

Cumulative Estimates of Population Change for Counties of Massachusetts and County Rankings April 1, 2000 to July 1, 2008

Geographic Area	Population Estimates		Change, 2000 to 2008		State Ranking of Counties			
	July 1, 2008	April 1, 2000 Estimates Base	Number	Percent	Population Estimates		Change, 2000 to 2008	
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Massachusetts	6,497,967	6,349,113	148,854	2.3	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
Barnstable County	221,049	222,232	-1,183	-0.5	9	9	13	13
Berkshire County	129,395	134,953	-5,558	-4.1	11	11	14	14
Bristol County	545,823	534,678	11,145	2.1	6	6	6	6
Dukes County	15,527	14,987	540	3.6	13	13	11	5
Essex County	736,457	723,421	13,036	1.8	3	3	5	7
Franklin County	71,735	71,535	200	0.3	12	12	12	12
Hampden County	460,840	456,226	4,614	1.0	8	8	8	11
Hampshire County	154,983	152,255	2,728	1.8	10	10	9	8
Middlesex County	1,482,478	1,466,396	16,082	1.1	1	1	4	10
Nantucket County	11,215	9,520	1,695	17.8	14	14	10	1
Norfolk County	659,909	650,306	9,603	1.5	5	5	7	9
Plymouth County	492,066	472,822	19,244	4.1	7	7	3	4
Suffolk County	732,684	689,809	42,875	6.2	4	4	1	2
Worcester County	783,806	749,973	33,833	4.5	2	2	2	3

Note: The April 1, 2000 estimates base reflects changes to the Census 2000 population resulting from legal boundary updates, other geographic program changes, and Count Question Resolution actions. Dash (-) represents zero or rounds to zero. (X) Not applicable