

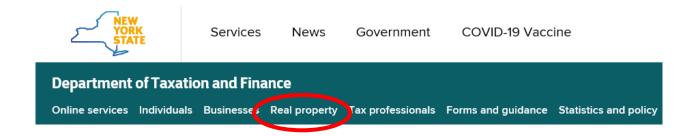
# **How to Access and Download STAR Reports**

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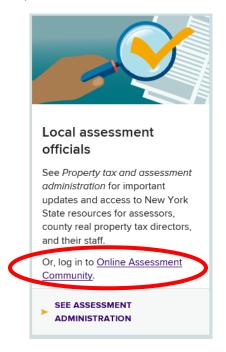
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## **Access the reports**

- 1. Go to the Department of Taxation and Finance website: <a href="www.tax.ny.gov">www.tax.ny.gov</a>,
- 2. Select Real property,



3. In the Local assessment officials box, select Online Assessment Community,



4. Select LOG IN.

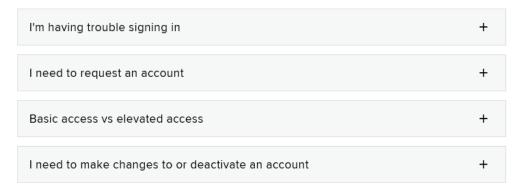
# Online Assessment Community: Secure site for assessors, county directors and their staff

The Online Assessment Community (OAC) is a secure site that the Office of Real Property Tax Services makes available to county directors, assessors, and their staff. The OAC includes tools and data resources necessary for local assessment administration. Users must have an assigned account to use the site and accounts can be programmed with either *Basic* or *Elevated* access.

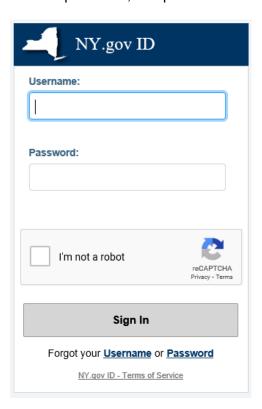
#### Already have an account?



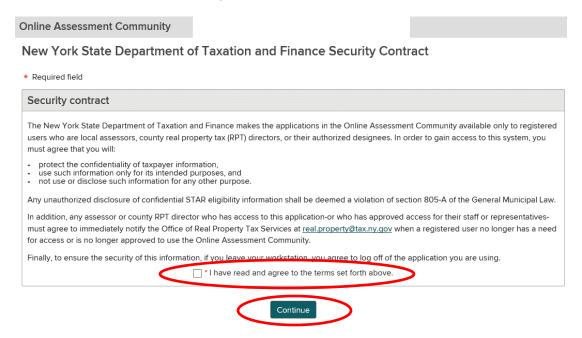
## Access the Online Assessment Community



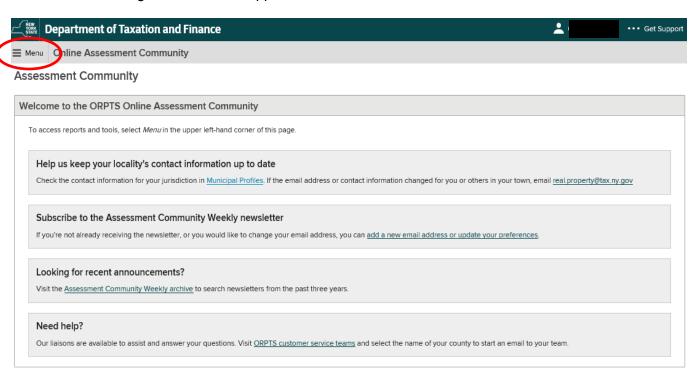
5. Enter your username and case-sensitive password, complete the reCAPTCHA requirement, select Sign in,



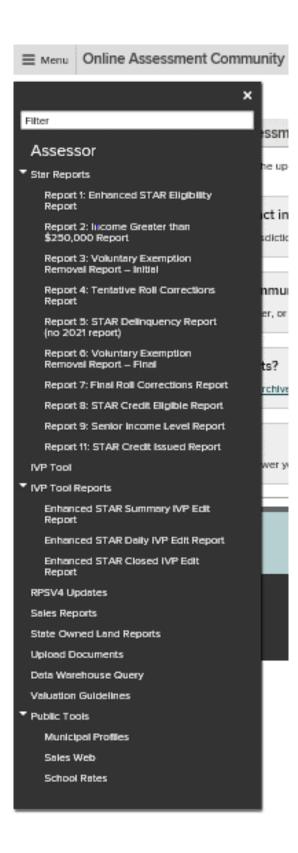
6. Read and accept the terms of the security contract, select Continue,



