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2013-2014 **Property Tax Report**

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Delaware Property Taxes

Real property taxes in Delaware are imposed at the local level to fund municipal and county governments as well as school districts. There are no state level property taxes in Delaware. With certain exceptions, tax rates are the same for all types of property including residential, industrial and commercial. Exceptions include property tax incentives (reductions or abatements) for seniors and certain types of businesses which locate in the state. Also, agricultural land may be treated differently in some jurisdictions. The three Delaware counties have different dates of assessment; they tax a different proportion of that assessment, and they tax at different rates. Municipal and school district rates also vary throughout the state. With a few exceptions, municipalities and school districts use the county property assessment and assessment ratios when imposing property taxes. Exceptions are noted in the tables and footnotes.



KENT COUNTY REAL PROPERTY TAXES, 2013-2014

County:				
Tax Rate/\$100	Assessment	County Capitation	School Capitation	Date of Last Assessment
Assessment	Ratio	Tax	Tax	
\$0.300	60%	NONE	See Footnotes	1987

Incorporated Areas:						
						Total Tax Rate Per \$100 Assessment
School District/City	County Rate	School Rate	City Rate	Library Rate	Vo-Tech Rate	

Caesar Rodney

Camden*	\$0.300	\$1.2450	\$1.4200	\$0.0330	\$0.1372	\$3.1352
Dover*	\$0.300	\$1.2450	\$0.3378	\$0.0330	\$0.1372	\$2.0530
Magnolia	\$0.300	\$1.2450	\$0.4000	\$0.0330	\$0.1372	\$2.1152
Woodside	\$0.300	\$1.2450	\$0.2000	\$0.0330	\$0.1372	\$1.9152
Wyoming	\$0.300	\$1.2450	\$1.1000	\$0.0330	\$0.1372	\$2.8152

Capital

Cheswold	\$0.300	\$1.8500	\$0.6000	\$0.0330	\$0.1372	\$2.9202
Dover*	\$0.300	\$1.8500	\$0.3378	\$0.0000	\$0.1372	\$2.6250
Hartly	\$0.300	\$1.8500	\$0.0200	\$0.0330	\$0.1372	\$2.3402
Leipsic	\$0.300	\$1.8500	\$0.4225	\$0.0330	\$0.1372	\$2.7427
Little Creek*	\$0.300	\$1.8500	\$0.3500	\$0.0330	\$0.1372	\$2.6702

Lake Forest

Bowers Beach*	\$0.300	\$1.3163	\$0.6000	\$0.0330	\$0.1372	\$2.3865
Felton	\$0.300	\$1.3163	\$0.9100	\$0.0330	\$0.1372	\$2.6965
Frederica	\$0.300	\$1.3163	\$1.0000	\$0.0330	\$0.1372	\$2.7865
Harrington	\$0.300	\$1.3163	\$0.7100	\$0.0000	\$0.1372	\$2.4635
Viola	\$0.300	\$1.3163	\$0.2000	\$0.0330	\$0.1372	\$1.9865

Milford

Houston	\$0.300	\$1.2692	\$0.1200	\$0.0775	\$0.1372	\$1.9039
Milford*	\$0.300	\$1.2692	\$0.4600	\$0.0775	\$0.1372	\$2.2439

Smyrna

Clayton	\$0.300	\$1.4161	\$0.6500	\$0.0330	\$0.1372	\$2.5363
Kenton	\$0.300	\$1.4161	\$0.1200	\$0.0330	\$0.1372	\$2.0063
Smyrna*	\$0.300	\$1.4161	\$0.3100	\$0.0000	\$0.1372	\$2.1633

Woodbridge

Farmington	\$0.300	\$1.3610	\$0.7500	\$0.0330	\$0.1372	\$2.5812
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Unincorporated Areas:

						Total Tax Rate Per \$100 Assessment
School District	County Rate	School Rate	Library Rate	Vo-Tech Rate		
Caesar Rodney	\$0.300	\$1.2450	\$0.0330	\$0.1372		\$1.7152
Capital	\$0.300	\$1.8500	\$0.0330	\$0.1372		\$2.3202
Lake Forest	\$0.300	\$1.3163	\$0.0330	\$0.1372		\$1.7865
Milford	\$0.300	\$1.2692	\$0.0775	\$0.1372		\$1.7839
Smyrna	\$0.300	\$1.4161	\$0.0330	\$0.1372		\$1.8863
Woodbridge	\$0.300	\$1.3610	\$0.0330	\$0.1372		\$1.8312

* SEE FOOTNOTES AT END OF REPORT. All taxable parcels in Kent County are valued as of the date of the last reassessment, which is June 1, 1987, using building construction costs and land values prevailing as of that date. The taxable assessment is obtained by multiplying the 1987 market value by 60% (0.60). The ad valorem tax is calculated by multiplying the taxable assessment by the tax rate. To find out the assessed value

NEW CASTLE COUNTY REAL PROPERTY TAXES, 2013-2014

County:						
Tax Rate/\$100 Assessment	Assessment Ratio	County Capitation Tax				Date of Last Assessment
\$0.7006	100%	NONE				1983
Incorporated Areas:						Total Tax Rate Per \$100 Assessment
School District/City	County Rate	School Rate	City Rate	Crossing Guard Rate	Vo-Tech Rate	
Appoquinimink						
Middletown	\$0.2529	\$1.7527	\$0.3000	\$0.02511	\$0.1500	\$2.4807
Odessa						
Residential	\$0.3640	\$1.7527	\$0.2500	\$0.02511	\$0.1500	\$2.5418
Business	\$0.3640	\$1.7527	\$0.9000	\$0.02511	\$0.1500	\$3.1918
Townsend	\$0.3616	\$1.7527	\$0.2600	\$0.02511	\$0.1500	\$2.5494
Brandywine						
Arden**	\$0.5821	\$2.1785	\$0.0000	\$0.01896	\$0.1500	\$2.9296
Ardencroft	\$0.5821	\$2.1785	\$0.0000	\$0.01896	\$0.1500	\$2.9296
Ardentown	\$0.5821	\$2.1785	\$0.0000	\$0.01896	\$0.1500	\$2.9296
Bellefonte	\$0.6966	\$2.1785	\$0.4500	\$0.01896	\$0.1500	\$3.4941
Wilmington	\$0.2436	\$2.1785	\$1.7670	\$0.00000	\$0.1500	\$4.3391
Christina						
Newark	\$0.2436	\$1.9970	\$0.6961	\$0.02407	\$0.1500	\$3.1108
Wilmington	\$0.2436	\$1.9970	\$1.7670	\$0.00000	\$0.1500	\$4.1576
Colonial						
Delaware City**	\$0.2529	\$1.7060	\$1.1400	\$0.01880	\$0.1500	\$3.2677
New Castle	\$0.2529	\$1.7060	\$1.2000	\$0.01880	\$0.1500	\$3.3277
Wilmington	\$0.2436	\$1.7060	\$1.7670	\$0.00000	\$0.1500	\$3.8666
Red Clay						
Elsmere**						
Residential	\$0.3193	\$1.7410	\$0.8750	\$0.02248	\$0.1500	\$3.1078
Business	\$0.3193	\$1.7410	\$1.2000	\$0.02248	\$0.1500	\$3.4328
Newport	\$0.2838	\$1.7410	\$0.9315	\$0.02248	\$0.1500	\$3.1288
Wilmington	\$0.2436	\$1.7410	\$1.7670	\$0.00000	\$0.1500	\$3.9016
Smyrna						
Smyrna	\$0.7006	\$1.1267	\$0.3100	\$0.0000	\$0.1128	\$2.2501
Unincorporated Areas:						Total Tax Rate Per \$100 Assessment
School District	County Rate	School Rate	Crossing Guard Rate	Vo-Tech Rate		
Appoquinimink	\$0.7006	\$1.7527	\$0.02511	\$0.1500	\$2.6284	
Brandywine	\$0.7006	\$2.1785	\$0.01896	\$0.1500	\$3.0481	
Christina	\$0.7006	\$1.9970	\$0.02407	\$0.1500	\$2.8717	
Colonial	\$0.7006	\$1.7060	\$0.01880	\$0.1500	\$2.5754	
Red Clay	\$0.7006	\$1.7410	\$0.02248	\$0.1500	\$2.6141	
Smyrna	\$0.7006	\$1.1267	\$0.00000	\$0.1128	\$1.9401	

