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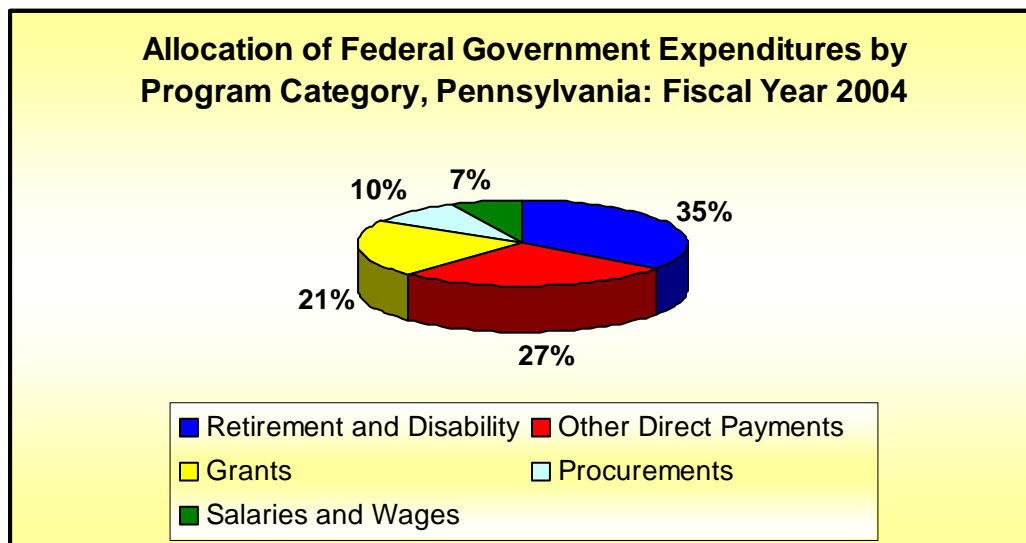
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Pennsylvania Receives \$94.9 Billion in Federal Funds, 5th Highest in Nation

MIDDLETOWN, Pa –Pennsylvania received \$94.9 billion dollars in federal funding in 2004 according to the recently released *Consolidated Federal Funds Report for Fiscal Year 2004*. The commonwealth's share of funding represents 4.4 percent of the \$2.2 trillion spent by the federal government and ranks 5th among the states.

Published annually by the U.S. Census Bureau, the *Consolidated Federal Funds Report* details expenditures on benefits, subsidies, grants, goods and services, salaries and wages, and contains federal agency and program-level data on grants to state and local governments. This report provides data at the state, county, and local levels for federal domestic spending. The report does not cover interest on national debt because there is no meaningful way to assign payments on the national debt to a particular geography. The report also does not cover intelligence spending because the CIA and other intelligence agencies do not report the geographic disbursement of expenditures.

Of the \$94.9 billion distributed to Pennsylvania in 2004, \$33.1 billion, or 34.9 percent of the total, went to retirement and disability programs, \$25.9 billion (27.3 percent) was allotted to other direct payments, almost \$20 billion went toward grants, \$9.3 billion was spent on procurement, and \$6.6 billion was paid out in salaries and wages.



An analysis of retirement and disability program expenditures shows that of the \$33 billion spent in Pennsylvania, nearly \$17 billion went toward retirement insurance payments, \$5.4 billion went toward survivors insurance payments, \$37.7 billion was allotted for disability insurance payments, and \$1.6 billion was spent on supplemental security income payments. Additionally, a little over \$1 billion was spent on benefits for veterans and their families.

Other data shows:

- Of the \$25.9 billion expended on other direct payments, \$18.4 billion was spent on Medicare benefits, an increase of approximately \$1.6 billion over 2003, while unemployment compensation decreased by \$900 million dollars to \$2.6 billion in 2004.
- Medical assistance programs (\$8.4 billion) and highway planning and construction (\$1.5 billion) were among the top federal grant recipients.
- Defense expenditures accounted for about \$9 billion dollars in federal funding in 2004.

