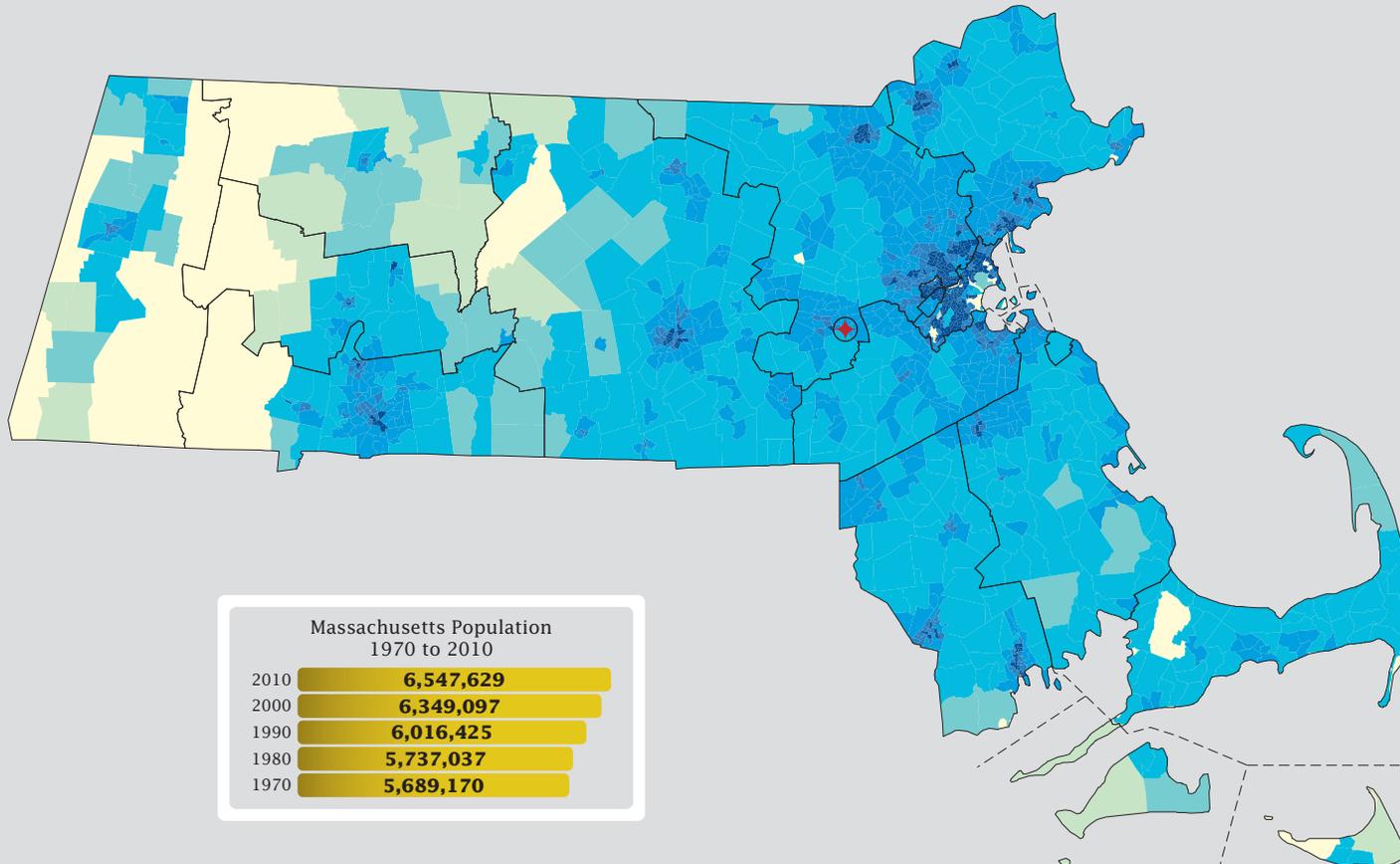


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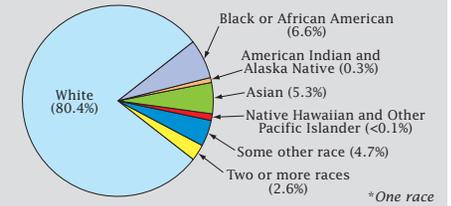
Population Density by Census Tract



Massachusetts Population 1970 to 2010

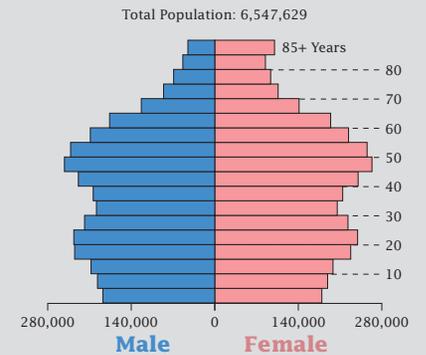
2010	6,547,629
2000	6,349,097
1990	6,016,425
1980	5,737,037
1970	5,689,170

State Race* Breakdown

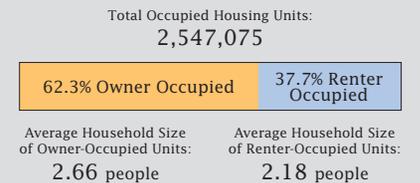


Hispanic or Latino (of any race) makes up **9.6%** of the state population.

