

## Introduction

West Virginia is located within the Appalachian mountain range in the eastern United States. The state is almost entirely mountainous, although a few flat areas are located in river valleys. This gives the state a rugged landscape noted for its natural beauty. The mountainous nature of the terrain also makes large-scale farming virtually impossible. The abundance of resources such as coal, oil, natural gas, and hardwood forests fueled an industrial expansion in the twentieth century. West Virginia's principal manufactured products today are steel, chemicals, and glass. The state's coal industry is ranked second and contributes 15% of the country's total coal production. Tourism in West Virginia is augmented by dozens of state parks and national forests. Manufacturing and mining are still the pillars of the state's economy.



**Abbreviation:** WV

**Capital:** Charleston

**Nick Name:** Mountain State

**Time Zone-Standard:** GMT -5

**Time Zone-Daylight Saving:** GMT -4

**Sales Tax Rate:** 6.00%

**Motto:** Mountaineers are always free

**Web Site:** <http://www.wv.gov>

## Government

**Governor:** Patrick Morrisey (R)

**Senator:** James Justice (R)

**Senator:** Shelley Moore Capito (R)

**Entered Union:** June 20, 1863

## Statistics

Total GDP (Billions):	\$71,343.20 (2021)
Per Capita Real GDP:	\$47,630 (2022)
Population:	1,793,716 (2020)
% of People under Poverty Level:	15.80%
Per Capita Personal Income:	\$48,488
Unemployment Rate:	6.20% (2021)
% of Population with a Bachelor's Degree:	24.10%
Total Exports:	\$7,486,181,404.00 (2014)

## Top 5 Export Partner Countries

Country	Exports
Canada	\$1,810,553,581
Netherlands	\$660,886,395
China	\$595,674,181
Brazil	\$515,266,601
Italy	\$469,744,454

## Top 5 Export Merchandise

Segment	Exports
Mining	\$4,467,454,271
Chemical Manufactures	\$1,606,441,380
Transportation Equipment	\$1,208,460,497
Primary Metal Manufactures	\$212,362,403
Machinery Manufactures	\$162,920,212

## Major Cities

City	Population
Charleston	49,736
Huntington	48,638
Parkersburg	30,991

## Main Airports

Code	Name	City
CKB	North Central West Virginia Airport	Clarksburg
CRW	Yeager Airport	Charleston
HTS	Tri-State Airport	Huntington
LWB	Greenbrier Valley Airport	Lewisburg
MGW	Morgantown Municipal Airport	Morgantown

## Main Ports

Port of Huntington-Tri State

## Corporations

Company	Fortune 1000 Rank	Revenue	City
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**Corporate Marginal Income Tax Rate:** 6.5% > \$0  
**Individual Income Tax Rate:** 3.00% > \$0 || 4.00% > \$10,000 || 4.50% > \$25,000 || 6.00% > \$40,000 || 6.5% > \$60,000

## U.S. Commercial Service

<p><b>Charleston</b>                      Leslie Drake                      Director                      (304) 347-5123                      Trade.Gov</p>	<p><b>Wheeling</b>                      Diego Gattesco                      Director                      (304) 549-0208                      Trade.Gov</p>
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