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MASSACHUSETTS COUNTY POPULATION: JULY 1, 1974 AND 1975

This report presents the results of the State census conducted by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts on March 1, 1975, adjusted for time differentials to July 1, 1974 and July 1, 1975. The figures presented in this report are for counties only. Comparable figures for cities and towns in Massachusetts will be published in a later **Current Population Report**.

The population definition employed by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in conducting the State census is basically the same as the resident population definition used by the Bureau of the Census in decennial and special censuses, with the exception of the treatment of special populations such as inmates of institutions, college students, and Armed Forces personnel. For these special populations, unique identification was used for enumeration purposes which allowed for the reconstruction of the census results into a resident population definition matching that used by the Bureau of the Census.

County estimates for July 1, 1971, 1972, 1973, 1974, and provisional estimates for July 1, 1975, were published earlier in **Current Population Reports**, Series P-26, Nos. 42, 91, and 137. These estimates were jointly prepared by the Bureau of the Census and the Massachusetts Office of Commerce and Development under the auspices of the Federal-State Cooperative Program for Local Population Estimates. The provisional estimates presented in the last report are superseded by the numbers published here.

Although the figures shown in this report are a result of the State census, they are being presented by

the Bureau of the Census in lieu of estimates using standard estimating techniques.

Table 2 of this report presents figures for New England County Metropolitan Areas (NECMA's) which are geographically situated in whole or in part in the State of Massachusetts. The titles and definitions of the NECMA's are those currently defined by the Office of Management and Budget, Executive Office of the President. Where a NECMA falls in more than one State (indicated in the NECMA title), information on the other State parts of the area can be obtained by referring to the Series P-26 report for the other States.

Estimates for other States in the Program will be published as they become available. The appendix table shows reports published to date for States in the 1974-75 series, together with those published earlier in the decade.

The 1970 census population for the State and counties shown on the table reflect all corrections to the census count made subsequent to the release of the official State figure. Counties with corrections of 500 or more are Middlesex and Worcester.

The figures presented in the table have been rounded to the nearest hundred without being adjusted to the State total, which was independently rounded to the nearest thousand. Percentages are based on unrounded numbers. Births and deaths are based on reported vital statistics from April 1, 1970, to December 31, 1974, with extrapolations through June 30, 1975. Net migration is the difference between net change and natural increase.

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Table 1. ESTIMATES OF THE JULY 1, 1974 POPULATION AND ADJUSTED 1975 CENSUS COUNTS FOR MASSACHUSETTS COUNTIES

(State figures are shown to the nearest thousand, counties to the nearest hundred)

COUNTY	JULY 1, 1975	JULY 1, 1974	APRIL 1, 1970 (CENSUS)	CHANGE, 1970 TO 1975		COMPONENTS OF CHANGE, 1970 TO 1975 ¹			
				NUMBER	PERCENT	BIRTHS	DEATHS	NET MIGRATION	
								NUMBER	PERCENT
MASSACHUSETTS.....	5,828,000	5,799,000	5,689,170	138,000	2.4	411,000	298,000	15,000	0.3
BARNSTABLE.....	129,600	123,400	96,656	33,000	34.1	7,400	7,100	32,600	33.8
BERKSHIRE.....	149,000	149,100	149,402	-400	-0.3	10,100	8,400	-2,200	-1.5
BRISTOL.....	463,800	460,100	444,301	19,500	4.4	34,500	24,400	9,400	2.1
DUKES.....	8,000	7,700	6,117	1,900	31.3	500	500	1,900	31.4
ESSEX.....	631,200	632,500	637,887	-6,700	-1.1	45,400	35,300	-16,800	-2.6
FRANKLIN.....	63,500	62,700	59,210	4,300	7.3	4,500	3,700	3,500	5.9
HAMPDEN.....	463,600	462,900	459,050	4,800	1.0	34,300	24,100	-5,400	-1.2
HAMPSHIRE.....	133,600	131,800	123,981	9,600	7.8	7,800	5,300	7,200	5.8
MIDDLESEX.....	1,399,000	1,398,900	1,398,397	600	(Z)	98,100	64,500	-32,900	-2.4
NANTUCKET.....	5,700	5,300	3,774	1,900	50.0	400	300	1,800	47.2
NORFOLK.....	620,000	617,100	604,854	15,100	2.5	37,600	28,300	5,800	1.0
PLYMOUTH.....	379,800	370,900	333,314	46,500	13.9	30,000	16,200	32,600	9.8
SUFFOLK.....	722,800	725,200	735,190	-12,400	-1.7	53,500	45,500	-20,300	-2.8
WORCESTER.....	648,100	646,000	637,037	11,100	1.7	47,000	34,000	-2,000	-0.3

Z LESS THAN 50 PERSONS OR LESS THAN 0.05 PERCENT.

