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DELAWARE
FACT BOOK

A statistical guide to the
Thoroughbred industry
in Delaware

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Preface

This report has been compiled as an industry service by The Jockey Club with the intent of shedding some statistical light on the Thoroughbred industry in DELAWARE and, in particular, trends that have evolved over the past two decades. It contains sections on breeding, racing and auction sales. Statistics within the breeding section and those pertaining to racing performance by foaling year are updated on a regular basis. Statistics contained herein are provided courtesy of The Jockey Club, The Jockey Club Information Systems Inc. and Equibase Company LLC. Information pertaining to stallions, mares bred and foal crops are maintained in The Jockey Club's pedigree database and reflect information submitted to the Registry by owners and breeders throughout North America as of the date listed on the page. Information pertaining to races, purses, starters, starts and field size are maintained in the Equibase Company database as collected and reported by chartcallers at tracks throughout North America. Information pertaining to the number of weanlings, yearlings and 2-year-olds sold at auction, gross sales, average price and median price are maintained in the equineline.com database of The Jockey Club Information Systems. Since 2005, Canadian purses have been converted to their equivalent amount in U.S. funds.

Many other statistics about the Thoroughbred industry can be found in The Jockey Club's Online Fact Book (jockeyclub.com/factbook.asp). The Jockey Club is dedicated to the improvement of Thoroughbred breeding and racing and serves as the breed registry for North American Thoroughbreds.

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Bred (Area Foaled): The term "bred" is sometimes used to describe the location where a foal was born, e.g., Kentucky bred (born in Kentucky) or New York bred (born in New York).

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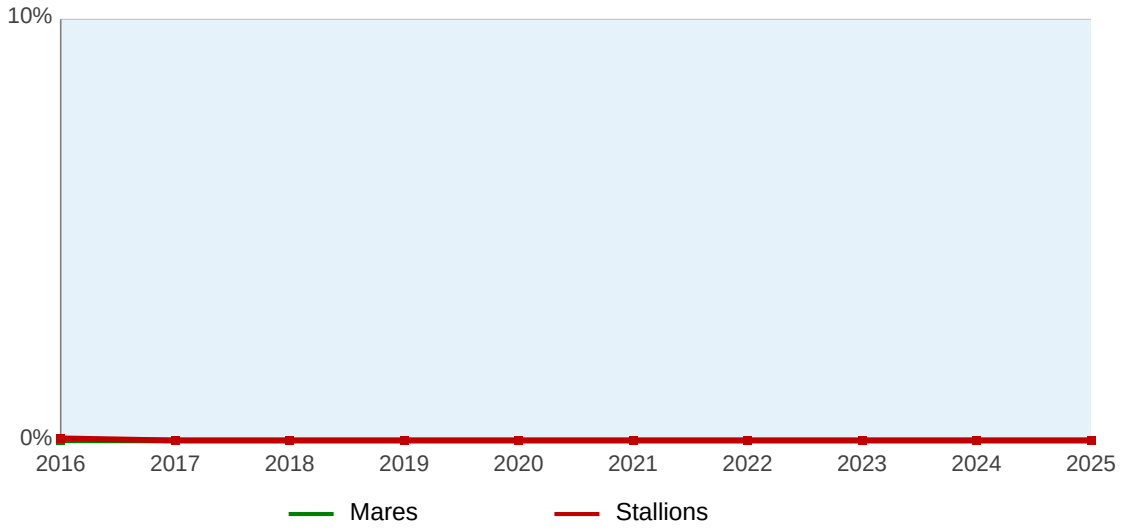
Annual Mares Bred to Delaware Stallions

Delaware Active Stallions and Mares Bred (% of Total North America)