** SEE FOOTNOTES AT END OF REPORT New Castle County assessed values are based on 100% of the July 1, 1983 fair market value. The last

SUSSEX COUNTY REAL PROPERTY TAXES, 2013-2014

County:						
Tax Rate/\$100	Assessment	County Capitation	School Capitation	Date of Last Assessment		
Assessment	Ratio	Tax	Tax	Assessment		
\$0.3983	50%	\$0.00	see footnotes	1974		
Incorporated Areas:				Total tax rate Per \$100 Assessment		
School District/City	County Rate	School Rate	City Rate	Library Rate	Vo-Tech Rate	
Cape Henlopen						
Dewey Beach***	0.3983	\$2.977	\$0.40	\$0.0467	\$0.2599	\$4.0819
Henlopen Acres	0.3983	\$2.977	\$2.62	\$0.0467	\$0.2599	\$6.3019
Lewes***	0.3983	\$2.977	\$0.57	\$0.0467	\$0.2599	\$4.2519
Milton***	0.3983	\$2.977	\$0.216	\$0.0467	\$0.2599	\$3.8979
Rehoboth Beach***	0.3983	\$2.977	\$1.78	\$0.0467	\$0.2599	\$5.4619
Delmar						
Delmar***	0.3983	\$3.8094	\$0.52	\$0.0467	\$0.2599	\$5.0343
Indian River						
Bethany Beach***	0.3983	\$2.743	\$0.170	\$0.0467	\$0.2599	\$3.6179
Dagsboro***	0.3983	\$2.743	\$0.56	\$0.0467	\$0.2599	\$4.0079
Fenwick Island	0.3983	\$2.743	\$1.92	\$0.0467	\$0.2599	\$5.3679
Frankford	0.3983	\$2.743	\$2.50	\$0.0467	\$0.2599	\$5.9479
Georgetown	0.3983	\$2.743	\$3.14	\$0.0467	\$0.2599	\$6.5879
Millsboro***	0.3983	\$2.743	\$0.56	\$0.0467	\$0.2599	\$4.0079
Millville***	0.3983	\$2.743	\$0.50	\$0.0467	\$0.2599	\$3.9479
Ocean View ***	0.3983	\$2.743	\$0.1588	\$0.0467	\$0.2599	\$3.6067
Selbyville	0.3983	\$2.743	\$1.85	\$0.0467	\$0.2599	\$5.2979
South Bethany	0.3983	\$2.743	\$1.30	\$0.0467	\$0.2599	\$4.7479
Laurel						
Bethel	0.3983	\$3.589	\$0.40	\$0.0467	\$0.2599	\$4.6939
Laurel***	0.3983	\$3.589	\$2.29	\$0.0467	\$0.2599	\$6.5839
Milford						
Ellendale	0.3983	\$3.5870	\$1.50	\$0.0467	\$0.2599	\$5.7919
Milford***	0.3983	\$3.5870	\$0.46	\$0.0467	\$0.2599	\$4.7519
Slaughter Beach***	0.3983	\$3.5870	\$0.75	\$0.0467	\$0.2599	\$5.0419
Seaford						
Blades***	0.3983	\$3.360	\$1.40	\$0.0467	\$0.2599	\$5.4649
Seaford***	0.3983	\$3.360	\$0.31	\$0.0467	\$0.2599	\$4.3749
Woodbridge						
Bridgeville	0.3983	\$3.690	\$2.00	\$0.0467	\$0.2599	\$6.3949
Greenwood	0.3983	\$3.690	\$1.80	\$0.0467	\$0.2599	\$6.1949

