

# Massachusetts Executive Office of Labor and Workforce Development

## Division of Unemployment Assistance

### LABOR FORCE, EMPLOYMENT, UNEMPLOYMENT

#### Massachusetts and the Labor Areas

Location	Labor Force			Employment			Unemployment			Rate		
	September 2009	August 2009	September 2008	September 2009	August 2009	September 2008	September 2009	August 2009	September 2008	September 2009	August 2009	September 2008
Massachusetts	3,425,100	3,486,800	3,412,909	3,107,300	3,178,100	3,221,909	317,800	308,700	191,000	9.3	8.9	5.6
<b>Metropolitan Divisions</b>												
Boston-Cambridge-Quincy, MA NECTA	1,511,364	1,537,299	1,508,442	1,385,047	1,416,037	1,432,221	126,317	121,262	76,221	8.4	7.9	5.1
Brockton-Bridgewater-Easton, MA NECTA	125,054	126,757	124,130	111,878	113,874	116,331	13,176	12,883	7,799	10.5	10.2	6.3
Framingham, MA NECTA	147,124	150,212	146,615	135,897	139,306	140,030	11,227	10,906	6,585	7.6	7.3	4.5
Haverhill-N.Andover-Amesbury, MA-NH	119,409	121,056	120,541	108,536	110,273	114,022	10,873	10,783	6,519	9.1	8.9	5.4
Lawrence-Methuen-Salem, MA-NH NECTA	70,679	71,582	70,188	60,681	61,677	64,026	9,998	9,905	6,162	14.1	13.8	8.8
Lowell-Billerica-Chelmsford, MA-NH	153,439	155,938	151,585	137,513	140,376	142,708	15,926	15,562	8,877	10.4	10.0	5.9
Peabody, MA NECTA Division	127,068	129,361	126,609	114,838	117,594	119,357	12,230	11,767	7,252	9.6	9.1	5.7
Taunton-Norton-Raynham, MA NECTA	62,647	63,308	62,391	56,357	57,100	58,646	6,290	6,208	3,745	10.0	9.8	6.0
<b>Metropolitan Statistical Areas</b>												
Barnstable Town, MA Metropolitan NECTA	135,469	147,038	137,981	124,310	136,409	130,850	11,159	10,629	7,131	8.2	7.2	5.2
Boston-Cambridge-Quincy, MA-NH	2,493,442	2,533,097	2,487,182	2,274,135	2,320,412	2,357,373	219,307	212,685	129,809	8.8	8.4	5.2
Leominster-Fitchburg-Gardner, MA	72,291	73,309	71,409	63,619	64,622	66,383	8,672	8,687	5,026	12.0	11.8	7.0
New Bedford, MA Metropolitan NECTA	84,759	85,308	83,681	73,960	74,688	77,120	10,799	10,620	6,561	12.7	12.4	7.8
Pittsfield, MA Metropolitan NECTA	38,216	40,232	38,341	34,909	37,003	36,376	3,307	3,229	1,965	8.7	8.0	5.1
Providence-Fall River-RI-MA (MA only)	147,973	150,666	147,248	129,700	132,635	136,523	18,273	18,031	10,725	12.3	12.0	7.3
Springfield, MA-CT Metropolitan NECTA	342,305	342,272	342,609	309,531	310,200	321,955	32,774	32,072	20,654	9.6	9.4	6.0
Worcester, MA-CT Metropolitan NECTA	294,104	297,296	289,081	265,504	269,243	271,771	28,600	28,053	17,310	9.7	9.4	6.0
<b>Micropolitan Statistical Areas</b>												
Amherst Center, MA Micropolitan NECTA	23,887	21,087	23,935	22,537	19,909	23,074	1,350	1,178	861	5.7	5.6	3.6
Athol, MA Micropolitan NECTA	10,796	10,779	10,609	9,491	9,492	9,871	1,305	1,287	738	12.1	11.9	7.0
Greenfield, MA Micropolitan NECTA	21,818	21,421	21,691	19,798	19,444	20,529	2,020	1,977	1,162	9.3	9.2	5.4
North Adams, MA-VT Micropolitan NECTA	17,569	17,930	17,278	15,896	16,303	16,255	1,673	1,627	1,023	9.5	9.1	5.9
<b>Other Labor Market Areas</b>												
Great Barrington, MA LMA	16,449	17,136	16,429	15,398	16,101	15,778	1,051	1,035	651	6.4	6.0	4.0
Nantucket, MA LMA	9,372	11,270	9,651	8,900	10,849	9,426	472	421	225	5.0	3.7	2.3
Tisbury, MA LMA	12,064	14,511	12,026	11,464	13,963	11,678	600	548	348	5.0	3.8	2.9

Note: Data not seasonally adjusted.