Year	Mares Bred	Pct. of NA	Stallions	Pct. of NA	Avg. Book Size	Avg. NA Book Size
2000	0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	13.5
2001	0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	13.7
2002	5	0.0	1	0.0	5.0	14.1
2003	1	0.0	1	0.0	1.0	14.2
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2005	0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	15.1
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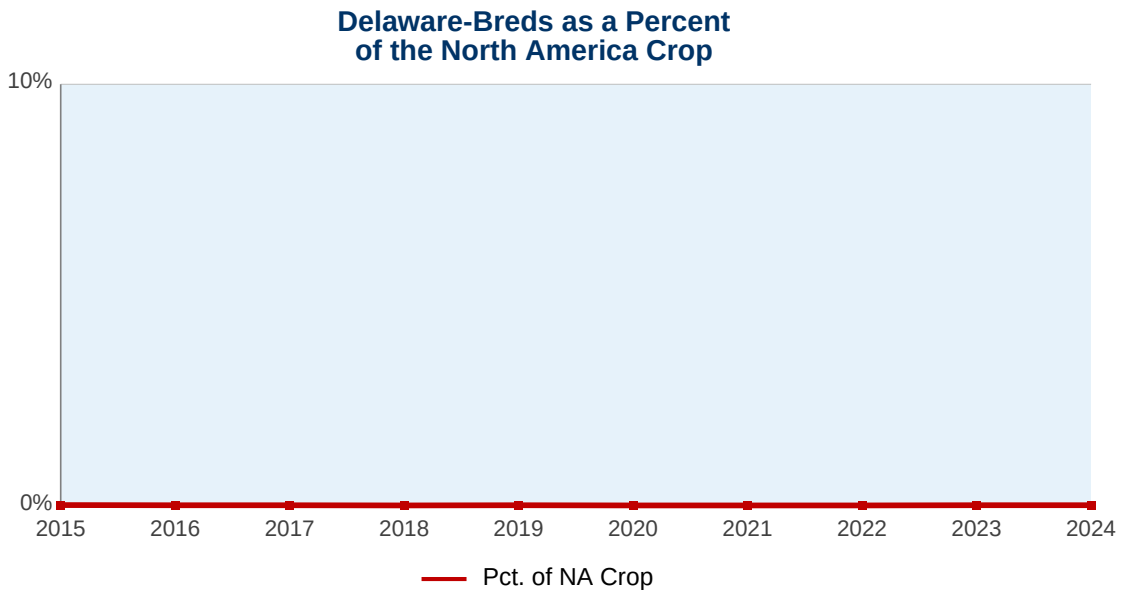
2007	1	0.0	1	0.0	1.0	15.8
2008	7	0.0	1	0.0	7.0	15.6
2009	0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	14.9
2010	2	0.0	1	0.0	2.0	14.2
2011	0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	14.2
2012	0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	14.7
2013	0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	15.5
2014	1	0.0	1	0.0	1.0	16.5
2015	0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	18.1
2016	1	0.0	1	0.1	1.0	18.4
2017	0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	18.2
2018	0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	18.7
2019	0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	18.9
2020	0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	19.3
2021	0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	20.9
2022	0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	21.5
2023	0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	22.5
2024	0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	23.6
2025	0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	25.6

Figures as of 11/01/2026

North America includes U.S. and Canada only

Annual Delaware Registered Foal Crop



Crop Year	Delaware	North America	Pct. of NA Crop
2000	1	37,755	0.0
2001	0	37,901	0.0
2002	1	35,978	0.0
2003	0	37,067	0.0
2004	1	37,949	0.0
2005	6	38,365	0.0
2006	4	38,104	0.0
2007	2	37,499	0.0
2008	2	35,274	0.0
2009	0	32,364	0.0
2010	1	28,420	0.0
2011	4	24,941	0.0
2012	2	23,542	0.0
2013	5	23,249	0.0
2014	1	23,001	0.0
2015	2	23,050	0.0
2016	1	22,680	0.0
2017	1	22,255	0.0
2018	0	21,298	0.0
2019	1	20,552	0.0
2020	0	19,911	0.0
2021	0	19,120	0.0
2022	0	18,554	0.0
2023	1	18,500	0.0
2024	1	18,000 *	0.0

* Estimated figure

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Foaling Area of Delaware-Sired Registered Foals

Crop Year

Foaling Area	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020
Total	0	0	0	0	0

Note: Figures include only foals born in the U.S., Canada and Puerto Rico.

