

# LOCAL GOVERNMENT FACT SHEET

SMART SOLUTIONS AND HAPPIER COMMUNITIES

## POPULATION OF THE STATE OF PENNSYLVANIA

**1,592** RURAL MUNICIPALITIES

**3.5 million**  
RURAL POPULATION (27%)

**12.7 million**  
TOTAL POPULATION

**970** URBAN MUNICIPALITIES

**9.2 million**  
URBAN POPULATION (73%)

**48** OF PENNSYLVANIA'S **67** COUNTIES ARE CONSIDERED RURAL

Pittsburgh, PA

### MUNICIPALITIES

#### Municipalities by Type

1 <sup>st</sup> Class Cities	1
2 <sup>nd</sup> Class Cities	1
2 <sup>nd</sup> Class A Cities	1
3 <sup>rd</sup> Class Cities	53
Boroughs	957
1 <sup>st</sup> Class Townships	93
2 <sup>nd</sup> Class Townships	1,453
Towns	1
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2,560</b>

#### Municipalities by Population (excludes counties)

< 1,000	767	30.0%
1,000-2,499	734	28.6%
2,500-4,999	485	18.9%
5,000-9,999	322	12.6%
10,000-14,999	105	4.1%
15,000-19,999	60	2.3%
20,000 + ABOVE	87	3.5%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2,560</b>	<b>100%</b>

#### County & Municipal Employees

	Full-Time	Part-Time	Total
County	51,880	8,718	60,598
City	38,022	2,846	40,868
Borough	9,828	10,008	19,836
1 <sup>st</sup> Class Twps.	5,892	3,088	8,980
2 <sup>nd</sup> Class Twps.	11,026	11,995	23,021
<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>153,303</b>

#### County & Municipal Officials

Municipal	County		
Elected	18,946	Elected	922
Appointed	29,560	Appointed	760
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>48,506</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,682</b>

(As of 2016)

### LOCAL AUTHORITIES IN PENNSYLVANIA

#### TOTAL AUTHORITIES:

Active and Inactive . . . . . 1,910

**TOTAL INACTIVE AUTHORITIES** . . . . . 391

#### Active Authorities by Type

Airport	42
Business District	27
Community Facility	26
Economic Development	20
Local Government Facilities	84
Multi-purpose (Water & Sewer)	263
Nonprofit Institutions	60
Parking	26
Recreation	63
School	25
Sewer	595
Solid Waste	24
Transit	34
Water	230
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,519*</b>

\*Does not include "terminated" authorities.  
(As of September 2016)

### PLANNING COMMISSIONS IN PENNSYLVANIA

County	61
Multi-county	10
Municipal	1,439

**TOTAL** . . . . . **1,510**  
(As of 2016)

### LOCAL PENSION PLANS

Police	956
Fire	83
Non-Uniformed	2,201

**TOTAL** . . . . . **3,240**  
(As of December 2013)

### MISCELLANEOUS

Counties	67
School Districts	500
Councils of Government	85
Municipal Managers	728
Home Rule Jurisdictions	81

(As of 2016)

### POLICE DEPARTMENTS IN PENNSYLVANIA

**TOTAL MUNICIPALITIES** . . . . . 2,560

Traditional	966
Consolidated	121
Contractual	201

**TOTAL POLICE DEPARTMENTS** . . . . . 1,288

State Police Exclusive	1,272
Full-Time Officers	18,602
Part-Time Officers	4,633
Full-Time Departments	839
Part-Time Departments	127

(As of 2016)

### FIRE DEPARTMENTS IN PENNSYLVANIA

Paid	30
Paid/Volunteer	92
Volunteer	1,731

**TOTAL** . . . . . **1,853**  
(As of 2016)