



*Votes on Question No. 4 — Law Proposed by an Initiative Petition*

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**AGGREGATE OF VOTES**

COUNTIES	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
BARNSTABLE	11790	56810	5713	74313
BERKSHIRE	7744	54770	7415	69929
BRISTOL	21790	150372	23043	195205
DUKES	1174	3482	566	5222
ESSEX	35500	240884	31280	307664
FRANKLIN	4144	25408	2117	31669
HAMPDEN	20114	149555	18751	188420
HAMPSHIRE	10520	46171	4274	60965
MIDDLESEX	97969	497338	59249	654556
NANTUCKET	591	1744	328	2663
NORFOLK	39672	244824	23393	307889
PLYMOUTH	23712	130427	13697	167836
SUFFOLK	38478	150177	49859	238514
WORCESTER	33529	231356	24532	289417
Totals	346727	1983318	264217	2594262

**In the County of Barnstable**

Barnstable	2228	11542	856	14626
Bourne	610	3719	758	5087
Brewster	474	2027	135	2636
Chatham	582	3248	171	4001
Dennis	997	5058	521	6576
Eastham	347	1473	107	1927
Falmouth	1964	8609	873	11446
Harwich	749	4077	279	5105
Mashpee	311	1365	128	1804
Orleans	461	2434	168	3063
Provincetown	715	1151	285	2151
Sandwich	431	3053	143	3627
Truro	198	539	48	785
Wellfleet	344	978	105	1427
Yarmouth	1379	7537	1136	10052
Totals	11790	56810	5713	74313

**In the County of Berkshire**

Adams	613	4590	547	5750
Alford	51	157	18	226
Becket	76	354	60	490
Cheshire	163	1346	116	1625
Clarksburg	72	776	44	892
Dalton	318	3066	181	3565

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Cities and Towns	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
Egremont	82	528	33	643
Florida	37	314	22	373
Great Barrington	311	2388	538	3237
Hancock	52	265	22	339
Hinsdale	86	618	53	757
Lanesborough	139	1113	119	1371
Lee	253	2211	282	2746
Lenox	303	2367	292	2962
Monterey	103	289	23	415
Mount Washington	15	41	2	58
New Ashford	17	80	7	104
New Marlborough	89	400	41	530
NORTH ADAMS	875	6439	738	8052
Otis	50	345	48	443
Peru	27	214	13	254
PITTSFIELD	2540	19587	3594	25721
Richmond	101	720	36	857
Sandisfield	61	185	55	301
Savoy	28	165	18	211
Sheffield	190	1049	83	1322
Stockbridge	268	1064	102	1434
Tyringham	30	142	14	186
Washington	31	193	15	239
West Stockbridge	89	593	43	725
Williamstown	633	2924	243	3800
Windsor	41	247	13	301
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## In the County of Bristol

Acushnet	382	3778	284	4444
ATTLEBORO	1606	9813	1271	12690
Berkley	105	773	118	996
Dartmouth	1075	8265	711	10051
Dighton	223	1968	196	2387
Easton	880	5782	366	7028
Fairhaven	784	5445	976	7205
FALL RIVER	4217	26628	6994	37839
Freetown	290	1982	120	2392
Mansfield	486	4720	290	5496
NEW BEDFORD	4709	29340	4313	38362
North Attleborough	816	6602	937	8355
Norton	556	3573	254	4383
Raynham	353	3127	273	3753
Rehoboth	461	2416	298	3175
Seekonk	1075	3828	682	5585

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Somerset .....	541	8564	561	9666
Swansea .....	751	5568	636	6955
<b>TAUNTON</b> .....	1774	13389	3244	18407
Westport .....	706	4811	519	6036
<b>Totals</b> .....	21790	150372	23043	195205

**In the County of Dukes**

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Chilmark .....	97	254	22	373
Edgartown .....	267	932	157	1356
Gay Head .....	38	63	22	123
Gosnold .....	10	54	10	74
Oak Bluffs .....	220	782	163	1165
Tisbury .....	334	1070	151	1555
West Tisbury .....	208	327	41	576
<b>Totals</b> .....	1174	3482	566	5222

