Mifflin County, PA

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GEOGRAPHY

Mifflin County is located in, and has its boundaries defined by, the Ridge and Valley Appalachian Mountains of Pennsylvania. US Route 322, a major divided highway, connects the county to the rest of the state on its route between Harrisburg and State College. US Route 522 also connects the county to the rest of the state on its route between Selinsgrove and Mount Union.

According to the U.S. Census Bureau, the county has a total area of 415 square miles (1,074 km²), of which 412 square miles (1,073 km²) is land and 3 square miles (7 km²) (0.66%) is water.

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MIFFLIN COUNTY, PA

Mifflin County, Pennsylvania
Mifflin County Courthouse
Pennsylvania

Founded
September 19, 1789

Seat
Lewistown

Largest city
Lewistown

Area
- Total
415 sq mi (1,075 km²)
- Land
413 sq mi (1,070 km²)
- Water
3 sq mi (8 km²), 0.66%

Population
- (2010)
46,682

Density
113/sq mi (43.6/km²)

Congressional district

Time zone

Website
**ADJACENT COUNTIES**

- Centre County (north)
- Union County (northeast)
- Snyder County (east)
- Juniata County (south)
- Huntingdon County (west)

**DEMOGRAPHICS**

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As of [1]

There were 18,743 households out of which 29.1% had children under the age of 18 living with them, 57.6% were married couples living together, 8.5% had a female householder with no husband present, and 29.9% were non-families. 26.0% of all households were made up of individuals and 13.2% had someone living alone who was 65 years of age or older. The average household size was 2.49 and the average family size was 2.99.

In the county, the population was spread out with 23.1% under the age of 18, 2.2% from 18 to 19, 5.1% from 20 to 24, 10.4% from 25 to 34, 20.1% from 35 to 49, 20.6% from 50 to 64, and 18.5% who were 65 years of age or older. The median age was 39 years. The population was 48.9% male, and 51.0% female.

**DIALECT, ACCENT, AND LANGUAGE**

The dominant form of speech in Mifflin County is the Central Pennsylvania accent/dialect, although many in Mifflin County speak English. The Amish and some other groups speak Pennsylvania German.

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**Footnotes**

1. Census data.
2. Further reading.
3. External links.
The dominant form of speech in Mifflin County is the Central Pennsylvania accent. Almost everyone in Mifflin County speaks English. The Amish and some Mennonites speak Pennsylvania German also known as Pennsylvania Dutch, a West Central German dialect, which is very remote from modern Standard German. The Amish and Mennonites also can speak English. Few non-Amish or Mennonites in Mifflin County today speak Pennsylvania German, but this was not true in the past.

SPORTS ALLEGIANCES

Due to close proximity to State College, PA, the most popular college sports team in Mifflin County is the Penn State football team. In professional football, loyalties are divided between the Pittsburgh Steelers and the Philadelphia Eagles. Almost all Steelers and Eagles games are available live on network television, as Mifflin County receives stations from both the Steelers and Eagles broadcasting territories, though Baltimore Ravens games are also available through Harrisburg-based stations. The most popular baseball teams are the Pittsburgh Pirates and Philadelphia Phillies. Historically, football has been the most popular high school sport, but over the past decade, the most successful teams have been in boys and girls basketball. In the past, high school wrestling was more popular than basketball. Although basketball is now more popular than wrestling, wrestling remains more popular in Mifflin County and in Central Pennsylvania in general than in most parts of the United States.

In line with the nation, NASCAR also enjoys popularity in Mifflin County. Local dirt track races and drag races are widely attended on weekends.

MEDIA

RADIO STATIONS

AM RADIO STATIONS

WIEZ 670 AM - Lewistown
WKVA 920 AM - Lewistown

FM RADIO STATIONS

WRYV 88.7 - Milroy
WJRC 90.9 - Lewistown
WMRF 95.7 - Lewistown
WVNW 96.7 - Burnham
WCHX 105.5 - Lewistown

TELEVISION

Mifflin County does not have a local television station but it is provided with local coverage from the following stations outside of the county, with a mixture of stations from the Harrisburg market and the Altoona-Johnstown-State College market:

WHTM 27 Harrisburg (ABC)
WPMT 43 York (FOX)
WHP 21 Harrisburg (CBS)
WTAJ 10 Altoona (CBS)
WGAL 8 Lancaster (NBC)
WLYH 15 Lancaster (CW)

NEWSPAPERS

Lewistown Sentinel
County Observer
The Valley Newspaper

ECONOMY

MAJOR EMPLOYERS

Philips
Lewistown Hospital
Standard Steel
Trinity Packaging
Jarden Plastics
Mariette Homes
Asher's Chocolates (Formerly Goss Candies)
Giant Food
Walmart
Lowe's
Mifflin County School District
EDUCATION

PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICTS
Most of the county is served by the Mifflin County School District, with the exception of Wayne Township and the boroughs of Newton Hamilton and Kistler, which are part of the Mount Union Area School District.

Mifflin County School District
Mount Union Area School District (also in Huntingdon County)

HEAD START PRESCHOOL PROGRAMS
Head Start is a federally and state funded preschool program for low income children. The program serves 3 and 4 year olds. In order to participate the family income must be below federal poverty guidelines.

Coleman Head Start Center
McVeytown Head Start Center

PRIVATE SCHOOLS
Sacred Heart provides a private, Catholic education until fifth grade.
Belleville Mennonite School provides a Mennonite education from kindergarten through grade twelve.
Mifflin County Christian Academy located in Decatur Township provides Christian Fundamentalist education from kindergarten through grade twelve as well as day care.
Beth-El Christian Day School located in Belleville, PA provide a Christian Fundamentalist education from kindergarten through grade twelve.

