



Current Report: Community Profile Report of Metro Area: Dover, DE Metropolitan Statistical Area



Date: December 1, 2011

Proposed Location:

This location, **Dover, DE Metropolitan Statistical Area** (Metro Area), is located in **Kent County**, in the state of **Delaware**.

It is located within or touches the following census tract(s): **040400, 042400, 043100, 042800, 040100, 042000, 041900, 042900, 040203, 042100, 042600, 041801, 043000, 040500, 042202, 041802, 042201, 040202, 041000, 042700, 041100, 041701, 040201, 041200, 042500, 041400, 040700, 041702, 040600, 040800, 041500, 041600, 041300, 040900**.

Similarly, it is located within or touches the following zip code(s): **19963, 21629, 19901, 19952, 19734, 19977, 19950, 19943, 21668, 19938, 19934, 21651, 19904, 21639, 19953, 21640, 21636, 19946, 19962, 21649, 19964, 19954, 19979, 19902, 19980, 19936, 19955**.

Data presented in this report summarize the geographies specified in the citation information in each section.

(-) This Area is Served by (or touches):

School District(s): Smyrna School District, Lake Forest School District, Capital School District, Caesar Rodney School District

Congressional District(s): Delaware's At-large District (John C. Carney Jr. - D)

Senators: Christopher A. Coons (D-DE), Thomas R. Carper (D-DE)

State Senate District(s): Delaware State Senate District 014, Delaware State Senate District 015, Delaware State Senate District 016, Delaware State Senate District 017, Delaware State Senate District 018, Delaware State Senate District 019

State House District(s): Delaware State House District 009, Delaware State House District 028, Delaware State House District 029, Delaware State House District 030, Delaware State House District 031, Delaware State House District 032, Delaware State House District 033, Delaware State House District 034, Delaware State House District 035, Delaware State House District 036

(-) Population Trends:

As of 2009, this area was home to an estimated **151,332** people.

Population	2000	2005-2009	Change 2000 to 2005-2009 (%)
Area	N/A	151,332	N/A
Counties (Kent)	126,697	151,332	19.44%
State (Delaware)	783,600	863,832	10.24%

Source: [Census](#)

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(-) Racial Characteristics:

Of the people living in this area in between 2005-2009, **71.37%** are White, **21.84%** are African American, **4.38%** are Hispanic, **2.13%** are Asian, **0.04%** are either Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander, **0.48%** are American Indian or Alaskan Native, **1.44%** are of "some other race" and **2.7%** are of two or more races. In the table below, the percentage of the population that each segment represents in the report area is compared to the percent it represents in the state.

Between 2000 and 2005-2009, the White population changed by **N/A**, the African American population by **N/A**, and Asian population by **N/A**. The number of Hispanics will change by **N/A**.

Race	2000	2005-2009	Percent of Total Population in 2005-2009	Percent of State Population in 2005-2009 (Delaware)
White	N/A	108,006	71.37%	72.5%
African American	N/A	33,058	21.84%	20.46%
Asian	N/A	3,222	2.13%	2.9%
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	N/A	56	0.04%	0.02%
American Indian or Alaskan Native	N/A	727	0.48%	0.3%
Some Other Race	N/A	2,184	1.44%	2.1%
Two or More Races	N/A	4,079	2.7%	1.72%

Ethnicity	2000	2005-2009	Percent of Total Population in 2005-2009	Percent of State Population in 2005-2009 (Delaware)
Hispanic	N/A	6,624	4.38%	6.69%

Source: [Census](#)

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(-) Age Distribution:

In the report area in 2005-2009, **12.84%** of the population is over the age of 65. **61.52%** are of working age (18-64). **25.64%** are under 18, and **7.14%** are under 5 years old.

Age	Number of People in Age Group	Percent of People in Age Group	Percent of People in Age Group (Delaware)
Under 5	10,804	7.14%	6.75%
Under 18	38,802	25.64%	23.76%
Working Age (18-64)	93,096	61.52%	62.48%
Aging (65+)	19,434	12.84%	13.76%

Source: [Census](#)

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(-) Incomes:

The median household income for the study area was **\$52,016**, compared to a state median of **\$57,618**, as estimated for 2005-2009 by the Census' American Community Survey.