**In the County of Essex**

Amesbury .....	806	3850	772	5428
Andover .....	1622	10942	735	13299
<b>BEVERLY</b> .....	2502	15525	1287	19314
Boxford .....	354	2095	74	2523
Danvers .....	1317	10014	701	12032
Essex .....	227	1281	98	1606
Georgetown .....	245	2405	134	2784
<b>GLOUCESTER</b> .....	2214	9415	1357	12986
Groveland .....	221	2141	99	2461
Hamilton .....	501	2900	173	3574
<b>HAVERTHILL</b> .....	2469	15857	2065	20391
Ipswich .....	881	4717	379	5977
<b>LAWRENCE</b> .....	3441	19671	3368	26480
<b>LYNN</b> .....	1336	25793	9114	36243
Lynnfield .....	702	5572	271	6545
Manchester .....	472	2445	185	3102
Marblehead .....	1743	10561	564	12868
Merrimac .....	195	1658	127	1980
Methuen .....	2002	14486	1427	17915
Middleton .....	197	1602	95	1894
Nahant .....	339	1817	106	2262
Newbury .....	277	1960	88	2325
<b>NEWBURYPORT</b> .....	1004	5879	972	7855
North Andover .....	1008	7766	687	9461
<b>PEABODY</b> .....	2496	18224	1814	22534

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Rockport	712	2750	365	3827
Rowley	163	1433	93	1689
SALEM	2252	14943	1970	19165
Salisbury	322	1960	247	2529
Saugus	1582	10050	874	12506
Swampscott	1088	5831	810	7729
Topshfield	365	2557	79	3001
Wenham	278	1611	91	1980
West Newbury	167	1173	59	1399
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**In the County of Franklin**

Ashfield	177	559	37	773
Barnardston	82	774	48	904
Buckland	106	831	67	1004
Charlemont	57	425	28	510
Colrain	92	651	29	772
Conway	146	526	38	710
Deerfield	271	1868	116	2255
Erving	36	618	42	696
Gill	82	559	27	668
Greenfield	939	7235	753	8927
Hawley	35	83	7	125
Heath	47	182	11	240
Leverett	206	465	33	704
Leyden	29	196	10	235
Monroe	7	88	2	97
Montague	504	3552	306	4362
New Salem	54	279	22	355
Northfield	160	1112	91	1363
Orange	291	2256	181	2728
Rowe	24	188	6	218
Shelburne	95	806	46	947
Shutesbury	132	308	33	473
Sunderland	268	952	68	1288
Warwick	58	219	22	299
Wendell	106	182	41	329
Whately	140	494	53	687
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Brimfield	138	878	55	1071
Chester	90	394	59	543
CHICOPEE	2377	22313	1860	26550
East Longmeadow	660	5797	349	6806
Granville	57	521	36	614
Hampden	273	1760	59	2092
Holland	90	535	43	668
HOLYOKE	1645	15738	2269	19652
Longmeadow	1013	7568	366	8947
Ludlow	925	7150	481	8556
Monson	355	2568	182	3105
Montgomery	26	264	8	298
Palmer	652	4682	354	5688
Russell	69	588	49	706
Southwick	356	2554	125	3035
SPRINGFIELD	6804	38511	8967	54282
Tolland	18	130	7	155
Wales	56	388	24	468
West Springfield	1196	10242	1068	12506
WESTFIELD	1335	13080	787	15202
Wilbraham	737	5198	497	6432
Totals	20114	149555	18751	188420

