

TOWN MANAGER'S WEEKLY REPORT



UPCOMING MEETINGS & EVENTS ...

- ✓ **Memorial Day Service:** Sunday, May 30, 1:30 PM, The Circle
- ✓ **Sussex County Association of Towns:** Wednesday, June 2, 6:00 PM, hosted by Lewes
- ✓ **Sussex County Association of Towns Steering Committee:** Friday, June 4, 9:00 AM, First State Community Action Agency
- ✓ **Town Council Meeting:** Wednesday, June 9, 7:00 PM, Regular Meeting – To be Determined
- ✓ **Juneteenth Celebration:** Saturday, June 19, 11:00 AM, Richard Allen School
- ✓ **Town Council Meeting:** Wednesday, June 23, 7:00 PM, Regular Meeting – To be Determined
- ✓ **Community Clean Up:** Saturday, June 26, 8:00 AM, Town-wide
- ✓ **End of Legislative Session:** Wednesday, June 30, 11:59 PM
- ✓ **Delaware League of Local Governments:** Cancelled until further notice

UPDATES FROM DEPARTMENTS ...

Finance

- As of May 28, the Town has collected:
 - \$620,772 (37%) of the annual property tax billing (\$1,680,003)
 - \$893,843 (87%) of the April quarterly utility billing (\$939,176)
- Processed Payroll, Accounts Payable, Accounts Receivable
- Provided Tax and Utility Information for property settlements and stamped deeds
- Assisted customer inquiries regarding April utility billing and payment arrangements
 - Disconnect Notices will be mailed and houses posted on June 1
- Prepared the manual meter reads and laptop for the water department (July billing)
 - The water department will begin reading meters on June 1
- Submitted the Inventory Report for Grant ID#2478
- Answered follow up questions from KCI regarding the Water Asset Management Plan Project
- Human Resources - New hire paperwork and assisted with Health Care Question
- Meeting with JUDS regarding contract and upcoming audit (Gene Dvornick, Laura Givens, Olga Holm)
- The Insurance Market – Policy renewal review (Gene Dvornick, Laura Givens, Olga Holm)

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Planning

- Projects:
 - The Oaks – building permit application to construct a fence/dog park near the community center
 - Sun Behavioral Health – building permit application for interior renovations converting other rooms into rooms to go from 90 beds to 99 beds
- Predevelopment Meetings:
 - Camping World (Dupont Blvd) – Utility discussion scheduled with Town, DBF, and applicant Engineer for June 4

Police

- Weekly Code Enforcement statistics updated (copy attached)
- Weekly and Year to Date crime statistics (selected crimes) updated (copy attached)
- Part I, II, and III Offenses Crime Data (week and year to date) (copy attached)
- Departmental Press Releases issued as warranted

Wastewater

- Lagoon depths: Large Lagoon is 12.50 feet and Small Lagoon is 4.75 feet
- Replaced five air diffuser assemblies in the Biolac aeration basin
- Pulled out nine airlift assemblies from the Biolac clarifier to clean off debris and re-installed
- Removed air blower #2 and #3 and installed air blower #2 in #3 air blower's slot – Air blower #3 will be sent back for evaluation and repair
- Our hay farmer completed cutting, raking, and baling of the hay on Zones 6 thru 8 (short side) of our hay field

Public Works

- Handled pump issue at South Railroad Avenue
- Completed grass cutting
- Prepared for Memorial Day Service
- King Street clear-well project nearing completion

Construction Coordinator

- Pavement rehabilitation along North Race Street completed

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TOWN MANAGER'S UPDATE ...

