

Office of the City Treasurer
Milwaukee, Wisconsin

In rem Tax Foreclosure Redemption and Acquisition Rates

	Calendar Year	Filed Against	Parcels Acquired	Redemption Rate	Acquisition Rate	
1	2000	1,253	459	63.37%	36.63%	
2	2001	2,755	723	73.76%	26.24%	
3	2002	1,577	373	76.35%	23.65%	
4	2003	389	149	61.70%	38.30%	
5	2004	413	180	56.42%	43.58%	
6	2005	598	263	56.02%	43.98%	
7	2006	417	160	61.63%	38.37%	
8	2007	385	155	59.74%	40.26%	
9	2008	508	184	63.78%	36.22%	
10	2009	892	461	48.32%	51.68%	
11	2010	1,089	532	51.15%	48.85%	
12	2011	991	597	39.76%	60.24%	
13	2012	1,152	744	35.42%	64.58%	
14	2013	1,101	748	32.06%	67.94%	
15	2014	1,096	751	31.48%	68.52%	
16	2015	1,507	937	37.82%	62.18%	
17	2016	1,366	764	44.07%	55.93%	
18	2017	1,132	577	49.03%	50.97%	
19	2018	857	422	50.76%	49.24%	
20	2019	974	406	58.32%	41.68%	
21	2020	732	354	51.64%	48.36%	
22	2021	542	212	60.89%	39.11%	
23	2022	569	200	64.85%	35.15%	
24	2023	542	159	70.66%	29.34%	
25	2024	686	260	62.10%	37.90%	
26	2025	560	175	68.75%	31.25%	
		<u>23,523</u>	<u>10,945</u>	53.47%	46.53%	*Year to Date

Data as of: **09/15/2025**

First year where delinquent general real estate tax accounts had been referred to the Kohn Law Firm for collection prior to pursuing in rem tax foreclosure (2000 tax levy accounts constitute "trigger" year).

First year where the effects of the Great Recession were realized with a substantial increase (75%) in the number of eligible delinquent general real estate tax accounts pursued through in rem tax foreclosure.

First year where the effects of the COVID-19 Pandemic were realized. Only two in rem tax foreclosure actions were filed in 2020.