**In the County of Hampshire**

Amherst	3554	6644	944	11142
Belchertown	484	2066	169	2719
Chesterfield	46	326	32	404
Cummington	59	325	19	403
Easthampton	849	6009	436	7294
Goshen	30	243	18	291
Granby	248	2048	205	2501
Hadley	369	1762	162	2293
Hatfield	219	1301	136	1656
Huntington	96	637	65	798
Middlefield	30	136	15	181
NORTHAMPTON	2565	10181	994	13740
Pelham	139	414	26	579
Plainfield	24	149	12	185
South Hadley	834	7036	469	8339
Southampton	172	1589	64	1825
Ware	450	3622	386	4458
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Acton	1143	7233	246	8622
Arlington	4065	22453	1694	28212
Ashby	150	886	66	1102
Ashland	437	3437	318	4192
Ayer	292	1739	177	2208
Bedford	852	4457	671	5980
Belmont	2407	13022	994	16423
Billerica	1801	11184	837	13822
Boxborough	152	1022	37	1211
Burlington	1354	8194	1053	10601
CAMBRIDGE	13380	25407	4443	43230
Carlisle	261	1409	49	1719
Chelmsford	1712	13309	576	15597
Concord	1377	6863	631	8871
Dracut	1203	7989	748	9940
Dunstable	102	600	47	749
EVERETT	1779	13365	3152	18296
Frammingham	4100	24726	1609	30435
Groton	349	2156	133	2638
Holliston	577	5200	229	6006
Hopkinton	329	2742	130	3201
Hudson	599	5842	526	6967
Lexington	2972	12568	1591	17131
Lincoln	574	2146	148	2868
Littleton	376	2802	145	3323
LOWELL	5045	28641	3810	37496
MALDEN	3781	19050	2766	25597
MARLBOROUGH	1441	11319	769	13529
Maynard	608	3705	329	4642
MEDFORD	4184	22253	3152	29589
MELROSE	1888	12519	1604	16011
Natick	1868	11822	1253	14943
NEWTON	8508	32111	5203	45822
North Reading	820	4546	247	5613
Pepperell	406	2291	184	2881
Reading	1426	10008	696	12130
Sherborn	265	1861	50	2176
Shirley	198	1375	80	1653
SOMERVILLE	6165	22132	3607	31904
Stonham	1433	8313	936	10682
Stow	240	1967	90	2297
Sudbury	877	6172	305	7354
Tewksbury	1272	8564	413	10249
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**In the County of Middlesex — Concluded**

Cities and Towns	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
Wakefield	1394	10942	1016	13352
WALTHAM	2939	16994	4183	24116
Watertown	3119	13099	2787	19005
Wayland	1190	5630	271	7091
Westford	706	5007	335	6048
Weston	789	5097	349	6235
Wilmington	965	5040	1461	7466
Winchester	1403	8953	1020	11376
WOBURN	1985	13506	1780	17271
Totals	97969	497338	59249	654556

**In the County of Nantucket**

Nantucket	591	1744	328	2663
Totals	591	1744	328	2663

**In the County of Norfolk**

Avon	301	2016	204	2521
Bellingham	876	4761	434	6071
Braintree	1619	16370	831	18820
Brookline	6342	18000	4830	29172
Canton	1230	7651	546	9427
Cohasset	518	3456	210	4184
Dedham	1661	11008	1128	13797
Dover	253	2420	98	2771
Foxborough	725	5212	248	6185
Franklin	1132	6064	477	7673
Holbrook	601	4582	346	5529
Medfield	579	4220	214	5013
Medway	436	3173	185	3794
Millis	389	2669	140	3198
Milton	1753	12691	1194	15638
Needham	1948	13878	1040	16866
Norfolk	288	1921	98	2307
Norwood	1995	12453	758	15206
Plainville	326	2070	132	2528
QUINCY	5246	35407	3351	44004
Randolph	1912	10672	1458	14042
Sharon	1245	5547	511	7303
Stoughton	1302	8668	1157	11127
Walpole	1080	7540	501	9121
Wellesley	1873	12289	866	15028
Westwood	807	6478	281	7566
Weymouth	2875	21325	1943	26143
Wrentham	360	2283	212	2855
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Abington	726	5067	323	6116
Bridgewater	890	5008	412	6310
<b>BROCKTON</b>	<b>4470</b>	<b>26481</b>	<b>3856</b>	<b>34807</b>
Carver	276	1586	117	1979
Duxbury	699	4591	190	5480
East Bridgewater	422	3407	396	4225
Halifax	321	1976	132	2429
Hanover	556	4253	434	5243
Hanson	409	2700	240	3349
Hingham	1120	8814	611	10545
Hull	811	3611	345	4767
Kingston	464	2577	220	3261
Lakeville	246	2025	148	2419
Marion	233	1641	107	1981
Marshfield	1260	7648	373	9281
Mattapoisett	296	2465	91	2852
Middleborough	622	5083	483	6188
Norwell	486	3668	298	4452
Pembroke	687	4437	226	5350
Plymouth	1471	10129	1442	13042
Plympton	128	666	43	837
Rochester	86	982	55	1123
Rockland	795	5323	516	6634
Scituate	4264	3220	1530	9014
Wareham	949	5378	655	6982
West Bridgewater	342	2690	137	3169
Whitman	683	5001	317	6001
<b>Totals</b>	<b>23712</b>	<b>130427</b>	<b>13697</b>	<b>167836</b>

