



## DUKES COUNTY REGISTRY OF DEEDS

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To the Citizens of Dukes County,

Due to the volume of sales in FY'21, Deeds Excise was about 77% higher than the previous fiscal year, and set a new record high. The highest sale of the fiscal year was the 304-acre Aquinnah property owned by the estate of former First Lady Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis which was purchased by the Martha's Land Bank and Sheriff's Meadow Foundation for \$27 million.

In the following pages please find visual representations of Registry data including a 4-year comparison of revenues, deeds recorded, total documents recorded, and deeds excise, as well as a breakdown of the deeds excise between the Registry, the Commonwealth, and the County.

FY'21 also marked our seventh year of accepting documents that are submitted electronically. With the integration between Simplifile, the Martha's Vineyard Land Bank, and the Registry our electronic recordings jumped to 71% of documents recorded.

The Consumer Notification Service (CNS) continues to be a popular service available at no cost; this service offers people the opportunity to submit their names or business names to be monitored for potentially fraudulent activity. Once a name is submitted, whenever a document containing that name is recorded, the person or business will receive an e-mail notification from the Registry of Deeds. To subscribe or login visit <https://cns.masslandrecords.com>.

Our research website address is [www.masslandrecords.com](http://www.masslandrecords.com) and is free to the public. Currently documents are available online back to 1974 for Recorded Land. All Registered Land documents, Plan Books and Case Files are also now available online, as is a large inventory of miscellaneous documents. Additionally, you can also find many recorded land documents available in PDF dating back to early 1900s on [www.dukescountydeeds.com](http://www.dukescountydeeds.com).

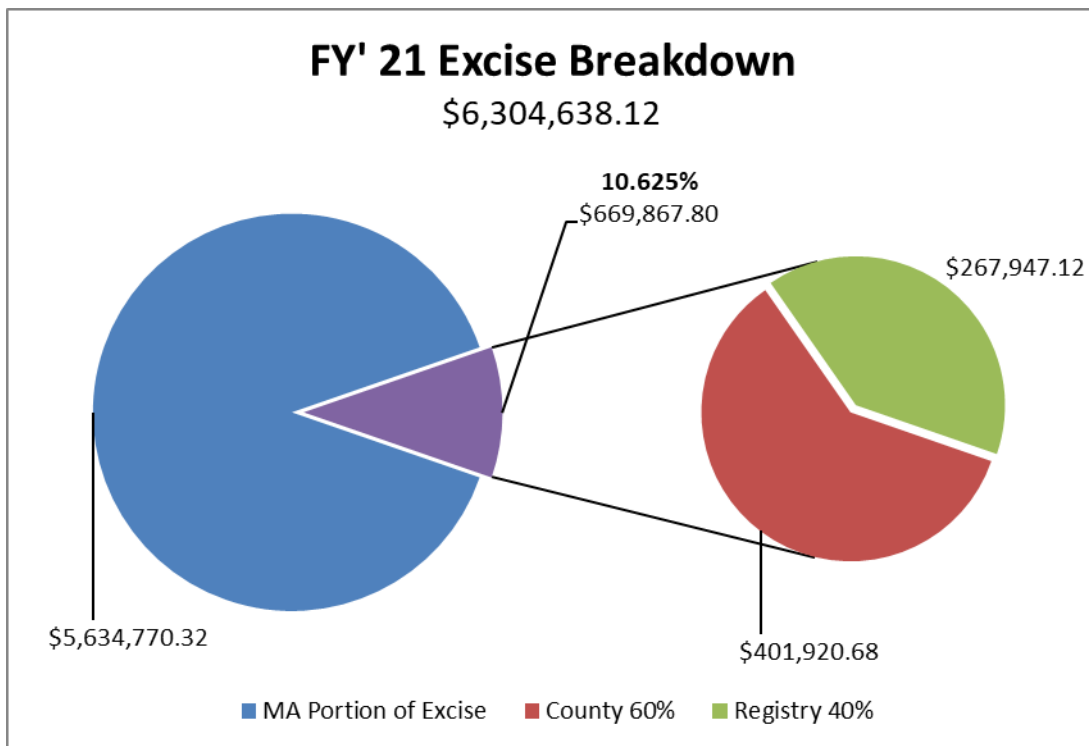
The Registry of Deeds is located on the first floor of the Courthouse in Edgartown. The hours of operation are 8:30AM to 4:30PM, Monday through Friday, except on legal holidays. We can be reached during those hours at 508-627-4025. The fax number is 508-627-7821 and the email address is [registry@dukescounty.org](mailto:registry@dukescounty.org).