- Met with representatives of the DeLea Founders Insurance Trust (DFIT) for our annual Risk Control Meeting (Gene Dvornick, Laura Givens)
 - ✓ Review of claims history
 - ✓ Overview of safety topics covered
 - ✓ Share online tools and resources
- Met with local resident to discuss community clean up and share information about the Town branding initiative in 2014
- Participated in teleconference call with Governor Carney and Local Governments (Counties & Municipalities) (Gene Dvornick, Bill West)
 - ✓ Focus shift to vaccinations – Currently 59%; Goal is 70%
 - ✓ Unvaccinated should continue to wear masks
 - ✓ Public spaces should follow CDC guidelines
 - ✓ Announced new vaccine incentive program – “DE Wins”
- Finalized the 2021 Memorial Day Service Program
- Met with JUDS regarding contract (1 year) and completion of the FY 2021 audit (Gene Dvornick, Laura Givens, Olga Holm)
- Responded to local business looking to add outpatient and residential services in a new location
- Met with representatives from The Insurance Market to review insurance renewal (Gene Dvornick, Laura Givens, Olga Holm)
 - ✓ Review of coverages
 - ✓ Schedule of values
 - ✓ Policy premiums
- Responded to local municipality questions on dealing with citizens exploiting an event and associated negative publicity
- Attended weekly Georgetown CommUNITY Clean Up Planning Meeting
- Prepared plan for Town Offices Lobby Reopening
- Comprehensive Plan status:
 - ✓ Received comments from the PLUS Review on May 25
 - ✓ No comments received from Millsboro
 - ✓ Reviewed and addressed responses to PLUS Review comments with Plan Consultant (Jamie Craddock, Gene Dvornick, Jocelyn Huff)
 - ✓ Town Council/Planning Commission to address comments at June 9 Town Council Meeting
- Met with Georgetown CommUNITY representatives and Ben Muldrow to discuss using branding to increase community engagement
- Followed up with DelDOT and WRA regarding US 113 Georgetown Lighting and proposed agreement regarding same
- Monthly Labor Review – April 2021 received (copy attached)

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- Responded to several FOIA Requests
- Followed up on several code enforcement issues
- Weekly COVID-19 data

<u>Reporting Item</u>	<u>05/20/21 This Week</u>	<u>05/27/21 This Week</u>	<u>Change</u>	<u>% Change</u>
Total Positive Cases	108,166	108,607	441	0.41%
New Castle County	64,107	64,396	289	0.45%
Kent County	18,034	18,087	53	0.29%
Sussex County	25,802	25,900	98	0.38%
Unknown	223	224	1	0.45%
Deaths	1,654	1,660	6	0.36%
Hospitalizations	74	59	(15)	-20.27%
Vaccinations	866,093	889,500	23,407	2.70%