7. Select the "hamburger" menu in the upper left corner,

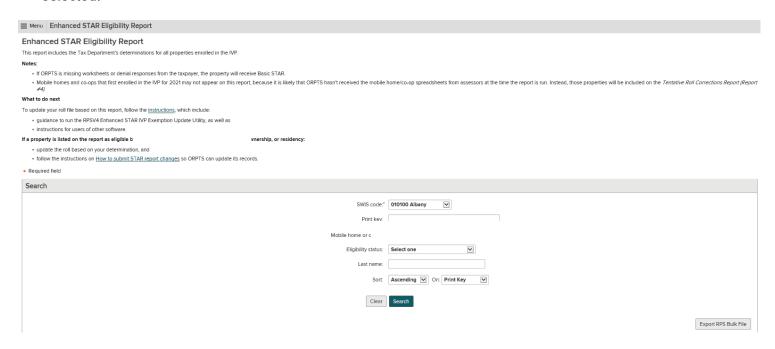


## 8. Select the desired report,

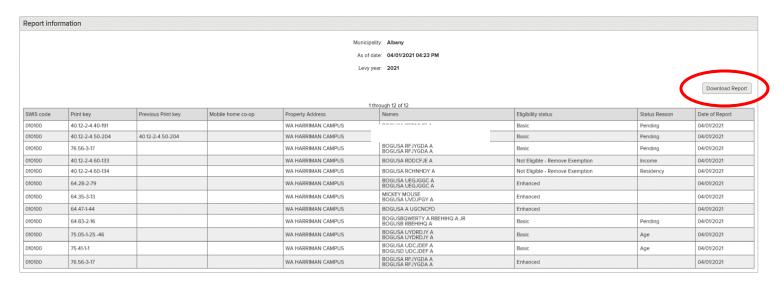


## **Download the reports**

 Read the instructions on the top of the report page. Select the SWIS code for your municipality and enter your search criteria if applicable. The search criteria and required fields will vary based on the report selected.



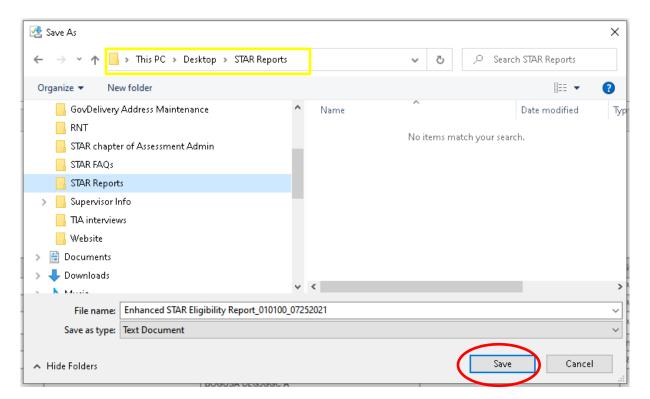
2. You can view the search results at the bottom of the screen or save the report by selecting *Download Report*.



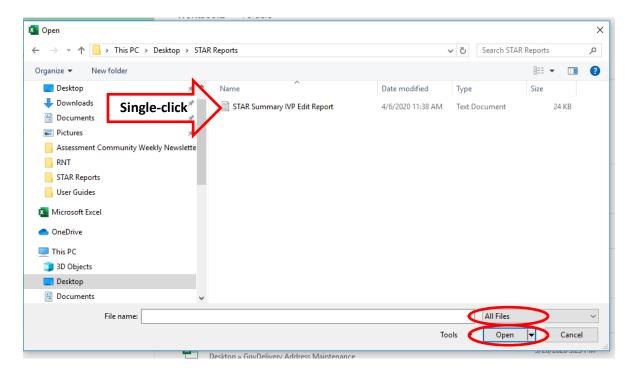
3. After selecting *Download Report*, select *Save as* in the pop-up box.