**In the County of Suffolk**

<b>BOSTON</b>	<b>32566</b>	<b>120634</b>	<b>43193</b>	<b>196393</b>
<b>CHELSEA</b>	<b>1762</b>	<b>7235</b>	<b>2257</b>	<b>11254</b>
<b>REVERE</b>	<b>2711</b>	<b>14881</b>	<b>3298</b>	<b>20890</b>
Winthrop	1439	7427	1111	9977
<b>Totals</b>	<b>38478</b>	<b>150177</b>	<b>49859</b>	<b>238514</b>

**In the County of Worcester**

Ashburnham	180	1495	106	1781
Athol	446	4023	359	4828
Auburn	924	6693	458	8075
Barre	276	1619	160	2055
Berlin	148	888	64	1100
Blackstone	471	2087	404	2962
Bolton	145	1044	59	1248
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Brookfield	129	859	93	1081
Charlton	283	1947	173	2403
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FITCHBURG	2323	13327	1423	17073
GARDNER	873	6989	876	8738
Gratton	522	4627	330	5479
Hardwick	117	886	99	1102
Harvard	267	1672	52	1991
Holden	591	6016	588	7195
Hopedale	190	1906	156	2252
Hubbardston	106	623	42	771
Lancaster	311	1991	160	2462
Leicester	535	3396	342	4273
LEOMINSTER	1485	12062	1583	15130
Lunenburg	520	3241	180	3941
Mendon	132	1264	92	1488
Milford	1054	8755	869	10678
Millbury	705	4591	414	5710
Millville	99	634	90	823
New Braintree	72	242	20	334
North Brookfield	180	1658	151	1989
Northborough	527	4346	162	5035
Northbridge	684	4286	557	5527
Oakham	39	421	28	488
Oxford	437	3327	427	4191
Paxton	193	1695	71	1959
Petersham	79	503	32	614
Phillipston	42	353	30	425
Princeton	87	935	32	1054
Royalston	84	345	20	449
Rutland	153	1524	64	1741
Shrewsbury	1098	9593	579	11270
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Spencer	453	3901	369	4723
Sterling	154	2082	88	2324
Sturbridge	258	2075	285	2618
Sutton	309	2013	161	2483
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**AGGREGATE OF VOTES**

COUNTIES	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
BARNSTABLE	22462	47911	3940	74313
BERKSHIRE	14014	50603	5312	69929
BRISTOL	48246	127684	19275	195205
DUKES	1940	2837	445	5222
ESSEX	88113	199462	20089	307664
FRANKLIN	5981	24311	1377	31669
HAMPDEN	36391	138876	13153	188420
HAMPSHIRE	16438	41894	2633	60965
MIDDLESEX	228196	388766	37594	654556
NANTUCKET	799	1707	157	2663
NORFOLK	103217	190053	14619	307889
PLYMOUTH	42720	117024	8092	167836
SUFFOLK	79141	124322	35051	238514
WORCESTER	55356	214495	19566	289417
TOTALS	743014	1669945	181303	2594262