The number of households divided by income categories is shown in the Annual Income Category table. In 2009,

47.86% of households in the study area had an annual income of less than \$50,000, compared to 42.99% of people in the state.

2005-2009 Annual Income Category	Number of Households	Percent of Households
Metro Area (Dover, DE Metropolitan Statistical Area)		
Less than \$25,000	12,163	21.44%
\$25,000 - \$34,999	6,021	10.61%
\$35,000 - \$49,999	8,973	15.81%
\$50,000 - \$74,999	12,331	21.73%
\$75,000 - \$99,999	7,676	13.53%
\$100,000 - \$124,999	4,287	7.56%
\$125,000 - \$149,999	2,538	4.47%
\$150,000 or more	2,751	4.85%
County (Kent)		
Less than \$25,000	12,163	21.44%
\$25,000 - \$34,999	6,021	10.61%
\$35,000 - \$49,999	8,973	15.81%
\$50,000 - \$74,999	12,331	21.73%
\$75,000 - \$99,999	7,676	13.53%
\$100,000 - \$124,999	4,287	7.56%
\$125,000 - \$149,999	2,538	4.47%
\$150,000 or more	2,751	4.85%
State (Delaware)		
Less than \$25,000	62,646	19.27%
\$25,000 - \$34,999	32,016	9.85%
\$35,000 - \$49,999	45,117	13.88%
\$50,000 - \$74,999	64,895	19.96%
\$75,000 - \$99,999	45,565	14.01%
\$100,000 - \$124,999	29,266	9%
\$125,000 - \$149,999	17,080	5.25%
\$150,000 or more	28,575	8.79%

According to the Census' American Community Survey estimates, the median income for a family in 2009 was **N/A**, compared to the state median family income of **\$68,868**.

Source: [Census](#)

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(-) Immigration:

Data from the U.S. Census Bureau for 2005-2009 indicate that **7,539** people or **4.98%** of the population living in this area were "foreign born". Census defines foreign born as anyone who is not a U.S. citizen at birth. This area is located in Delaware, which, according to the Department of Homeland Security, was home to **2,184** people who were granted Legal Permanent Residence status in 2009. Those LPRs, or "green cards", represent **0.21%** of green cards issued in the nation that year.

Source: [Census](#), [Department of Homeland Security](#)

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(-) Families and Households:

The composition of the **40,233** families who reside in the study area is shown in the table below. Families are groups of related people who live together, whereas households refer to the person or group of people living in any one housing unit. Generally, households that do not contain a family are made up of unrelated people living together (eg, roommates) or people living alone. While it is possible for two families to share a household, the difference between the number of households and the number of families in an area shows, approximately, the number of non-family households in a place.

2005-2009 Family Composition	Number of Families	Percent of Families
Metro Area (Dover, DE Metropolitan Statistical Area)		
Families	40,233	--
Married with Children	11,940	29.68%
Single with Children	6,592	16.38%
Single Female with Children	5,196	12.91%
Other Families	21,701	53.94%
County (Kent)		
Families	40,233	--
Married with Children	11,940	29.68%
Single with Children	6,592	16.38%
Single Female with Children	5,196	12.91%
Other Families	21,701	53.94%
State (Delaware)		
Families	220,100	--
Married with Children	63,765	28.97%
Single with Children	32,278	14.67%
Single Female with Children	25,231	11.46%
Other Families	124,057	56.36%

Note: The category "Single with Children" includes all families that are "Single Female with Children", so all categories do not add up to 100 percent.

Source: [Census](#)

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2005-2009 Household Counts	Number of Households
Metro Area (Dover, DE Metropolitan Statistical Area)	
Households	56,740
County (Kent)	
Households	56,740
State (Delaware)	
Households	325,160

Source: [Census](#)

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(-) Housing Type:

The type of housing available in this area is described in the table below. Single family homes include all one-unit structures, both attached and detached. Townhouses or duplexes include one-unit attached homes, as well as housing units with two units. Units in small apartment building are buildings with 3 to 49 units; large apartment buildings include buildings with 50 units or more. Other types of housing include vans, boats, recreational vehicles, or other units.