Ranked by number of registered foals in 2024. Figures as of 11/01/2026

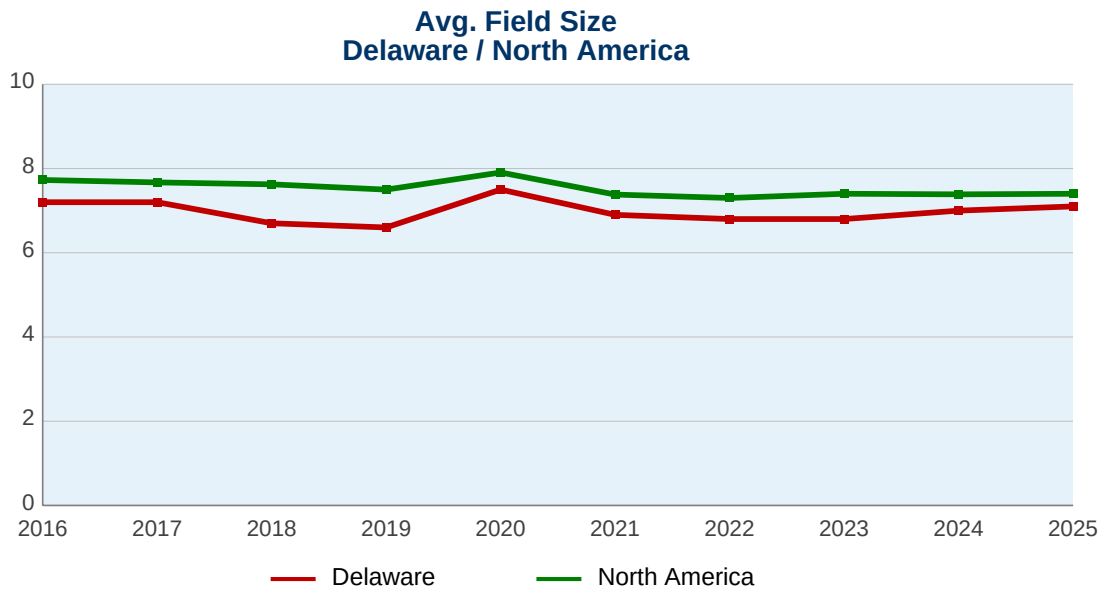
Conception Area of Delaware-Bred Registered Foals

Conception Area	Crop Year 2024	2023	2022	2021	2020
MD	1	1	0	0	0
Total	1	1	0	0	0

Note: Figures include only foals conceived in the U.S., Canada and Puerto Rico and where the conception area is known.

