



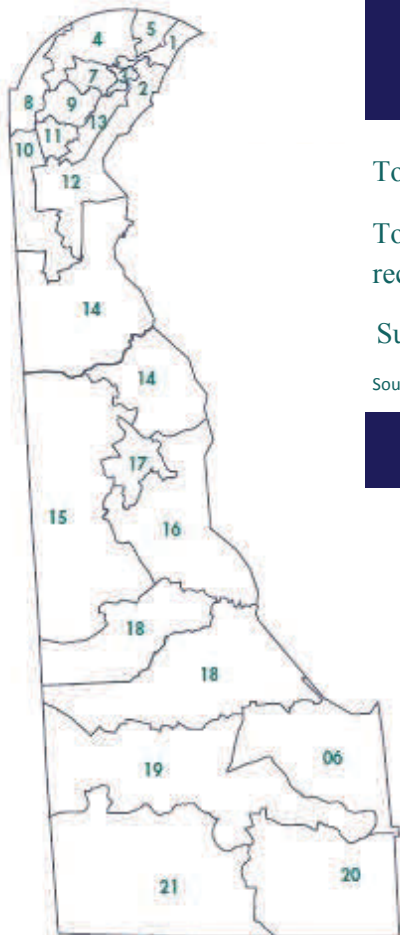
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Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC)

Spring 2014

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Total number of 2012 federal returns	20,543	399,865
Total number of 2012 federal returns receiving EITC	3,888	70,858
Sum of federal EITC received in 2012	\$8,748,850	\$160,177,096

Source: Brookings Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC) Interactive, www.brookings.edu/research/interactive/eitc

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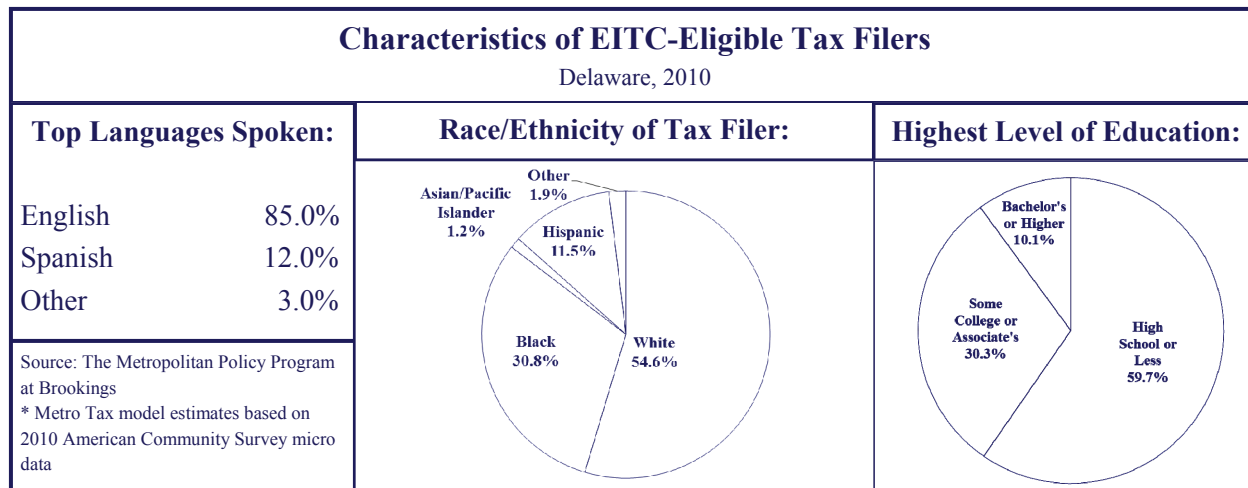
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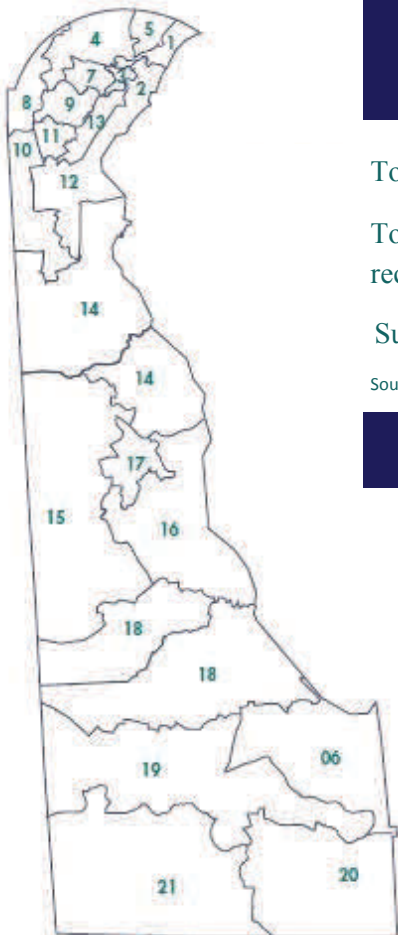
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Total number of 2012 federal returns	15,789	399,865
Total number of 2012 federal returns receiving EITC	4,650	70,858
Sum of federal EITC received in 2012	\$11,233,336	\$160,177,096

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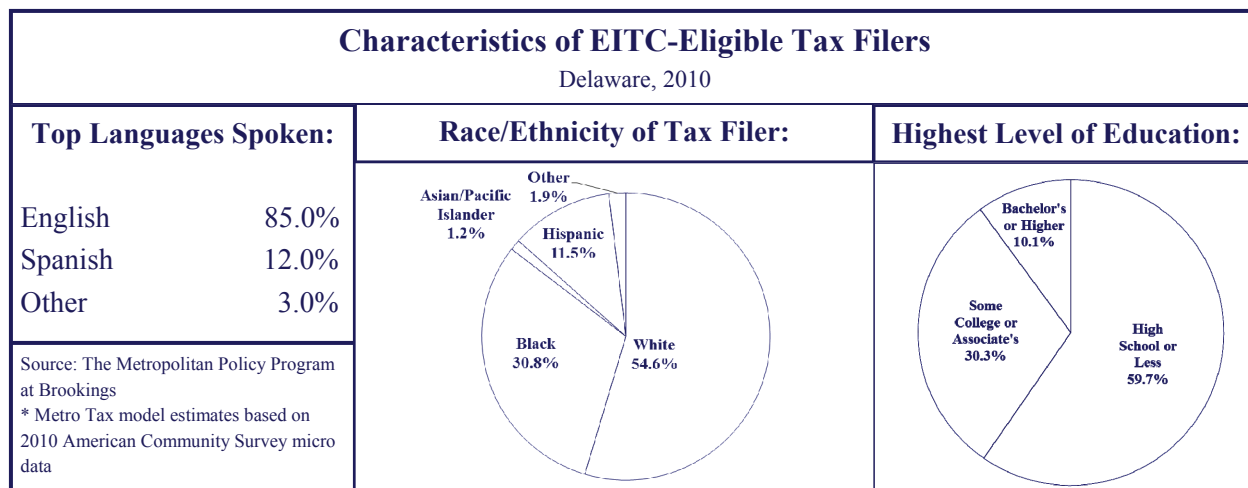
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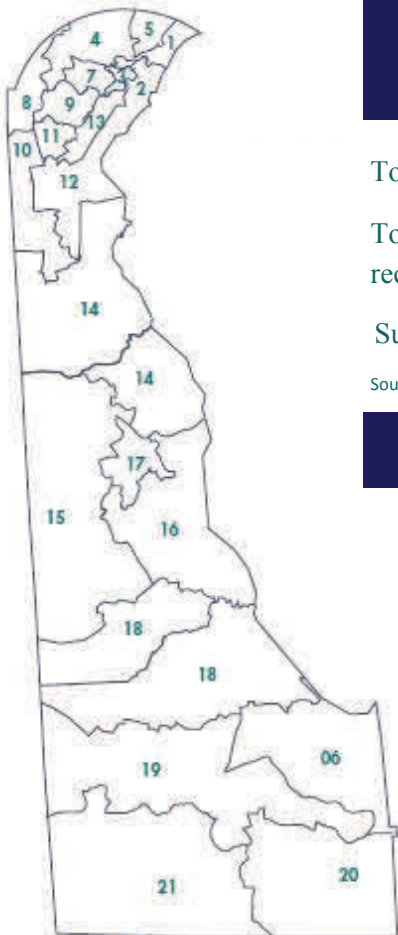
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Total number of 2012 federal returns	17,353	399,865
Total number of 2012 federal returns receiving EITC	5,522	70,858
Sum of federal EITC received in 2012	\$13,428,561	\$160,177,096