2005-2009 Housing Stock	Number of Units	Percent of Units
Metro Area (Dover, DE Metropolitan Statistical Area)		
Single family detached homes	39,958	64.94%
Single family attached homes	5,055	8.22%
2-unit homes and duplexes	940	1.53%
Units in small apartment buildings	6,080	9.88%
Units in large apartment buildings	814	1.32%
Mobile homes or manufactured housing	8,669	14.09%
Other types	16	0.03%
County (Kent)		
Single family detached homes	39,958	64.94%
Single family attached homes	5,055	8.22%
2-unit homes and duplexes	940	1.53%
Units in small apartment buildings	6,080	9.88%
Units in large apartment buildings	814	1.32%
Mobile homes or manufactured housing	8,669	14.09%
Other types	16	0.03%
State (Delaware)		
Single family detached homes	221,844	57.21%
Single family attached homes	57,269	14.77%
2-unit homes and duplexes	6,718	1.73%
Units in small apartment buildings	51,588	13.3%
Units in large apartment buildings	10,828	2.79%
Mobile homes or manufactured housing	39,441	10.17%
Other types	113	0.03%

Source: [Census](#)
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(-) Tenure:

Across the area, an estimated **72.67%** or **41,231** households owned their home between 2005-2009. The average size of a household in this area was **2.61** between 2005-2009, as compared to the average household size for the county and the state, **2.61 (Kent)** and **2.58 (Delaware)** respectively.

Source: [Census](#)
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(-) Vacancy:

There were **61,532** housing units found in the study area in 2009, according to the Census' ACS estimates. For

2005-2009, the Census showed **7.79%** of housing units to be vacant, compared to **16.15%** in the state.

Source: [Census](#)

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The US Postal Service tracks vacancy rates on a quarterly basis, showing vacancy trends over the short term. In the second quarter of 2010, the vacancy rate in this area **ranged from 0% to 10.16%**.

USPS Vacancy Rates	2008Q4	2009Q1	2009Q2	2009Q3	2009Q4	2010Q1	2010Q2	2010Q3
Metro Area (Dover, DE Metropolitan Statistical Area)								
Number Vacant	1,272	1,188	1,147	1,135	1,115	1,149	1,844	1,697
Percent Vacant	Ranged From 0% to 12.51%	Ranged From 0% to 11.65%	Ranged From 0% to 11.07%	Ranged From 0% to 10.19%	Ranged From 0% to 9.74%	Ranged From 0% to 9.39%	Ranged From 0% to 11.31%	Ranged From 0% to 10.16%
County (Kent)								
Number Vacant	1,272	1,188	1,147	1,135	1,115	1,149	1,844	1,697
Percent Vacant	1.66%	1.53%	1.47%	1.43%	1.4%	1.44%	2.31%	2.12%

Source: [HUD USPS Address Vacancies](#)

Aggregated by: Census Tract

Contains: 34 Census Tracts

(-) Employment:

The following table shows the number of people who were employed, unemployed, in the labor force, and the unemployment rate for the market in which the report area is located, according to the Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Unemployment rate	April 2011	May 2011	June 2011	July 2011	August 2011	September 2011
City (Dover)						
Employed	15,102	14,858	14,789	14,932	14,800	14,778
Unemployed	1,514	1,471	1,616	1,598	1,547	1,470
In Labor Force	16,616	16,329	16,405	16,530	16,347	16,248
Unemployment Rate	9.1	9	9.9	9.7	9.5	9
County (Kent)						
Employed	67,574	66,479	66,173	66,810	66,221	66,121
Unemployed	5,792	5,338	6,184	6,227	5,918	5,710
In Labor Force	73,366	71,817	72,357	73,037	72,139	71,831
Unemployment Rate	7.9	7.4	8.5	8.5	8.2	7.9
State (Delaware)						
Employed	392,018	391,230	392,072	394,589	393,023	389,919
Unemployed	34,029	31,542	35,855	35,825	33,936	33,494
In Labor Force	426,047	422,772	427,927	430,414	426,959	423,413
Unemployment Rate	8	7.5	8.4	8.3	7.9	7.9

