

Tax Facts 2010

How does the Municipality determine how much to collect in taxes?

The Municipality is required by provincial law to collect Alberta Education Tax in the amount set by the provincial government. In 2010, Education Tax is \$2,995,736 (2009 - \$3,041,693).

Each year, the Municipality contributes to the Evergreen Foundation to help provide seniors' housing in our region. In 2010, the Evergreen requisition is \$370,173 (2009 - \$324,060).

Municipal taxes for 2010 are \$5,712,821. Of this amount, \$566,700 is due to Parks Canada for community land rent and planning services. In 2001, before municipal government, approximately \$2.4 million was paid to Parks Canada in land rent and other charges.

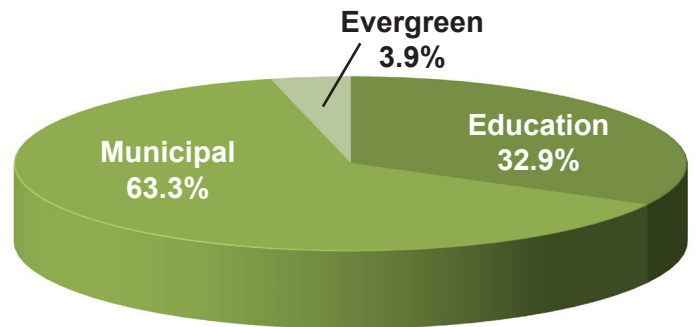
Total taxes collected in the Municipality of Jasper in 2010, including Education Tax and the Evergreen contribution, increased by 1.8% from the total 2009 collections.

Do residential and commercial taxpayers pay at the same rate?

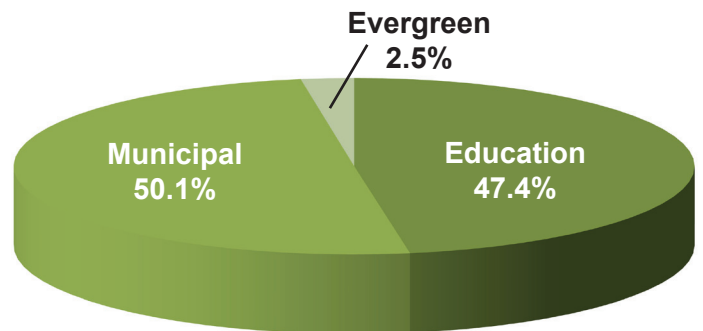
No. For the Municipal and Evergreens portion of the taxes collected, Jasper has a commercial/residential tax split of 5.1 to 1. This means that if a residential taxpayer was paying \$1.00 per \$1000 of property value for municipal taxes, a commercial taxpayer would pay \$5.10.

Commercial and residential education tax rates are also different. The Province of Alberta determines the commercial and residential rates for Alberta Education Tax.

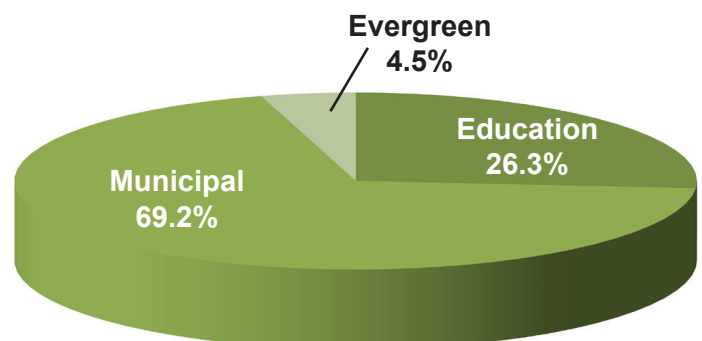
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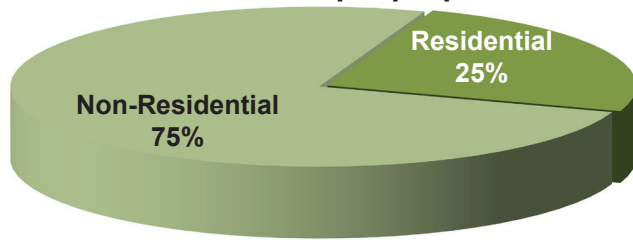
Residential Taxes 2010



Non-Residential Taxes 2010



2010 Taxes for municipal purposes



Are in-town and out-of-town tax rates the same?

No. Out-of-town taxpayers pay municipal taxes only for the services provided outside the Town boundary by the Municipality of Jasper. These include contributions to Community and Family Services, Culture and Recreation, and the Jasper Library. Out-of-town tax rates for Alberta Education Tax and for the Evergreen Foundation contribution are the same as in-town rates.

What is my property assessment?

The assessed value of your property is shown on your tax notice.

How are assessments calculated?

Each year, Alberta municipalities are required by provincial law to retain an assessment firm to establish assessment values for taxation purposes. The 2010 Municipality of Jasper assessment was undertaken by Accurate Assessment Consultants Ltd. 1-877-524-9599.

What factors are used to calculate assessments?

Assessment values are established on the basis of:

- Historical sales prices;
- Income information (for commercial properties);
- Improvements (additions or deletions to the property since the last assessment); and
- Property zoning and use.

What do I do if I disagree with my property assessment?

If you disagree with your property assessment, you can appeal to the Assessment Review Board. An application for assessment appeal is available on the town website or from the Town Administration office located at 303 Pyramid Avenue.

Deadline to Appeal

The deadline for appealing your 2010 assessment is 2:00 p.m., Thurs., July 15, 2010.

When are my taxes due?

Taxes are due no later than midnight, July 15, 2010. Beginning July 16, 2010, unpaid taxes are subject to penalty.

Assessment Open House

Representatives from Accurate Assessment will be in Jasper on

Friday, June 18
from 4:00 pm – 6:00 pm

at the Emergency Services Building, 509 Geikie Street for the Annual Assessment Open House.

Tax Rate

per \$1000 of assessed value

	2010	2009
In-town residential properties	4.371	4.302
In-town commercial properties	15.503	14.766
Out-of-town residential properties	2.969	2.969
Out-of-town commercial properties	8.352	7.968

How tax rates are calculated

Tax rate =

total taxes which must be collected

divided by

total assessed value of properties

Questions?

For more information about your 2010 taxes come to the Open House or contact the Municipality of Jasper at 782-852-3356.