¹BIRTHS AND DEATHS ARE BASED ON REPORTED VITAL STATISTICS FROM APRIL 1, 1970 TO DECEMBER 31, 1974, WITH EXTRAPOLATIONS TO JUNE 30, 1975. NET MIGRATION IS THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN NET CHANGE AND NATURAL INCREASE.

Table 2. ESTIMATES OF THE JULY 1, 1974 POPULATION AND ADJUSTED 1975 CENSUS COUNTS FOR MASSACHUSETTS NEW ENGLAND COUNTY METROPOLITAN AREAS

(SMSA totals rounded independently of county numbers)

NEW ENGLAND COUNTY METROPOLITAN AREA AND COUNTY	JULY 1, 1975	JULY 1, 1974	APRIL 1, 1970 (CENSUS)	CHANGE, 1970 TO 1975		COMPONENTS OF CHANGE, 1970 TO 1975 ¹			
				NUMBER	PERCENT	BIRTHS	DEATHS	NET MIGRATION	
								NUMBER	PERCENT
BOSTON-LOWELL-BROCKTON-LAWRENCE-HAVERHILL, MASS.-N.H. (MASS. PORTION) ²	3,752,700	3,744,500	3,709,642	43,100	1.2	264,500	189,800	-31,600	-0.9
ESSEX.....	631,200	632,500	637,887	-6,700	-1.1	45,400	35,300	-16,800	-2.6
MIDDLESEX.....	1,399,000	1,398,900	1,398,397	600	(Z)	98,100	64,500	-32,900	-2.4
NORFOLK.....	620,000	617,100	604,854	15,100	2.5	37,600	28,300	5,800	1.0
PLYMOUTH.....	379,800	370,900	333,314	46,500	13.9	30,000	16,200	32,600	9.8
SUFFOLK.....	722,800	725,200	735,190	-12,400	-1.7	53,500	45,500	-20,300	-2.8
NEW BEDFORD-FALL RIVER, MASS. ³	463,800	460,100	444,301	19,500	4.4	34,500	24,400	9,400	2.1
BRISTOL.....	463,800	460,100	444,301	19,500	4.4	34,500	24,400	9,400	2.1
PITTSFIELD MASS. ⁴	149,000	149,100	149,402	-400	-0.3	10,100	8,400	-2,200	-1.5
BERKSHIRE.....	149,000	149,100	149,402	-400	-0.3	10,100	8,400	-2,200	-1.5
SPRINGFIELD-CHICOPEE-HOLYOKE, MASS. ⁵	597,400	594,700	583,031	14,400	2.5	42,100	29,500	1,700	0.3
HAMPDEN.....	463,800	462,900	459,050	4,800	1.0	34,300	24,100	-5,400	-1.2
HAMPSHIRE.....	133,600	131,800	123,981	9,600	7.8	7,800	5,300	7,200	5.8
WORCESTER-FITCHBURG-LEOMINSTER, MASS. ⁶	648,100	646,000	637,037	11,100	1.7	47,000	34,000	-2,000	-0.3
WORCESTER.....	648,100	646,000	637,037	11,100	1.7	47,000	34,000	-2,000	-0.3
METROPOLITAN.....	5,611,000	5,594,300	5,523,413	87,600	1.6	398,300	286,000	-24,700	-0.4
NONMETROPOLITAN.....	206,900	199,000	165,757	41,100	24.8	12,800	11,500	39,800	24.0

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²NEW ENGLAND COUNTY METROPOLITAN AREA. THE POPULATION OF THE BOSTON SMSA IN 1970 WAS 2,899,101; FOR THE LOWELL, MASS.-N.H. SMSA (MASS. PORTION) IT WAS 212,860; FOR THE BROCKTON SMSA IT WAS 150,416; AND FOR THE LAWRENCE-HAVERHILL, MASS.-N.H. SMSA (MASS. PORTION) IT WAS 221,208.