On a per capita basis, Pennsylvania received \$7,649.36 per person from the federal government in 2004, 19th among the states. Table 1 shows the per capita breakdown of expenditures by program category. Please note that the July 1, 2004 estimated population of 12,406,292 was used for these calculations.

Table 1: Per Capita Amounts of Federal Government Expenditures by Major Category, Pennsylvania: Fiscal Year 2004		
Program	Amount*	Per Capita
Pennsylvania	\$ 94,900	\$ 7,649.36
Retirement and Disability	\$ 33,147	\$ 2,671.78
Other Direct Payments	\$ 25,917	\$ 2,089.05
Grants	\$ 19,916	\$ 1,605.30
Procurements	\$ 9,311	\$ 750.52
Salaries and Wages	\$ 6,609	\$ 532.71

* In million dollars: detail may not add due to rounding

The \$94.9 billion in federal funds that Pennsylvania received in 2004 represents a 5.0 percent increase over 2003. Since 1994, the amount of federal funding directed to the commonwealth has increased by 58.0 percent. Nationally, federal spending increased by 4.9 percent from 2003, and has grown by 31.0 percent since 2000.

Allocation of funding to Pennsylvania counties can also be found in the *Consolidated Federal Funds Report for Fiscal Year 2004*. Philadelphia again led all counties in 2004, receiving \$16.1 billion in federal funds, followed by Allegheny (\$11.9 billion) and Dauphin (\$5.0 billion) counties. Together, Allegheny and Philadelphia counties accounted for 29.4 percent of the federal funds spent in Pennsylvania. Dauphin County received the most funding on a per capita basis (\$19,615.72 per resident), followed by Philadelphia (\$10,920.86) and Allegheny (\$9,473.82) counties. Pike (\$3,437.01), Chester (\$4,138.18), and Lancaster (\$4,227.83) counties received the fewest federal funds per resident. (Table 2)

Table 2: Federal Funds Disbursed: Pennsylvania Counties, 2004

County	July 1, 2004 Population Estimate	Federal Funds Received in 2004	Per Capita Federal Funds Received in 2004
Pennsylvania	12,406,292	\$ 94,900,254,196	\$ 7,649.36
Adams	98,322	\$ 464,720,256	\$ 4,726.51
Allegheny	1,250,867	\$ 11,850,490,936	\$ 9,473.82
Armstrong	71,395	\$ 486,211,492	\$ 6,810.16
Beaver	178,601	\$ 1,156,592,499	\$ 6,475.85
Bedford	50,230	\$ 293,220,764	\$ 5,837.56
Berks	391,640	\$ 1,839,994,759	\$ 4,698.18
Blair	127,468	\$ 867,304,170	\$ 6,804.09
Bradford	62,569	\$ 344,358,812	\$ 5,503.66
Bucks	617,558	\$ 2,692,694,452	\$ 4,360.23
Butler	180,663	\$ 1,230,933,911	\$ 6,813.43
Cambria	148,496	\$ 1,322,566,257	\$ 8,906.41
Cameron	5,652	\$ 39,816,409	\$ 7,044.66
Carbon	61,194	\$ 398,120,559	\$ 6,505.88
Centre	140,476	\$ 940,643,392	\$ 6,696.11
Chester	465,795	\$ 1,927,544,449	\$ 4,138.18
Clarion	41,123	\$ 250,992,333	\$ 6,103.45
Clearfield	82,913	\$ 516,008,033	\$ 6,223.49
Clinton	37,486	\$ 209,023,312	\$ 5,576.04
Columbia	65,015	\$ 341,361,536	\$ 5,250.50
Crawford	89,890	\$ 495,611,842	\$ 5,513.54
Cumberland	221,397	\$ 1,482,513,313	\$ 6,696.18
Dauphin	253,282	\$ 4,968,309,991	\$ 19,615.72
Delaware	555,040	\$ 4,218,385,859	\$ 7,600.15
Elk	34,064	\$ 181,812,119	\$ 5,337.37
Erie	282,355	\$ 1,552,693,031	\$ 5,499.08
Fayette	145,651	\$ 1,178,195,095	\$ 8,089.17
Forest	4,994	\$ 44,326,819	\$ 8,876.02
Franklin	134,864	\$ 821,937,698	\$ 6,094.57
Fulton	14,641	\$ 86,885,606	\$ 5,934.40
Greene	40,133	\$ 326,735,654	\$ 8,141.32
Huntingdon	45,995	\$ 248,454,739	\$ 5,401.78
Indiana	89,062	\$ 556,409,068	\$ 6,247.44
Jefferson	45,952	\$ 292,098,420	\$ 6,356.60
Juniata	23,391	\$ 110,123,108	\$ 4,707.93
Lackawanna	209,932	\$ 1,801,277,463	\$ 8,580.29
Lancaster	487,332	\$ 2,060,355,911	\$ 4,227.83
Lawrence	93,374	\$ 657,795,407	\$ 7,044.74
Lebanon	124,489	\$ 779,496,749	\$ 6,261.57
Lehigh	326,050	\$ 1,593,744,524	\$ 4,888.04
Luzerne	313,431	\$ 2,311,151,252	\$ 7,373.72
Lycoming	118,542	\$ 712,922,345	\$ 6,014.09