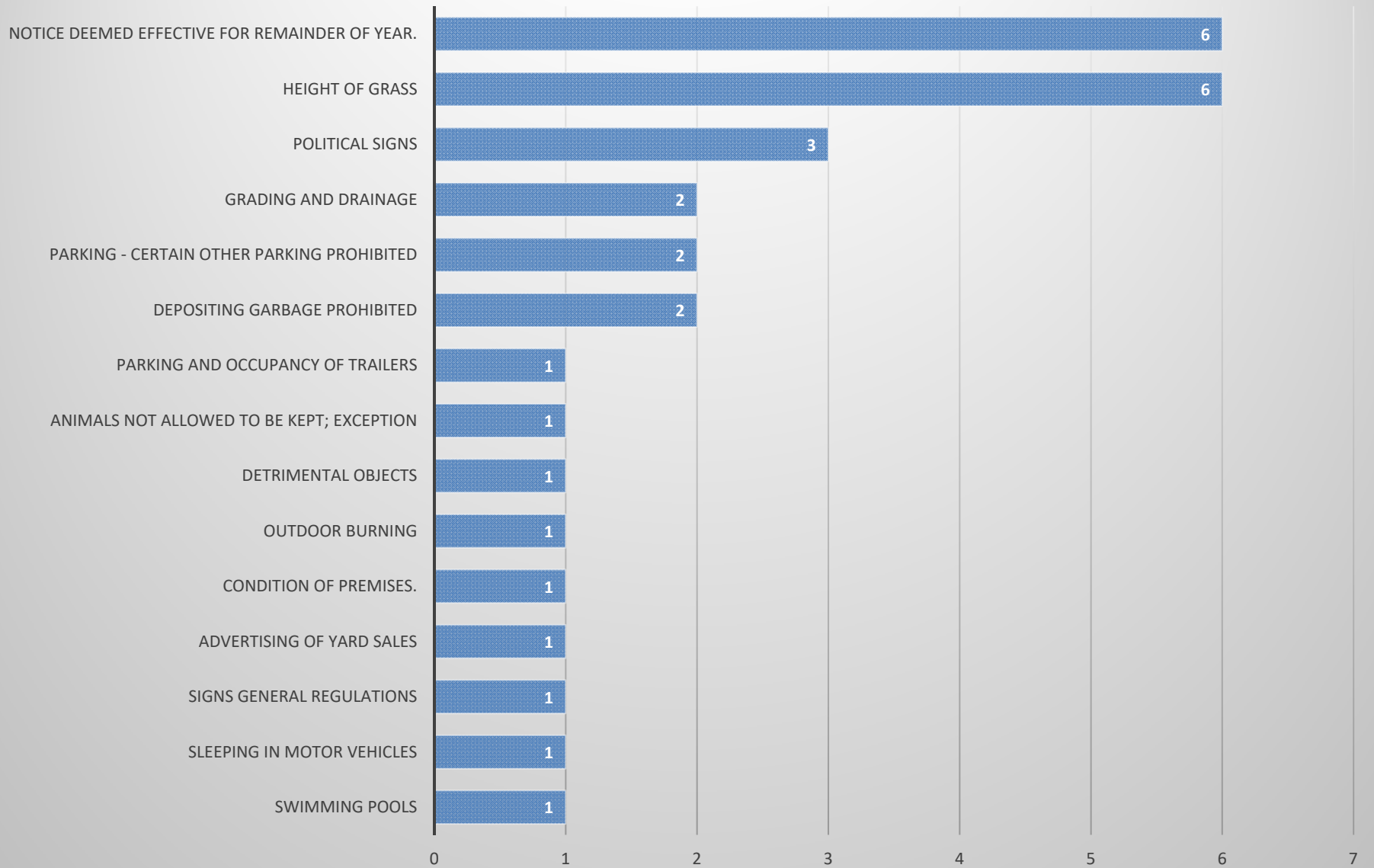
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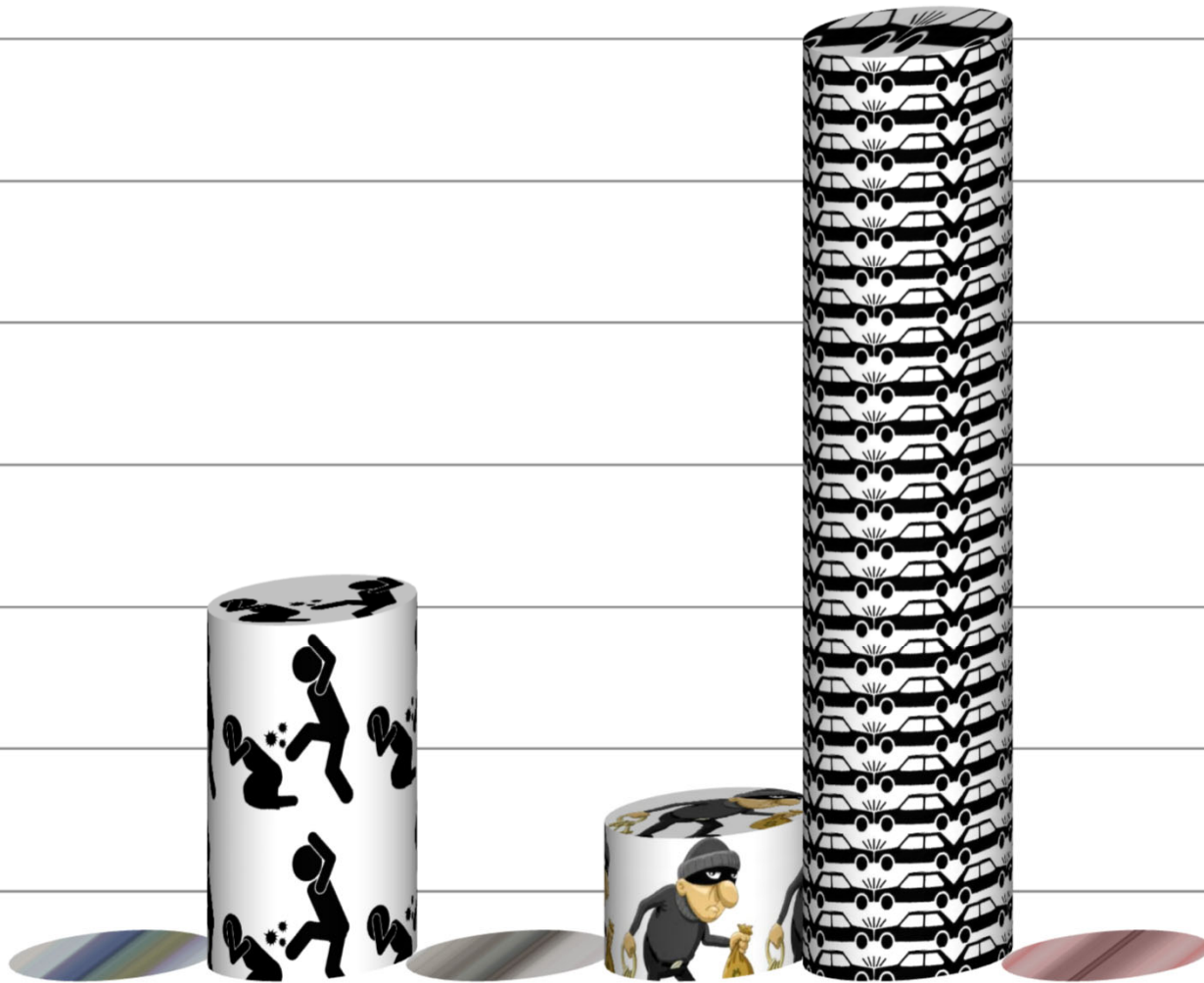
In an effort to better inform Council, employees and the public about current Town activities and issues, the Town Manager issues the Town Manager's Weekly Report with highlights from department activities for the current week. The report is published online and distributed every Friday. If you have comments, questions or suggestions regarding the Town Manager's Weekly Report, please contact Town Manager.