**In the County of Barnstable**

Barnstable	4382	9581	663	14626
Bourne	1140	3589	358	5087
Brewster	890	1657	89	2636
Chatham	1349	2507	145	4001
Dennis	1968	4269	339	6576
Eastham	543	1314	70	1927
Falmouth	3599	7343	504	11446
Harwich	1631	3267	207	5105
Mashpee	576	1123	105	1804
Orleans	1053	1859	151	3063
Provincetown	850	1116	185	2151
Sandwich	875	2662	90	3627
Truro	296	451	38	785
Wellfleet	495	865	67	1427
Yarmouth	2815	6308	929	10052
Totals	22462	47911	3940	74313

**In the County of Berkshire**

Adams	833	4495	422	5750
Alford	53	162	11	226
Becket	73	373	44	490
Cheshire	157	1412	56	1625
Clarksburg	95	755	42	892
Dalton	609	2826	130	3565
Egremont	123	493	27	643
Florida	26	336	11	373
Great Barrington	572	2244	421	3237
Hancock	57	269	13	339
Hinsdale	106	628	23	757
Lanesborough	185	1100	86	1371
Lee	456	2109	181	2746
Lenox	678	2079	205	2962
Monterey	166	234	15	415
Mount Washington	8	50	—	58
New Ashford	16	84	4	104
New Marlborough	106	392	32	530
NORTH ADAMS	1626	5725	701	8052
Otis	56	369	18	443
Petu	28	226	—	254
PITTSFIELD	5333	17925	2463	25721
Richmond	186	660	11	857
Sandisfield	57	215	29	301
Savoy	21	180	10	211
Sheffield	278	987	57	1322
Stockbridge	487	884	63	1434

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Tyringham	33	145	8	186
Washington	18	212	9	239
West Stockbridge	149	544	32	725
Williamstown	1372	2252	176	3800
Windsor	51	238	12	301
<b>Totals</b>	<b>14014</b>	<b>50603</b>	<b>5312</b>	<b>69929</b>

**In the County of Bristol**

Acushnet	713	3465	266	4444
ATTLEBORO	3428	8445	817	12690
Berkley	164	768	64	996
Dartmouth	2362	7005	684	10051
Dighton	438	1810	139	2387
Easton	1898	4916	214	7028
Fairhaven	1493	4875	837	7205
FALL RIVER	10479	20948	6412	37839
Freetown	430	1874	88	2392
Mansfield	1382	3908	206	5496
NEW BEDFORD	8725	25366	4271	38362
No. Attleborough	2005	5739	611	8355
Norton	1122	3075	186	4383
Raynham	863	2761	129	3753
Rehoboth	766	2222	187	3175
Seekonk	1856	3245	484	5585
Somerset	2848	6088	730	9666
Swansea	1852	4560	543	6955
TAUNTON	4132	12275	2000	18407
Westport	1290	4339	407	6036
<b>Totals</b>	<b>48246</b>	<b>127684</b>	<b>19275</b>	<b>195205</b>

**In the County of Dukes**

Chilmark	157	200	16	373
Egartown	453	781	122	1356
Gay Head	50	57	16	123
Gosnold	19	53	2	74
Oak Bluffs	370	663	132	1165
Tisbury	618	813	124	1555
West Tisbury	273	270	33	576
<b>Totals</b>	<b>1940</b>	<b>2837</b>	<b>445</b>	<b>5222</b>

