Massachusetts Demographic and Workforce Facts

Population Distribution by Race/Ethnicity, 2014

- White: 72.00%
- Black: 7.00%
- Hispanic: 11.00%
- Asian: 8.00%
- American Indian/Alaska Native: 0.00%
- Two or More Races: 2.00%


Distribution of Total Population by Federal Poverty Level, 2014

- Under 100%: 14%
- 100-199%: 15%
- 200-399%: 51%
- 400%+: 21%


Population Living in Rural Versus Urban Areas, 2010

- Percentage Rural Population: 8.03%
- Percentage Urban Population: 91.97%

The Census defines “urban area” as a densely developed territory with at least 2,500 residents, at least 1,500 of whom live outside institutional settings such as correctional facilities, in-patient hospital facilities, etc.


Primary Care Health Professional Shortage Areas (HPSA), 2014

Two factors matter in determining whether an area is short of primary care health professionals: numbers and need. For primary medical care, a shortage is defined as a population-to-physician ratio of at least 3,500 to 1; in communities with unusually high needs, the ratio is 3,000 to 1. Percentage of need met reflects the number of physicians it would take to serve the population—a function of the density of the area, and the population’s needs.

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