Code Violations May 21, 2021 to May 27, 2021



May 26, 2021

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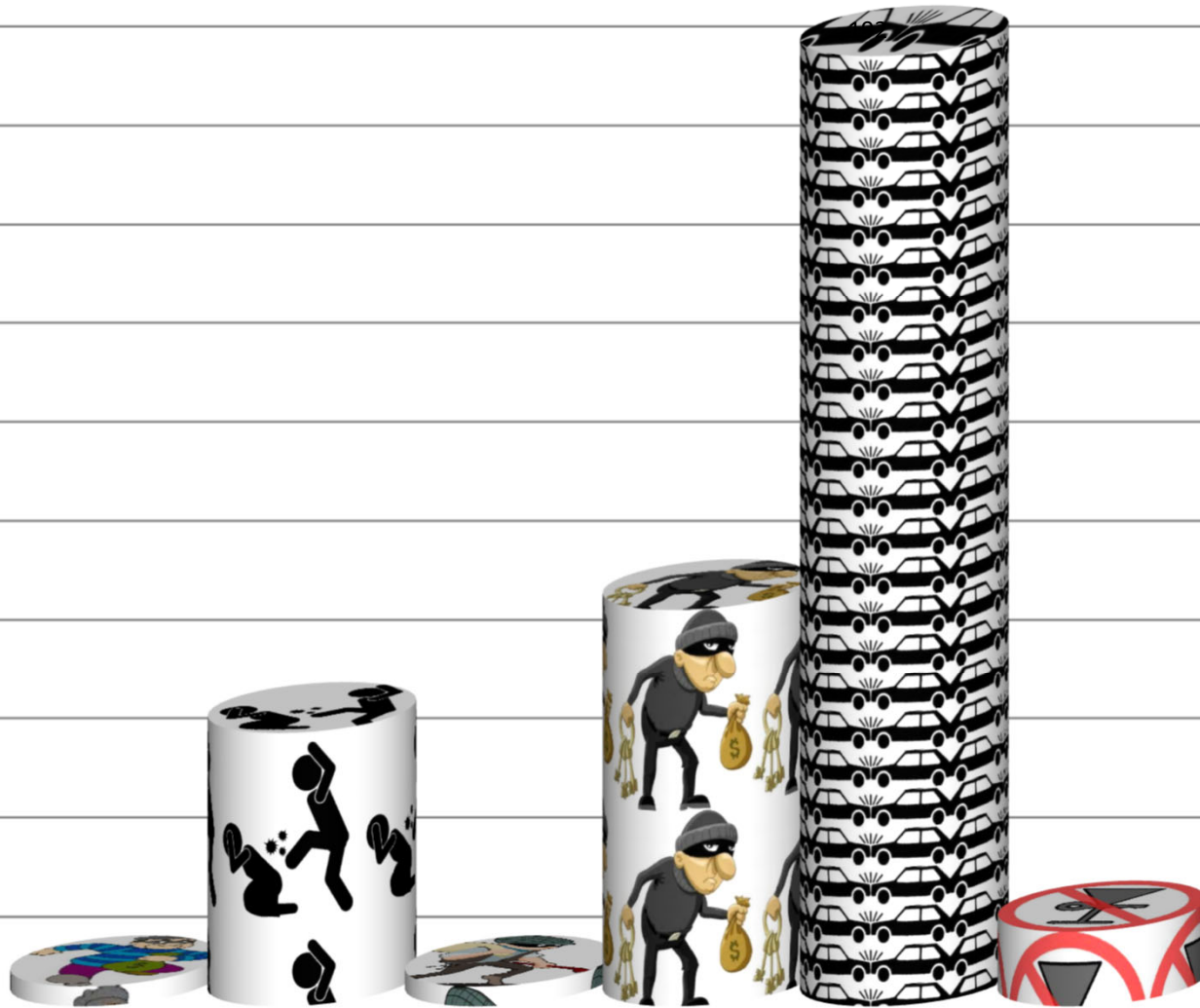


