

MASSACHUSETTS

	1997	1998	1999
Number of Retail Establishments	38,952	39,088	n.a.
Retail Sales (Millions)	\$59,263	\$62,573	n.a.
Food Stores	11,193	11,910	n.a.
Eating & Drinking Establishments	5,603	5,874	n.a.
General Merchandise Stores	5,498	5,627	n.a.
Apparel & Accessory Stores	3,744	3,997	n.a.
Furniture & Home Furnishing Stores	2,771	2,930	n.a.
Auto Dealers and Service Stations	16,004	16,935	n.a.
Building Materials & Garden Supplies	3,010	3,202	n.a.
Miscellaneous Retail Stores	11,440	12,098	n.a.
Contributions to Local Economy			
Total Retail Employment (Thousands)	537	546	561
Eating & Drinking Establishments	190	192	199
Other	347	354	362
Share of Total Non-Agricultural Employment	17.3%	17.2%	17.3%
Retail Compensation (Millions)	\$9,028.8	\$9,254.8	\$9,486.5
Sales Tax* Revenues Collected (Millions)	\$4,217.4	\$4,370.7	n.a.
Demographics			
Population (Thousands)	6,116	6,134	6,160
Total Non-Ag. Employment (Thousands)	3,109	3,177	3,236
Unemployment Rate	4.0%	3.3%	3.2%
Total Number of Households-1999 (Thousands)		2,326.0	
Households by Income-1999 (Thousands)			Percent of Total
Under \$15,000		395.2	17.0%
\$15,000-\$24,999		274.0	11.8
\$25,000-\$49,999		678.1	29.2
\$50,000-\$74,999		524.7	22.6
\$75,000-\$99,999		261.1	11.2
\$100,000-\$149,999		130.0	5.6
\$150,000 and Over		63.0	2.7

n.a. = 1999 data not available

* = General sales, alcoholic beverage, motor fuel, tobacco, and other selective sales taxes

Sources: Market Statistics, *Demographics U.S.A., County Edition, 1999*, Bill Communications Inc., New York, 1999 (and previous editions); U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census; U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics.