

Santa Clarita Valley Cost-Savings Comparison

With no gross receipts tax, business tax, or utility taxes, Santa Clarita is the cost-effective alternative.

Taxes & Fees	 Santa Clarita	Comparison Cities				
		Los Angeles	Glendale	Pasadena	San Fernando	Palmdale
Overall Cost Rating	\$\$	\$\$\$\$\$	\$\$\$\$	\$\$\$\$\$	\$\$\$\$\$	\$\$
Gross Receipts Tax						
General Office	\$0.00	\$5.28	\$0.00	\$0.21	\$1.32	\$0.03
Professional Office	\$0.00	\$5.28	\$0.00	\$1.14	\$1.32	\$0.25
Retail	\$0.00	\$1.32	\$0.00	\$0.21	\$0.66	\$0.03
Wholesale	\$0.00	\$1.05	\$0.00	\$0.21	\$0.53	\$0.03
Manufacturing	\$0.00	\$1.05	\$0.00	\$0.21	\$0.53	\$0.03
Personal Service	\$0.00	\$3.70	\$0.00	\$0.21	\$1.32	\$0.03
Commercial Property	\$0.00	\$1.32	\$0.00	\$0.80	\$1.25	\$0.10
Residential Property	\$0.00	\$1.32	\$0.00	\$1.46	\$3.00	\$0.28
Utility User Tax Rates						
Cable	0.00%	0.00%	7.00%	9.40%	0.00%	0.00%
Cellular	0.00%	9.00%	0.00%	8.28%	0.00%	0.00%
Electric	0.00%	12.50%	7.00%	7.67%	0.00%	0.00%
Gas	0.00%	10.00%	7.00%	7.90%	0.00%	0.00%
Telephone	0.00%	9.00%	7.00%	8.28%	0.00%	0.00%
Water	0.00%	0.00%	7.00%	7.67%	0.00%	0.00%
Other Tax Rates						
Sales Tax Rate	9.5%	9.50%	10.25%	10.25%	10.00%	9.5%
Est Ad Valorem Property Tax Rate	1.22%	1.22%	1.07%	1.13%	1.49%	1.10%
Transient Occupancy Tax Rate	10.00%	14.00%	10.00%	12.10%	0.00%	10.00%
Parking Tax Rate	0.00%	10.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Documentary Transfer Tax Rate (per \$1000)	\$1.10	\$5.60	\$0.55	\$1.10	\$1.10	\$1.10
Development Impact Fees						
Development Impact Fees	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes
Public Facilities Fees	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	Yes
Scheduled Traffic Impact/Trip Fees	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes
Signalization Fees	No	No	No	No	No	Yes
Major Thoroughfare/Bridge Fees	Yes	No	No	No	No	Yes
Art in Public Places Fees	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No

Source: 2018 Kosmont-Rose Institute Cost of Doing Business Survey

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