Weekly

*Robbery *Assault *Buglary *Thefts #Collision *DUI

May 26, 2021

200
180
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Year to Date

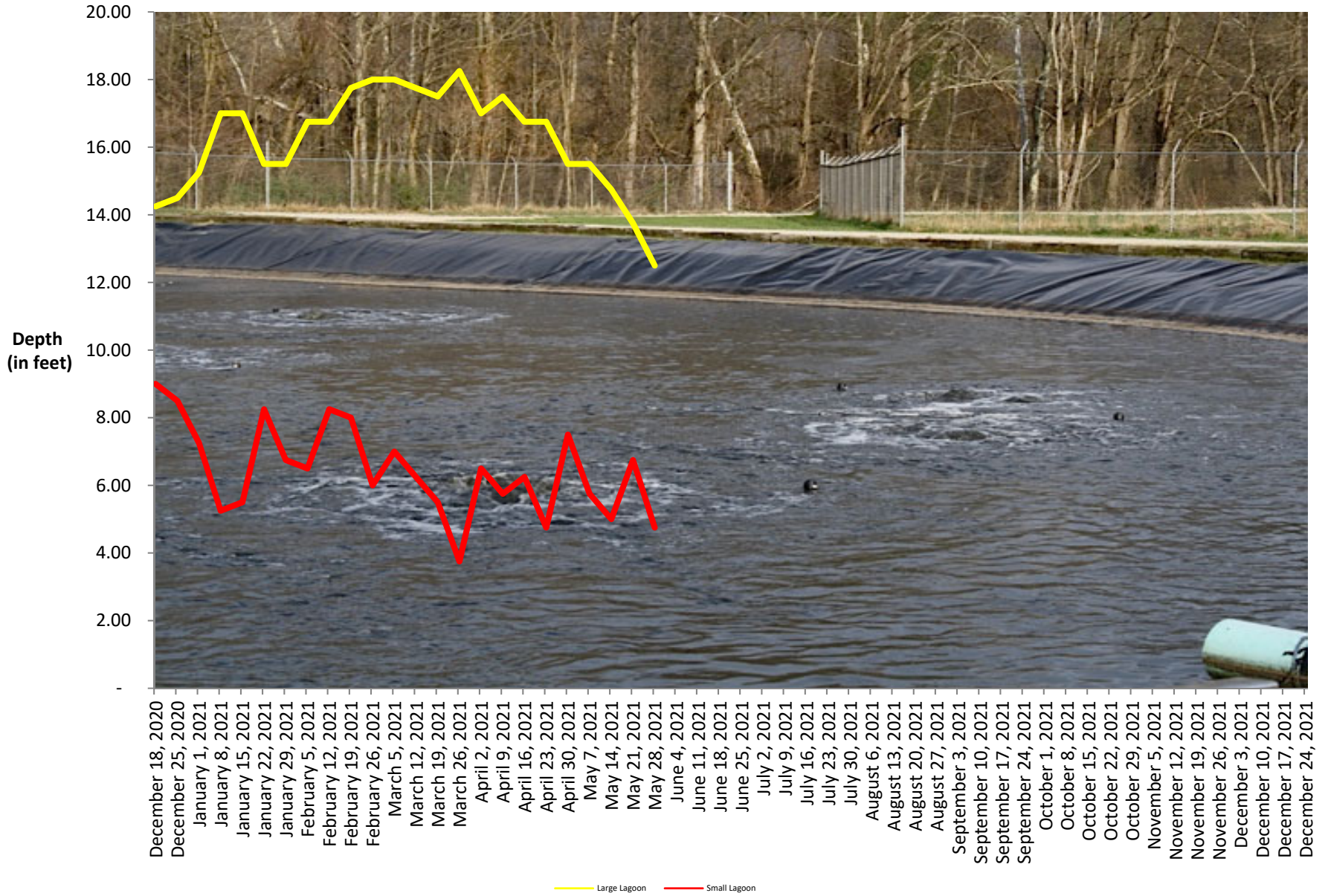
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Georgetown Police Department Crime Data

