

**“Spending cuts have to come first. We still intend to rollback taxes. Obviously you can’t put the cart in front of the horse and you can’t cut too many taxes when you’re digging out of a hole.”**

— Gov.-elect Larry Hogan, speaking to reporters Dec. 17 about the state’s deficit and upcoming legislative session



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Gov. Larry Hogan (R)

**Maryland**  
 Pop. (2014): 5,946,493 Pop. growth 2014–2019: 3.85%  
 Median household income: \$84,609 Median age: 37.8  
 Right-to-work state: No



**Legislative Update**

- State legislators passed SB331 in April 2014, raising the minimum wage in Maryland to \$10.10 per hour.
- Governor O’Malley signed Maryland’s Open Data Law (SB 644) into law, requiring the state to make much of its public information machine-readable and searchable. Some of the specific goals

include: designing and conducting a statewide data inventory; agreeing on minimum metadata standards and geo-aggregate standards; reviewing data mapping practices; establishing a statewide standard disclaimer and acknowledgement requirement.

**Did You Know?**

Maryland has the highest concentration of employed doctoral scientists and engineers. The state ranks first in employed PhD scientists and engineers per 100,000 employed workers (1,288), with a first place ranking for PhD scientists (1,031) and third for PhD engineers (178).

Top Maryland Employers, according to The Baltimore Sun: Giant Food Inc. (27,000); Johns Hopkins Medical Institutions, MedStar Health and Black & Decker Corp. (22,000); Johns Hopkins University (15,759); Verizon, Inc. (14,000); and Northrop Grumman (11,000).

**Selected Corporate Facility Projects 2014**

Company	City	County	Type	New/Expansion	Product	Investment (\$ millions)	Employment
AstraZeneca	Frederick	Frederick	MF/RD	E	Pharmaceuticals	\$200	300
Brace Pharmaceuticals	Rockville	Montgomery	HQ	E	Pharmaceuticals	200	
Frito Lay	Abderdeen	Harford	DW	E	Snack Foods	60	100
Coca-Cola	Hanover	Anne Arundel	DW	N	Soft Drinks	24	
Northrop Grumman	Baltimore	Baltimore	MF/RD	N	Aerospace Products	20	
Shekel Scales		Baltimore	OF	N	Measuring Instruments	5	30
Baltimore Mack	Baltimore	Baltimore	MF/DW	N	Automobiles	5	11
Minuteman Press	Owings Mills	Baltimore	MF/HQ	N	Commercial Printing	5	
Aphena Pharma Solutions	Easton	Talbot	MF	E	Packaging	3	100
Coastal Companies (The)	Laurel	Prince George’s	MF/DW	N	Dairy	1	400
National Golden Tissue	Hagerstown	Washington	MF	E	Paper Products	1	100
Pandora Jewelry	Baltimore	Baltimore	HQ	N	Jewelry		600

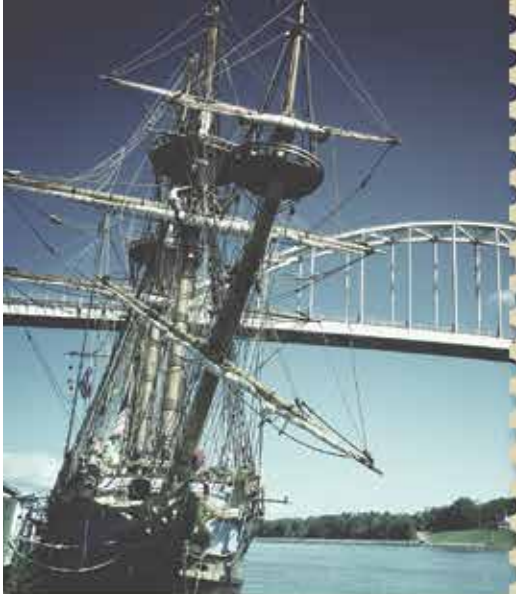
MF = Manufacturing OF = Office HQ = Headquarters RD = Research & Development DW = Distribution/Warehouse

Maryland ranks second among the states in the square footage of LEED-certified commercial and institutional green buildings per capita.

Baltimore ranks 10th among US metros in a Forbes ranking of cities creating the most technology jobs, based on the growth of tech industry employment and STEM occupation employment. Further, Baltimore/Washington, DC, ranks second among highest paying cities for tech jobs, also according to Forbes.



A Northrop Grumman X-47B landing. Photo courtesy U.S. Navy Photographer MC3 Kevin J. Steinberg



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87.5% of residents are high school graduates  
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Diverse industries include medical technology, manufacturing, consumer goods, education, and gaming

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