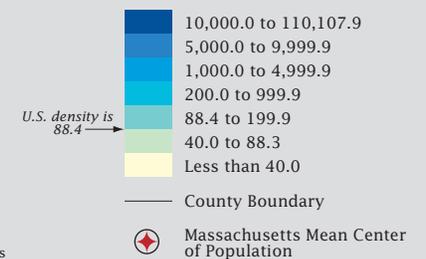
Population by Sex and Age



Housing Tenure



People per Square Mile by Census Tract



Massachusetts

BASIC INFORMATION

2010 Census Population:	6,547,629 (14 th)	Bordering States:	Connecticut, New Hampshire, New York, Rhode Island, Vermont
Land Area:	7,800.1 square miles (45 th)	Abbreviation:	MA
Density:	839.4 persons per square mile (3 rd)	ANSI/FIPS Code:	25
Capital:	Boston		
Became a State:	February 6, 1788 (6 th)		

HISTORY

The area of Massachusetts was part of the original territory of the United States. It was originally included in the Charter of New England in 1620; the Charter of Massachusetts Bay, which became the Constitution of the Massachusetts Bay Colony in 1629; and a charter that united the Massachusetts Bay and Plymouth colonies in 1691. In 1785, it ceded area to the United States that became part of the Northwest Territory in 1787. Massachusetts ratified the U.S. Constitution on February 6, 1788; it was the sixth of the original 13 states to join the Union. At the time of statehood, the area of Maine was a district in Massachusetts. In 1819, it agreed to allow its district of Maine to petition for statehood, and Maine was admitted to the Union as a separate state on March 15, 1820. There were changes to the boundary between Connecticut and Massachusetts in 1804 and between Rhode Island and Massachusetts in 1862, and a resurvey of the latter boundary in 1897, resulting in generally the same boundary as the present state. Massachusetts is one of four states that are legally described as a commonwealth.

Census data for Massachusetts are available beginning with the 1790 census. The population data for 1790, 1800, and 1810 do not include the area of Maine.

AMERICAN INDIAN AREAS

Massachusetts has one state recognized American Indian reservation and one federally recognized trust land.

METROPOLITAN AND MICROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREAS AND RELATED STATISTICAL AREAS

There are six metropolitan statistical areas, three metropolitan divisions, one combined statistical area, eight metropolitan New England city and town areas, four micropolitan NECTAs, nine NECTA divisions, and four combined NECTAs.

COUNTIES

There are 14 counties in Massachusetts. Barnstable, Bristol, Dukes, Norfolk, and Plymouth counties have active county governments, each governed by a board of county commissioners. Nantucket County and Nantucket town are governmentally consolidated and have a single set of officials. Suffolk County and Boston city are governmentally consolidated and have a single set of officials. Berkshire, Essex, Franklin, Hampden, Hampshire, Middlesex, and Worcester counties are no longer legal governmental units.

COUNTY SUBDIVISIONS

There are 357 county subdivisions in Massachusetts known as minor civil divisions (MCDs). There are 298 towns with functioning, but not necessarily active, governments.

PLACES

Massachusetts has 244 places; 53 incorporated places and 191 census designated places (CDPs). The incorporated places are all cities. All of the incorporated places are cities that are each independent of any other county subdivision and serve as county subdivisions.

Geographic Entities	2010 Census	Census 2000
American Indian / Alaska Native / Native Hawaiian Areas	2	2
Block Groups	4,985	5,053
Census Blocks	157,508	109,997
Census Tracts	1,478	1,367
Congressional Districts (108th - 112th)	10	10
Counties and Equivalents	14	14
County Subdivisions	357	357
Elementary School Districts	71	74
Places	244	235
Secondary School Districts	35	20
State Legislative Districts (Lower)	161	161
State Legislative Districts (Upper)	41	41
Unified School Districts	210	209
Voting Districts	2,165	2,108

Features	2010 Census
Address Range-Feature Names	721,627
Address Ranges	677,072
Area Landmarks	835
Area Water	24,722
Edges	900,450
Feature Names	784,653
Linear Water	59,639
Point Landmarks	10,245
Primary and Secondary Roads	5,978
Roads	260,801
Topological Faces	294,673
Topological Faces-Area Hydrography	64,398
Topological Faces-Area Landmark	6,882