

# Pennsylvania Geological Survey Publications

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Each series is represented by a separate worksheet in the Excel workbook. The series are as follows:

- **Atlas Series** -- Technical reports on the geology and mineral resources of areas of approximately 50 to 200 square miles. Most of the reports include a book and at least one large-scale, full-color geologic map.
- **County Reports** -- Technical reports on the geology and mineral resources of counties. These include a book and at least one large-scale, full-color geologic map.
- **Data Release** -- Data that are being published without the additional context of a map, report, etc.
- **Educational Series** -- Popular booklets containing introductory material on various aspects of geology for the student and the interested adult.
- **Environmental Geology Reports** -- Reports on the relationship of geology to human activities, including topics such as engineering and construction, land-use planning, waste disposal, landslides, and scenery.
- **General Geology Reports** -- Publications on a variety of topics, including stratigraphy, paleontology, mineralogy, speleology, and areal geology.
- **Information Circulars** -- Technical reports that focus primarily on the annual status of the state's nonfuel mineral industries from 1951 through 1987. Brief reports on stratigraphy and petrology are also included in this series.
- **Maps** -- Geologic, lithologic, topographic, physiographic, and resource maps at various scales.
- **Mineral Resource Reports** -- Detailed technical reports on various mineral resources, as well as maps and summaries of regional and statewide data.
- **Miscellaneous Papers** -- Reports on the activities of the Pennsylvania Geological Survey from 1919 through 1944.
- **Open-File Reports** -- Informal reports and maps on a variety of geologic topics, including bedrock and surficial geology, sinkholes and karst-related features, oil and gas, and lake depths in state parks.
- **Progress Reports** -- Annual publications on the status of the state's oil and gas industry from 1950 through 1991, brief technical reports on economic resources and various other topics, and provisional geologic maps.
- **Special Bulletins** -- Maps pertaining to the state's oil and gas industry; brief reports on stratigraphy.
- **Special Publication** -- Geological publication appropriately titled *The Geology of Pennsylvania*. An 888-page, hardbound book copublished with the Pittsburgh Geological Society.
- **Trail of Geology Series** -- Nontechnical publications describing the geology of selected Pennsylvania state parks, trails, and points of interest.
- **Water Resource Reports** -- Technical reports on the groundwater resources of areas, commonly defined on a countywide basis. Most of these reports include a book and a large-scale, full-color geologic map.

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