Respectfully submitted,

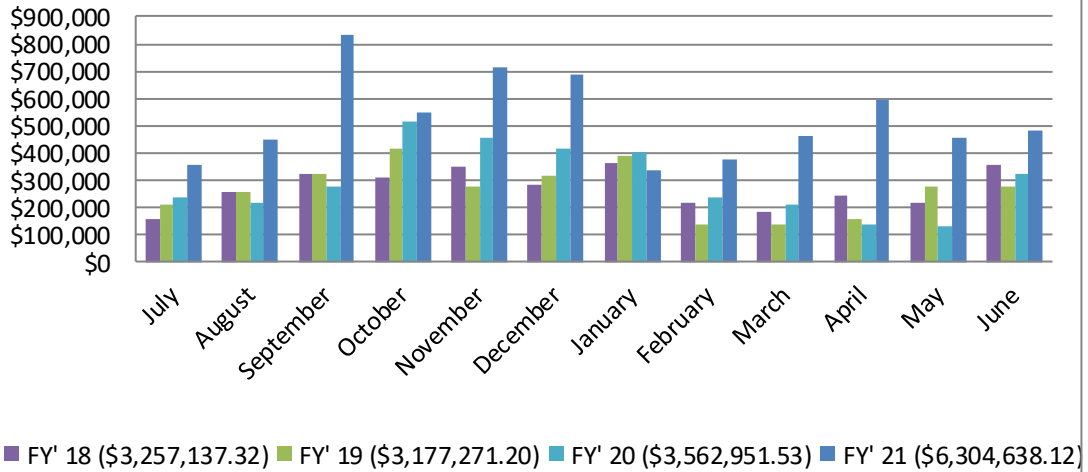
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## Revenue Report

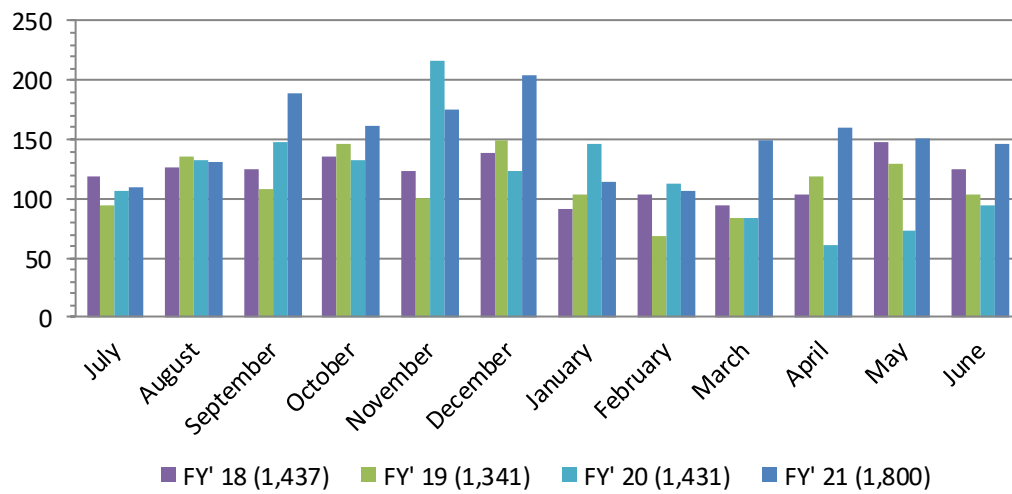
	FY' 18	FY' 19	FY' 20	FY' 21
Copies & Postage	\$21,192	\$20,472	\$14,476	\$9,492
Recorded Land Recording	\$118,418	\$118,608	\$127,933	\$175,021
Land Court Recording	\$47,070	\$42,825	\$49,467	\$65,558
Excise to County	\$207,643	\$202,551	\$227,138	\$401,921
Registry Interest	\$5	\$4	\$5	\$4
Excise Interest	\$18	\$14	\$16	\$15
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$394,346</b>	<b>\$384,474</b>	<b>\$419,036</b>	<b>\$652,010</b>



## Total Excise



## Deeds Recorded



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