

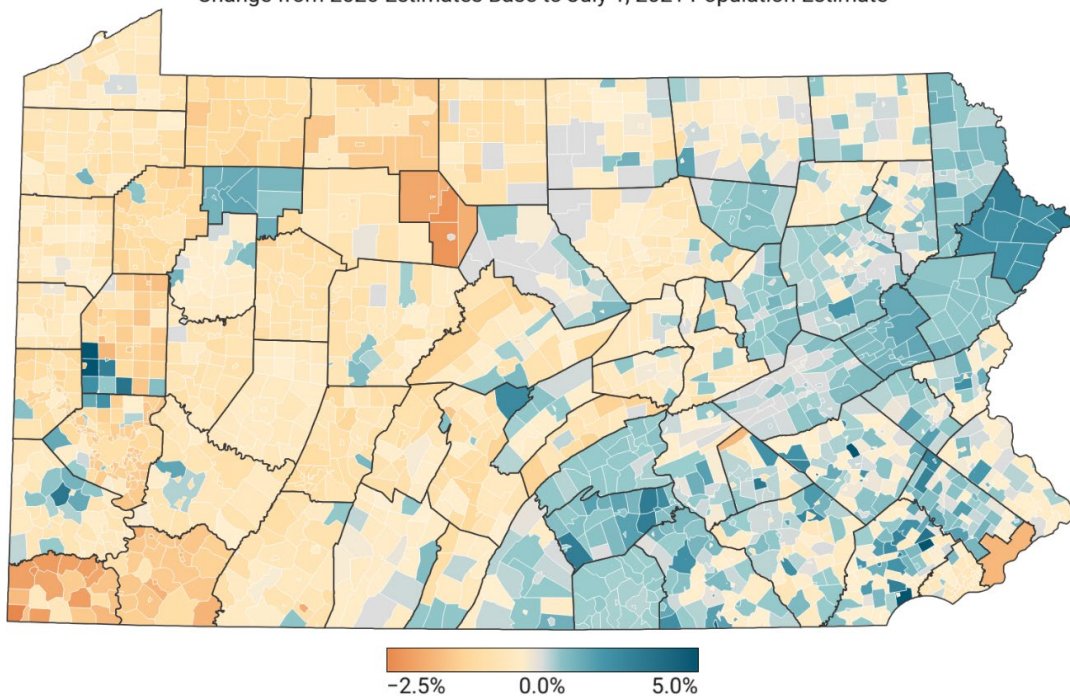
2021 Municipality Total Population Estimates Released

HARRISBURG – The U.S. Census Bureau released today 2021 estimates of the total population at the municipal level. Population estimates are calculated using administrative records to estimate total population as of July 1, 2021.

A total of 702 municipalities in Pennsylvania experienced an increase in population between the 2020 population estimate base (hereafter 2020) and the July 1, 2021 population estimate (hereafter 2021). A total of 111 municipalities were population neutral between 2020 and 2021 while 1,759 municipalities decline in total population.

Percent Change in Pennsylvania Municipalities

Change from 2020 Estimates Base to July 1, 2021 Population Estimate



Map: PA State Data Center • Source: US Census Bureau • Created with Datawrapper

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The tables below show the top five municipalities (with populations over 2,500 as of the 2020 Population Estimates Base) that experience the greatest increase or decrease in population based on numeric difference and percent change.

Municipalities that experienced the greatest numeric increase included:

East Whiteland township	Chester County	+866 (+5.9%)
Hampden township	Cumberland County	+812 (+2.4%)
Cranberry township	Butler County	+752 (+2.2%)
Silver Spring township	Cumberland County	+637 (+3.1%)
Lower Paxton township	Dauphin County	+635 (+1.2%)

Municipalities that experienced the greatest percentage increase included:

Marietta borough	Lancaster County	+11.6% (+345)
Wind Gap borough	Northampton County	+11.0% (+350)
Lancaster township	Butler County	+9.8% (+298)
Jackson township	Butler County	+6.7% (+352)
East Whiteland township	Chester County	+5.9% (+866)

Municipalities that experienced the greatest numeric decrease included:

Philadelphia city	Philadelphia County	-27,546 (-1.7%)
Pittsburgh city	Allegheny County	-2,729 (-0.9%)
Erie city	Erie County	-824 (-0.9%)
Upper Darby township	Delaware County	-581 (-0.7%)
Penn Hills township	Allegheny County	-486 (-1.2%)

Municipalities that experienced the greatest percentage decrease included:

Washington township	Fayette County	-1.8% (-70)
Connellsville city	Fayette County	-1.8% (-125)
Uniontown city	Fayette County	-1.8% (-177)
South Union township	Fayette County	-1.8% (-192)
Philadelphia city	Philadelphia County	-1.7% (-27,546)

Source: U.S. Census Bureau. Population Estimates Division. 2021 Vintage Sub-County Population Estimates.

Notes: All population change calculations were made against the 2020 Population Estimates Base. Counties having the same population in 2020 and 2021 may have had changes throughout the year, but the net effect of those populations was zero at the year end.

It is not appropriate to make comparisons across different vintage data sets. For example, the July 1, 2020 estimate in the 2021 vintage may differ from the July 1, 2020 estimate in the 2020 vintage. All comparisons and analyses should utilize a single vintage.

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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