

2008 Property Tax Rates in Galveston County

This notice concerns 2008 property tax rates for Galveston County. It presents information about three tax rates. Last year's tax rate is the actual rate the taxing unit used to determine property taxes last year. This year's effective tax rate would impose the same total taxes as last year if you compare properties taxed in both years. This year's rollback tax rate is the highest tax rate the taxing unit can set before taxpayers can start tax rollback procedures. In each case these rates are found by dividing the total amount of taxes by the tax base (the total value of taxable property) with adjustments as required by state law. The rates are given per \$100 of property value.

	General Fund	Farm to Market/ Flood Control Fund
Last year's tax rate:		
Last year's operating taxes	\$90,035,388	\$2,176,975
Last year's debt taxes	\$15,373,885	\$0
Last year's total taxes	\$105,409,273	\$2,176,975
Last year's tax base	\$18,538,387,795	\$19,096,271,930
Last year's total tax rate	0.568600 /\$100	0.011400 /\$100
This year's effective tax rate:		
Last year's adjusted taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property)	\$101,549,319	\$2,099,361
÷ This year's adjusted tax base (after subtracting value of new property)	\$19,088,438,993	\$19,623,104,664
= This year's effective tax rate for each fund	0.531993 /\$100	0.010698 /\$100
Total effective tax rate	0.542691 /\$100	
<i>(Maximum rate unless unit publishes notices and holds hearings.)</i>		
This year's rollback tax rate:		
Last year's adjusted operating taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property and adjusting for any transferred function, tax increment financing, state criminal justice mandate, and/or enhanced indigent health care expenditures)	\$86,105,844	\$2,099,361
÷ This year's adjusted tax base	\$19,088,438,993	\$19,623,104,664
= This year's effective operating rate	0.451089 /\$100	0.010698 /\$100
x 1.08 = this year's maximum operating	0.487176 /\$100	0.011553 /\$100
+ This year's debt rate	0.080091 /\$100	0.000000 /\$100
= This year's rollback rate for each fund	0.567267 /\$100	0.011553 /\$100
This year's total rollback rate	0.578820 /\$100	

Statement of Increase/Decrease

If Galveston County adopts a 2008 tax rate equal to the effective tax rate of \$0.542691 per \$100 of value, taxes would decrease compared to 2007 taxes by \$995,606.

Schedule A: General Fund - Unencumbered Fund Balances

The following estimated balances will be left in the unit's property tax accounts at the end of the fiscal year. These balances are not encumbered by a corresponding debt obligation.

Type of Property Tax Fund	Balance
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General	\$30,338,065
Long Term Debt	\$8,748,728

Schedule B: General Fund - 2008 Debt Service

The unit plans to pay the following amounts for long-term debts that are secured by property taxes. These amounts will be paid from property tax revenues (or additional sales tax revenues, if applicable).

Description of Debt	Principal or Contract Payment to be Paid from Property Taxes	Interest to be Paid from Property Taxes	Other Amounts to be Paid	Total Payment
General Obligation Refunding Bonds 2007	\$425,000	\$3,427,675	\$2,500	\$3,855,175
Tax & Rev Certs of Obligation Combination	\$135,000	\$46,188	\$2,500	\$183,688
Tax/Rev COB Sr 2003	\$90,000	\$291,300	\$2,500	\$383,800
Jst Cnt & Publ Saf Bld Sr 2001	\$1,580,000	\$185,275	\$2,500	\$1,767,775
Limited Tax Criminal Justice Bonds 2003A	\$1,390,000	\$292,450	\$2,500	\$1,684,950
Cert of Obligation Sr 2002 A Park Rds	\$320,000	\$109,303	\$2,500	\$431,803
Limited Tax Refunding Bonds 203	\$1,015,000	\$78,875	\$2,500	\$1,096,375
Gen Obligation 99/01 Refunding Sr 2004	\$1,315,000	\$1,084,863	\$2,500	\$2,402,363
Cert of Obligation Sr 2002 San Louis Bridge	\$450,000	\$152,593	\$2,500	\$605,093
Comb Tax & Rev Cert of Obligation Sr 2008	\$1,400,000	\$177,032	\$2,500	\$1,579,532
Unlimited Tax Rd Bds Sr 2001	\$1,185,000	\$138,900	\$2,500	\$1,326,400
Unlimited Tax Rd Bds Sr 2003	\$275,000	\$394,088	\$2,500	\$671,588
Unlimited Tax Rd Refunding Bds Sr 2004A	\$105,000	\$426,369	\$2,500	\$533,869
Total Required for 2008 Debt Service				\$16,522,411
- Amount (if any) paid from funds listed in Schedule A				\$800,000
- Amount (if any) paid from other resources				\$0
- Excess collections last year				\$0
= Total to be paid from taxes in 2008				\$15,722,411
+ Amount added in anticipation that the unit will collect only 100.00% of its taxes in 2008				\$0
= Total Debt Levy				\$15,722,411

Schedule A: Farm to Market/Flood Control Fund - Unencumbered Fund Balances

The following estimated balances will be left in the unit's property tax accounts at the end of the fiscal year. These balances are not encumbered by a corresponding debt obligation.

Type of Property Tax Fund	Balance
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Schedule B: Farm to Market/Flood Control Fund - 2008 Debt Service

The unit plans to pay the following amounts for long-term debts that are secured by property taxes. These amounts will be paid from property tax revenues (or additional sales tax revenues, if applicable).

Description of Debt	Principal or Contract Payment to be Paid from Property Taxes	Interest to be Paid from Property Taxes	Other Amounts to be Paid	Total Payment
Total Required for 2008 Debt Service	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

- Amount (if any) paid from funds listed in Schedule A	\$0
- Amount (if any) paid from other resources	\$0
- Excess collections last year	\$0
= Total to be paid from taxes in 2008	\$0
+ Amount added in anticipation that the unit will collect only 100.00% of its taxes in 2008	\$0
= Total Debt Levy	\$0

This notice contains a summary of actual effective and rollback tax rates' calculations. You can inspect a copy of the full calculations at 722 Moody, Galveston, Texas.

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