**In the County of Essex**

Amesbury	1260	3566	602	5428
Andover	5137	7734	428	13299
BEVERLY	5552	12652	1110	19314
Boxford	765	1716	42	2523
Danvers	3222	8381	429	12032
Essex	425	1118	63	1606
Georgetown	568	2124	92	2784
GLOUCESTER	3643	8224	1119	12986
Groveland	527	1865	69	2461
Hamilton	1113	2358	103	3574
HAVERHILL	5213	13467	1711	20391
Ipswich	1706	3980	291	5977
LAWRENCE	7150	16418	2912	26480
LYNN	9579	23260	3404	36243
Lynnfield	2186	4185	174	6545
Manchester	1075	1914	113	3102
Marblehead	5205	7245	418	12868
Merrimac	409	1489	82	1980
Methuen	4572	12125	1218	17915
Middleton	386	1425	83	1894
Nahant	787	1385	90	2262
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NEWBURYPORT	2127	5149	579	7855
North Andover	3161	5859	441	9461
PEABODY	6075	15103	1356	22534
Rockport	1296	2278	253	3827
Rowley	348	1268	73	1689
SALEM	5030	12781	1354	19165
Salisbury	493	1836	200	2529
Saugus	3392	8542	572	12506
Swampscott	3064	4189	476	7729
Topshfield	971	1970	60	3001
Wenham	687	1244	49	1980
West Newbury	418	932	49	1399
Totals	88113	199462	20089	307664

**In the County of Franklin**

Ashfield	155	597	21	773
Bernardston	112	764	28	904
Buckland	194	769	41	1004
Charlemont	70	420	20	510
Colrain	73	676	23	772
Conway	187	500	23	710
Deerfield	443	1751	61	2255
Erving	75	587	34	696
Gill	136	510	22	668
Greenfield	1759	6668	500	8927
Hawley	26	95	4	125
Heath	53	176	11	240
Leverett	251	436	17	704
Leyden	31	199	5	235
Monroe	14	79	4	97
Montague	690	3470	202	4362
New Salem	70	274	11	355
Northfield	281	1029	53	1363
Orange	309	2289	130	2728
Rowe	30	179	9	218
Shelburne	146	765	36	947
Shutesbury	178	279	16	473
Sunderland	409	833	46	1288
Warwick	73	213	13	299
Wendell	90	223	16	329
Whately	126	530	31	687
Totals	5981	24311	1377	31669

**In the County of Hampden**

Agawam	1954	7763	802	10519
Blandford	75	443	7	525
Brimfield	170	866	35	1071
Chester	65	460	18	543
CHICOPEE	4302	20722	1526	26550
East Longmeadow	1338	5201	267	6806
Granville	60	537	17	614
Hampden	410	1639	43	2092
Holland	81	566	21	668
HOLYOKE	3634	14546	1472	19652
Longmeadow	3106	5595	246	8947
Ludlow	1171	6991	394	8556
Monson	428	2574	103	3105
Montgomery	32	255	11	298
Palmer	835	4581	272	5688
Russell	66	614	26	706
Southwick	322	2638	75	3035
SPRINGFIELD	12305	35330	6647	54282
Tolland	18	134	3	155
Wales	60	396	12	468
West Springfield	2366	9795	345	12506
WESTFIELD	2229	12525	448	15202
Wilbraham	1364	4705	363	6432
Totals	36391	138876	13153	188420

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Amherst	6217	4579	346	11142
Belchertown	547	2086	86	2719
Chesterfield	63	328	13	404
Cummington	79	311	13	403
Easthampton	1132	5796	366	7294
Goshen	41	232	18	291
Granby	435	1922	144	2501
Hadley	540	1612	141	2293
Hatfield	236	1326	94	1656
Huntington	93	685	20	798
Middlefield	25	156	—	181
<b>NORTHAMPTON</b>	<b>3943</b>	<b>9062</b>	<b>735</b>	<b>13740</b>
Pelham	213	355	11	579
Plainfield	38	141	6	185
South Hadley	1710	6314	315	8339
Southampton	228	1559	38	1825
Ware	502	3733	223	4458
Weshampton	65	433	5	503
Williamsburg	243	899	44	1186
Worthington	88	365	15	468
<b>Totals</b>	<b>16438</b>	<b>41894</b>	<b>2633</b>	<b>60965</b>

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**In the County of Middlesex**

