

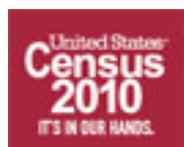
ANNUAL REPORT FOR 2009

JEFFERSON COUNTY LAND INFORMATION OFFICE

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Census Programs



The Land Information Office participated in the Local Update of Census Addresses (LUCA), New Construction and the Boundary and Annexation Survey (BAS) in 2009. The Census Bureau added 293 addresses to their Jefferson County records following a field review of our submittal. The new construction program assists in the update of census records by providing address records for residential properties that may be under construction the year before April 1 of 2010 (Census Day). The department identified 80 properties with recent building permits that were submitted to the Census Bureau under this program. The Department also participates in the Boundary and Annexation Survey (BAS) on a yearly basis to keep census municipal boundary data up to date.

Land Records Search - Public Access Portal



County MIS Systems Analysts made several improvements to the Land Records Search portal that provides general public access to property ownership, assessment, taxes, sales and some county permit data. Improvements were made to system performance, ease of use and the number of years available for taxes and assessments. There were nearly 542,000 pages of data viewed in 2009 from the following categories: Parcel Ownership and Assessment 288,549, Tax Detail 104,837, Assessment Detail 103,255, Deed and Sales 42,278 and County Land Use and Other Permits

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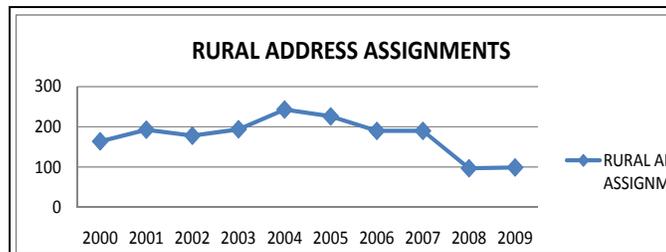
Imaging System Upgrade

The document imaging system jukebox was upgraded to a Plasmon UDO Archive Appliance that quadrupled the storage capacity from 218 to 960 gigabytes of storage space. The imaging system is nearing the 3 million page mark for eight county departments.

Property Listing

Real Estate activity continued the slow down in 2009. The new parcels category showed the largest decline compared to previous years.

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The graph above illustrates that rural address assignments have leveled off to about 100 after 8 years being around the 200 mark.

REAL ESTATE ACTIVITY MULTI-YEAR COMPARISON

YEAR	DOCUMENTS PROCESSED		RURAL ADDRESS ASSIGNMENTS		TOTAL PARCELS	NEW PARCELS		REVENUE MAP SALES ETC	
2007	3,011		190		43,008	431		\$16,361	
2008	3,049		97		43,226	218		\$14,598	
2009	- 2%	2999	+2%	99	43,292	- 69%	66	+14%	\$16,734

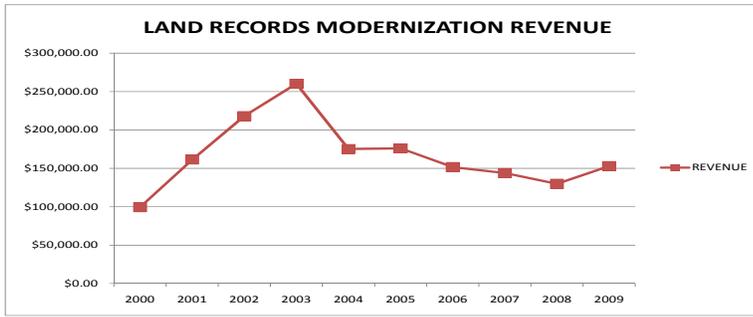
The increase in general revenues can be attributed to reallocating \$3,100 of the remote access subscription fees to the Land Information Office for program administration. The entire fee was previously credited to the Land Records Modernization Fund.

Land Information Modernization Revenue

The table below shows program revenues that are derived from a portion of the Register of Deeds recording fees. Counties retain \$4.00 per document for County Modernization efforts, \$1.00 per document for developing and maintaining computerized indexes of land information related to housing. Two dollars per document are used to fund the state program administration and a state-wide Land Information Grant Program. The remote access funds are collected from subscription fees for internet access to property databases and document images.

COLLECTION PERIOD	PER DOCUMENT FEE	\$4 COUNTY RETAINED	\$1 PUBLIC ACCESS FUND	\$2 STATE ADMIN GRANTS	REMOTE ACCESS FEES
2007	\$7.00	\$77,248	\$19,312	\$38,624	\$8,614
2008	\$7.00	\$68,896	\$17,303	\$34,448	\$9,240
2009	\$7.00	\$83,480	\$20,870	\$41,470	\$7,185

Land records modernization program revenues increased by 11%. The 22% decrease in remote access fees was due to the administration credit to the Land Information Office to offset tax levy funding. Total revenues for remote access actually went up by 11%. Land Records Modernization Funds are used to implement the Land Records Modernization Plan goals and objectives. The Plan includes systems like the Geographic Information System (GIS), Document Imaging system and other modernization projects.



This graph show a slight rebound in land records modernization revenues in 2009 from document recording fees after 5 straight years of decline.

County Surveyor

The County Surveyor completed Global Positioning System (GPS) surveys of 170 Public Land Survey Section Corners in 2009. The Surveyor’s work is split evenly between the GPS survey and maintenance of section corner monuments.

SURVEY ACTIVITY IN JEFFERSON COUNTY

YEAR	CERTIFIED SURVEY MAPS	PLATS OF SURVEY	SUBDIVISION PLATS	STATE TRANSPORTATION PLATS	CEMETERY PLATS
2007	100	215	5	42	1
2008	79	188	5	18	1
2009	57	162	2	5	6

Other Survey Projects

The County Surveyor performed a survey of Countryside Home and the land south of County Highway J that was part of the sale. He also did surveys of a Town of Koshkonong Park, Town of Sumner Park and a Town of Watertown Boat Launch. The surveys for Towns generated \$1,125 in revenues.

Respectfully Submitted

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