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USA GENERAL

US Property Tax Changes Coming in 2026

This article looks at the prospects for property tax reform in 2026 with many states pushing for full reform or elimination. The article explains why so many states are seeking reform and outlines the changes that are being sought in Florida, Illinois, Kansas, Ohio, Pennsylvania and Texas.

The article can be accessed via the following link:

[US Property Tax Changes Coming in 2026 - Newsweek](#)

In some states, a push to end all property taxes for homeowners

This article reports on the growing movement in several states to eliminate property tax for homeowners. The article looks at initiatives that are being considered in states including North Dakota, Georgia, Florida and Texas.

The article can be accessed via the following link:

[In some states, a push to end all property taxes for homeowners - ABC News](#)

ALASKA

Anchorage homeowners see property assessment increases up to 40%

This article reports that Anchorage residents have seen their property tax assessments rise by up to 40%, raising concerns about the tax bills. The article includes comments from the municipality and gives details of how to submit an appeal.

The article can be accessed via the following link:

[Anchorage homeowners see property assessment increases up to 40%](#)

The tax appeal process won't fix what's broken with Anchorage property assessments

This article reports that Anchorage residents have seen their assessments increase by 20-40% and have been encouraged to appeal their assessments. The writer of the article argues against the over reliance on property taxes to fund services and questions whether property taxes are the correct method for the municipalities to raise revenue.

The article can be accessed via the following link:

[Opinion: The tax appeal process won't fix what's broken with Anchorage property assessments - Anchorage Daily News](#)

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CALIFORNIA

SF faces nearly \$1B budget deficit over declining property tax revenue

This article reports on the City of San Francisco's growing budget deficit caused by the declining value of office property, together with an increasing number of appeals, which have led to a drop in property tax revenue. The article provides examples of sales in the office market.

The article can be accessed via the following link:

[Falling Office Values Make Property Tax Deficit Worse](#)

L.A. council puts off yet another attempt to rewrite the city's 'mansion tax'

This article reports that Los Angeles City Council has postponed a vote on a ballot measure to exempt newer apartment buildings from the Measure ULA tax. The article looks at those against the "mansion tax" who claim it is contributing to the city's housing crisis, making many developments unprofitable, and those in favour who say that it provides crucial aid to renters and funds for affordable housing.

The article can be accessed via the following link:

[L.A. elected officials put off yet another attempt to redo the city's 'mansion tax' - Los Angeles Times](#)

COLORADO

Tax bill shock: Colorado homeowners could see property taxes jump by as much as 40%

This article reports that property taxes are rising in Colorado, and homeowners will see increases of between 20 and 40%, mainly due to the reduced property tax assessment rates that were short term relief in 2023-24. The article looks at the effects on two residents.

The article can be accessed via the following link:

[Tax bill shock: Colorado homeowners could see property taxes jump by as much as 40% - Colorado Politics](#)

CONNECTICUT

What does Bridgeport's spike in home values mean for tax bills?

This article looks at the large increases that have taken place in Bridgeport and asks whether, with the increase in assessments, will the mill rate come down, and if so, if Bridgeport increases are larger than average, will the property tax bill still increase significantly for property owners in Bridgeport.

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[What does Bridgeport's spike in home values mean for tax bills?](#)

FLORIDA

Eliminating property taxes would make Florida's 'worst in the U.S.' regressive system even worse

This article reports that a study by Institute on Taxation and Economic Policy (ITEP) has shown that Florida has the most regressive tax structure of all states. The article goes on to state that eliminating property taxes would make the system even more regressive as there is no income tax, and replacing the property tax by an increase in sales tax would punish those on low incomes.

The article can be accessed via the following link:

[Eliminating property taxes would make Florida's 'worst in the U.S.' regressive system even worse](#)

A second proposal to eliminate property taxes in Florida is now ready for a vote by the full House

This article looks at whether one or two tax related constitutional amendments seeking to eliminate property tax will go forward to voters later this year. They would require 60% voter approval to become law. The article reports on the proposals and provides comments from County Commissioners on what the proposals will mean for services provided by municipalities.