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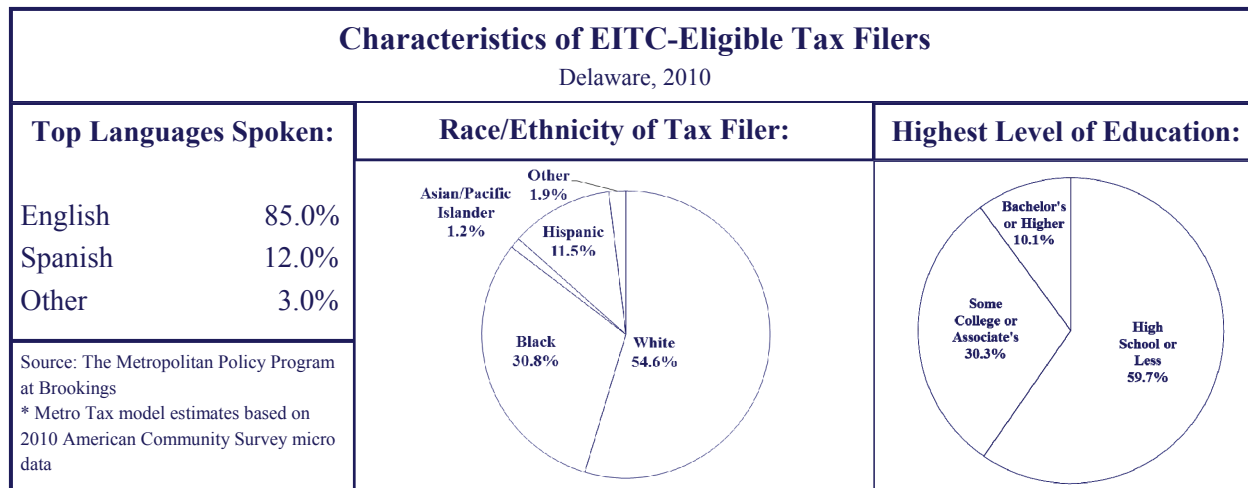
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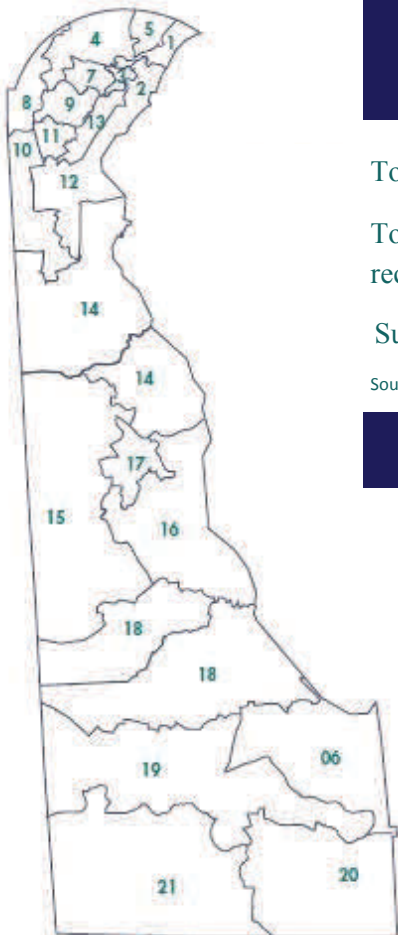
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Total number of 2012 federal returns	19,752	399,865
Total number of 2012 federal returns receiving EITC	1,262	70,858
Sum of federal EITC received in 2012	\$2,266,102	\$160,177,096

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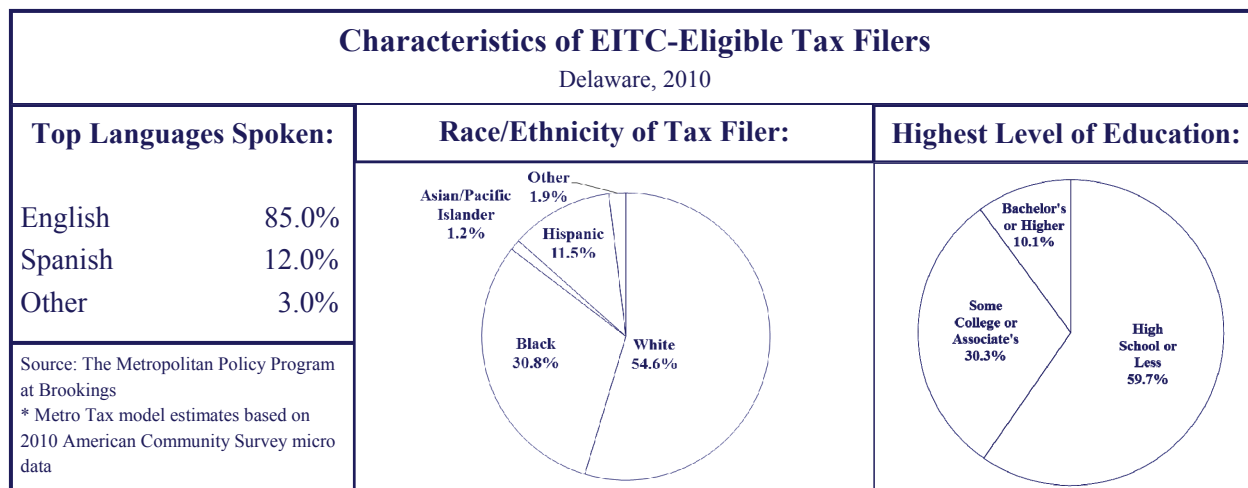
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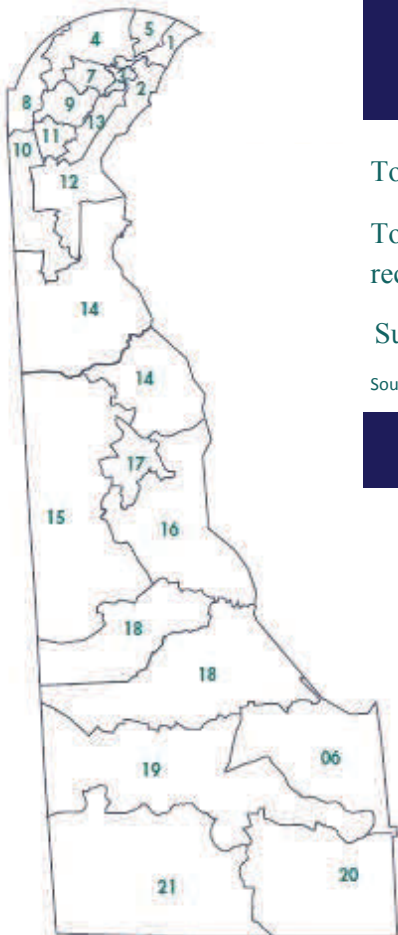
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Total number of 2012 federal returns receiving EITC	1,269	70,858
Sum of federal EITC received in 2012	\$2,232,478	\$160,177,096

