

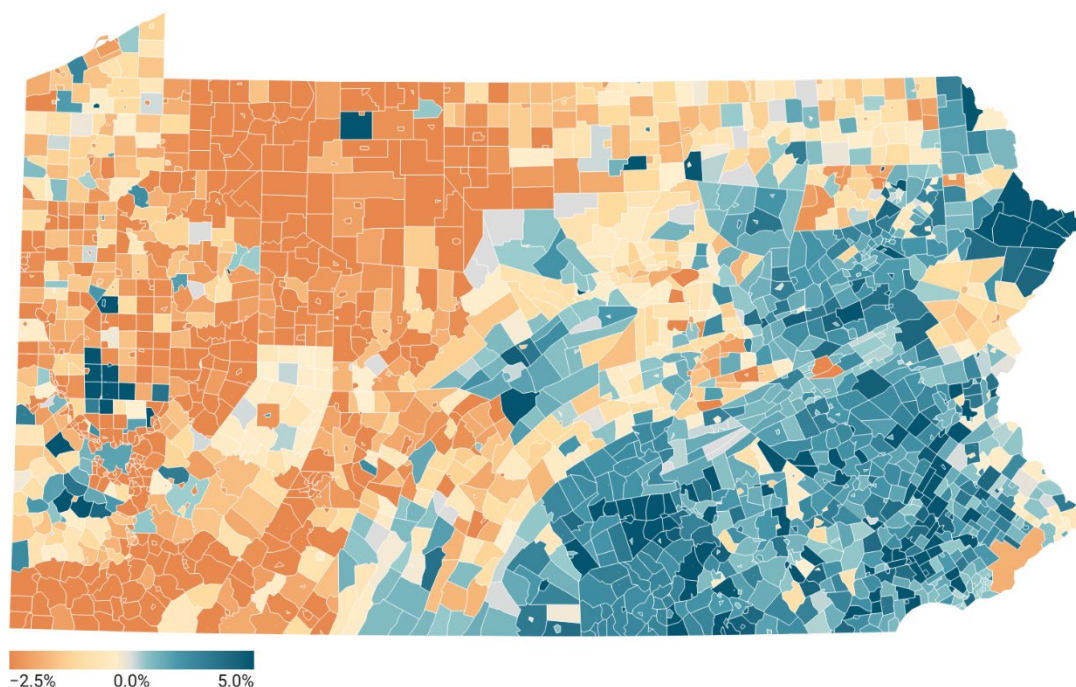
2024 Municipality Total Population Estimates Released

HARRISBURG – The U.S. Census Bureau released today 2024 estimates of the total population at the municipal level. Population estimates are calculated using administrative records to estimate total population as of July 1, 2024.

A total of 1,057 municipalities in Pennsylvania experienced an increase in population between the 2020 population estimate base (hereafter 2020) and the July 1, 2024 population estimate (hereafter 2024). A total of 49 municipalities were population neutral between 2020 and 2024 while 1,466 municipalities declined in total population.

Percent Change in Pennsylvania Municipalities

Change from 2020 Estimates Base to July 1, 2024 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 2024 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:

Pittsburgh city	Allegheny County	+4,708	(+1.6%)
West Chester borough	Chester County	+4,092	(+21.9%)
Bethlehem city	Northampton County	+3,050	(+5.4%)
Upper Macungie township	Lehigh County	+2,921	(+11.1%)
Upper Merion township	Montgomery County	+2,807	(+8.4%)

Municipalities that experienced the greatest percentage increase included:

Westfall township	Pike County	+34.0%	(+861)
Lancaster township	Butler County	+30.6%	(+840)
Wind Gap borough	Northampton County	+28.4%	(+802)
Slippery Rock township	Butler County	+25.0%	(+1,678)
Jackson township	Butler County	+24.7%	(+1,204)

Municipalities that experienced the greatest numeric decrease included:

Philadelphia city	Philadelphia County	-29,878	(-1.9%)
Erie city	Erie County	-2,077	(-2.2%)
Penn Hills township	Allegheny County	-1,423	(-3.5%)
Altoona city	Blair County	-1,232	(-2.8%)
Bethel Park municipality	Allegheny County	-1,189	(-3.5%)

Municipalities that experienced the greatest percentage decrease included:

California borough	Washington County	-13.8%	(-738)
Cambridge Springs borough	Crawford County	-9.6%	(-249)
Decatur township	Clearfield County	-8.6%	(-393)
Woodward township	Clearfield County	-8.4%	(-347)
Gregg township	Union County	-7.9%	(-323)

Source: U.S. Census Bureau. Population Estimates Division. 2024 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 2024 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 2024 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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