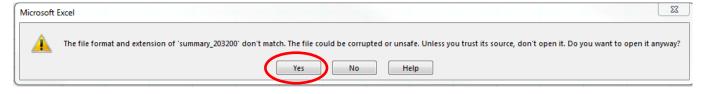
4. Designate **and remember** where you save the file. Leave the *Save as type as a text document*. Select *Save*.



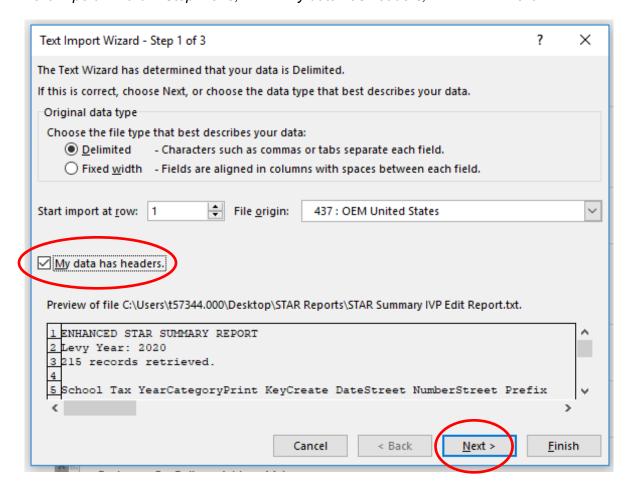
5. Open Microsoft Excel. Select *File ->Open* and browse to the file location. Single-click on the file and select *Open*. (If the file is not displayed, be sure *All Files* is selected.)



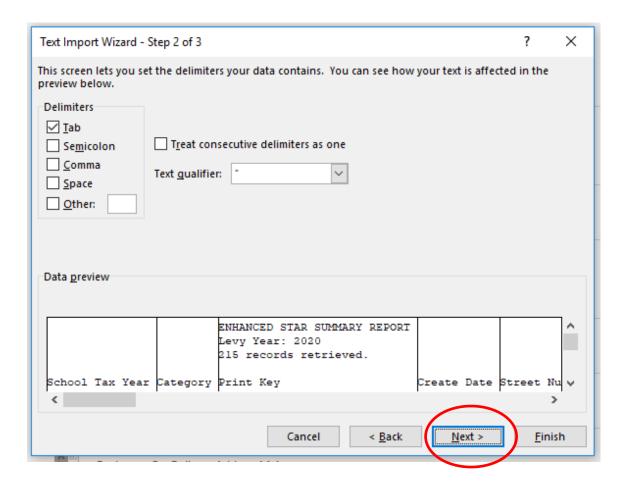
6. If you receive the following message, select Yes. Otherwise, continue.



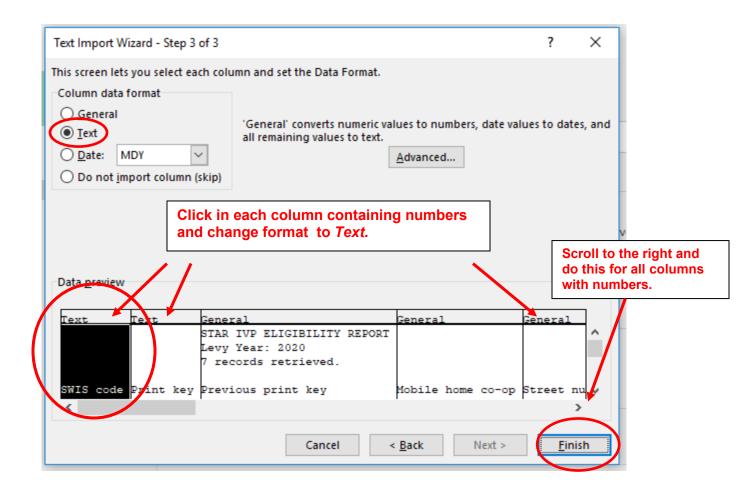
7. In the Text Import Wizard – Step 1 of 3, select My data has headers, then select Next.



8. In the Text Import Wizard – Step 2 of 3, select Next.



9. In the *Text Import Wizard – Step 3 of 3*, convert all columns with numbers to text format. This step is necessary to preserve the correct formatting for any fields that may contain numbers beginning with a zero (ex. SWIS 010100). Highlight each column by clicking in the column and select *Text* under the *Column data format* choices. Repeat this step for each column that contains numeric data, then select *Finish*.



10. Print or save your report. If any of the columns have pound signs (#) – widen the column until the digits for date and time appear.