

Judicial District Organization, 1818-Present¹

	Eastern District of Pennsylvania²	
April 20, 1818 3 Stat. 462	Counties of Adams, Berks, Bradford, Bucks, Chester, Columbia, Cumberland, Dauphin, Delaware, Franklin, Lancaster, Lebanon, Lehigh, Luzerne, Lycoming, Montgomery, Northampton, Northumberland, Philadelphia, Pike, Schuylkill, Susquehanna, Tioga, Union, Wayne, and York.	
May 26, 1824 4 Stat. 50	Counties of Adams, Berks, Bucks, Chester, Cumberland, Dauphin, Delaware, Franklin, Lancaster, Lebanon, Lehigh, Montgomery, Northampton, Perry, Philadelphia, Pike, Schuylkill, Wayne, and York.	
March 2, 1901 31 Stat. 880	Counties of Berks, Bucks, Chester, Delaware, Lancaster, Lehigh, Montgomery, Northampton, Philadelphia, and Schuylkill.	
October 21, 1998 112 Stat. 2681-116	Counties of Berks, Bucks, Chester, Delaware, Lancaster, Lehigh, Montgomery, Northampton, and Philadelphia.	
*Historical county information obtained from William M. Scholl Center for American History and Culture, <i>Atlas of Historical County Boundaries</i> , at The Newberry Library.		

¹ Excerpted from the FEDERAL JUDICIAL CENTER, <https://www.fjc.gov/history/courts/us-district-courts-districts-pennsylvania-judicial-district-organization-1818-present> (last visited September 29, 2026).

² The U.S. District Court for the District of Pennsylvania included all of the State of Pennsylvania from September 24, 1789 to April 20, 1818, when the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania and the U.S. District Court for the Western District of Pennsylvania were formed. The U.S. District Court for the Middle District of Pennsylvania was formed on March 2, 1901.