³NEW ENGLAND COUNTY METROPOLITAN AREA. THE POPULATION OF THE FALL RIVER, MASS.-R.I. SMSA (MASS. PORTION) IN 1970 WAS 142,084; AND FOR THE NEW BEDFORD SMSA IT WAS 161,288.

⁴NEW ENGLAND COUNTY METROPOLITAN AREA. THE POPULATION OF THE PITTSFIELD SMSA IN 1970 WAS 96,817.

⁵NEW ENGLAND COUNTY METROPOLITAN AREA. THE POPULATION OF THE SPRINGFIELD-CHICOPEE-HOLYOKE, MASS.-CONN. SMSA (MASS. PORTION) IN 1970 WAS 534,859.

⁶NEW ENGLAND COUNTY METROPOLITAN AREA. THE POPULATION OF THE WORCESTER SMSA IN 1970 WAS 372,144; AND FOR THE FITCHBURG-LEOMINSTER SMSA IT WAS 97,164.

APPENDIX

ESTIMATES PUBLISHED IN SERIES P-26 REPORTS SINCE 1970

(Reports issued under the Federal-State Cooperative Program for Population Estimates, jointly prepared by the Bureau of the Census and designated State agencies)

State	Report No.*			State	Report No.*		
	1974 and provisional 1975	1973 and provisional 1974	1972 and provisional 1973		1974 and provisional 1975	1973 and provisional 1974	1972 and provisional 1973
Ala.....	75-1	125	76	Mont.....	75-26	109	53
Alaska.....		(²)	(³)	Nebr.....	75-27	104	58
Ariz.....	75-3	94	50	Nev.....		117	67
Ark.....	75-4	115	70	N. H.....	75-29	107	52
Calif.....	75-5	119	(³)	N. J.....		135	82
Colo.....		103	62	N. Mex.....		123	85
Conn.....		116	79	N. Y.....	(¹)	(²)	(³)
Del.....	75-8	111	57	N. C.....	75-33	114	68
Fla.....		130	90	N. Dak.....	75-34	102	60
Ga.....		124	92	Ohio.....		122	80
Hawaii.....	75-11	105	56	Okla.....	75-36	112	63
Idaho.....	75-12	106	51	Oreg.....		(²)	74
Ill.....	75-13	128	78	Pa.....		136	93
Ind.....	75-14	113	75	R. I.....	75-39	98	65
Iowa.....		138	72	S. C.....	75-40	108	71
Kans.....		129	64	S. Dak.....	75-41	101	61
Ky.....	75-17	120	84	Tenn.....		133	83
La.....	75-18	97	54	Tex.....		(²)	(³)
Maine.....	75-19	99	59	Utah.....	75-44	96	55
Md.....	(¹)	(²)	(³)	Vt.....	75-45	95	49
Mass.....	(¹)	137	91	Va.....		127	88
Mich.....	75-22	110	69	Wash.....	(¹)	(²)	66
Minn.....		132	87	W. Va.....		121	89
Miss.....		131	86	Wis.....	75-49	126	81
Mo.....		134	77	Wyo.....	75-50	100	73