Unincorporated Areas:					
School District	County Rate	School Rate	Vo-Tech Rate	Library Rate	Total tax rate Per \$100 Assessment
Cape Henlopen	0.3983	\$2.977	\$0.2599	\$0.0467	\$3.6819
Delmar	0.3983	\$3.8094	\$0.2599	\$0.0467	\$4.5143
Indian River	0.3983	\$2.743	\$0.2599	\$0.0467	\$3.4479
Laurel	0.3983	\$3.589	\$0.2599	\$0.0467	\$4.2939
Milford	0.3983	\$3.5870	\$0.2599	\$0.0467	\$4.2919
Seaford	0.3983	\$3.360	\$0.2599	\$0.0467	\$4.0649
Woodbridge	0.3983	\$3.690	\$0.2599	\$0.0467	\$4.3949

*** SEE FOOTNOTES AT END OF REPORT.

Unless otherwise noted in the footnotes section, Sussex County taxes property at 50% of the 1974 appraised value. To find out the assessment

FOOTNOTES

* KENT COUNTY

Camden

The City of Camden charges \$.96 per \$100 of taxable value for senior citizens.

All Commercial C-2 have the tax rate of \$1.59 per \$100 of taxable value.

Each property is charged an additional \$252 base tax per year for waste removal.

Other

The Town of Bowers Beach charges an additional \$100 per unit.

The City of Dover taxes property at 100% of its 2010 assessment.

The Town of Kenton taxes property at 100% of its 1992 assessment.

The Town of Little Creek taxes senior citizens at \$.30 per \$100 of assessment.

The City of Milford taxes property at 100% of its 2012 assessment.

The Town of Smyrna taxes property at 100% of its 2006 assessment.

School District Capitation rates: Caesar Rodney, 12.00; Lake Forest, 15.00; Woodbridge, 8.82

** NEW CASTLE COUNTY

Arden - Residents of the "Ardens" do not own their property, but hold 99-year leases. Taxes are assessed on square feet of land, not value of house.

The Town of Elsmere charges an additional \$430 for each residential and commercial unit

Delaware City has a City Park Tax of 0.0500 which was added to the city rate.

*** SUSSEX COUNTY

The Town of Bethany Beach taxes property at 100% of its 2002 assessment.

The Town of Blades taxes property at 50% of its 1989 assessment.

The Town of Dagsboro taxes property at 100% of its 1994 assessment.

The Town of Delmar taxes property at 100% of its 2008 assessment.

The Town of Dewey Beach taxes property at 100% of the 1974 county assessment. (used only for beach replenishment)

The Town of Laurel taxes property at 100% of its 1974 assessment.

The Town of Lewes taxes property at 50% of its 2000 assessment.

The City of Milford taxes property at 100% of its 2012 assessment.

The Town of Millsboro taxes property at 100% of its 1992 assessment.

The Town of Millville taxes property at 100% of its 1974 assessment.

The town of Milton taxes property at 100% of its 2009 assessment.

The Town of Ocean View taxes property at 100% of its 2012 assessment.

The Town of Rehoboth Beach taxes property at 50% of its 1968 assessment.

The City of Seaford taxes property at 100% of its 2008 assessment.

The Town of Slaughter Beach taxes property at 100% of its 1974 assessment.

School District Capitation rates: Indian River, 12.00; Laurel, 24.30; Woodbridge, 8.82; Delmar, 13.00.

Please note: this report is a compilation of all county and local taxes only.

For more detailed assessment information, please visit each county's assessment office:

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[New Castle County](#)

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