The article can be accessed via the following link:

[A second proposal to eliminate property taxes in Florida is now ready for a vote by the full House • Florida Phoenix](#)

Here's how Gov. Ron DeSantis plans to replace property taxes in Florida

This article reports on comments from Florida's governor that the excess state funding could help to offset any losses from property tax cuts. The article explains that the governor is primarily pushing to eliminate property taxes for tax cuts on primary homesteads only. The article also looks at proposed amendments by House lawmakers which would reduce property taxes across the state.

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[Here's how Gov. Ron DeSantis plans to replace property taxes in Florida](#)

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ILLINOIS

Chicago council considers 'not a tax' surcharge on hotels

This article looks at a proposed 1.5% assessment at hotels with 100 or more rooms in a new tourism improvement district which would be authorised by the City Council and the revenue generated would be directed by the hotel industry to support tourism sales, marketing and business development.

The article can be accessed via the following link:

[Chicago council considers 'not a tax' surcharge on hotels | Local News | advantagenews.com](#)

IOWA

Senate GOP proposing 'total overhaul' of Iowa property tax system

This article reports on a proposal by the Senate republicans to introduce legislation to overhaul the property tax system, increase the state's homestead tax credit to 50% of a home's taxable value and eliminate property tax for seniors who own their home.

The article can be accessed via the following link:

[Senate GOP proposing 'total overhaul' of Iowa property tax system - Radio Iowa](#)

Iowa Legislature Eyes Biggest Property Tax Overhaul in 50 Years

This article reports on a proposal by the House Democrats in Iowa state (which has one of the highest property taxes in the country) to freeze property taxes for seniors, triple the homestead tax credit, limit growth to 4% annually, and provide state support for public safety workers' retirement funds, with transitional rebates for 2 years of \$1,000 for homeowners and \$500 for renters.

The article can be accessed via the following link:

[Iowa Eyes Senior Property Tax Freeze and \\$1,000 Rebates](#)

KANSAS

Kansas senators introduce bill to limit annual increase in properties' assessed values

This article reports that Kansas senators have introduced legislation that would limit the annual increase in a property's assessed value to a maximum of 3%. The article includes comments from a Sedgwick County Commissioner who believes that the bill violates the Kansas Constitution, which mandates that the state classify properties on a uniform and equal basis.

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[Kansas senators introduce bill to limit annual increase in properties' assessed values](#)

KENTUCKY

Property Tax Is Vital to Funding Schools, Public Safety and Other Local Services

This article looks at how Kentucky's property tax, which is the lowest in the country, is vital in funding public services. The article lists the services it funds, the method of assessment and charging, exemptions and the consequences of eliminating or capping assessment.

The article can be accessed via the following link:

[Property Tax Is Vital to Funding Schools, Public Safety and Other Local Services - Kentucky Center for Economic Policy](#)

KY's flawed property tax system allows silent increases

This article looks at alternative property tax models to replace what the author considers is a current system that allows silent tax increases to happen virtually automatically. The article looks at states with Truth in Taxation legislation and considers how Kentucky should approach property tax reform.

The article can be accessed via the following link:

[KY's flawed property tax system allows silent increases](#)

MICHIGAN

Seize, Sell, Profit: Is the Government Allowed to Snatch a Family's Home over a Disputed Tax Bill?

This article details the actions of the property tax assessor in Union Township in Isabella County which led to the county foreclosing on a property owner's house, in spite of a judgement by the administrative law judge and auctioning it off for \$73,000 (true value \$200,000) and keeping the equity over and above the \$2,200 demanded.

The article can be accessed via the following link:

[Seize, Sell, Profit: Can the Government Take a Family's Home over a Disputed Tax Bill? | National Review](#)

January 2026 Michigan Property Tax Update

This article reminds Michigan property taxpayers that assessment notices will shortly be issued and the rules relating to appeals.