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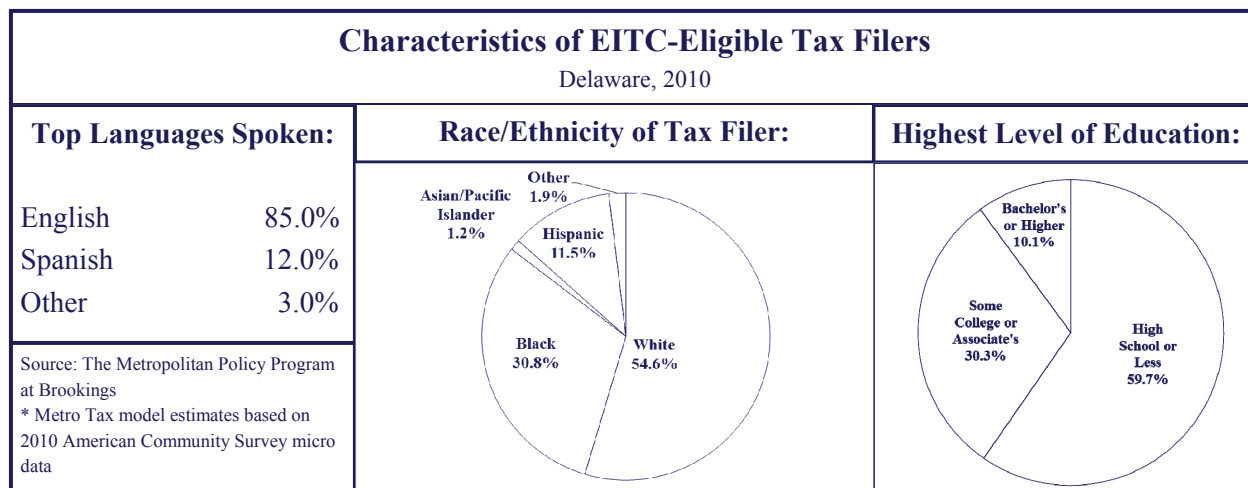
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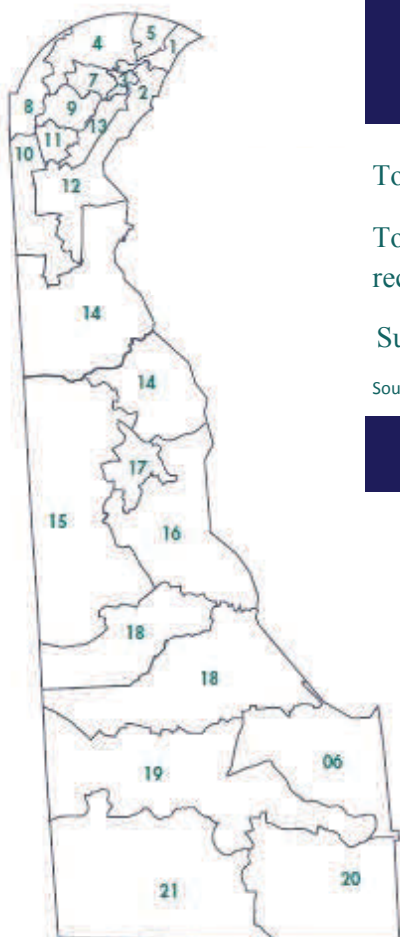
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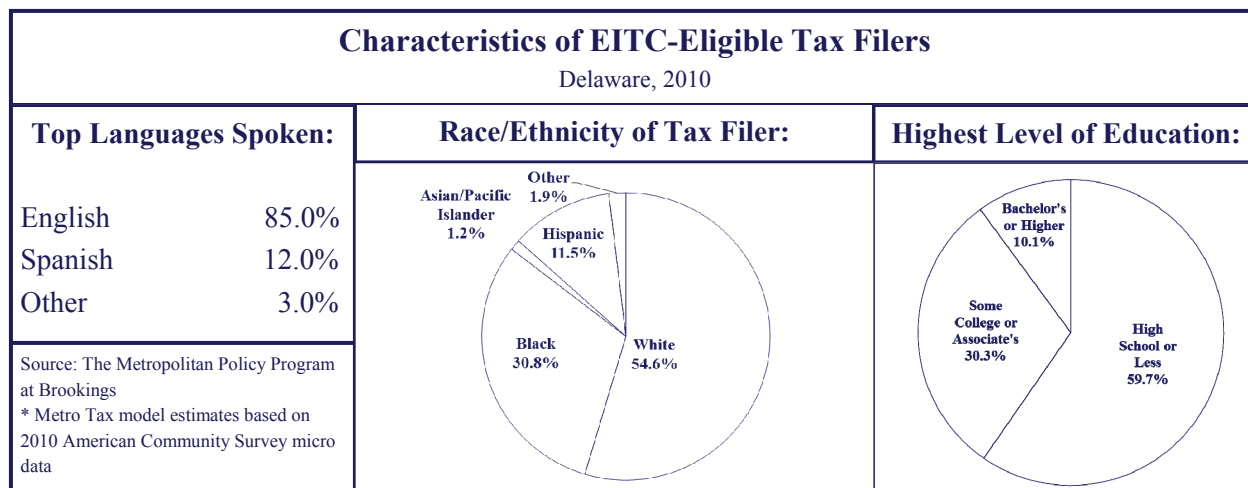
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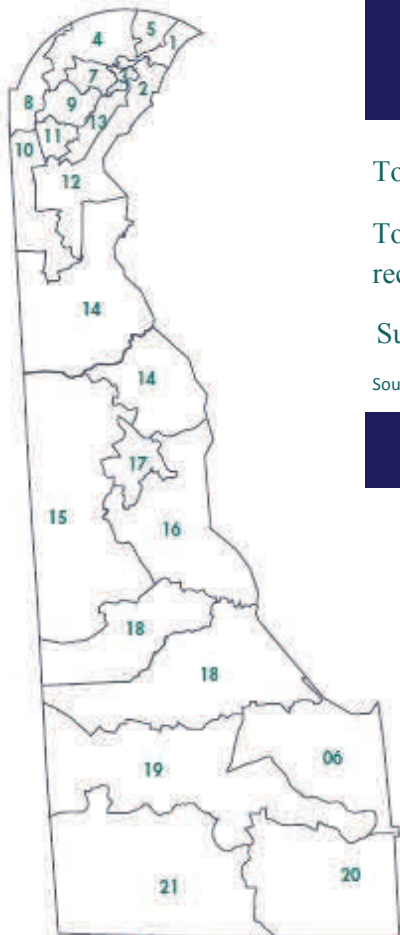
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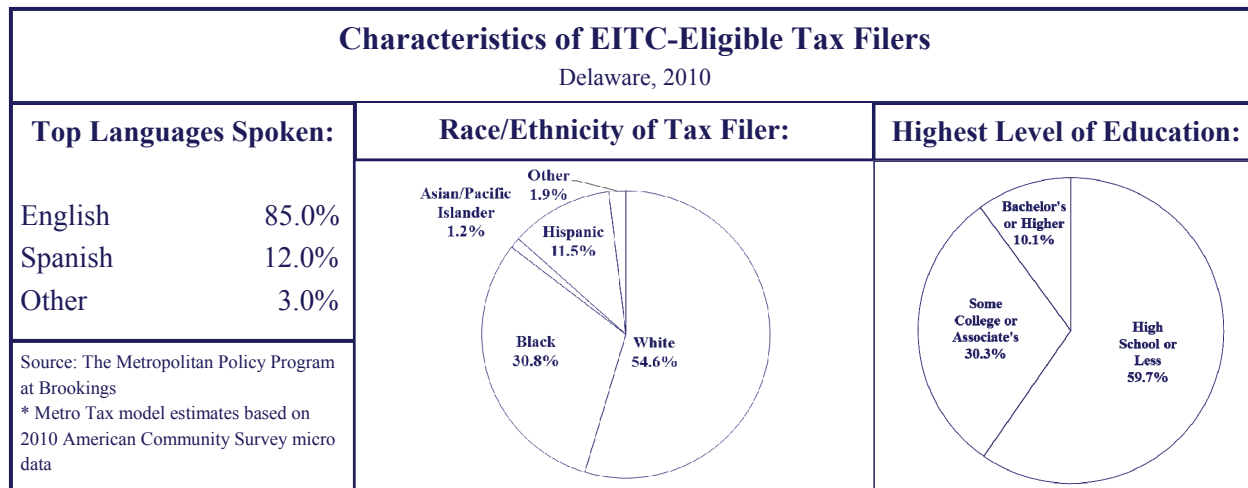
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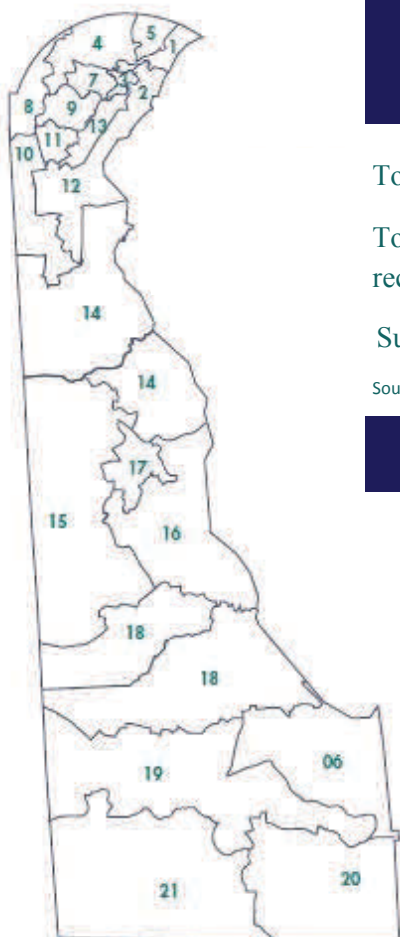
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Total number of 2012 federal returns	15,131	399,865
Total number of 2012 federal returns receiving EITC	1,347	70,858
Sum of federal EITC received in 2012	\$2,488,749	\$160,177,096

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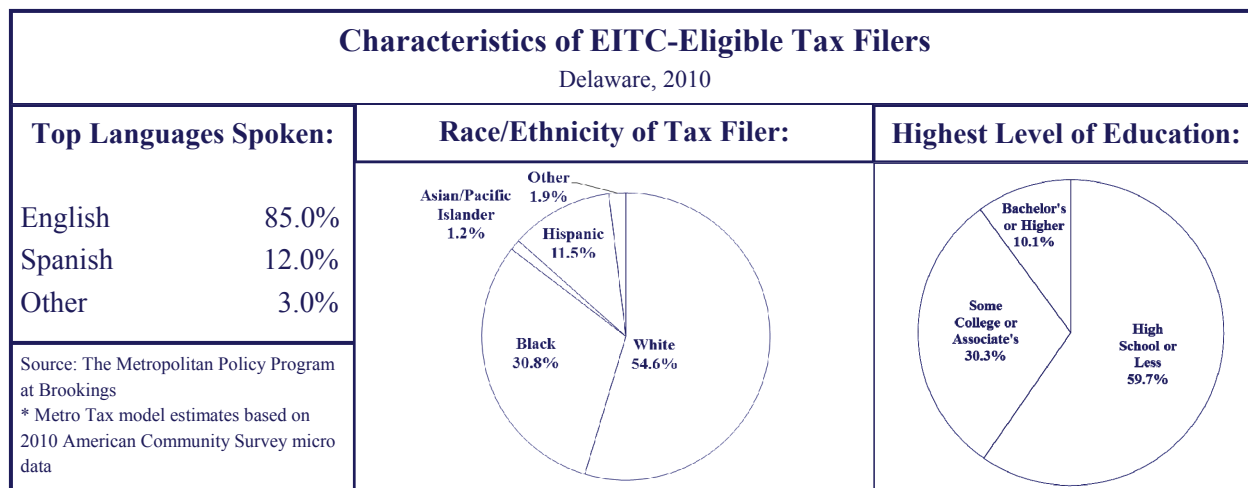
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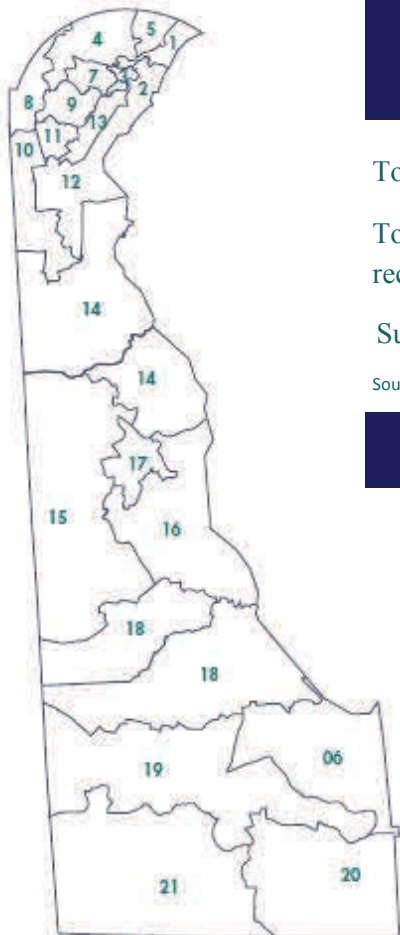
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Sum of federal EITC received in 2012	\$5,491,316	\$160,177,096