Acton	3202	5274	146	8622
Arlington	10036	16968	1208	28212
Ashby	158	897	47	1102
Ashland	885	3141	166	4192
Ayer	485	1637	86	2208
Bedford	2145	3528	307	5980
Belmont	6814	8863	746	16423
Billerica	3325	10132	365	13822
Boxborough	391	797	23	1211
Burlington	3284	6950	367	10601
<b>CAMBRIDGE</b>	<b>23559</b>	<b>16821</b>	<b>2850</b>	<b>43230</b>
Carlisle	711	987	21	1719
Chelmsford	4319	10907	371	15597
Concord	3995	4541	335	8871
Dracut	2042	7345	553	9940
Dunstable	145	575	29	749
<b>EVERETT</b>	<b>4691</b>	<b>11247</b>	<b>2358</b>	<b>18296</b>
Frammingham	10489	18656	1290	30435
Groton	665	1907	66	2638
Holliston	1611	4267	128	6006
Hopkinton	679	2429	93	3201
Hudson	1612	4966	389	6967
Lexington	8239	8025	867	17131
Lincoln	1532	1260	76	2868
Littleton	920	2309	94	3323
<b>LOWELL</b>	<b>9633</b>	<b>24855</b>	<b>3008</b>	<b>37496</b>
<b>MALDEN</b>	<b>7961</b>	<b>15817</b>	<b>1819</b>	<b>25597</b>
<b>MARLBOROUGH</b>	<b>3465</b>	<b>9457</b>	<b>607</b>	<b>13529</b>
Maynard	1091	3271	280	4642
<b>MEDFORD</b>	<b>9682</b>	<b>17552</b>	<b>2355</b>	<b>29589</b>
<b>MELROSE</b>	<b>5552</b>	<b>9261</b>	<b>1198</b>	<b>16011</b>
Natick	4988	9277	678	14943
<b>NEWTON</b>	<b>24403</b>	<b>19249</b>	<b>2170</b>	<b>45822</b>
North Reading	1479	4018	116	5613
Pepperell	537	2227	117	2881
Reading	4149	7627	354	12130
Sherborn	824	1331	21	2176
Shirley	259	1337	57	1653
<b>SOMERVILLE</b>	<b>11194</b>	<b>17865</b>	<b>2845</b>	<b>31904</b>
Stoneham	3517	6663	502	10682
Stow	633	1628	36	2297
Sudbury	3115	4097	142	7354
Tewksbury	2546	7406	297	10249
Townsend	349	1985	58	2392

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Tyngsborough	389	1802	101	2292
Wakefield	3803	8974	575	13352
WALTHAM	7626	13765	2725	24116
Watertown	7262	10065	1678	19005
Wayland	3159	3763	169	7091
Westford	1239	4673	136	6048
Weston	2931	3171	133	6235
Wilmington	1820	5158	488	7466
Winchester	4092	6602	682	11376
WOBURN	4564	11441	1266	17271
Totals	228196	388766	37594	654556

**In the County of Nantucket**

Nantucket	799	1707	157	2663
Totals	799	1707	157	2663

**In the County of Norfolk**

Avon	572	1840	109	2521
Bellingham	1254	4504	313	6071
Braintree	5522	12630	668	18820
Brookline	15834	10349	2989	29172
Canton	2658	6465	304	9427
Cohasset	1520	2515	149	4184
Dedham	4188	9039	570	13797
Dover	1091	1618	62	2771
Foxborough	1675	4388	122	6185
Franklin	1767	5595	311	7673
Holbrook	1370	3946	213	5529
Medfield	1703	3198	112	5013
Medway	870	2814	110	3794
Millis	808	2277	113	3198
Milton	6067	8854	717	15638
Needham	6630	9737	499	16866
Norfolk	503	1757	47	2307
Norwood	5148	9406	652	15206
Plainville	589	1809	130	2528
QUINCY	13032	28267	2705	44004
Randolph	4496	8803	743	14042
Sharon	3001	4171	131	7303
Stoughton	2785	7706	636	11127
Walpole	2689	6159	273	9121
Wellesley	7058	7505	465	15028
Westwood	2632	4754	180	7566
Weymouth	7122	17830	1191	26143
Wrentham	633	2117	105	2855
Totals	103217	190053	14619	307889

