



JOHNSTOWN, NY

HISTORY OF JOHNSTOWN

The land that is now Johnstown was purchased by William Johnson as his own estate in 1753. He began clearing the land and brought in many tradesmen that could offer services to settlers passing through. By 1770, a steady influx of new inhabitants led the town to begin filling with town buildings, including Johnson Hall, a church, and grist mills. When Johnstown became the county seat in 1771, a courthouse and jail were constructed.

In the 1800s, Johnstown was a major center for tanning leather and by the 1900s was the glove-making capital of the world. The production of gloves brought in many other industries and offered a plethora of jobs to residents. Fulton County hit its high time during World War II, which demanded a large supply of military gloves.

Since World War II, the economy of Johnstown has declined. The production of gloves has largely been outsourced to other countries, where the cost of production is significantly lower. Few glove companies still exist in Johnstown, and the economy has suffered because of it.

FUN FACTS ABOUT JOHNSTOWN

Johnstown is #63 on the list of "Top 100 cities with the oldest houses" according to City-Data.

Johnstown began as an Indian resort known as Kalaneka in the 18th Century.

Elizabeth Cady Stanton, president of the National Woman Suffrage Association for many years and associate to Susan B. Anthony, was born in Johnstown in 1815.

Johnstown and its neighboring city, Gloversville, were nicknamed the "Glove Cities" due to the large volume of gloves produced in the 1900s. The nickname still sticks!

JOHNSTOWN AT A GLANCE:

- Unemployment Rate: 4.7%
- Population (2009): 8,464
- Land area: 4.86 sq. miles
- Elevation: 781 feet
- Median Household Income: \$42,070.00

NEAREST AIRPORT

Albany International Airport (ALB)
737 Albany Shaker Road
Albany, NY 12211
(518) 242-2299

HOW FAR AWAY IS JOHNSTOWN FROM...?

Pittsburgh, PA.....	456 miles
Washington DC.....	406 miles
Chicago, IL.....	776 miles
St. Louis, MO.....	986 miles
Atlanta, GA.....	1,016 miles
Reach Headquarters in Galeton, CO.....	1,723 miles

WEB PAGE INFORMATION

<http://www.city-data.com/city/Johnstown-New-York.html>
<http://www.cityofjohnstown-ny.com>

HOTELS:

Super 8 Motel(518) 736-1800
301 North Comrie Avenue
Johnstown, NY 12095

Holiday Inn.....(877) 786-9480
308 North Comrie Avenue
Johnstown, NY 12095

