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## State Tax Equalization Board Releases 2020 Common Level Ratios

The State Tax Equalization Board (STEB) has released its Common Level Ratio (CLR) of assessed value to market value for each county in Pennsylvania for calendar year 2020 (applicable to tax appeals filed in 2021 for tax year 2022). The CLR can be used to convert fair market values into assessed values in conjunction with property tax appeals, subject to a taxpayer's right to claim a lower ratio to reflect the same level of assessed value to fair market value for similarly situated property. The 2020 CLRs can be viewed [here](#).

The CLR can significantly impact property tax appeal proceedings. Taxpayers in Pennsylvania should annually evaluate their assessed values and implied fair market values after application of the CLR, and then take the necessary steps to protect their rights to uniformity in assessment, and equity and fairness in taxation.

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