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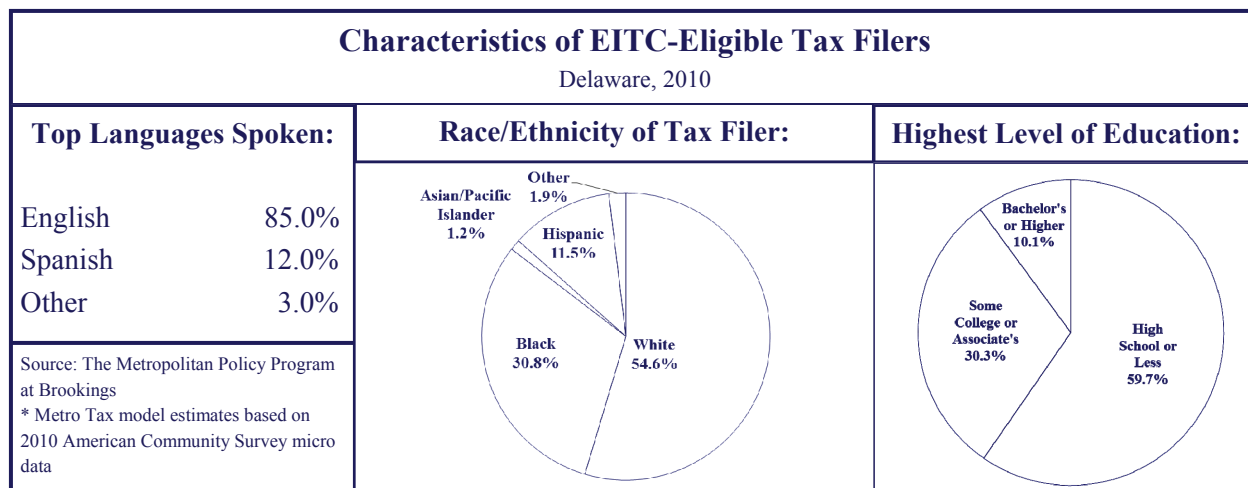
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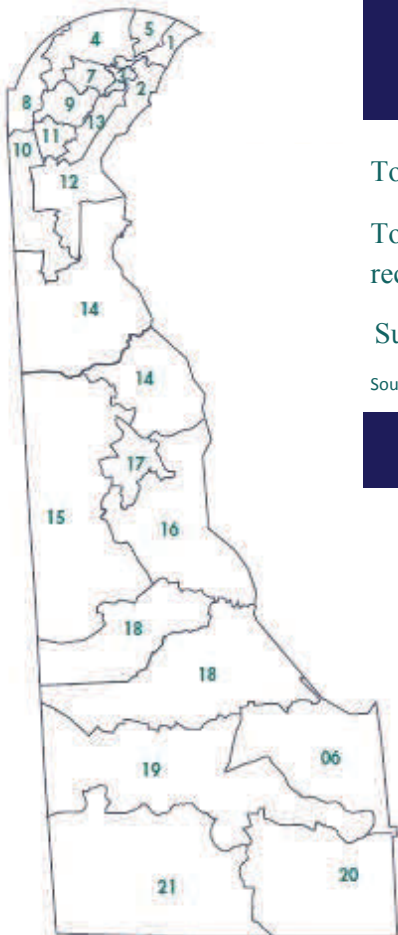
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Total number of 2012 federal returns	20,337	399,865
Total number of 2012 federal returns receiving EITC	2,835	70,858
Sum of federal EITC received in 2012	\$6,120,594	\$160,177,096

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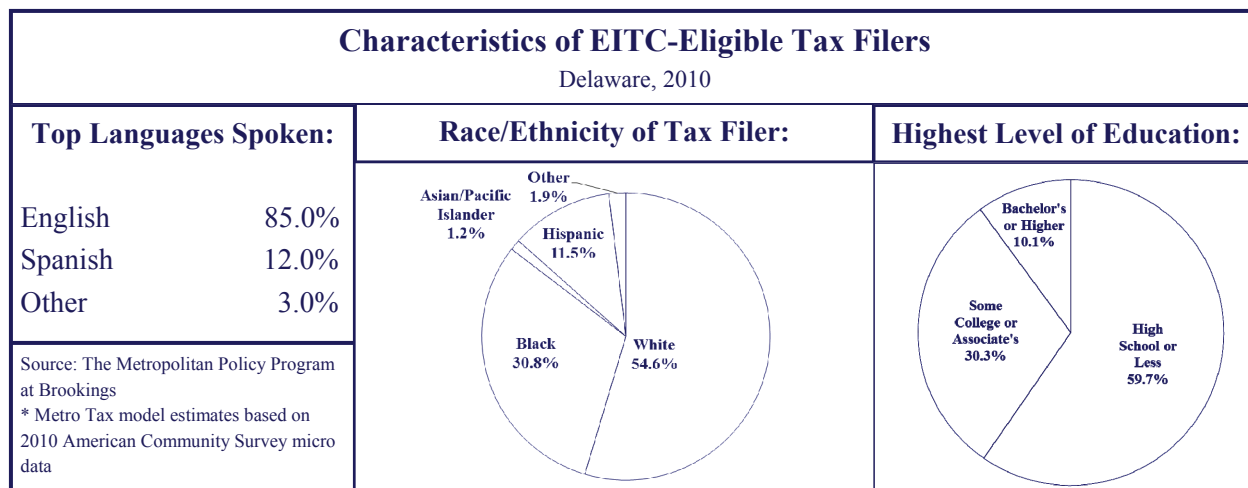
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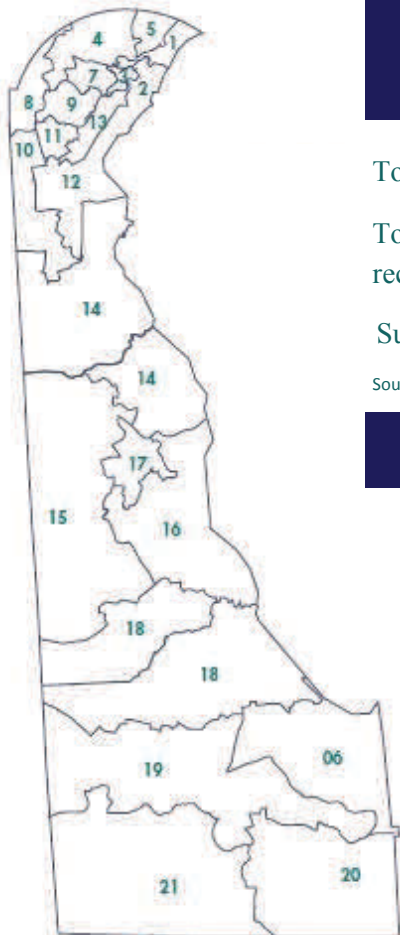
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Total number of 2012 federal returns receiving EITC	3,105	70,858
Sum of federal EITC received in 2012	\$6,833,208	\$160,177,096