The following Cities that are within or contain the report area have no data available: **Milford, Smyrna, Riverview, Rising Sun-Lebanon, Harrington, Camden, Clayton, Woodside East, Highland Acres, Frederica, Cheswold, Wyoming, Kent Acres, Felton, Dover Base Housing, Rodney Village, Houston, Leipsic, Bowers, Viola, Kenton, Woodside, Little Creek, Magnolia, Farmington, Hartly**

Source: [BLS](#)

In this area in 2005-2009, the Census estimates that people were employed in the following industries:

Employment by Industry	People Employed	Percent Employed in this Industry	Percent Employed in this Industry in Delaware
Accommodation and Food Services Industry Employment	4,134	6.05%	6.24%
Administrative and Support and Waste Management Services Industries Employment	2,154	3.15%	3.96%
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting Industry Employment	906	1.33%	1.02%
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation Industries Employment	1,808	2.64%	2.1%
Educational Service Industry Employment	6,075	8.88%	8.91%
Finance, Insurance, Real Estate and Rental and Leasing Industries Employment	3,754	5.49%	10.46%
Health Care and Social Assistance Industry Employment	9,376	13.71%	13.52%
Information Industry Employment	974	1.42%	1.73%
Manufacturing Industry Employment	6,152	9%	9.76%
Management of Companies and Enterprises Industry Employment	18	0.03%	0.14%
Other Services Industry Employment	3,077	4.5%	4.38%
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services Industry Employment	2,725	3.99%	5.66%
Public Administration Employment	6,944	10.16%	5.15%
Retail Trade Industry Employment	9,473	13.85%	12.1%
Construction Industry Employment	6,234	9.12%	7.76%
Transportation and Warehousing, and Utilities Industries Employment	3,258	4.76%	4.69%
Wholesale Trade Industry Employment	1,305	1.91%	2.38%

Source: [Census](#)

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(-) Crime:

The crime rates per 100,000 persons in the Census Place and county in which the study area is located, as reported by the FBI's Uniform Crime Reports, are as follows. Data was reported by the FBI for selected Census Places and counties, so data may be unavailable for your study area.

Crime Rates per 100,000 persons	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
City (Dover)					
Aggravated Assault	562.21	763.84	728.66	705.41	661.73
Burglary or Larceny	5,171.15	5,202.78	5,538.95	5,905.05	5,580.92
Motor Vehicle Thefts	336.74	368.95	361.48	349.95	248.83

