



# Research Brief

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## U.S. Census Bureau Releases *Statistical Abstract of the United States: 2004-2005*

MIDDLETOWN, Pa – The Pennsylvania State Data Center at Penn State Harrisburg reports that the U.S. Census Bureau has released the latest edition of the Nation's Data Book. *The Statistical Abstract of the United States: 2004-2005*, published since 1878, is now available. The 1,000-plus-page edition introduces 68 new tables covering topics such as enrollment and teachers for the largest public school districts; asset ownership rates for households; and transit ridership in the 50 largest urbanized areas. The new edition has nearly 1,400 tables and charts with statistics from the most recent year or period available.

Interesting facts about Pennsylvania in this year's edition include:

- Pennsylvania admitted 19,473 immigrants in 2002
- Personal Health Care Expenditures in 1998 was over \$51.3 billion a 57.3 percent increase from 1990
- Pennsylvania has 9 nuclear power plants and they generated over 76 billion kWh in 2002, over 37 percent of the state's total
- Pennsylvania had 12 million barrels of crude oil reserves in 2002, down from 22 million in 1990
- Pennsylvania ranked 10<sup>th</sup> in overseas visitors in 2003, Philadelphia ranked 13<sup>th</sup> among cities

The 2004-2005 Statistical Abstract may be obtained by calling the U.S. Government Printing Office at 202.512.1800 or the National Technical Information Service at 1.800.553.6847. The cost is \$35 for the softbound edition and \$39 for hardbound. A CD-ROM version of the book will be published at a later time.

Pennsylvania has its own version of an abstract. *The Pennsylvania Abstract, A Statistical Fact Book: 2004* is available from the Pennsylvania State Data Center and contains over 200 tables about Pennsylvania and its 67 counties. To obtain this year's edition, please contact us at 717.948.6336 or visit our Web site at: [PaSDC.hbg.psu.edu](http://PaSDC.hbg.psu.edu) and click on eStore. The cost is \$60 for softbound and \$45 for the CD-ROM version which contains the 2003 edition as well. There is also a \$5 discount for all orders processed on eStore.

The Pennsylvania State Data Center is the commonwealth's official source for population and economic statistics. It is based at Penn State Harrisburg's Institute of State and Regional Affairs. The Pennsylvania State Data Center is part of the U.S. Census Bureau's National State Data Center Program.

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