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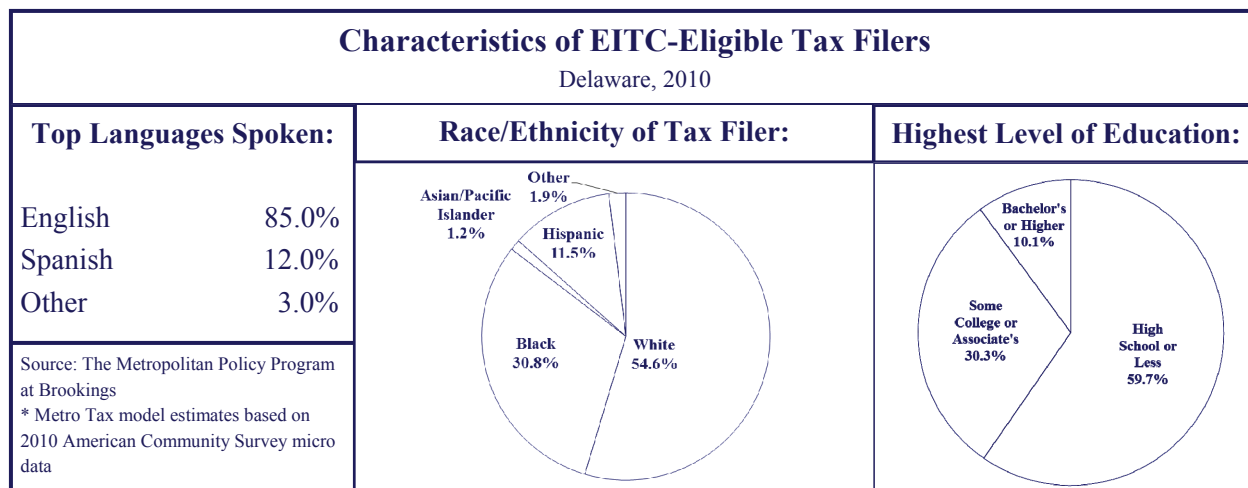
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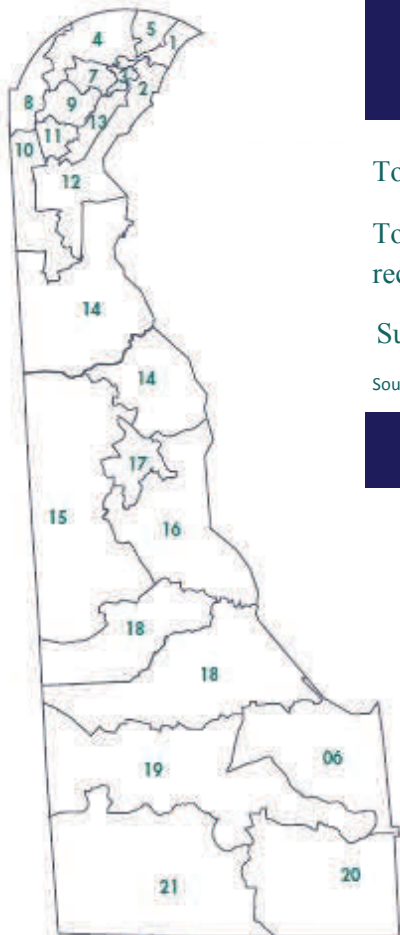
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Total number of 2012 federal returns	21,169	399,865
Total number of 2012 federal returns receiving EITC	3,528	70,858
Sum of federal EITC received in 2012	\$7,692,373	\$160,177,096

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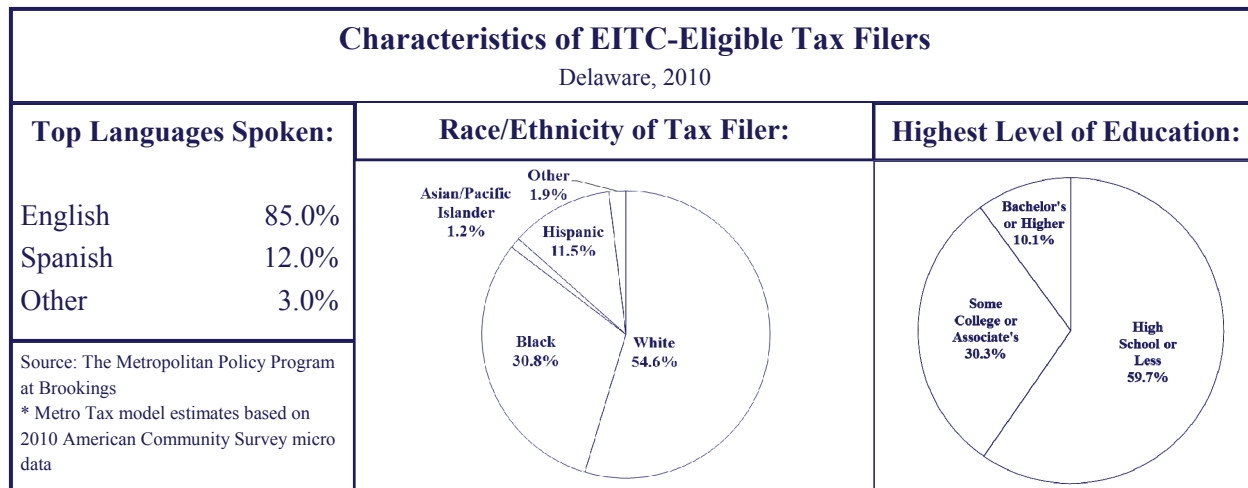
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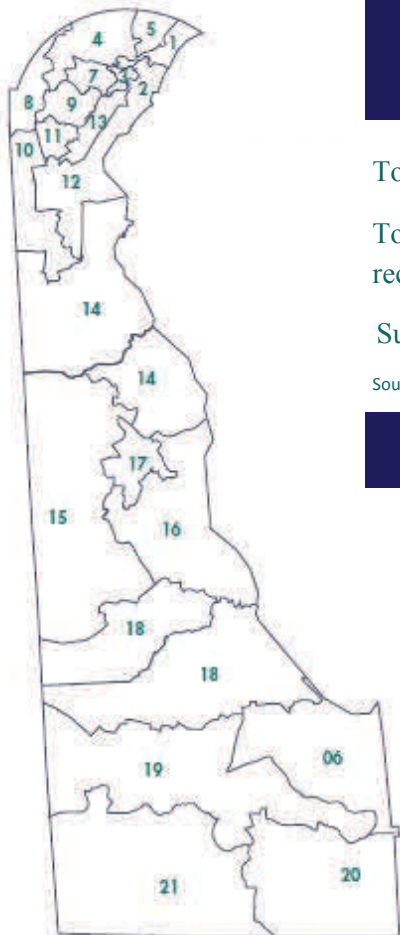
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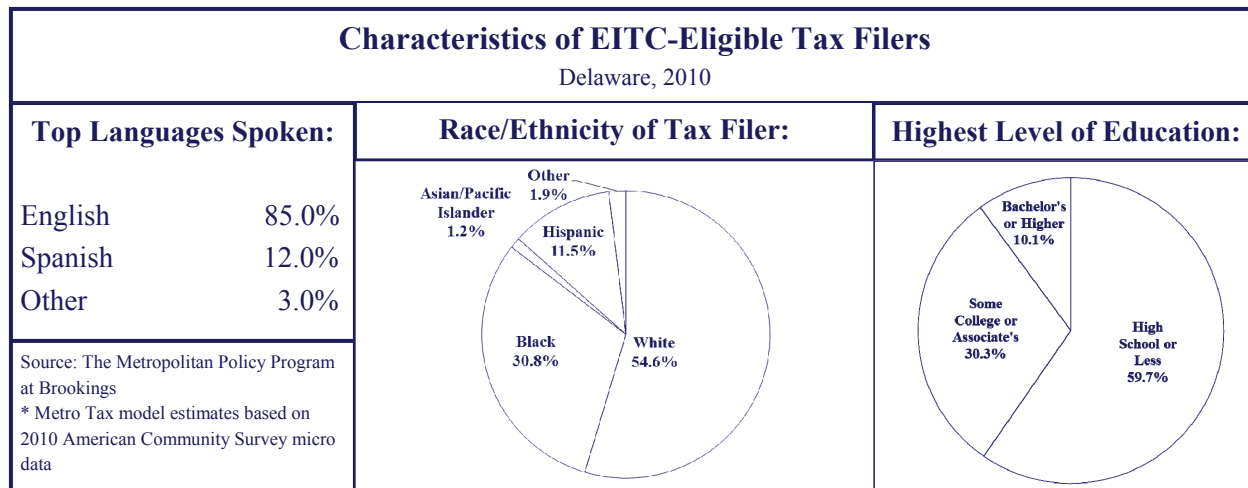
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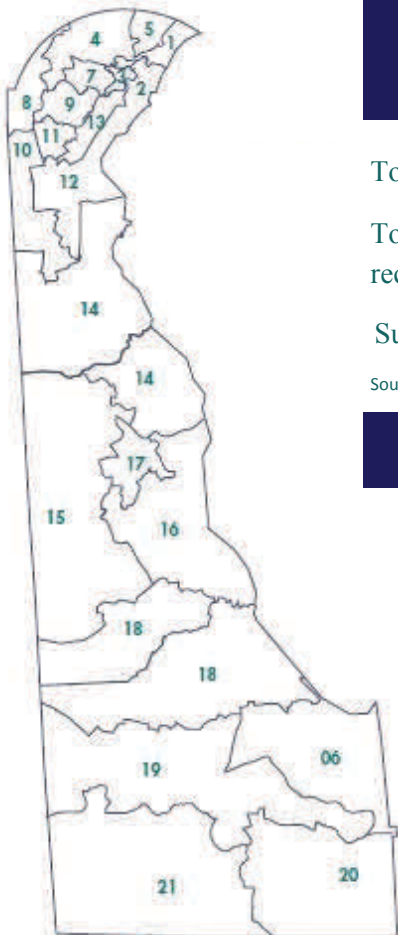
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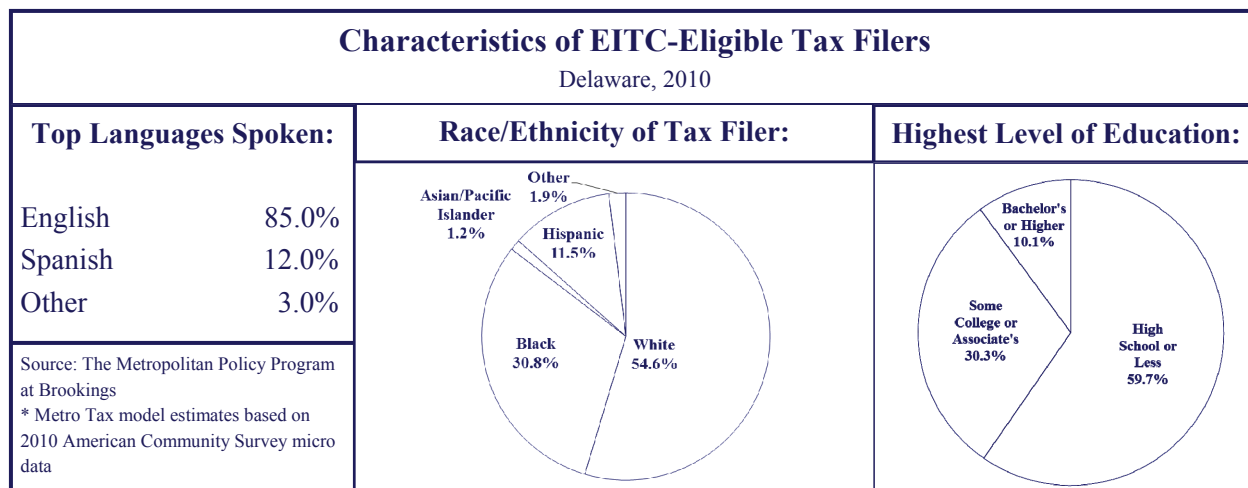
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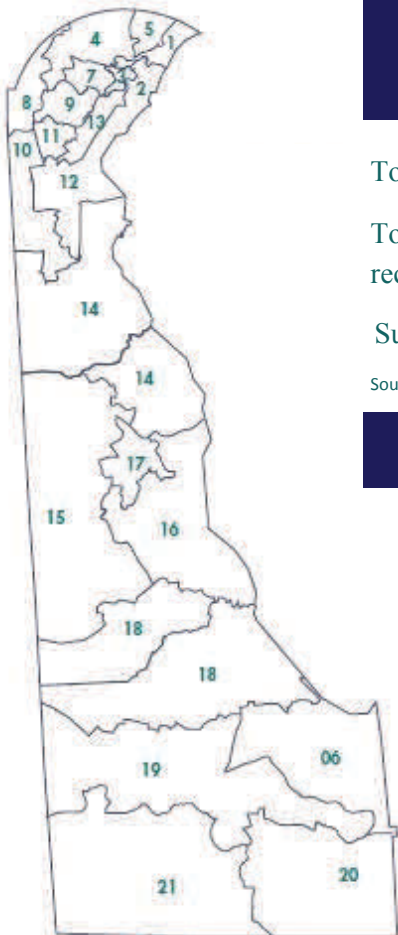
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Total number of 2012 federal returns	19,080	399,865
Total number of 2012 federal returns receiving EITC	3,631	70,858
Sum of federal EITC received in 2012	\$8,191,880	\$160,177,096

