

## Massachusetts State Budgets (1919 – Current)

[Massachusetts Constitutional Amendment Article LXIII](#) oversees the state’s current budgetary procedure, and [Massachusetts General Law chapter 29, section 6E](#) legally requires the governor and legislature to produce a balanced budget for each fiscal year. Article LXIII wasn’t ratified until 1918 and was the result of many years of reviewing the efficiency of state finances. In 1916 the Commission on Economy and Efficiency, as described in a [report to the legislature](#), discovered that large amounts of state revenue was being expended without appropriation. The Commission concluded that such an unsystematic budgetary process made it near impossible for the state to balance its finances. This report and other early calls for budget reform paved the way to the procedure that the state continues to use today.

Since 1919, official state budgets have been published as “general appropriations acts,” and supplementary appropriations have been published as separate acts whenever necessary. This resource intends to compile links to general appropriations acts from 1919-current; supplementary acts from this date range can be located by searching either the [State Library’s acts and resolves database](#) (1692-2010) or the [state legislature’s session laws database](#) (1997-current).

Pre-1919 appropriations were published in various ways and can be searched for by narrowing down dates and using keywords in the [Library’s acts and resolve database](#) (1692-2010). Keep in mind that early appropriations were made under different systems so they will not look the same nor be as comprehensive.

### Notes on fiscal years

FY1919 - FY1942: the fiscal year began on December 1<sup>st</sup> and ended on November 30<sup>th</sup>

FY1943: the fiscal year began on December 1<sup>st</sup> and ended on June 30<sup>th</sup>

FY1944 - current: the fiscal year begins on July 1<sup>st</sup> and ends on June 30<sup>th</sup>

Fiscal Year Budget	General Appropriations Act
FY1919	<a href="#">Chapter 153 of the Special Acts of 1919</a>
FY1920	<a href="#">Chapter 225 of the Acts of 1920</a>
FY1921	<a href="#">Chapter 203 of the Acts of 1921</a>
FY1922	<a href="#">Chapter 129 of the Acts of 1922</a>
FY1923	<a href="#">Chapter 126 of the Acts of 1923</a>
FY1924	<a href="#">Chapter 126 of the Acts of 1924</a>
FY1925	<a href="#">Chapter 211 of the Acts of 1925</a>
FY1926	<a href="#">Chapter 79 of the Acts of 1926</a>
FY1927	<a href="#">Chapter 138 of the Acts of 1927</a>
FY1928	<a href="#">Chapter 127 of the Acts of 1928</a>
FY1929	<a href="#">Chapter 146 of the Acts of 1929</a>
FY1930	<a href="#">Chapter 115 of the Acts of 1930</a>
FY1931	<a href="#">Chapter 245 of the Acts of 1931</a>
FY1932	<a href="#">Chapter 170 of the Acts of 1932</a>
FY1933	<a href="#">Chapter 174 of the Acts of 1933</a>