Murder	5.86	5.76	5.69	11.02	5.47
Rape	43.92	51.88	51.23	57.87	65.63
Robbery	125.91	161.42	185.01	228.71	191.41
City (Milford)					
Aggravated Assault	1,333.33	603.9	925.58	708.22	861.67
Burglary or Larceny	6,597.22	6,382.1	5,841.15	6,397.54	7,306.99
Motor Vehicle Thefts	291.67	370.57	250.16	413.13	172.33
Murder	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	11.49
Rape	97.22	41.17	37.52	70.82	172.33
Robbery	166.67	219.6	225.14	483.95	356.16
City (Smyrna)					
Aggravated Assault	375.94	400	403.18	594.34	400.85
Burglary or Larceny	3,397.92	3,000	3,420.89	3,239.72	3,151.1
Motor Vehicle Thefts	347.02	240	146.61	116.54	100.21
Murder	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Rape	57.84	66.67	48.87	93.23	55.67
Robbery	101.21	146.67	97.74	174.8	144.75
City (Harrington)					
Aggravated Assault	557.45	733.05	641.03	871.92	894.4
Burglary or Larceny	3,840.2	3,604.15	3,632.48	4,720.38	6,549.34
Motor Vehicle Thefts	309.69	152.72	213.68	180.4	173.11
Murder	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Rape	61.94	122.17	91.58	90.2	57.7
Robbery	154.85	30.54	122.1	210.46	201.96
City (Camden)					
Aggravated Assault	491.07	389.95	362.32	310.8	495.99
Burglary or Larceny	5,803.57	7,105.72	6,924.32	6,798.76	11,293.4
Motor Vehicle Thefts	89.29	259.97	120.77	233.1	114.46
Murder	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Rape	89.29	86.66	40.26	155.4	38.15
Robbery	133.93	129.98	201.29	116.55	267.07
City (Clayton)					
Aggravated Assault	367.65	282.29	278.16	405.41	399.73
Burglary or Larceny	1,323.53	1,552.58	2,155.77	2,567.57	2,598.27
Motor Vehicle Thefts	73.53	N/A	139.08	270.27	133.24
Murder	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Rape	N/A	70.57	N/A	67.57	199.87
Robbery	N/A	70.57	N/A	67.57	N/A
City (Cheswold)					
Aggravated Assault	882.35	1,432.66	217.39	211.86	626.3
Burglary or Larceny	5,294.12	7,163.32	4,565.22	6,779.66	3,131.52
Motor Vehicle Thefts	N/A	286.53	217.39	211.86	N/A
Murder	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

Rape	294.12	N/A	N/A	N/A	208.77
Robbery	N/A	286.53	434.78	211.86	N/A
City (Wyoming)					
Aggravated Assault	515.46	397.77	152.56	215.52	69.3
Burglary or Larceny	2,491.41	2,784.41	1,830.66	933.91	2,009.7
Motor Vehicle Thefts	N/A	159.11	76.28	71.84	N/A
Murder	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Rape	N/A	159.11	76.28	N/A	138.6
Robbery	N/A	79.55	N/A	143.68	69.3
City (Felton)					
Aggravated Assault	722.89	117.92	233.37	114.16	218.34
Burglary or Larceny	2,771.08	2,004.72	1,633.61	799.09	764.19
Motor Vehicle Thefts	361.45	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Murder	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Rape	120.48	117.92	N/A	N/A	N/A
Robbery	120.48	N/A	N/A	114.16	N/A
County (Kent)					
Aggravated Assault	493.08	450.34	477.53	477.01	461
Burglary or Larceny	2,827.22	2,916.93	2,936.03	3,239.26	3,402.88
Motor Vehicle Thefts	204.33	228.6	190.75	227.88	157.02
Murder	2.84	5.49	3.97	5.15	2.51
Rape	55.34	63.84	55.63	63.73	51.5
Robbery	70.24	100.23	93.39	126.17	118.71

The following Cities that are within or contain the report area have no data available: **Riverview, Rising Sun-Lebanon, Woodside East, Highland Acres, Frederica, Kent Acres, Dover Base Housing, Rodney Village, Houston, Leipsic, Bowers, Viola, Kenton, Woodside, Little Creek, Magnolia, Farmington, Hartly**

Source: [FBI UCR and DOJ](#)

(-) Endnotes:

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Depending on the type of size of the area selected for this report, the above values capture data for the block groups, tracts, counties, etc, in which at least 50% of their areas are contained. If this report is run for a zip code, some data will be unavailable, as zip code values for some topics are not available through the Census.

The source of crime data in the tables presented here is Federal Bureau of Investigation's Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) Program, which compiles standardized incident reports from local law enforcement agencies in order to produce reliable, uniform, and national crime data. The UCR Program collects data on known offenses and persons arrested by law enforcement agencies. For details on this dataset, see the related entry for [FBI Uniform Crime Reports](#) in the Data Directory. Crime data in this report is not summed or aggregated, but rather listed for each of the complete areas within the study area for which crime is reported.

For the separate Employment and Crime Sections in this report, only locations for which data are available are

included in the tables. If the section does not include information, no data was available for any of the locations or component parts of the area you requested for this report.

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