



U.S. and Delaware Homeownership and Vacancy Rates, 1986 - 2011

Homeownership Rate																										
	1986	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011
U.S.	63.8%	64.0%	63.8%	63.9%	63.9%	64.1%	64.1%	64.0%	64.0%	64.7%	65.4%	65.7%	66.3%	66.8%	67.4%	67.8%	67.9%	68.3%	69.0%	68.9%	68.8%	68.1%	67.8%	67.4%	66.9%	66.1%
DE	71.0%	71.1%	70.1%	68.7%	67.7%	70.2%	73.8%	74.1%	70.5%	71.7%	71.5%	69.2%	71.0%	71.6%	72.0%	75.4%	75.6%	77.2%	77.3%	75.8%	76.8%	76.8%	76.2%	76.5%	74.7%	74.2%

Homeownership Vacancy Rate																										
	1986	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011
U.S.	1.6%	1.7%	1.6%	1.6%	1.7%	1.7%	1.5%	1.4%	1.5%	1.5%	1.6%	1.6%	1.7%	1.7%	1.6%	1.8%	1.7%	1.8%	1.7%	1.9%	2.4%	2.7%	2.8%	2.6%	2.6%	2.5%
DE	1.2%	0.8%	1.1%	1.6%	2.1%	2.3%	2.0%	1.6%	1.8%	2.8%	1.4%	2.6%	2.5%	2.3%	1.6%	1.5%	2.4%	1.7%	1.4%	1.7%	2.6%	2.8%	2.4%	2.4%	2.4%	2.7%

Rental Vacancy Rate																										
	1986	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011
U.S.	7.3%	7.7%	7.7%	7.4%	7.2%	7.4%	7.4%	7.3%	7.4%	7.6%	7.8%	7.7%	7.9%	8.1%	8.0%	8.4%	8.9%	9.8%	10.2%	9.8%	9.7%	9.7%	10.0%	10.6%	10.2%	9.5%
DE	4.9%	5.5%	6.9%	6.7%	6.0%	8.0%	9.1%	8.4%	8.3%	10.6%	7.7%	8.5%	11.2%	9.9%	10.6%	10.5%	8.7%	10.5%	11.0%	11.3%	12.2%	15.0%	13.4%	12.4%	9.9%	11.2%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Housing Vacancy Survey
<http://www.census.gov/hhes/www/housing/hvs/hvs.html>

The Housing Vacancy Survey is conducted quarterly by the U.S. Census Bureau via computer-assisted telephone and personal visit interviews. It reports homeownership and vacancy rates for the U.S., regions, and states. Differences between the homeownership rate as reported by the HVS and other sources such as the American Community Survey are explained here:
<http://www.census.gov/hhes/www/housing/homeownershipfactsheet.html>.

As a sample survey, the Housing Vacancy Survey is subject to sampling and other error. The rates are estimates within a 90-percent confidence interval. If the confidence interval for the 2010 Delaware homeownership rate is 1.5, and the estimate is 76.5%, this means that the survey is 90% confident that the true homeownership rate in Delaware in 2009 was between 75.0% and 78.0%. 90-Percent Confidence Intervals for the 2009 U.S. and Delaware estimates are below.

2011 90-Percent Confidence Intervals			
	Rental Vacancy Rate	Homeowner Vacancy Rate	Homeownership Rate
U.S.	0.3%	0.1%	0.5%
DE	1.6%	50.0%	1.5%



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