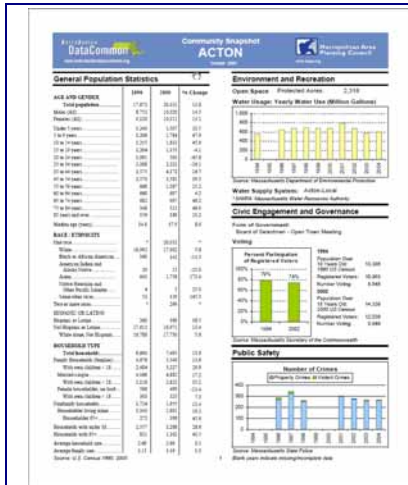




Whether you have one minute or many more, MetroBoston DataCommon will help you to understand your community and the region.



Community Snapshots

Quick summary profiles of trends and current conditions for all 101 cities and towns in the MAPC region, and every Boston neighborhood. Just select the city or town you would like to explore in “snapshot” mode from the drop-down menu. Community snapshots are updated quarterly and include information about:

- Demographics
- Employment
- Housing
- Education
- Environment
- Public Safety



The Mapping Tool

A powerful tool to make your own maps and query data. Go to the tutorial to learn how to look up a specific variable, analyze multiple data sets, or create a customized map of the region, a city or town, a Boston neighborhood, or one census tract. You can export data to other applications on your desktop, print out maps, and email your creations.



Technical Assistance

The MetroBoston DataCommon has a variety of resources to assist you in using the mapping tool.

The Tutorial

A through step-by-step orientation to all of the functions in the mapping tool. You can focus on just one section or take the whole tutorial (about 15 minutes and well worth it).

The Quick Guide

A summary of how-to functions and icons in the mapping tool, and a convenient “cheat sheet” to print out and keep by your side while using the mapping tool.

Technical Assistance

Need help after you've tried the tutorial? Find names, emails and phone numbers for technical support on the web site.



About the MetroBoston DataCommon

The DataCommon is an online tool providing data about the region and each of its cities and towns. It is a resource for all those wishing to better understand how the region and its communities are changing, and help residents, planners, city and town officials, educators and journalists explore options and make informed decisions.

In addition to its founding partners -- The Metropolitan Area Planning Council and the Boston Indicators Project at the Boston Foundation -- MetroBoston DataCommon has received guidance from the MIT Department of Urban Studies and Planning Urban Information Systems Group, which is developing "Intelligent Middleware" for the project's next phase. This work is part of the Brookings Institution's Urban Market Initiative. MetroBoston DataCommon's development has been supported by the Barr Foundation, the Boston Foundation, Metropolitan Area Planning Council, the James M. and Cathleen D. Stone Foundation, and the United State Geological Survey (USGS).

MetroBoston DataCommon can be tailored to your organization or municipality, through co-branding and data sharing. For more information, please contact Holly St.Clair via email hstclair@mapc.org or phone (617) 451-2770 x 2014.