May 21, 2021 - May 27, 2021

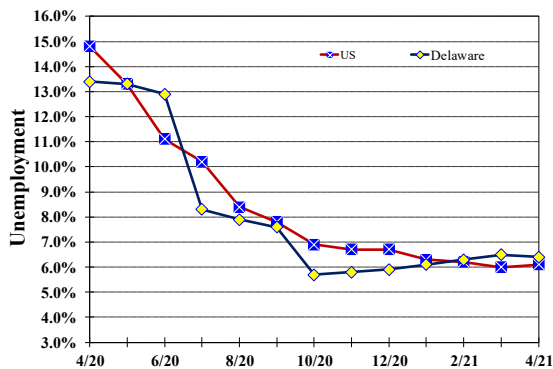
PART I OFFENSES		Complaints		Arrest	
Offense_Orde	Crime_Categ	Weekly	YTD	Weekly	YTD
A03	Kidnap	0	0	0	0
A04	Rape	0	2	0	3
A06	Robbery	0	4	0	1
A07	Assault/Aggravated	2	14	1	12
A08	Burglary	0	3	0	2
A09	Theft	0	71	1	40
A10	Theft/Auto	0	1	0	1
A12	All Other	0	5	0	2
PART I OFFENSES		2	100	2	61
PART II OFFENSES					
Offense_Orde	Crime_Categ	Weekly	YTD	Weekly	YTD
A13	Other Assaults	0	55	0	46
A15	Criminal Mischief	0	20	0	17
A16	Weapons	2	11	2	12
A17	Other Sex Offenses	0	1	0	1
A19	Drugs	0	47	0	47
A20	Noise/Disorderly Premise	0	46	0	6
A21	Trespass	0	24	0	22
A22	Disorderly Conduct	2	55	1	44
A23	Other	7	654	3	247
PART II OFFENSES		11	913	6	442
PART III OFFENSES					
Offense_Orde	Crime_Categ	Weekly	YTD	Weekly	YTD
A24	Alarm	6	129	0	0
A25	Animal Control	0	5	0	0
A26	Recovered Property	0	18	0	16
A27	Service	15	626	0	2
A28	Suspicious Per/Veh	7	151	0	2
PART III OFFENSES		28	929	0	20
Total		41	1942	8	523

