County Data Briefs September 2026

Summary

- There is mixed levels of awareness of Act 29 requirements.
- Less than one-in-five assessors are currently sharing information on property code violators.
- The majority of assessors are unsure if they have the staffing and IT capacity to implement Act 29
- Based on survey results, only 10 percent of assessors said they are ready to implement Act 29. Sixty-five percent are somewhat ready and 24 percent are not ready.

Methodology

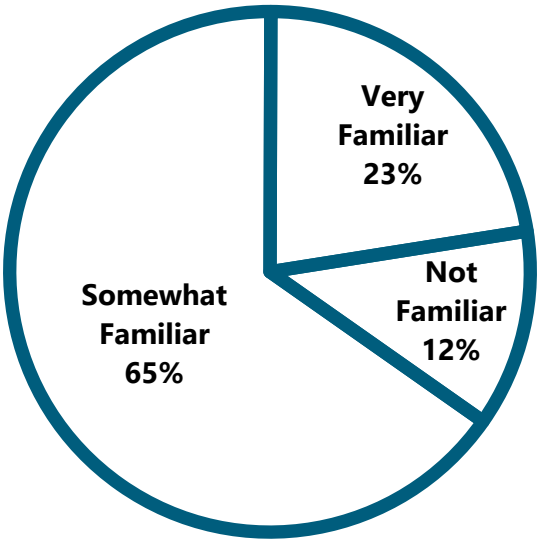
On August 24, 2026, CCAP sent an e-survey to all 67 chief assessors in Pennsylvania. By September 4, 2026, 49 surveys were returned, making the response rate 73 percent. The survey's margin of error was +/-7.31 percent.

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County Assessors Preparedness to Implement Act 29 of 2026

(County Property Contract Information List)

Level of Familiarity with Act 29



59%
Assessors currently maintain up-to-date list of property owners

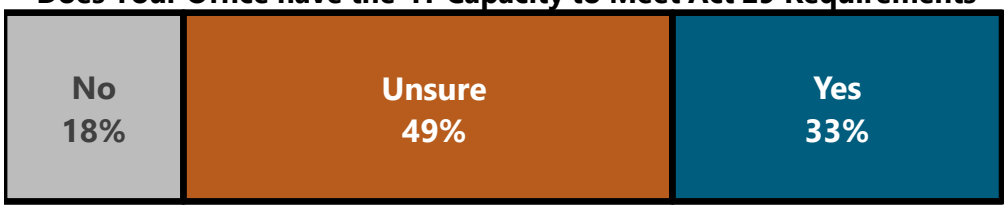
18%
Assessors currently share information with municipalities on code violators.

Act 29 requires each county's chief assessor to establish and maintain a property contact information list of non-owner-occupied properties and to update that information when it changes. Municipalities must provide contact information to the county when a property owner is cited for ordinance or code violation. The bill also authorizes municipalities to request the information for property maintenance and code enforcement purposes, and it allows counties to impose fines for providing false or outdated information.

Does Your Office have the Staffing Capacity to Meet Act 29 Requirements



Does Your Office have the IT Capacity to Meet Act 29 Requirements



Percent of County Assessor's Offices that Will be Somewhat to Very Ready to Implement Key Provisions of Act 29 by September 20, 2026

Creating the necessary forms to collect and digitize the contact information of property owners
57%

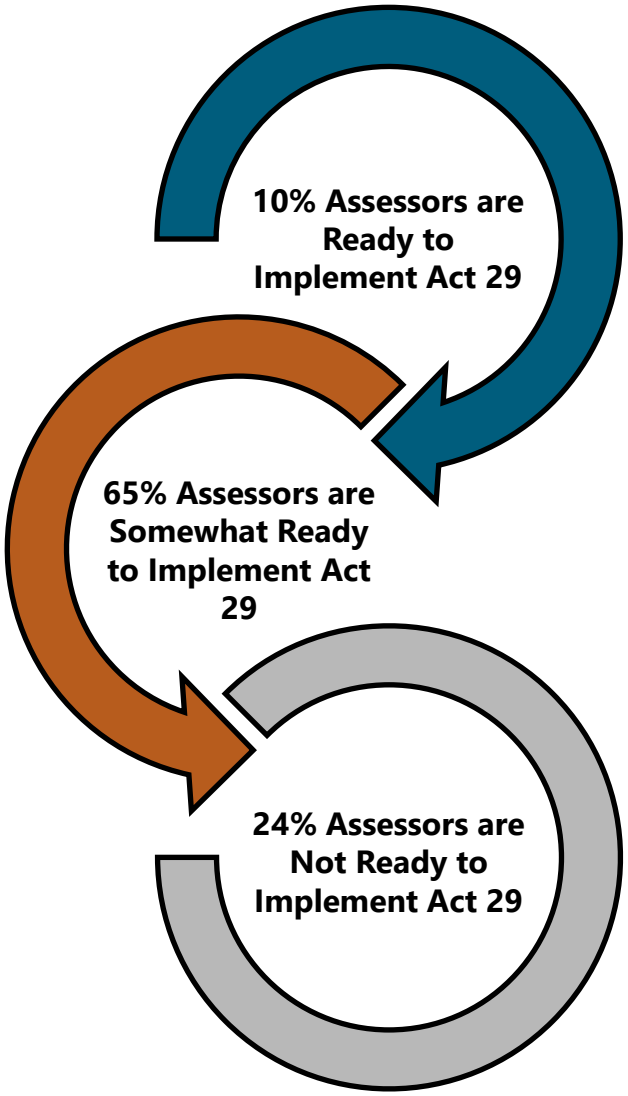
Software capacity to manage the property owners contact information
53%

Safeguard confidentiality of the information
51%

Training staff on how to collect and process the contact information of property owners
41%

Levy fines on property owners who intentionally provide false or incorrect information, or fail to provide updated information
6%

Level of Readiness to Implement Act 29



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