Delaware Tables

Geographic Characteristics

State land area (sq. mi): 1,954 % of U.S.: 0.06 Coastline (mi): 28 Shoreline (mi): 381

Marine: 3 County equivalents: 3 Coastal: 3

2000 Sex by Age: State of Delaware and Average of Selected Fishing Communities

	Total	M F	Under 5	5 to 14	15 to 24	25 to 34	35 to 44	45 to 54	55 to 64	65 to 74	75 to 84	85 and over
		48.6%										
Delaware	783,600	51.4%	6.6%	14.2%	13.7%	13.9%	16.3%	13.3%	9.1%	7.2%	4.4%	1.3%
Fishing		47.1%										
Communities	13,008	52.9%	5.1%	12.2%	9.5%	11.5%	13.9%	13.1%	11.4%	11.9%	8.3%	3.1%

2000 Race and Hispanic/Latino Ethnicity: Delaware and Average of Selected Fishing Communities

				Race		Native		Ethnicity		
	Total Population	White	Black or African American	American Indian and Alaska Native	Asian	Hawaiian and other Pacific Islander	Some other race	Two or more races	% Hispanic or Latino (of any race)	
Delaware	783,600	74.6%	19.2%	0.3%	2.1%	0.0%	2.0%	1.7%	4.8%	
Fishing										
Communities	13,008	86.9%	9.2%	0.2%	0.8%	0.0%	1.3%	1.5%	0.7%	

2000 Demographic Attributes: Selected Fishing Communities compared to State Total

Fishing Communities	Total Population	Median Household Income	% Family Households below Poverty Level	useholds over 16 in Educa		% ≥5 yrs Speak Language other than English at Home	
Delaware	783,600	\$47,381	6.5%	65.7%	Some college	9.5%	
Bowers Beach ¹	305	\$37,031	10.6%	63.4%	HS graduate	0.7%	
Indian River ²	2,844	\$53,397	1.7%	53.7%	Some college	6.5%	
Lewes	2,932	\$48,707	3.4%	48.5%	Some college	3.6%	
Milford	6732	\$32,525	10.4%	60.1%	Some college	13.4%	
Port Mahon / Little Creek ³	195	\$39,375	7.7%	64.4%	HS graduate	3.5%	

Indicators for Growth, Marine Health, and Population Well-being in Delaware

Indicator	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
Population ⁴	735,024	744,066	753,538	783,600	795,450	805,591	816,861	828,762	841,741	853,476
Building Permits	4,732	5,287	5,285	4,611	4,814	6,331	7,760	7,858	8,195	6,504
Unemployment										
Rate	3.9	3.5	3.3	3.3	3.5	4.0	4.2	4.0	4.0	3.5
Disaster										
Declarations	0	1	1	0	0	0	2	1	0	1
Emergency										
Declarations	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0

¹Census data for Bowers Beach was identified as Bowers town.

²Census data for Indian River was identified as Census Tract 511 in Sussex County. Census Tract 511 also includes Dewey Beach and Rehoboth Beach.

³Census data for Port Mahon / Little Creek was identified as Little Creek town.

⁴Estimated population for all years except 2000; actual count was available for this year.