

Agricultural Land Rent and Selling Prices per Acre, Delaware, 1999 - 2003

As part of the program to support the Delaware Agricultural Lands Preservation Program, a survey of farm operators and owners of agricultural land is conducted each year.

Farm operators are asked if they rent land from others, and if so at what rate per acre. Owners of agricultural land are asked at what rate they rent land to farmers. Respondents are also asked what agricultural land is selling for (for continued agricultural purposes), per acre, in their locality. Following are some of the results of that survey.

Rent per Acre Paid for **Non-irrigated** Land, Delaware, 1999 - 2003

Year	New Castle County	Kent County	Sussex County	Delaware
	Dollars per Acre			
1999	57.62	54.46	51.75	53.78
2000	66.87	54.72	53.40	56.20
2001	64.38	57.10	52.19	56.27
2002	67.37	68.58	49.64	59.96
2003	Insufficient data	57.06	52.79	53.71

Rent per Acre Received by Land Owners, **Non-irrigated** Land, Delaware, 1999 - 2003

Year	New Castle County	Kent County	Sussex County	Delaware
	Dollars per Acre			
1999	63.29	66.92	53.10	63.88
2000	61.97	63.19	48.71	60.71
2001	71.97	65.69	50.88	64.60
2002	64.80	70.71	52.97	65.74
2003	62.87	66.72	57.99	63.52

Average Value per Acre for Agricultural Land in Locality (Opinion)

Year	New Castle County	Kent County	Sussex County	Delaware
	Dollars per Acre			
1999	2,706	2,409	2,075	2,293
2000	2,882	2,483	2,223	2,400
2001	2,760	2,408	2,373	2,435
2002	3,420	2,597	2,489	2,616
2003	2,997	2,933	2,789	2,875