the Philadelphia Phillies with Harold Arlin providing play-by-play.
- The Pennsylvania state record high temperature is 111°F (44 °C), recorded in Phoenixville, PA on July 9 and 10, 1936.

HEALTH AND VITAL STATISTICS

Birth Rate (2013-14) 11.1/1,000
 Mortality Rate (2013-14) 10.1/1,000

- Top five birth names for males (2013): Liam, Mason, Michael, Jacob, and Noah
- Top five birth names for females (2013): Emma, Sophia, Olivia, Ava, and Isabella

Number of Hospitals (2013) 252
 Number of Licensed Nursing Homes (2013) 704

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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