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Saxony-Anhalt – A brief Overview

Facts and Figures

▪ Area	20,446 km ²
▪ Population	2.356,219 (as of 30.12.2010)
▪ Population density	115 Inhabitants/km ²
▪ State Capital	Magdeburg
▪ Independent Cities	Magdeburg Halle Dessau-Rosslau
▪ Administrative Districts	11

Infrastructure

▪ Motorway Connections	A2 Dortmund-Magdeburg-Berlin A9 Munich-Dessau-Berlin A14 Dresden–Halle-Magdeburg A38 Kassel-Halle-Leipzig
▪ International Airports	Leipzig/Halle which is in operation 24/7 for cargo flights
▪ Waterways	600 km of navigable waterways and 18 ports/ transshipment points
▪ Rail Network	Almost 2,000 km of DB Netz AG rail routes and 1,115 km of non-federal railways

Economy

▪ GDP Growth	
2005	1.2 %
2006	0.9 %
2007	2.8 %
2008	1.4 %
2009	-4.2 %
2010	-2,4 %

▪ Economic Focal Points

Chemical/Plastics Industry
Mechanical and Plant Engineering
Renewable Energies
Food Industry
Automotive Supplier Industry
Logistics

▪ Unemployment Rate

2005	20.2 %
2006	18.3 %
2007	16.0 %
2008	14.6 %
2009	13.6 %
2010	12.5 %

Education und Research

▪ Science and Innovation	
Universities	2
Universities of Applied Sciences	8
	Number of Students: 52,034 in the 2008/09 winter semester
Non-university Research Institutes	12

Family friendly

▪ Child Care Law	Full-time place at a day nursery guaranteed
▪ Day nurseries (as of 01.01.2009)	
All-day centres	1468 Number of Children: 56,155
After-school centres	466 Number of Children: 42,015

Tourism and Leisure

▪ Holiday Destination	4 UNESCO World Heritage Sites Romanesque Streets Luther Land Blaues Band (Tourism initiative surrounding the River Elbe) Gartenträume (Picturesque historical parks) Himmelswege (Historical tourist routes)
▪ Culture	60,000 Cultural Monuments 200 Museums 13 Municipal Theatres
▪ Leisure	380,000 Athletes at 2,800 Clubs