Ranked by number of registered foals in 2024. Figures as of 11/01/2026

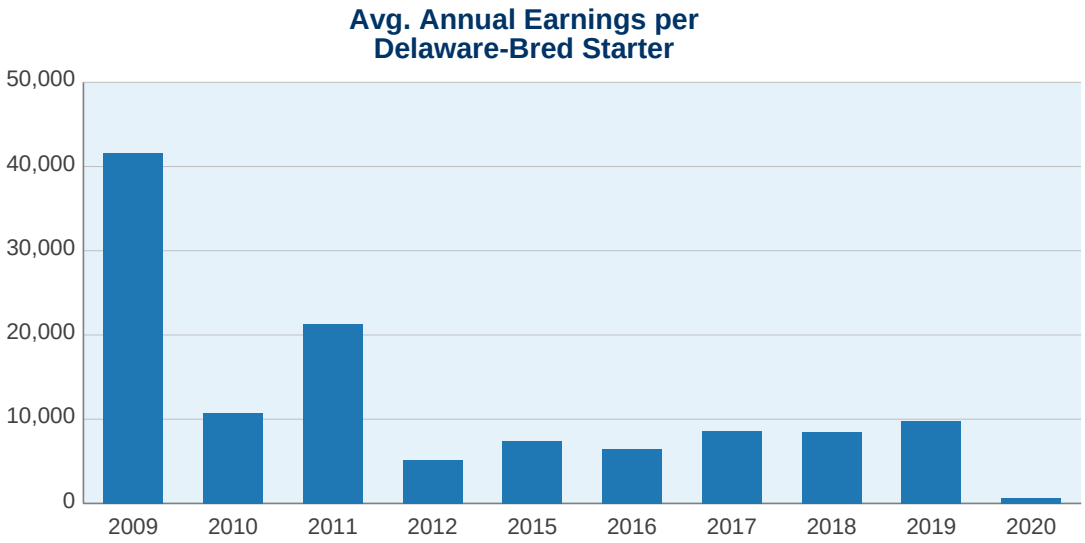
Delaware Racing Overview



Year	Races	Purses	Starters	Starts	Race Days	Avg. Field Size	Avg. Purse per Race
2000	1,327	36,604,600	3,361	9,990	149	7.5	27,584
2001	1,201	35,419,070	3,266	8,881	139	7.4	29,491
2002	1,264	41,087,150	3,530	9,872	141	7.8	32,506
2003	1,271	33,037,425	3,251	9,133	141	7.2	25,993
2004	1,202	34,014,287	3,327	8,891	134	7.4	28,298
2005	1,214	37,209,840	3,276	8,928	138	7.4	30,651
2006	1,182	34,168,810	3,098	8,233	137	7.0	28,908
2007	1,116	35,299,668	3,005	7,538	136	6.8	31,631
2008	1,084	32,912,635	2,974	7,448	137	6.9	30,362
2009	972	25,561,041	2,762	7,438	110	7.7	26,297
2010	1,041	26,714,799	2,849	7,638	115	7.3	25,663
2011	888	23,289,215	2,546	6,723	102	7.6	26,227
2012	739	18,974,741	2,101	5,090	95	6.9	25,676
2013	657	18,506,789	2,080	4,590	82	7.0	28,169
2014	602	14,883,680	1,876	4,278	81	7.1	24,724
2015	686	16,288,227	2,060	4,880	82	7.1	23,744
2016	674	16,515,413	2,060	4,885	82	7.2	24,504
2017	674	15,970,096	2,150	4,820	82	7.2	23,695
2018	653	15,508,575	1,967	4,345	82	6.7	23,750
2019	628	15,698,684	1,782	4,132	81	6.6	24,998
2020	539	15,330,803	1,893	4,068	65	7.5	28,443
2021	649	18,382,293	1,964	4,465	79	6.9	28,324
2022	702	22,439,920	2,089	4,795	88	6.8	31,966
2023	683	19,396,999	2,097	4,656	86	6.8	28,400
2024	606	18,252,526	1,984	4,247	76	7.0	30,120
2025	616	21,428,619	1,996	4,363	76	7.1	34,787

Note: Purses represent all available money, including monies not won and returned to state breeder or other funds.

Delaware-Bred Racing Statistics by Racing Year



Racing Year	Starters	Starts	Earnings	Avg. Earnings per Starter	Avg. Starts per Starter
2002	1	3	4,160	4,160	3.0
2003	2	6	0	0	3.0
2004	1	5	3,914	3,914	5.0
2006	1	2	0	0	2.0
2007	1	8	20,506	20,506	8.0
2008	5	30	109,023	21,805	6.0
2009	3	19	124,703	41,568	6.3
2010	4	30	42,946	10,737	7.5
2011	3	26	64,011	21,337	8.7
2012	2	12	10,400	5,200	6.0
2015	3	11	22,395	7,465	3.7
2016	4	18	25,924	6,481	4.5
2017	4	21	34,248	8,562	5.2
2018	4	30	33,771	8,443	7.5
2019	3	30	29,353	9,784	10.0
2020	1	2	688	688	2.0

Figures include racing in the U.S. and Canada only

Delaware-Bred Racing Statistics by Foaling Year

Foaling Year	Reg. Foals	Starters	Lifetime Starts	Lifetime Earnings	Avg. Earnings per Starter	Avg. Starts per Starter
2004	1	1	11	30,706	30,706	11.0
2005	6	2	59	155,273	77,636	29.5
2006	4	3	55	185,610	61,870	18.3
2010	1	1	1	0	0	1.0
2011	4	1	4	420	420	4.0
2012	2	1	23	58,084	58,084	23.0
2013	5	4	14	3,982	996	3.5
2014	1	1	3	490	490	3.0
2015	2	1	3	1,800	1,800	3.0
2023	1	1	7	5,150	5,150	7.0