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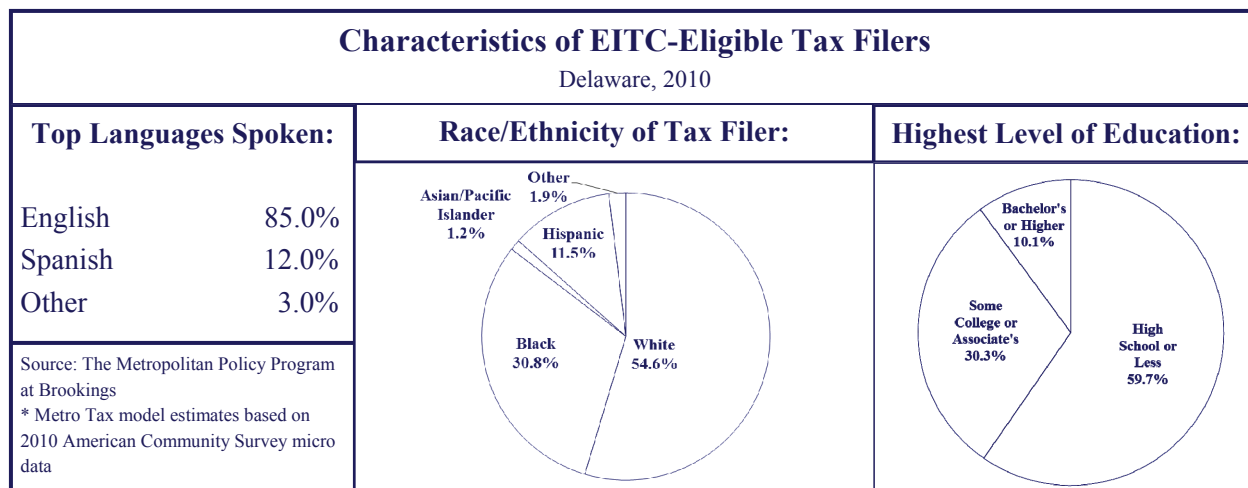
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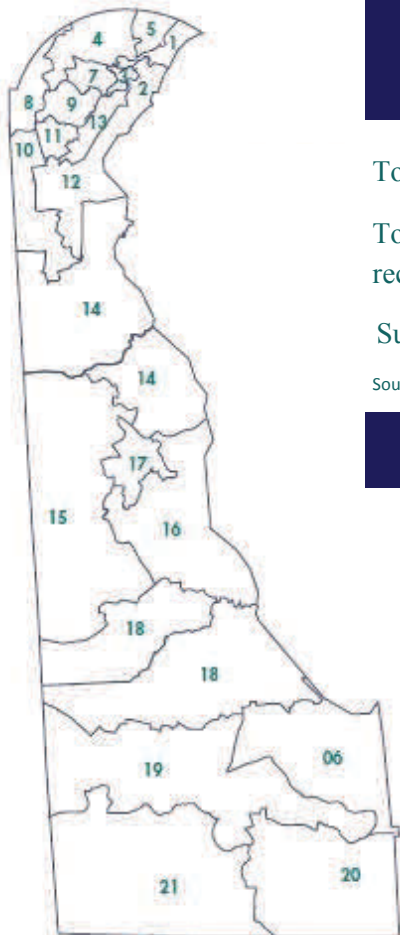
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Total number of 2012 federal returns receiving EITC	3,898	70,858
Sum of federal EITC received in 2012	\$9,347,966	\$160,177,096

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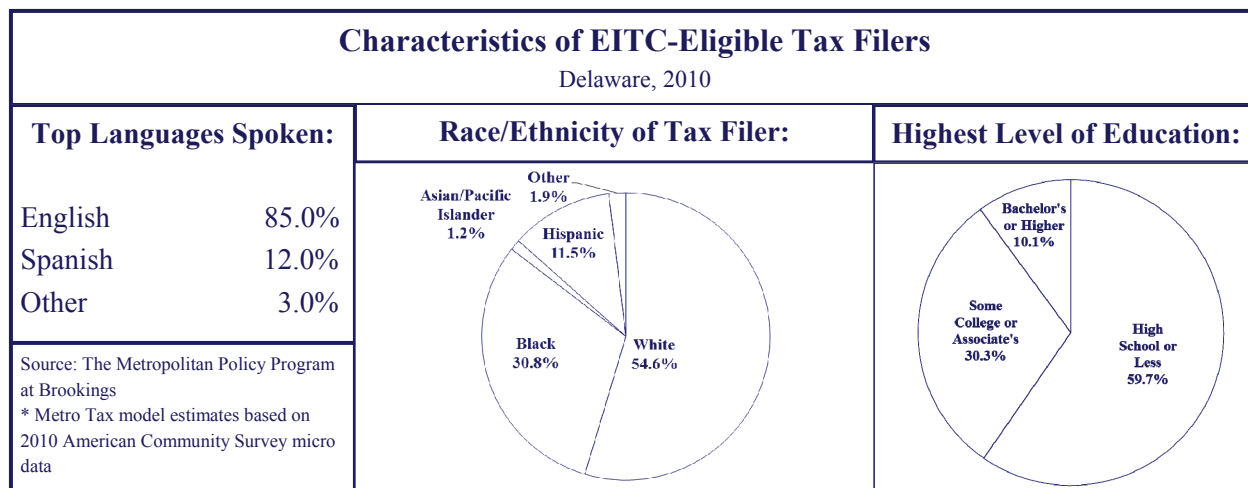
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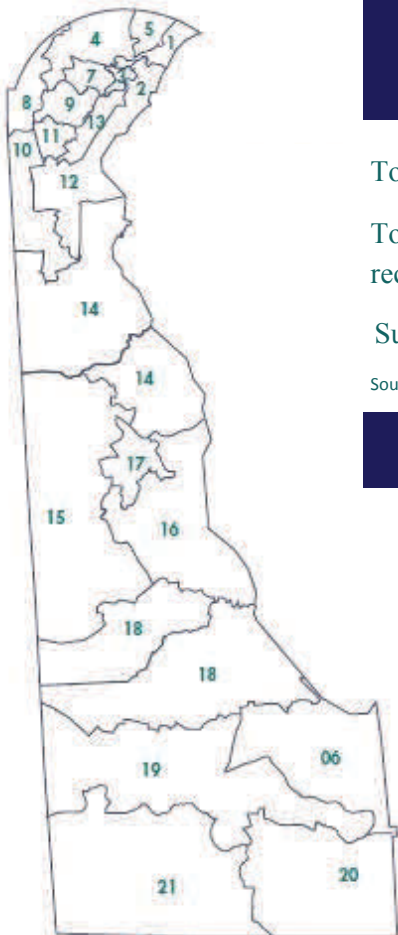
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Sum of federal EITC received in 2012	\$10,629,978	\$160,177,096

