

FAQ

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FACTSHEET

Real Property & Homestead Exemption

When are my property taxes due?

In Alabama, taxes on real property are due October 1, and are delinquent after December 31.

Will my taxes go up every year?

Real property taxes can change with time. Your property taxes could increase because of an increase in the appraised value of the real property, or because of a increase in tax rate (also known as millage).

I am over 65. Do I have to pay property taxes?

In Alabama, you may be exempt from paying the state portion of real property tax if you: (1) are over the age of 65 years, (2) are permanently and totally disabled, or (3) are blind.

Contact your local revenue commission office to find out if you are responsible for county taxes, and to apply for a homestead exemption.



If I didn't receive a tax statement, do I have to pay the taxes?



The responsibility to pay real property taxes is yours, even if you do not receive a tax statement.

The county revenue commissioner sends tax notices out as a courtesy.

What is a homestead exemption?



A homestead exemption is a single-family owner-occupied dwelling and the land thereto, that does not exceed 160 acres.

The property owner may be entitled to a homestead exemption if they:
(1) own a single-family residence, and
(2) occupy the dwelling as a primary residence on the first day of the tax year for which the application is made for a homestead exemption.

Contact your local county revenue office for more information:

www.revenue.alabama.gov/property-tax/county-offices-appraisal-assessment-records/

What is a mill?



The number of mills an agency charges for taxes is multiplied times the assessed value of the property, and the result is the tax amount due.

For example: \$100,000 (Appraised Value) X (Assessment Rate: 10%) = \$10,000 (Assessed Value) X .0325 (County Millage Rate) = \$325.00 (Tax Amount)



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How does LSA help low-income Alabama?



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Heirs Property is the hidden story behind blight and generational poverty in Alabama.

Heirs property refers to a home or land that passes from generation to generation without a legally designated owner resulting in ownership divided among all living descendants in a family. This unstable form of ownership limits a family's ability to build generational wealth and hampers the efforts of nonprofits and cities to revitalize neighborhoods.

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