WWTF Lagoon Depths



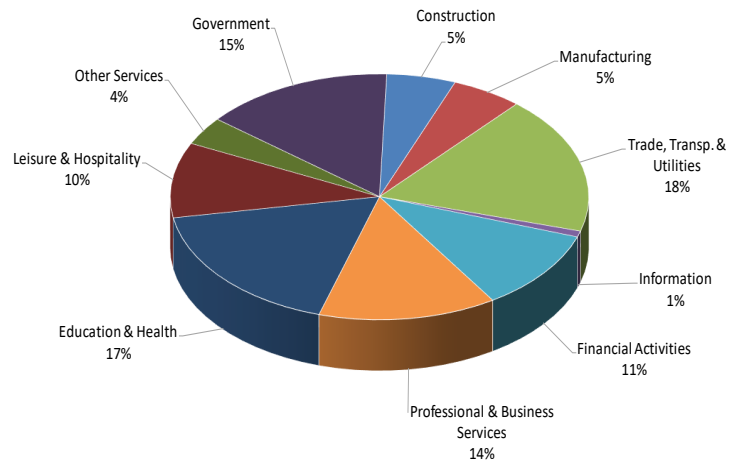
Unemployment Rate

Delaware and US
April 2020 - April 2021



Percent Distribution of Delaware Nonfarm Employment

April 2021



Delaware Civilian Labor Force

Delaware Residents

	Apr. 2021	Mar. 2021	Apr. 2020
Civilian Labor Force	489,300	489,300	474,500
Employed	458,200	457,700	411,000
Unemployed	31,100	31,600	63,500
Unemployment Rate %	6.4	6.5	13.4
US Unemployment Rate %	6.1	6.0	14.8

Source: Delaware Dept. of Labor in cooperation with the US Dept. of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Area Unemployment Rates (%)

	Apr. 2021	Mar. 2021	Apr. 2020
New Castle County	6.0	6.5	12.6
Wilmington	10.0	10.2	15.9
Newark	4.5	5.5	8.7
Kent County	7.0	7.4	14.3
Dover	10.0	10.1	17.3
Sussex County	5.6	6.3	14.7

Note: Area rates are not seasonally adjusted.

Source: Delaware Dept. of Labor in cooperation with the US Dept. of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Hours & Earnings

All Employee (Total Private)

	Apr. 2021	Mar. 2021	Apr. 2020
Weekly Earnings	\$951.80	\$946.99	\$960.60
Weekly Hours	32.9	32.7	32.3
Hourly Earnings	\$28.93	\$28.96	\$29.74

Delaware Labor Force Trends

Delaware's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate in April 2021 was 6.4%, down from 6.5% in March 2021. There were 31,100 unemployed Delawareans in April 2021 compared to 63,500 in April 2020. The US unemployment rate was 6.1% in April 2021, up from 6.0% in March 2021. In April 2020, the US unemployment rate was 14.8%, while Delaware's rate was 13.4%.

In April 2021, seasonally adjusted nonfarm employment was 444,300 up from 444,100 in March 2021. Since April 2020, Delaware's total nonfarm jobs have increased by a net gain of 44,800, a rise of 11.3%. Nationally, jobs during that period increased 10.9%.

Delaware Nonfarm Employment

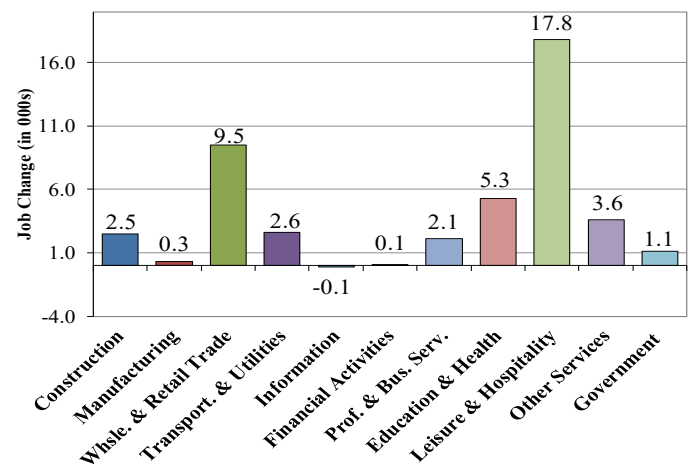
Jobs at Delaware Locations
Seasonally Adjusted (in 000s)

