

# Python Dictionary of US States and Territories (Python recipe) by Mike Shultz

ActiveState Code (<http://code.activestate.com/recipes/577305/>)

Handy for matching state abbreviations with their names. Also for iteration.

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1 states = {
2     'AK': 'Alaska',
3     'AL': 'Alabama',
4     'AR': 'Arkansas',
5     'AS': 'American Samoa',
6     'AZ': 'Arizona',
7     'CA': 'California',
8     'CO': 'Colorado',
9     'CT': 'Connecticut',
10    'DC': 'District of Columbia',
11    'DE': 'Delaware',
12    'FL': 'Florida',
13    'GA': 'Georgia',
14    'GU': 'Guam',
15    'HI': 'Hawaii',
16    'IA': 'Iowa',
17    'ID': 'Idaho',
18    'IL': 'Illinois',
19    'IN': 'Indiana',
20    'KS': 'Kansas',
21    'KY': 'Kentucky',
22    'LA': 'Louisiana',
23    'MA': 'Massachusetts',
24    'MD': 'Maryland',
25    'ME': 'Maine',
26    'MI': 'Michigan',
27    'MN': 'Minnesota',
28    'MO': 'Missouri',
29    'MP': 'Northern Mariana Islands',
30    'MS': 'Mississippi',
31    'MT': 'Montana',
32    'NA': 'National',
33    'NC': 'North Carolina',
34    'ND': 'North Dakota',
35    'NE': 'Nebraska',
36    'NH': 'New Hampshire',
37    'NJ': 'New Jersey',
38    'NM': 'New Mexico',
39    'NV': 'Nevada',
40    'NY': 'New York',
41    'OH': 'Ohio',
42    'OK': 'Oklahoma',
43    'OR': 'Oregon',
44    'PA': 'Pennsylvania',
45    'PR': 'Puerto Rico',
46    'RI': 'Rhode Island',
47    'SC': 'South Carolina',
48    'SD': 'South Dakota',
49    'TN': 'Tennessee',
50    'TX': 'Texas',
51    'UT': 'Utah',
52    'VA': 'Virginia',
53    'VI': 'Virgin Islands',
54    'VT': 'Vermont',
55    'WA': 'Washington',
56    'WI': 'Wisconsin',
57    'WV': 'West Virginia',
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58         'WY': 'Wyoming'
59     }
```

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## 2 comments



**Sunjay Varma** 5 years, 2 months ago

Here is the Canada version. (With Provinces and Territories)

```
prov_terr = {
    'AB': 'Alberta',
    'BC': 'British Columbia',
    'MB': 'Manitoba',
    'NB': 'New Brunswick',
    'NL': 'Newfoundland and Labrador',
    'NT': 'Northwest Territories',
    'NS': 'Nova Scotia',
    'NU': 'Nunavut',
    'ON': 'Ontario',
    'PE': 'Prince Edward Island',
    'QC': 'Quebec',
    'SK': 'Saskatchewan',
    'YT': 'Yukon'
}

provinces = {
    'AB': 'Alberta',
    'BC': 'British Columbia',
    'MB': 'Manitoba',
    'NB': 'New Brunswick',
    'NL': 'Newfoundland and Labrador',
    'NS': 'Nova Scotia',
    'ON': 'Ontario',
    'PE': 'Prince Edward Island',
    'QC': 'Quebec',
    'SK': 'Saskatchewan'
}

territories = {
    'NT': 'Northwest Territories',
    'NU': 'Nunavut',
    'YT': 'Yukon'
}
```



**Cecília Nunes** 1 year, 10 months ago

Thanks. This was useful.

I had to map from USA state abbreviations to python pytz timezones (you can get a look at them typing `pytz.all_timezones`). Perhaps it comes in handy.

```
state2timezone = { 'AK': 'US/Alaska', 'AL': 'US/Central', 'AR': 'US/Central', 'AS': 'US/Samoa',
'AZ': 'US/Mountain', 'CA': 'US/Pacific', 'CO': 'US/Mountain', 'CT': 'US/Eastern', 'DC':
'US/Eastern', 'DE': 'US/Eastern', 'FL': 'US/Eastern', 'GA': 'US/Eastern', 'GU': 'Pacific/Guam',
'HI': 'US/Hawaii', 'IA': 'US/Central', 'ID': 'US/Mountain', 'IL': 'US/Central', 'IN': 'US/Eastern',
'KS': 'US/Central', 'KY': 'US/Eastern', 'LA': 'US/Central', 'MA': 'US/Eastern', 'MD':
'US/Eastern', 'ME': 'US/Eastern', 'MI': 'US/Eastern', 'MN': 'US/Central', 'MO': 'US/Central',
'MP': 'Pacific/Guam', 'MS': 'US/Central', 'MT': 'US/Mountain', 'NC': 'US/Eastern', 'ND':
'US/Central', 'NE': 'US/Central', 'NH': 'US/Eastern', 'NJ': 'US/Eastern', 'NM': 'US/Mountain',
'NV': 'US/Pacific', 'NY': 'US/Eastern', 'OH': 'US/Eastern', 'OK': 'US/Central', 'OR': 'US/Pacific',
'PA': 'US/Eastern', 'PR': 'America/Puerto_Rico', 'RI': 'US/Eastern', 'SC': 'US/Eastern', 'SD':
'US/Central', 'TN': 'US/Central', 'TX': 'US/Central', 'UT': 'US/Mountain', 'VA': 'US/Eastern',
'VI': 'America/Virgin', 'VT': 'US/Eastern', 'WA': 'US/Pacific', 'WI': 'US/Central', 'WV':
'US/Eastern', 'WY': 'US/Mountain', " " : 'US/Pacific', '--': 'US/Pacific' }
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