COLLEGES & UNIVERSITIES
Mifflin-Juniata Career and Technology Center located in Lewistown provides post high school degrees in nursing, auto mechanics and electrical services and numerous other technology driven careers.
The Lewistown branch of the South Hills School of Business and Technology offers associates degrees and other certifications in various areas of business, technology, and some health care.
The Penn State Learning Center in Lewistown offers both two-year and four-year degrees. Recently, the Learning Center opened a state-of-the-art science lab to be used by students attending the Lewistown Hospital School of Nursing.
Harrisburg Area Community College now offers some classes at Lewistown Area High School.

MUNICIPALITIES
Under Pennsylvania law, there are four types of incorporated municipalities: cities, boroughs, townships, and, in at most two cases, towns. The following cities, boroughs and townships are located in Mifflin County:

BOROUGHS
Burnham
Juniata Terrace
Kistler
Lewistown
McVeytown
Newton Hamilton

TOWNSHIPS
Armagh Township
Bratton Township
Brown Township
Decatur Township
Derry Township
Granville Township
Menno Township
Oliver Township
Union Township
Wayne Township

CENSUS-DESIGNATED PLACES
Census-designated places are geographical areas designated by the U.S. Census Bureau for the purposes of compiling demographic data. They are not actual jurisdictions under Pennsylvania law. Other unincorporated communities, such as villages, may be listed here as well.

Alfarata
Allensville
Atkinson Mills
Barrville
Cedar Crest
Church Hill
Granville
Highland Park
Lumber City
Mattfield
Mattawana
Mercy
Readsville
Siglerville
Strodes Mills
Wagner
SEE ALSO
National Register of Historic Places listings in Mifflin County, Pennsylvania

FURTHER READING

EXTERNAL LINKS
Pennsylvania Department of Transportation, Bureau of Planning and Research, Geographic Information Division, "2005 General Highway Map of Juniata and Mifflin Counties." Note: shows boroughs, townships, roads, villages, some streams. URL accessed on April 5, 2006.
JuniataRiverValley.org Note: Visitor Bureau
Boroughs
- Juniata Terrace
- Kistler
- Lewistown
- McVeytown
- Newton Hamilton

Townships
- Armagh
- Bratton
- Brown
- Decatur
- Derry
- Granville
- Memo
- Oliver
- Union
- Wayne

CDPs
- Alfarata
- Allensville
- Atkinson Mills
- Barrville
- Belleville
- Cedar Crest
- Church Hill
- Granville
- Highland Park
- Longfellow
- Lumber City
- Maitland
- Mattawana
- Milroy
- Potlicker Flats
- Reedsville
- Siglerville
- Strouds Mills
- Wagner
- Yeagertown

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
### Topics
- History
- Geography
- Geology
- Law
- Pennsylvanians
- State parks
- Symbols
- Visitor attractions
- Agriculture
- Culture
- Crime
- Demographics
- Economy
- Education
- Gambling
- Politics

### Metro areas
- Altoona
- Philadelphia
- Erie
- Harrisburg-Carlisle
- Johnstown
- Lancaster
- Lebanon
- Lehigh Valley
- New York
- Pittsburgh
- Reading
- State College
- Williamsport
- Scranton-Wilkies-Barre
- York-Hanover
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Largest municipalities

- Chambersburg
- Cheltenham
- Columbia
- Darby
- Dunmore
- Elizabethtown
- Emmaus
- Ephrata
- Franklin Park
- Gettysburg
- Hanover
- Havertford
- Indiana
- Kingston
- Kutztown
- Lansdale
- Lansdowne
- Millcreek Township
- Montcoeville
- Muhlenberg
- Murrysville
- Norristown
- Penn Hills
- Phoenixville
- Plum
- Plumtown
- State College
- Upper Darby
- West Chester
- West Mifflin
- Whitehall (Allegheny County)
- Whitehall Township (Lehigh County)
- Wilkinsburg
- Wyomissing
- Yeadon

Geographic Regions

- Allegheny Mountains
- Allegheny National Forest
- Allegheny Plateau
- Atlantic Coastal Plain
- Blue Ridge
- Coal Region
Regions

Cumberland Valley
Delaware Valley
Dutch Country
Eastern
Endless Mountains
Happy Valley
Laurel Highlands
Lehigh Valley
Main Line
Northeastern
Northern Tier
Northwestern
Oil Region
Pennsylvania Highlands
Philicon Valley
Piedmont
Pocono Mountains
Ridge and Valley
South Central
Susquehanna Valley
Western
Wyoming Valley

Adams
Allegheny
Armstrong
Beaver
Bedford
Berks
Blair
Bradford
Bucks
Butler
Cambria
Cameron
Carbon
Centre
Chester
Clarion
Clearfield
Clinton
Columbia
Crawford
Cumberland
Dauphin
Delaware
Erie
Counties

- Fayette
- Forest
- Franklin
- Fulton
- Greene
- Huntingdon
- Indiana
- Jefferson
- Juniata
- Lackawanna
- Lancaster
- Lawrence
- Lebanon
- Lehigh
- Luzerne
- Lycoming
- McKean
- Mercer
- Mifflin
- Monroe
- Montgomery
- Montour
- Northampton
- Northumberland
- Perry
- Philadelphia
- Pike
- Potter
- Schuylkill
- Snyder
- Somerset
- Sullivan
- Susquehanna
- Tioga
- Union
- Venango
- Warren
- Washington
- Wayne
- Westmoreland
- Wyoming
- York

Coordinates: 40°37′N 77°37′W / 40.61°N 77.62°W
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