

## POPULATION

July 1st, 2006 Estimated .....	12,440,621
April 1st, 2000 Census .....	12,281,054
Population Rank Among States .....	6th
Estimated Persons per Square Mile .....	278

- July 1st, 2005 estimated population data from the U.S. Census Bureau Population Estimate Division

	Number	Percent
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Males .....	6,030,173	48.5
Females .....	6,399,443	51.5
White (alone) .....	10,687,776	86.0
Black or African American (alone) ....	1,318,245	10.6
Amer. Indian/Alaska Native (alone) .....	21,919	0.2
Asian (alone) .....	275,899	2.2
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander (alone) ..	5,697	-
Two or more races .....	120,080	1.0
Hispanic or Latino (of any race) .....	506,084	4.1

	Number	Percent
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Under 5 Years of Age .....	724,905	5.8
Age 5-17 .....	2,091,834	16.8
Age 18 and Over .....	9,612,877	77.3
Age 65 and Over .....	1,892,847	15.2
Age 85 and Over .....	305,404	2.5

Net Natural Increase (2005-2006) ..... 15,381

Net Migration Rate (2005-2006) ..... 1.5/1,000

Median Age \* ..... 39.7 years

Foreign born \* ..... 603,674

Nativity, PA \* ..... 95.0%

- Pennsylvania has the 3rd highest proportion of elderly persons (65 years +) in the U.S. (2005)

## ECONOMIC

Median Household Income \* ..... \$44,537

Median Family Income \* ..... \$55,904

Per Capita Personal Income \* ..... \$24,591

Number of Persons in Poverty \* ..... 1,420,396

Poverty Rate \* ..... 11.9%

Gross State Product (2005) ..... \$489 billion

- 17th largest economy in the world (2005)

\* Estimated data from the 2005 American Community Survey.

Does not include group quarters

## POLITICAL OFFICES (2006)

Governor .....	Edward G. Rendell
Lieutenant Governor .....	Catherine Baker Knoll
U.S. Senators .....	Arlen Specter, Bob Casey Jr.
U.S. Representatives .....	19
PA General Assembly .....	50 Senators, 203 Representatives
App. Persons Per State Representative (2006) .....	61,283
App. Persons Per State Senator (2006) .....	248,812
Electoral Votes .....	21

## 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 .....	2,567
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 ..... 120,667 miles

Average travel time to work \* ..... 25 minutes

- 69 railroads, 5,100 miles of railways (5th in U.S.)
- 134 public-use airports and 6 international airports
- Port of Pittsburgh is the 2nd largest inland port in the U.S.
- 77.3% of workers drove to work alone, 9.7% carpooled, 5.1% used public transportation, 1.1% used other means, 3.6% walked, 3.1% worked from home \*
- 44.0% of households have 2 or more vehicles available.\*

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## FUN FACTS

### EMPLOYMENT AND HOUSING

Number in Civilian Labor Force (2005) .....	6,292,000
Percent Civilian Labor Force Unemployed (2005) .....	5.0%
Total Estimated Housing Units *	5,422,362
Total Households *	4,860,140
Number of Family Households *	3,199,598
Home Ownership Rate *	71.5%
Single Family Units *	76.3%
Mobile Homes *	4.5%
Majority Home Heating Source *	Utility Gas
Median Gross Rent *	\$647
Owner-Occupied Homes with a Mortgage *	62.4%
Median Value of Owner-occupied Housing *	\$131,900

- The median value of housing in Chester and Bucks counties was more than double the state median housing value in 2005. \*

### MARRIAGE AND DIVORCE

Marriages (2004) .....	73,716
Marriage Rate per 1,000 (2004) .....	5.9
Median age at First Marriage (2005) *	Male.....28
	Female.....26.5
Divorces (2004) .....	36,606
Divorce Rate per 1,000 (2004) .....	3.0
• Cameron leads Pennsylvania counties with 696 divorces for every 1,000 persons.	

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### EDUCATION

High School Graduate or higher *	86.7%, age 25 +
Bachelor's Degree or higher *	25.7%, age 25 +
Total Public School Enrollment (2005-06) .....	1,821,894
Total Non-Public Enrollment (2005-06) .....	280,905
Drop-Out Rate (2003-04) .....	1.9%
Home schooled students (2004-05) .....	23,287
College bound (2004-05) .....	89.4%
Average Math SAT Score (2004-05) .....	503
Average Verbal SAT Score (2004-05) .....	501
Average Teacher Salary (2004-05) .....	\$52,700

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

### INDUSTRY AND AGRICULTURE

Total Business Estab. (2005) .....	329,515
Number of Manufacturing Estab. (2005) .....	16,524
Professional, Scientific, Technical Estab. (2005) .....	32,989
Largest Industry Employer (2005) .....	Health Care & Social Assistance Estab.
Number of Employees .....	800,797
Farms (2005) .....	58,200
Land in Farms (2005) .....	7,700,000 acres
Estimated Value of Agricultural Production	
Crops, incl. Fruits & Vegetables(2005) .....	\$2.8 billion
Livestock, Poultry, & Products(2005) .....	\$2.5 billion
Top Agricultural Commodity (2005) .....	Milk Production
Value (2005) .....	\$1.8 billion
U.S. Rank (2004) .....	4th

- In 1725, Pennsylvania German farmers in Lancaster County developed a type of land vehicle known as the "Conestoga" wagon, which was revolutionary because of its innovative construction, braking system, and steering mechanism.

- Pittsburgh was one of the first places automobiles became popular in the early 20th century. It was also the home of the first drive-in gas station located at Baum Boulevard and St. Clair Street in downtown Pittsburgh.
- In 2005-2006, Pennsylvania accounted for 59 percent of the total volume of mushroom sales in the nation. Mushroom growers in Chester County alone produced 338 million pounds of mushrooms valued at \$266 million.

### HEALTH AND VITAL STATISTICS

Birth Rate (2005-2006) .....	11.6/1,000
Mortality Rate (2005-2006) .....	10.4/1,000
• 2nd highest mortality rate and 6th lowest birth rate nationally between 2005 and 2006	
• In 2004, 19.2 percent of all reported pregnancies resulted in an induced abortion.	
• 32,664 medical physicians in Pennsylvania (2006)	
• 263 Licensed Hospitals (2005)	
• 732 Nursing Home Facilities (2004)	
• Top five birth names for males (2004): Michael, Jacob, Ryan, Matthew, and Nicholas	
• Top five birth names for females (2004): Emily, Emma, Madison, Olivia, and Abigail	

### GEOGRAPHY AND CLIMATE

Lowest Geographic Point .....	Sea Level (Delaware River)
Highest Geographic Point .....	3,213' (Somerset Co.)
Average Yearly Precipitation .....	41"
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.

Sources: U.S. Bureau of the Census, Bureau of Economic Analysis, Department of Agriculture, PA Departments of Community and Economic Development, Education, Transportation, and Labor; *2006 Pennsylvania Abstract, 2007 County Data Book Series*, [www.explorepahistory.com](http://www.explorepahistory.com).

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