Common App in Pennsylvania

First-Year Application Data
2020–2021

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320,143 Applications submitted

54,252 Unique applicants

889 Unique colleges and universities applied to (out of 919)

Destination of Applications

46% Out-of-State
54% In-State

Percent of applications to all Common App member colleges and universities by Pennsylvania applicants
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52% Applications submitted with fee waiver or no fee

36% Applications submitted with a test score

Comparison

Pennsylvania

All Applicants
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### Applicants by Race/Ethnicity
- Asian: 7%
- Latinx: 8%
- Nonresident Alien: 1%
- Two or More Races: 4%
- White: 66%
- Black or African American: 11%
- Native American: 0%
- Pacific Islander: 0%
- Unknown: 3%

### Applicants by Sex
- Male: 43%
- Female: 57%

### Applicants by First-Generation Status
- Not first-generation: 69%
- First-generation: 31%
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Top receiving institutions nationally from applicants in Pennsylvania (descending)

- Penn State
- Temple University
- West Chester University of Pennsylvania
- University of Pittsburgh
- Drexel University
- University of Delaware
- Duquesne University
- University of Pennsylvania
- Millersville University
- Villanova University
- Kutztown University of Pennsylvania
- Saint Joseph’s University
- La Salle University
- The University of Scranton
- Shippensburg University of Pennsylvania
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Top applying counties in Pennsylvania (descending)

- Montgomery County
- Philadelphia County
- Chester County
- Bucks County
- Allegheny County
- Delaware County
- Lehigh County
- Lancaster County
- Berks County
- York County
- Northampton County
- Luzerne County
- Dauphin County
- Cumberland County
- Lackawanna County
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Year-over-year comparisons

+27% State annual change in applications

+14% State annual change in applicants
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2020–2021
Total comparisons, inclusive of all applicants and all countries

+27% State annual change in applications

+14% State annual change in applicants

+17% Total annual change in applications

+9% Total annual change in applicants

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