INDUSTRY GROUP	Apr. 2021	Mar. 2021	Over the Month Change	Over the Year Change†
TOTAL NONAG. EMP.	444.3	444.1	0.2	44.8
CONSTRUCTION	23.7	23.6	0.1	2.5
MANUFACTURING	24.4	24.8	-0.4	0.3
Durable Goods	8.7	8.7	0.0	0.2
Nondurable Goods	15.7	16.1	-0.4	0.1
TRADE, TRANSP., & UTIL.	80.6	81.0	-0.4	12.1
Wholesale Trade	11.4	11.3	0.1	1.0
Retail Trade	49.1	49.0	0.1	8.5
Transp. & Utilities	20.1	20.7	-0.6	2.6
INFORMATION	3.5	3.6	-0.1	-0.1
FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES	47.1	46.9	0.2	0.1
PROF. & BUS. SERVICES	61.1	61.2	-0.1	2.1
EDUCATION & HEALTH	78.1	77.6	0.5	5.3
LEISURE & HOSPITALITY	44.0	43.9	0.1	17.8
OTHER SERVICES	16.5	16.6	-0.1	3.6
GOVERNMENT	65.3	64.9	0.4	1.1
Federal Government	5.9	5.8	0.1	0.1
State Government	31.9	31.7	0.2	-0.2
Local Government	27.5	27.4	0.1	1.2

† Annual changes are not seasonally adjusted.
Details may not add up due to rounding and seasonal adjustment.
Source: US Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Delaware Over-the-Year Job Change

April 2020—April 2021



Consumer Price Index

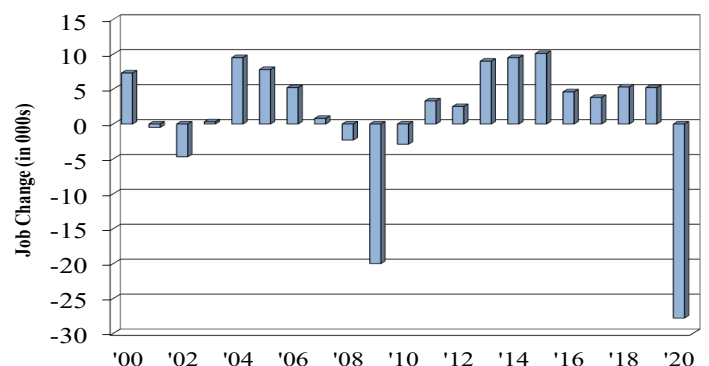
All Urban Consumers

	Percent Change to Apr. 2021 from:		
	Apr. 2020	Feb. 2021	Mar. 2021
US City Average	4.2	1.5	0.8
Phila.-Camden-Wilm.*	3.5	1.2	NA

* Data are published on a bi-monthly basis.

Delaware Annual Net Job Change

Annual Average 2000—2020



Office of Occupational and Labor Market Information

For data questions, contact Tom Dougherty (302) 761-8062

<https://labor.delaware.gov/divisions/ooldmi/>



Saturday June 19, 2021 10:00 a.m. Juneteenth Celebration

316 S. Railroad Ave, Georgetown. De.



Why we Celebrate

The Proclamation, called General's Order #3, was read by Major General Gordon Granger upon his arrival to the town. The order began most significantly with:

"The people of Texas are informed that in accordance with a Proclamation from the Executive of the United States, all slaves are free. This involves an absolute equality of rights and rights of property between former masters and slaves, and the connection heretofore existing between them becomes that between employer and free laborer."

It is written that with the announcement, festivities abounded showing the relief many felt realizing the profoundness of this announcement.

The community responded with both joy and shock as the proclamation was read. Some of the slaves did not wait to hear the reading in its entirety, but went to their previous masters to determine what their status would be with this proclamation. Others were eager to learn how this transition would take place and reveling in their new freedom.

The celebration of Juneteenth grew with more participation from descendants. The Juneteenth celebration was a time for reassuring each other, for praying and for gathering remaining family members. Juneteenth still continues to be highly revered in Texas with many former slaves and descendants making their way back to Galveston in celebration of this date.

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