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[January 2026 Michigan Property Tax Update: Law Firm, Attorneys, Lawyers - Honigman](#)

Wayne County Returns Millions to Those Who Lost Property to Tax Foreclosure

This article reports on the consequences of 2 major supreme court decisions - *Schafer v. Kent County* and *Hathon v. State of Michigan* – which ruled that former property owners and interest holders may be entitled to receive money left over after their foreclosed property were sold at auction. The article looks at the qualifications for claims now in legislation.

The article can be accessed via the following link:

[The Yemeni American » Wayne County Returns Millions to Those Who Lost Property to Tax Foreclosure](#)

MISSOURI

City yanks tax-exempt status for downtown's Orpheum Theater

This article reports on the City of St Louis' decision to remove the tax-exempt status of the Orpheum Theater which is owned by Jubilee World, a “collection of musicians, dancers, and actors who seek to glorify God through media and the arts”. The assessor has removed the status on the grounds that the property is not being used for tax-exempt purposes. The article looks at the background to the ownership and use of the building.

The article can be accessed via the following link:

[City yanks tax-exempt status for downtown's Orpheum Theater | St. Louis Magazine](#)

NEVADA

Clark County faces likely \$13 million bill after losing Badlands tax case

This article reports on a recent Clark County District Court ruling that the county illegally collected property taxes on public land, which will result in taxpayers having to fund an extra \$13m. The article gives the background to the case and details how the county continued to seek tax even after courts ruled the city had illegally taken his land.

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[Clark County faces likely \\$13 million bill after losing Badlands tax case](#)

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NEW HAMPSHIRE

Second homes, rentals in New Hampshire could pay thousands more in effort to alleviate high property taxes, housing shortage

This article reports that a group of state representatives is proposing a tax surcharge for some second homes and short-term rental properties. The article explains how the tax surcharge would be implemented.

The article can be accessed via the following link:

[Second homes, rentals in New Hampshire could pay thousands more in effort to alleviate high property taxes, housing shortage - Concord Monitor](#)

Judge dismisses Hampton taxpayers' lawsuit over rising property taxes

This article reports that a lawsuit, filed by more than 70 Hampton taxpayers who argued the town's 2024 revaluation was conducted unfairly and unlawfully, has been dismissed. The article explains the background to the case, why the judge dismissed the lawsuit and advises that the taxpayers have submitted a motion for reconsideration.

The article can be accessed via the following link:

[Judge dismisses Hampton taxpayers' lawsuit over rising property taxes](#)

NEW JERSEY

NJ property tax bills in 2026 could top \$10K as Stay NJ relief begins

This article reports that for the 2026 tax year, the average property tax bill in the state will exceed £10,000. The article also looks at the introduction of the Stay NJ relief scheme which will offer seniors a 50% credit on their property tax bills to a maximum of \$6,500.

The article can be accessed via the following link:

[NJ property tax bills in 2026 to rise as Stay NJ relief begins](#)

Governor Murphy Signs Bipartisan Legislation to Modernize and Reform Farmland Assessment Program

This article looks at new legislation (*The Farmland and Woodland Tax Assessment Integrity and Investment Act S3446/A6278*) which reforms the New Jersey Farmland Assessment Program. The article looks at the background to the legislation and the changes that are being made.

The article can be accessed via the following link:

[Office of the Governor | Governor Murphy Signs Bipartisan Legislation to Modernize and Reform Farmland Assessment Program](#)

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Residents Learn New Property Valuations, Estimated Taxes

This article provides advice for property owners in Verona who have received increased property tax assessments and estimated annual tax bills. The article looks at why the revaluation took place, what level the increases reached and how to appeal.

The article can be accessed via the following link:

[Residents Learn New Property Valuations, Estimated Taxes - MyVeronaNJ](#)

NEW YORK

Mamdani Calls the Property Tax System ‘Broken.’ He’s Right. Here’s How It Might Be Repaired.