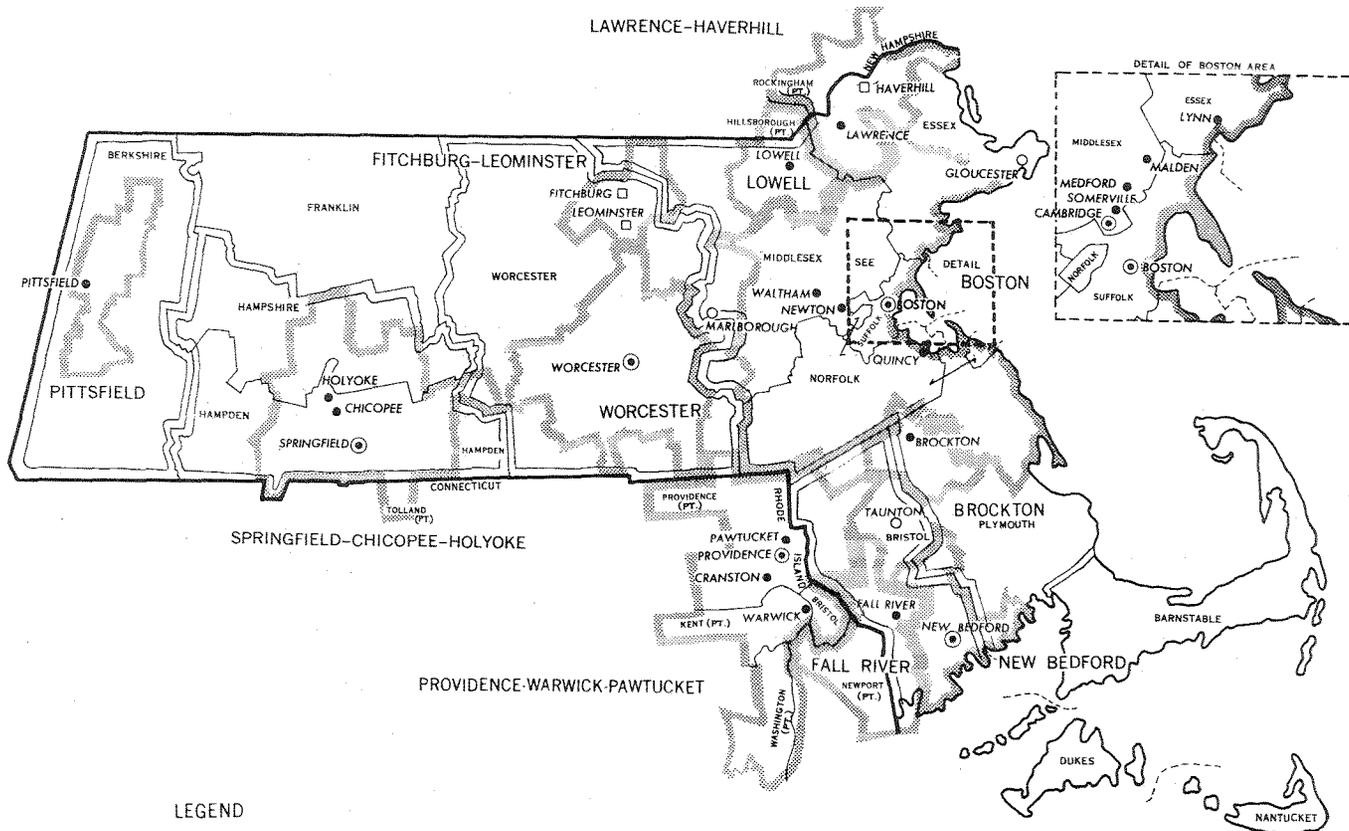
*County estimates for all States for 1971 and provisional 1972 are published in Series P-25, No. 517.

¹County or county equivalent estimates for 1974 and provisional 1975 are published in Series P-25 for the following State: Washington, No. 624; Maryland, No. 629; New York, No. 631; and Massachusetts, No. 633.

²County or county equivalent estimates for 1973 and provisional 1974 are published in Series P-25 for the following States: Maryland, No. 596; Washington, No. 597; New York, No. 599; Oregon, No. 602; Alaska, No. 604; and Texas, No. 609.

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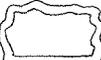
COUNTIES, METROPOLITAN AREAS, AND SELECTED PLACES: MASSACHUSETTS



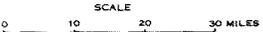
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- ⊙ Places of 100,000 or more inhabitants
- Places of 50,000 to 100,000 inhabitants
- Central cities of SMSA's with fewer than 50,000 inhabitants
- Places of 25,000 to 50,000 inhabitants outside SMSA's

 Standard Metropolitan Statistical Areas (SMSA's)

 New England County Metropolitan Areas (NECMA's)

Note: NECMA titles reflect names of inclusive SMSA's.



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Errata Sheet

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Subsequent to the publication of the original estimates for Massachusetts counties in July 1976, the following errors were found:

1. Page 1, paragraph 3, the first sentence should read: County estimates for July 1, 1971, 1972, 1973, and provisional estimates for July 1, 1974, were published earlier in **Current Population Reports**, Series P-26, Nos. 42, 91, and 137.

2. The Massachusetts State figures shown on table 1 are incorrect. The correct figures are shown below.

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²THE JULY 1, 1974 AND PROVISIONAL JULY 1, 1975 STATE ESTIMATES SHOWN HERE DIFFER FROM THOSE PRESENTED IN CURRENT POPULATION REPORTS, SERIES P-25, NO. 615. THE JULY 1, 1974 AND PROVISIONAL JULY 1, 1975 ESTIMATES PUBLISHED IN THAT REPORT ARE 5,799,000 AND 5,828,000, RESPECTIVELY.