



Siegen-Wittgenstein

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<u>District</u>	
	
Flag	Coat of arms
	
Country	<u>Germany</u>
State	<u>North Rhine-Westphalia</u>
Adm. region	<u>Arnsberg</u>
Capital	<u>Siegen</u>
Area	
• Total	1,131.47 km ² (436.86 sq mi)
Population (31 December 2020) ^[1]	
• Total	275,491
• Density	240/km ² (630/sq mi)
Time zone	<u>UTC+01:00 (CET)</u>
• Summer (DST)	<u>UTC+02:00 (CEST)</u>
Vehicle registration	BLB, SI
Website	<u>siegen-wittgenstein.de</u> (<u>http://www.siegen-wittgenstein.de</u>)

County of Wittgenstein
Grafschaft Wittgenstein

1174–1357	
 <p>Coat of arms of the Counts of Wittgenstein</p>	
Status	<i>Grafschaft</i> (County) (State of the Holy Roman Empire)
Capital	Wittgenstein Castle
Government	County
Historical era	<u>Middle Ages</u>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Established 1174 Merged with <u>Sayn-Sponheim</u> 	1357
<p>Succeeded by</p> <p><u>Sayn-Wittgenstein</u> </p>	

Siegen-Wittgenstein is a Kreis (district) in the southeast of North Rhine-Westphalia, Germany. Neighboring districts are Olpe, Hochsauerlandkreis, Waldeck-Frankenberg, Marburg-Biedenkopf, Lahn-Dill, Westerwaldkreis, and Altenkirchen.

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History

In 1816–1817, the two districts of Siegen and Wittgenstein were created as parts of the Prussian province of Westphalia. In 1974, the two districts were merged, and in 1984 the name Siegen-Wittgenstein was adopted.

Geography

Geographically, it covers the hills southeast of the Sauerland hills, the Siegerland and Wittgensteiner Land.

Coat of arms

The two upper sections show, to the right, the arms of the Dukes of Nassau, who founded Siegen, and to the left, those of the Counts of Sayn-Wittgenstein. At the bottom a miner's lamp and a coppicing hook are depicted, in reference to the mining and charcoal-burning history of the district.

Towns and municipalities



Towns

1. Bad Berleburg
2. Bad Laasphe
3. Freudenberg
4. Hilchenbach
5. Kreuztal
6. Netphen
7. Siegen

Municipalities


1. Burbach
2. Erndtebrück
3. Neunkirchen (Siegerland)
4. Wilnsdorf

Towns and municipalities in Siegen-Wittgenstein

References

1. "Bevölkerung der Gemeinden Nordrhein-Westfalens am 31. Dezember 2020" (<https://www.landesdatenbank.nrw.de/ldbnrw/online?operation=abruftabelleBearbeiten&levelindex=1&levelid=1624303046192&auswahloperation=abruftabelleAuspraegungAuswaehlen&auswahlverzeichnis=ordnungsstruktur&auswahlziel=werteabruf&code=12411-01i&auswahltext=&werteabruf=Werteabruf#abreadcrumb>) (in German). Landesbetrieb Information und Technik NRW. Retrieved 21 June 2021.

External links

-  Media related to Kreis Siegen-Wittgenstein at Wikimedia Commons
- Official webpage (<http://www.siegen-wittgenstein.de>) (in German)
- History and genealogy for Wittgenstein (<https://www.riedesel.org/articles/introduction-to-wittgenstein/>)

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