This article questions a former member of New York City’s Advisory Commission on Property Tax Reform about the problems with the way the current property tax system is implemented in New York and how the new mayor might address them.

The article can be accessed via the following link:

[Mamdani Calls the Property Tax System ‘Broken.’ He’s Right. Here’s How It Might Be Repaired. — Center for New York City Affairs](#)

A “Simple” real property tax appeal for a house went to New York’s highest appellate court - by Jamie Alpern

This article explains how a property tax appeal at the Small Claims Assessment Review forum in respect of a residence which had one room used as a professional office, ended up being decided at the Court of Appeals on the question of whether the property was used exclusively as a residence in the spirit of the legislation.

The article can be accessed via the following link:

[A “Simple” real property tax appeal for a house went to New York’s highest appellate court - by Jamie Alpern : NYREJ](#)

NORTH CAROLINA

Inside the property tax exemptions that cost North Carolina billions

This article reports that North Carolina state officials are currently reviewing property exempted from property tax, especially those owned by nonprofits.

The article can be accessed via the following link:

[State lawmakers eye property tax exemptions that cost North Carolina billions - Axios Raleigh](#)

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OKLAHOMA

County Assessors examine the cost of no more OK property taxes

This article looks in detail at State Question 842 which would get rid of property taxes on owner-occupied homesteads through a three-year phase-in of increased exemptions but would be decided directly by voters in a statewide election.

The article can be accessed via the following link:

[County Assessors examine the cost of no more OK property taxes](#)

SOUTH DAKOTA

South Dakota town hit by 1,500% increase in property values

This article looks at the town of Wood in Mellette County where property taxpayers have been told by the county equalization officer that assessments will rise by 1500%. The article considers the reasons why market values have increased to this extent.

The article can be accessed via the following link:

[South Dakota town hit by 1,500% increase in property values](#)

TENNESSEE

Tennessee residents may soon vote to ban state property tax forever

This article reports on the fact that there is no property tax in Tennessee, but the legislation does not exclude the possibility of reintroducing it. The article looks at a proposed constitutional amendment that would permanently ban a state property tax, preventing future legislatures from ever enacting one. Advocates for the amendment cite the increasing property values and the pressure that a property tax would put on residents and small businesses. The amendment now moves to the ballot.

The article can be accessed via the following link:

[Tennessee residents may soon vote to ban state property tax forever](#)

TEXAS

Updated property tax information now available for Texas taxpayers from Lamar County Appraisal District office

This article looks at new and updated property tax information which has been made available to Lamar County Appraisal District taxpayers. The information includes information about exemptions and reliefs, how to object, how to set up an informal meeting with the appraisal district staff etc.

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The article can be accessed via the following link:

[Updated property tax information now Available for Texas taxpayers from Lamar County Appraisal District office | News | theparisnews.com](#)

UTAH

AI-Driven Analysis Corrects \$13.9 Million in Property Tax Over-Assessments in Park City

This article details the actions of a real estate professional who has secured significant property tax reductions for owners of resort, luxury, and custom-home markets where mass appraisal techniques used by the assessors are not specialized enough to adjust for individual property characteristics. The article explains the method used by the realtor.

The article can be accessed via the following link:

[AI-Driven Analysis Corrects \\$13.9 Million in Property Tax Over-Assessments in Park City - Sharecast.com](#)

WASHINGTON

King County is over-assessing properties, hurting renters and small businesses

This article provides a developer's view that King County Assessors are over assessing properties in dense urban areas and delaying appeals.

The article can be accessed via the following link:

[King County property taxes quietly driving up Seattle rents](#)

WEST VIRGINIA

Bill offers major tax breaks to attract data centers powered by West Virginia coal

This article looks at a recently introduced bill - SB623 - which would provide qualifying data centers with major financial incentives, including valuing data center equipment at salvage value for property tax purposes, exempt equipment purchases from sales and use taxes and provide tax reductions for coal-fired electric utilities supplying the data centers.

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[Bill offers major tax breaks to attract data centers powered by West Virginia coal](#)

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