**In the County of Plymouth**

Abington	1537	4358	221	6116
Bridgewater	1697	4360	253	6310
BROCKTON	8795	23556	2456	34807
Carver	436	1455	88	1979
Duxbury	1947	3413	120	5480
East Bridgewater	727	3217	281	4225
Halifax	492	1870	67	2429
Hanover	1283	3807	153	5243
Hanson	638	2592	119	3349
Hingham	3555	6652	338	10545
Hull	1307	3228	232	4767
Kingston	829	2267	165	3361

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Lakeville	428	1918	73	2419
Marion	637	1259	85	1987
Marshfield	2812	6220	249	9281
Mattapoisett	622	2144	86	2852
Middleborough	1068	4828	292	6188
Norwell	1269	3006	177	4452
Pembroke	1189	4018	143	5350
Plymouth	3295	8599	1148	13042
Plympton	168	641	28	837
Rochester	177	903	43	1123
Rockland	1452	4896	286	6634
Scituate	3138	5573	303	9014
Wareham	1373	5186	423	6982
West Bridgewater	590	2497	82	3169
Whitman	1259	4561	181	6001
Totals	42720	117024	8092	167836

## In the County of Suffolk

BOSTON	66850	99147	30396	196393
CHELSEA	3060	6464	1730	11254
REVERE	5618	13181	2091	20890
Winthrop	3613	5530	834	9977
Totals	79141	124322	35051	238514

## In the County of Worcester

Ashburnham	254	1471	56	1781
Athol	449	4184	195	4828
Auburn	1389	6388	298	8075
Barre	253	1684	118	2055
Berlin	166	902	32	1100
Blackstone	626	2058	278	2962
Bolton	341	884	23	1248
Boylston	348	1315	58	1721
Brookfield	116	904	61	1081
Charlton	360	1912	131	2403
Clinton	1043	4594	399	6036
Douglas	218	1435	90	1743
Dudley	662	2773	270	3705
East Brookfield	122	753	29	904
FITCHBURG	3431	12432	1210	17073
GARDNER	1384	6687	667	8738
Grafton	880	4360	239	5479
Hardwick	130	910	62	1102
Harvard	705	1259	27	1991
Holden	1482	5167	546	7195
Hopedale	376	1756	120	2252
Hubbardston	104	641	26	771
Lancaster	515	1868	79	2462
Leicester	683	3429	161	4273
LEOMINSTER	2974	11152	1004	15130
Lunenburg	845	2976	120	3941
Mendon	209	1209	70	1488
Millford	2026	8058	594	10678
Millbury	850	4542	318	5710
Millville	153	573	97	823
New Braintree	47	270	17	334
North Brookfield	221	1688	80	1989
Northborough	1191	3733	111	5035
Northbridge	700	2718	2109	5527
Oakham	52	426	10	488
Oxford	607	3293	291	4191
Paxton	412	1504	43	1959
Petersham	112	485	17	614

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Phillipston .....	29	383	13	425
Princeton .....	204	827	23	1054
Royalston .....	53	390	6	449
Rutland .....	169	1536	36	1741
Shrewsbury .....	2572	8289	409	11270
Southborough .....	802	2178	69	3049
Southbridge .....	1176	4821	977	6974
Spencer .....	593	3887	243	4723
Sterling .....	306	1946	72	2324
Sturbridge .....	488	1953	177	2618
Sutton .....	334	2053	96	2483
Templeton .....	258	2258	99	2615
Upton .....	311	1565	74	1950
Uxbridge .....	603	3210	268	4081
Warren .....	176	1493	81	1750
Webster .....	1028	5267	499	6794
West Boylston .....	569	2696	114	3379
West Brookfield .....	169	1116	69	1354
Westborough .....	1723	4661	150	6534
Westminster .....	362	2009	71	2442
Winchendon .....	436	2189	156	2781
<b>WORCESTER</b> .....	<b>16559</b>	<b>47375</b>	<b>5808</b>	<b>69742</b>
<b>Totals</b> .....	<b>55356</b>	<b>214495</b>	<b>19566</b>	<b>289417</b>

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