

THE BELGIAN CADASTRE:

ECONOMIC IMPACT ON THE NATIONAL AND LOCAL LEVELS OF SOCIETY

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FIRST, LET'S TALK TAXES...



REAL ESTATE INCOME

Mainly represented by taxes and duties:

- Property Tax
- Estate Duties (Registration Tax)
- Inheritance Tax
- Mortgage duties
- Tax on second properties



PROPERTY TAX



Annual Tax on all real estate (buildings and plots of land)

Property Tax base (Cadastral Income)

- the average annual (fictitious) rental value of the immovable property
- On the reference date 1/1/1975
- Reviewed after every material change in property
- → assessed and calculated at federal level

Property Tax collection

- Flanders: regional level (since 1999)
- Brussels capital: regional level (since 2018)
- Wallonia: federal level
 (expected to be regionalised in 2021)





REGISTRATION TAX AND INHERITANCE TAX

- Registration Tax = Real estate transfer tax
- Change in ownership
- In case of decease
- Managed by the federal government for Wallonia and Brussels
- Managed by the Flemish region for Flanders
- Collaboration between Measurements and Assessments Department (FPS Finance), the Land Registry (FPS Finance) and the regions







NOW, LET'S TALK NUMBERS...



REAL ESTATE MARKET: NUMBERS IN 2018

• Increase of 1,6% in property transactions

• Average price of a house (villas, country mansions excl.)

Brussels: 452.721 EUR

• Flandres: 277.304 EUR

• Wallonie: 189.257 EUR

■ Belgium: 251.584 EUR







REAL ESTATE MARKET: NUMBERS IN 2018

• Average price of an apartment

Brussels: 240.250 EUR

• Flandres: 224.331 EUR

• Wallonie: 174.410 EUR

• Belgium: 220.095 EUR









Flanders

Brussels

Wallonia



REAL ESTATE MARKET: NUMBERS

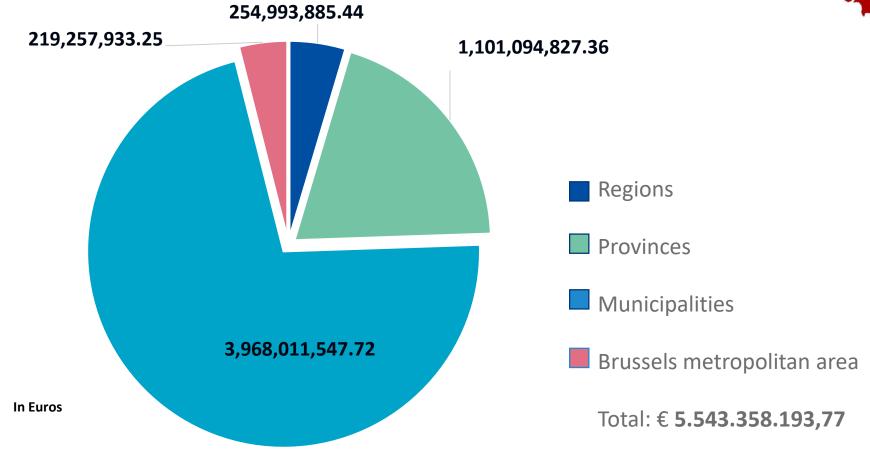
- Total value of residential properties:
 1,2 Trillion Euros (estimated value)
- Total amount of mortgages (2018) 34 Billion Euros
- Total amount of property tax (2018)
 5,5 Billion Euros





PROPERTY TAX REPARTITION



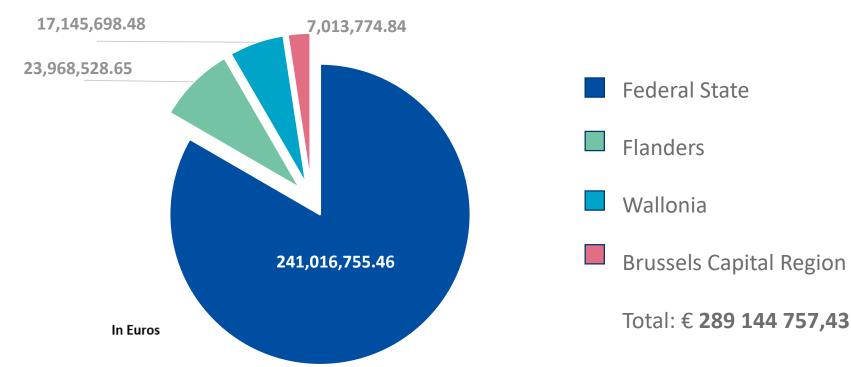




CADASTRAL INCOME: INFLUENCE ON THE INCOME TAX

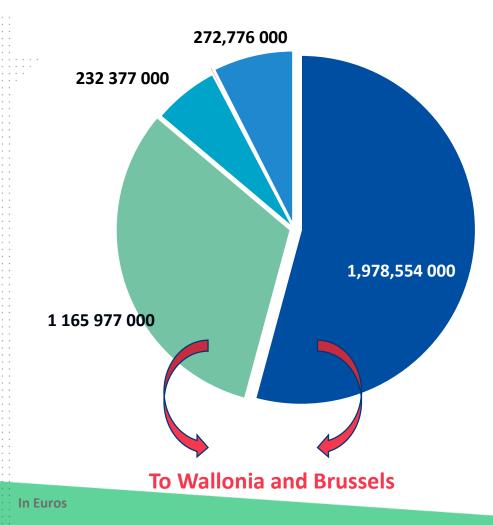


Personal Income Tax





REGISTRATION TAX AND INHERITANCE TAX



Registration Tax

Inheritance Tax

Non-fiscal revenue

Divers revenue

Flanders: estimated income of € 4 Billion a year







ADDITIONAL ECONOMIC IMPACT



"DEAD HAND" INCOME

- Budget yearly reserved by the Ministry of Internal Affairs
- Income for the municipalities
- For losses in property tax
- Compensation measure for property exempt from taxation
- Total of € 127 Million



AGRICULTURAL LEASE PRICES

- Cadastral Income is binding for agricultural tenancy
- Max. price fixed in accordance to cadastral income per hectare
- Multiplied by a coefficient
 - \rightarrow to provide economic security in the agricultural sector



PENALTIES SYSTEM



- For late and non-declaration of changes in real estate
- Expected income of € 6 Million a year
- Increase awareness of the importance of correct cadastral information
- → To be implemented soon





THANK YOU FOR LISTENING...

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