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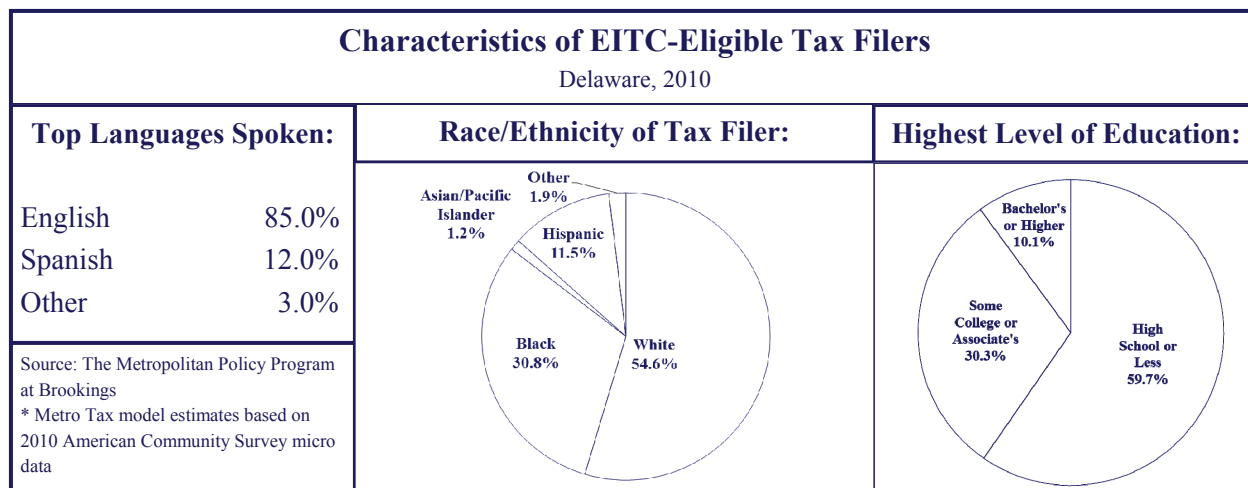
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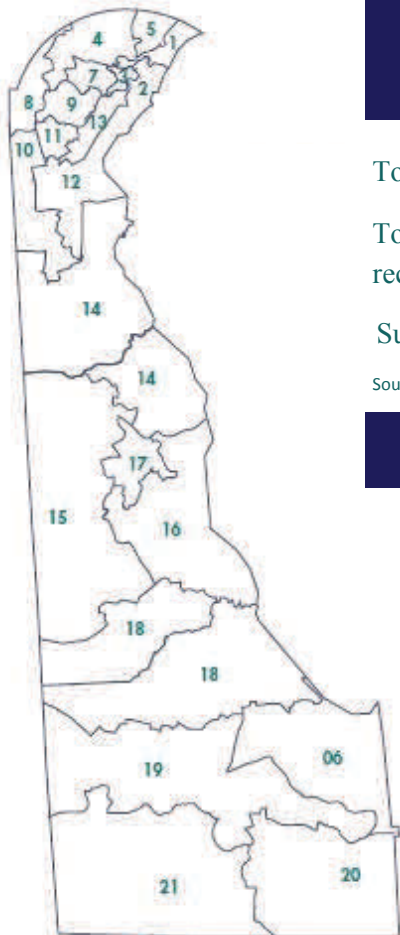
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Total number of 2012 federal returns receiving EITC	4,514	70,858
Sum of federal EITC received in 2012	\$10,826,149	\$160,177,096