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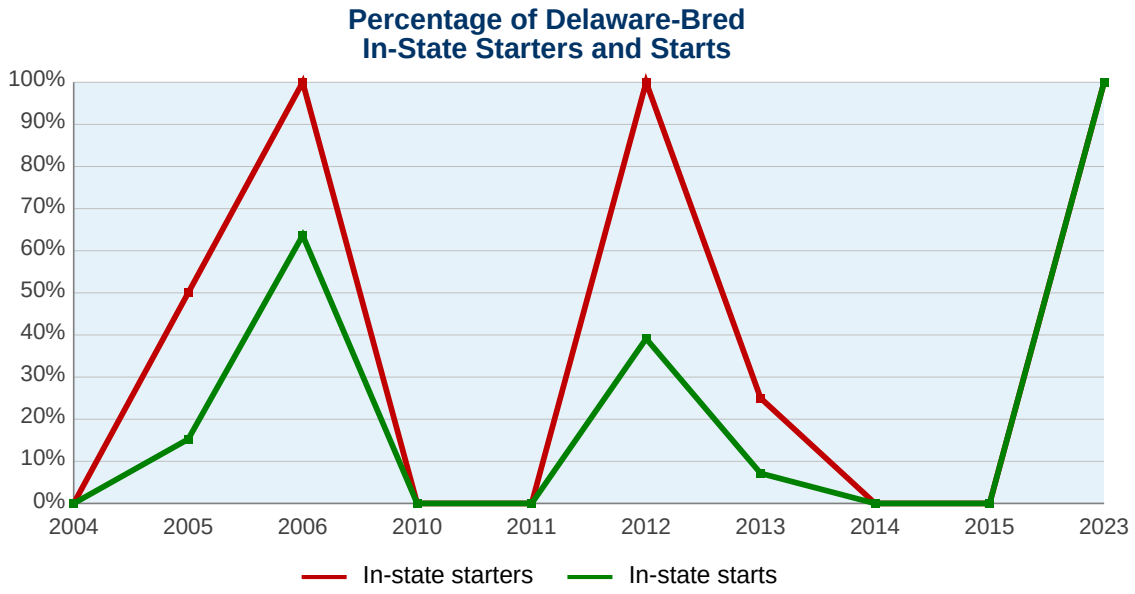
Delaware-Bred Starters and Starts: In-State/Out-of-State



Foaling Year	Total Starters	In-State Starters	Pct. of In-State Starters	Total Starts	In-State Starts	Pct. of In-State Starts
2004	1	0	0.0	11	0	0.0
2005	2	1	50.0	59	9	15.3
2006	3	3	100.0	55	35	63.6
2010	1	0	0.0	1	0	0.0
2011	1	0	0.0	4	0	0.0
2012	1	1	100.0	23	9	39.1
2013	4	1	25.0	14	1	7.1
2014	1	0	0.0	3	0	0.0
2015	1	0	0.0	3	0	0.0
2023	1	1	100.0	7	7	100.0

Note: In-state starters include any Thoroughbred that made at least one start in its native state.

Figures as of 11/01/2026

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Percentage of Delaware-Bred Earnings by Racing Area

Racing Area	Racing Year 2025	2024	2023	2022	2021

Ranked by percentage of total earnings in 2025

Percentages include racing in the U.S. and Canada only

Auction Results for Delaware-Bred Weanlings

Sale Year	# Sold	Pct. Change	Gross Sales	Pct. Change	Avg. Price	Pct. Change	Median Price	Pct. Change
2000	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
2001	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
2002	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
2003	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
2004	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
2005	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
2006	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
2007	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
2008	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
2009	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
2010	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
2011	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
2012	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
2013	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
2014	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
2015	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
2016	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
2017	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
2018	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
2019	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
2020	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
2021	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
2022	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
2023	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
2024	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
2025	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0

Auction Results for Delaware-Bred Yearlings

Sale Year	# Sold	Pct. Change	Gross Sales	Pct. Change	Avg. Price	Pct. Change	Median Price	Pct. Change
2000	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
2001	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
2002	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
2003	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
2004	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
2005	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
2006	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
2007	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
2008	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
2009	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
2010	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
2011	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
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2013	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
2014	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
2015	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
2016	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
2017	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
2018	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
2019	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
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2022	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
2023	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
2024	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
2025	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0

Auction Results for Delaware-Bred 2-Year-Olds

Sale Year	# Sold	Pct. Change	Gross Sales	Pct. Change	Avg. Price	Pct. Change	Median Price	Pct. Change
2000	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
2001	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
2002	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
2003	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
2004	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
2005	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
2006	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
2007	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
2008	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
2009	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
2010	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
2011	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
2012	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
2013	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
2014	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
2015	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
2016	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
2017	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
2018	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
2019	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
2020	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
2021	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
2022	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
2023	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
2024	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
2025	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0