Pennsylvania rose to a position of prominence in early American history when the city of Philadelphia was chosen as the nation’s first capital. This decision was largely the result of the city’s position near the geographic center of the original 13 colonies. Pennsylvania’s abundant deposits of coal and petroleum made Pennsylvania the leading state for energy production. Thanks to this thriving energy industry, the city of Pittsburgh also became the nation’s leader in steel production during the early 20th century. The Great Depression had disastrous effects on the steel industry and sparked rampant unemployment throughout Pennsylvania. Today Pennsylvania is home to thriving real estate, financial services, and tourism businesses. While not as prominent as it once was, steel is still one of the state’s top exports and a critical component of the economy.

**Abbreviation:** PA  
**Capital:** Harrisburg  
**Nick Name:** Keystone State  
**Time Zone-Standard:** GMT -5  
**Time Zone-Daylight GMT -4**  
**Sales Tax Rate:** 6.00%  
**Motto:** Virtue, Liberty and Independence  
**Web Site:** http://www.state.pa.us

### Government
- **Governor:** Josh Sharpiro (D)  
- **Senator:** Bob Casey Jr. (D)  
- **Senator:** John Fetterman (R)  
- **Entered Union:** December 12, 1787

### Statistics
- **Total GDP (Billions):** $710,973.10 (2021)  
- **Per Capita Real GDP:** $64,948 (2022)  
- **Population:** 13,002,700 (2020)  
- **% of People under Poverty Level:** 10.90%  
- **Per Capita Personal Income:** $64,279  
- **Unemployment Rate:** 6.40% (2021)  
- **% of Population with a Bachelor’s Degree:** 34.50%  
- **Total Exports:** $40,354,943,154.00 (2014)

### Top 5 Export Partner Countries
- **Country**  
  - **Exports**  
  - Canada: $11,577,578,019  
  - Mexico: $3,443,708,896  
  - China: $2,907,322,466  
  - Netherlands: $2,359,403,656  
  - Germany: $1,680,428,566

### Top 5 Export Merchandise
- **Segment**  
  - **Exports**  
  - Chemical Manufactures: $7,290,839,701  
  - Machinery Manufactures: $4,766,532,685  
  - Computers & Electronic Prod.: $3,883,098,367  
  - Transportation Equipment: $3,717,531,931  
  - Primary Metal Manufactures: $3,635,686,337

### Major Cities
- **City**  
  - **Population**  
  - Philadelphia: 1,567,442  
  - Pittsburgh: 304,391  
  - Allentown: 120,207

### Main Airports
- **Code**  
  - **Name**  
  - ABE: Lehigh Valley International Airport  
  - AVP: Wilkes-Barre/Scranton International Airport  
  - MDT: Harrisburg International Airport  
  - PHL: Philadelphia International Airport  
  - PIT: Pittsburgh International Airport

### Main Ports
- Port of Erie, Port of Philadelphia, Port of Pittsburgh

### Corporations
- **Company**  
  - **Fortune 1000 Rank**  
  - Amerisource Bergen: 10  
  - Comcast: 28  
  - Rite Aid: 150  
  - PNC Financial Services Group: 151  
  - Lincoln National: 188  
  - Aramark: 200  
  - PPG Industries: 209  
  - Howmet Aerospace: 226  
  - United States Steel: 247  
  - Crown Holdings: 272

### Corporate Marginal Income Tax Rate: 9.99% > $0
Individual Income Tax Rate: 3.07% > $0

### U.S. Commercial Service
- **Philadelphia**  
  - Tony Ceballos  
  - (215) 597-7141  
  - Trade.Gov
- **Pittsburgh**  
  - Ryan Russell  
  - (412) 644-2817  
  - Trade.Gov

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