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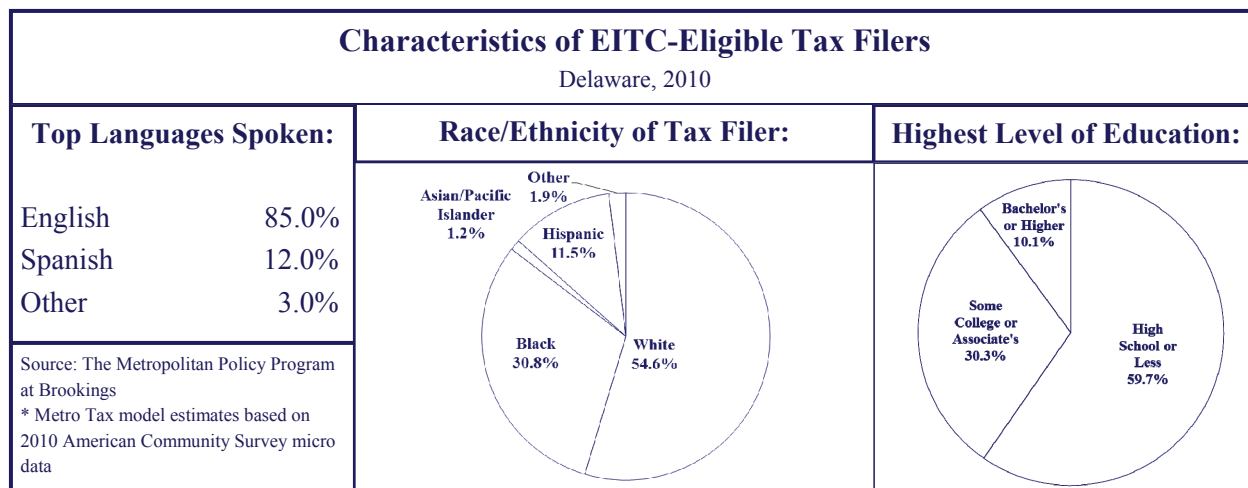
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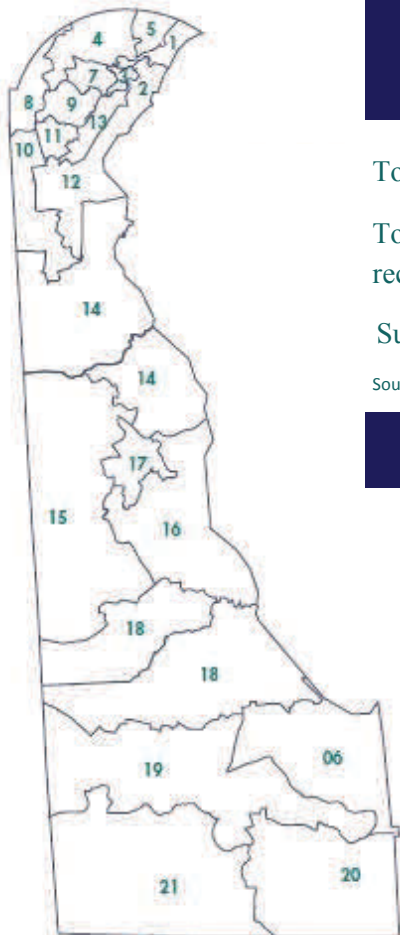
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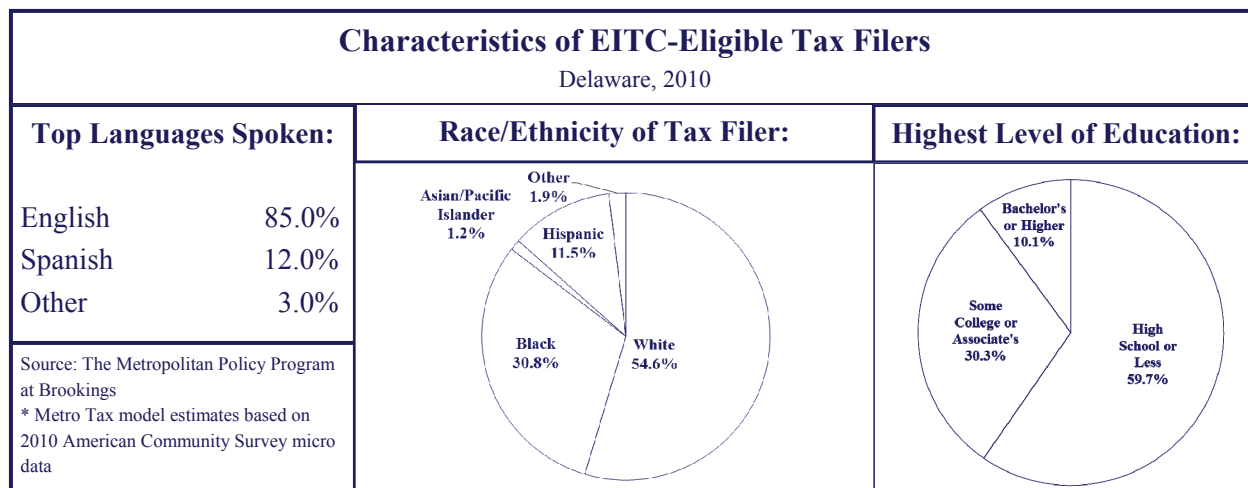
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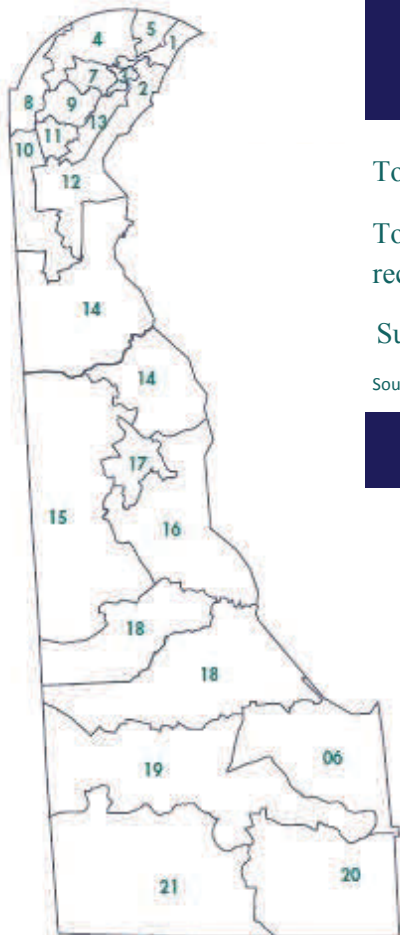
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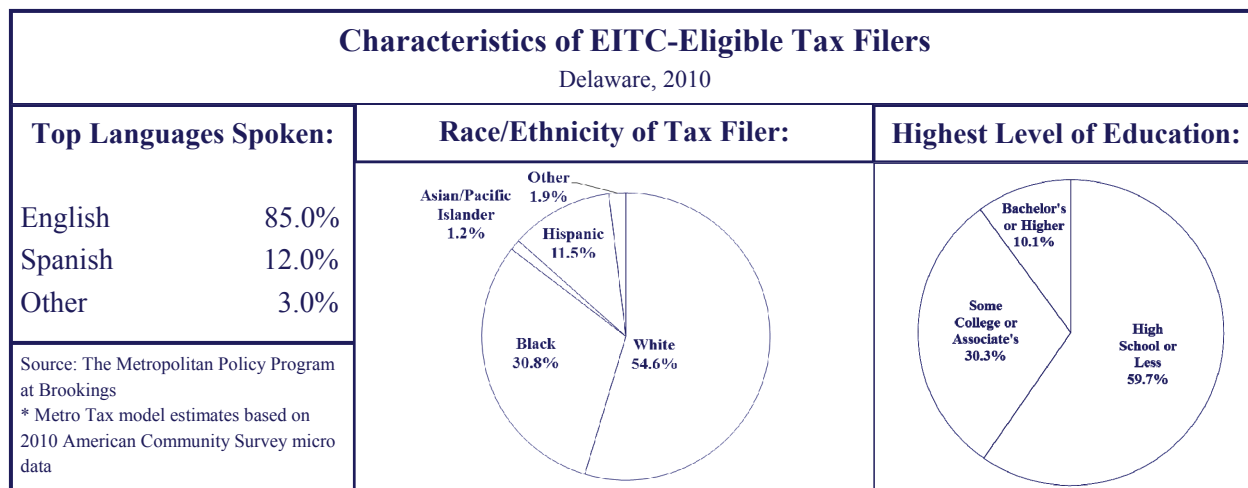
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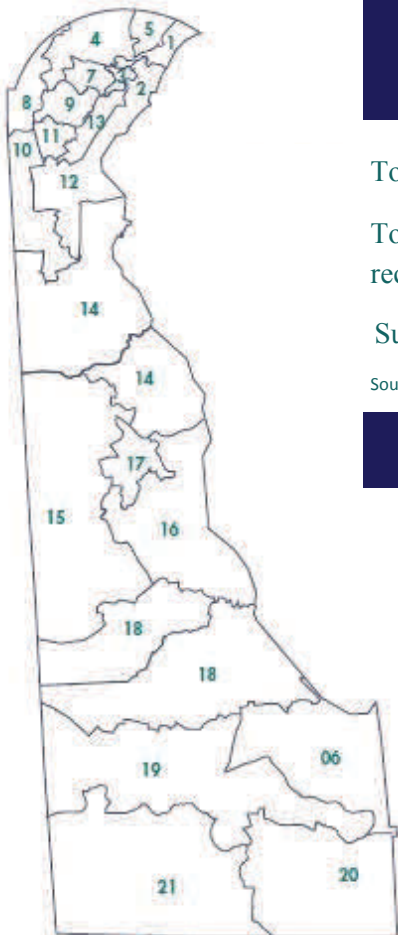
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Sum of federal EITC received in 2012	\$11,590,517	\$160,177,096

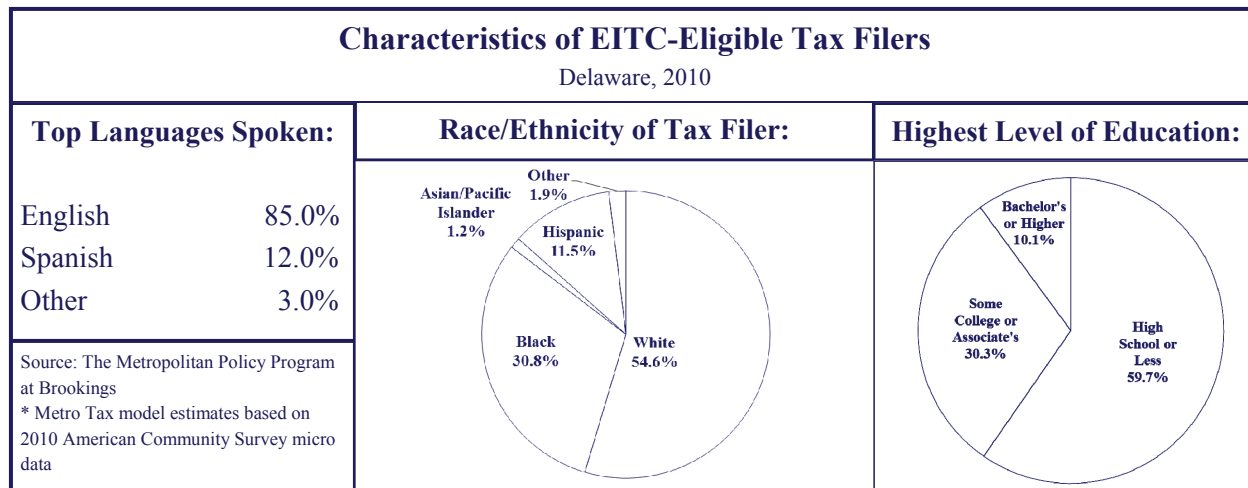
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Federal EITC: Qualifying children in households during tax year 2012 with:	
- 1 qualifying child	27,103
- 2 qualifying children	38,240
- 3+ qualifying children	9,069
Total number of children who benefited from the federal EITC in 2012	96,039

Source: Tax Credits for Working Families, IRS tax data for 2012 provided by Brookings, <http://www.taxcreditsforworkingfamilies.org/number-children-benefit-eitc-state/>
 * Estimate of average number of children in tax units with 3 or more children come from Brookings Metro Tax model based on 2012 American Community Survey data



Recipients of The Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC)



The EITC is money that goes right into the Delaware economy, as low-income families tend to spend virtually all of their income to make ends meet and they tend to spend it locally. State EITCs help make sure that those who work hard are able to meet basic needs, support their families and stay off welfare. The credit is a small investment that can make a big difference in the lives of working families.

Many military families benefit from the EITC and returning veterans rely on it to supplement their wages as they make their way back into the civilian workforce. According to an analysis of Census and IRS data, about one in four current or former armed forces families with children receive either the EITC or the low-income portion of the Child Tax Credit (CTC). In DE, approximately 5,000 veteran and armed forces families with children received the EITC or low-income component of the CTC in the 2010 tax year.

Source: Center on Budget and Policy Priorities

About 21 million mothers in low and moderate income working families received either the EITC or the low-income portion of the CTC in 2010. This translates to about 56,000 mothers in Delaware who benefited from the EITC or CTC in 2010.

Source: Center on Budget and Policy Priorities

In 2005, Delaware's 143rd General Assembly passed Senate Bill 230 which establishes a non-refundable state level earned income tax credit equal to 20% of the corresponding federal tax credit.

Out of 25 states and DC that have state credits, 21 are fully refundable, 1 is partially refundable and only 4 states have nonrefundable credits. These states are: Delaware, Maine, Ohio and Virginia.

Nonrefundable credits can only be used to offset income tax liability, even though sales and property taxes are usually more burdensome for low-income working taxpayers. This means that refundable credits are more valuable to the lowest earning workers, because they have little to no income tax liability so they do not get the benefits of the full amount of a nonrefundable credit.



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