Table 2: Federal Funds Disbursed: Pennsylvania Counties, 2004 (Continued)			
County	July 1, 2004 Population Estimate	Federal Funds Received in 2004	Per Capita Federal Funds Received in 2004
McKean	44,708	\$ 288,037,842	\$ 6,442.65
Mercer	119,797	\$ 759,721,375	\$ 6,341.74
Mifflin	46,210	\$ 279,480,762	\$ 6,048.06
Monroe	158,925	\$ 804,025,280	\$ 5,059.15
Montgomery	774,029	\$ 4,488,309,941	\$ 5,798.63
Montour	18,069	\$ 101,619,011	\$ 5,623.94
Northampton	282,554	\$ 1,566,361,301	\$ 5,543.58
Northumberland	92,879	\$ 578,255,753	\$ 6,225.90
Perry	44,652	\$ 204,538,219	\$ 4,580.72
Philadelphia	1,470,151	\$ 16,055,313,774	\$ 10,920.86
Pike	54,117	\$ 186,000,896	\$ 3,437.01
Potter	17,950	\$ 108,702,348	\$ 6,055.84
Schuylkill	147,670	\$ 947,650,024	\$ 6,417.35
Snyder	38,112	\$ 169,393,575	\$ 4,444.63
Somerset	79,515	\$ 538,314,605	\$ 6,769.98
Sullivan	6,413	\$ 41,806,589	\$ 6,519.04
Susquehanna	42,047	\$ 211,120,830	\$ 5,021.07
Tioga	41,849	\$ 275,863,162	\$ 6,591.87
Union	42,720	\$ 288,747,884	\$ 6,759.08
Venango	56,285	\$ 356,415,936	\$ 6,332.34
Warren	42,576	\$ 252,061,950	\$ 5,920.28
Washington	205,738	\$ 1,351,917,397	\$ 6,571.06
Wayne	49,561	\$ 314,126,138	\$ 6,338.17
Westmoreland	368,660	\$ 2,319,712,634	\$ 6,292.28
Wyoming	28,168	\$ 136,936,069	\$ 4,861.41
York	401,613	\$ 2,296,287,770	\$ 5,717.66
State undistributed			
Total	-	\$ 6,325,698,787	\$ -

For additional information on the *Consolidated Federal Funds Report for Fiscal Year 2004*, including data at the county and place levels, contact the Pennsylvania State Data Center at 717.772.2710.

A copy of the *Consolidated Federal Funds Report for Fiscal Year 2004* may be downloaded at: <http://www.census.gov/prod/2005pubs/cffr-04.pdf>

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, *Consolidated Federal Funds Report for Fiscal Year 2004*

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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