

GEOSPATIAL MATURITY ASSESSMENT 2019

Pennsylvania Report Card

Overall Grade: B-

COORDINATION	GRADE: B
STATE-LED THEMES	GRADE
Address	F
Cadastre	B
Elevation	A-
Orthoimagery Leaf-Off	A+
Transportation	A+
FEDERAL-LED THEMES	GRADE
Geodetic Control	B-
Government Units	B
Hydrography	B-
Orthoimagery Leaf-On	B-

METRICS:

A - Superior

C - Average

F - Failure

B - Above average

D - Below average

N/A - Not Applicable

The National States Geographic Information Council Geospatial Maturity Assessment provides NSGIC members and other partners with a summary of geospatial initiatives, capabilities, and issues within and across state governments. The NSGIC GMA now produces report cards for each state on central data themes and coordination topics. The assessment is performed every two years.



PENNSYLVANIA GMA RESPONSE

Pennsylvania welcomes the opportunity to participate in NSGIC's biennial geospatial maturity assessment, an exercise in self-assessment that helps us to define our goals and opportunities in the geospatial environment.

The overall grading report is an accurate reflection of the current status of geospatial activities within the Commonwealth. Since the implementation of the State Geospatial Coordinating Board via 2014 legislation, the assessment of GIS in Pennsylvania has shown a marked improvement, especially in the areas of coordination and state-led themes. The one area of concern is addresses, as we have had very minimal progress on what has been considered a low-priority item. However, with the implementation of NG911 continuing to move forward, as well as the National Address Database initiative, Pennsylvania views this as an opportunity to engage the appropriate entities to improve not only our grade on this item, but also an improvement on the data that can be made available to our customers.

We appreciate the grading effort and find it beneficial for us to be able to compare our progress as it ranks against other states. Additionally, it assists us in identifying areas for improvement that we can utilize as we plan our future geospatial activities.

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