<b>Fiscal Year Budget</b>	<b>General Appropriations Act</b>
FY1934	<a href="#">Chapter 162 of the Acts of 1934</a>
FY1935	<a href="#">Chapter 249 of the Acts of 1935</a>
FY1936	<a href="#">Chapter 304 of the Acts of 1936</a>
FY1937	<a href="#">Chapter 234 of the Acts of 1937</a>
FY1938	<a href="#">Chapter 356 of the Acts of 1938</a>
FY1939 & FY1940	<a href="#">Chapter 309 of the Acts of 1939</a>
FY1941 & FY1942	<a href="#">Chapter 419 of the Acts of 1941</a>
FY1943	<a href="#">Chapter 68 of the Acts of 1943</a>
FY1944 & FY1945	<a href="#">Chapter 370 of the Acts of 1943</a>
FY1946	<a href="#">Chapter 404 of the Acts of 1945</a>
FY1947	<a href="#">Chapter 309 of the Acts of 1946</a>
FY1948	<a href="#">Chapter 219 of the Acts of 1947</a>
FY1949	<a href="#">Chapter 198 of the Acts of 1948</a>
FY1950	<a href="#">Chapter 307 of the Acts of 1949</a>
FY1951	<a href="#">Chapter 580 of the Acts of 1950</a>
FY1952	<a href="#">Chapter 490 of the Acts of 1951</a>
FY1953	<a href="#">Chapter 310 of the Acts of 1952</a>
FY1954	<a href="#">Chapter 489 of the Acts of 1953</a>
FY1955	<a href="#">Chapter 453 of the Acts of 1954</a>
FY1956	<a href="#">Chapter 706 of the Acts of 1955</a>
FY1957	<a href="#">Chapter 501 of the Acts of 1956</a>
FY1958	<a href="#">Chapter 438 of the Acts of 1957</a>
FY1959	<a href="#">Chapter 434 of the Acts of 1958</a>
FY1960	<a href="#">Chapter 433 of the Acts of 1959</a>
FY1961	<a href="#">Chapter 507 of the Acts of 1960</a>
FY1962	<a href="#">Chapter 495 of the Acts of 1961</a>
FY1963	<a href="#">Chapter 591 of the Acts of 1962</a>
FY1964	<a href="#">Chapter 500 of the Acts of 1963</a>
FY1965	<a href="#">Chapter 337 of the Acts of 1964</a>
FY1966	<a href="#">Chapter 824 of the Acts of 1965</a>
FY1967	<a href="#">Chapter 411 of the Acts of 1966</a>
FY1968	<a href="#">Chapter 414 of the Acts of 1967</a>
FY1969	<a href="#">Chapter 380 of the Acts of 1968</a>
FY1970	<a href="#">Chapter 452 of the Acts of 1969</a>
FY1971	<a href="#">Chapter 480 of the Acts of 1970</a>
FY1972	<a href="#">Chapter 719 of the Acts of 1971</a>
FY1973	<a href="#">Chapter 514 of the Acts of 1972</a>
FY1974	<a href="#">Chapter 659 of the Acts of 1973</a>
FY1975	<a href="#">Chapter 431 of the Acts of 1974</a>
FY1976	<a href="#">Chapter 684 of the Acts of 1975</a>
FY1977	<a href="#">Chapter 283 of the Acts of 1976</a>
FY1978	<a href="#">Chapter 361 of the Acts of 1977</a>
FY1979	<a href="#">Chapter 367 of the Acts of 1978</a>
FY1980	<a href="#">Chapter 393 of the Acts of 1979</a>
FY1981	<a href="#">Chapter 329 of the Acts of 1980</a>

<b>Fiscal Year Budget</b>	<b>General Appropriations Act</b>
FY1982	<a href="#">Chapter 351 of the Acts of 1981</a>
FY1983	<a href="#">Chapter 191 of the Acts of 1982</a>
FY1984	<a href="#">Chapter 289 of the Acts of 1983</a>
FY1985	<a href="#">Chapter 234 of the Acts of 1984</a>
FY1986	<a href="#">Chapter 140 of the Acts of 1985</a>
FY1987	<a href="#">Chapter 206 of the Acts of 1986</a>
FY1988	<a href="#">Chapter 199 of the Acts of 1987</a>
FY1989	<a href="#">Chapter 164 of the Acts of 1988</a>
FY1990	<a href="#">Chapter 240 of the Acts of 1989</a>
FY1991	<a href="#">Chapter 150 of the Acts of 1990</a>
FY1992	<a href="#">Chapter 138 of the Acts of 1991</a>
FY1993	<a href="#">Chapter 133 of the Acts of 1992</a>
FY1994	<a href="#">Chapter 110 of the Acts of 1993</a>
FY1995	<a href="#">Chapter 60 of the Acts of 1994</a>
FY1996	<a href="#">Chapter 38 of the Acts of 1995</a>
FY1997	<a href="#">Chapter 151 of the Acts of 1996</a>
FY1998	<a href="#">Chapter 43 of the Acts of 1997</a>
FY1999	<a href="#">Chapter 194 of the Acts of 1998</a>
FY2000	<a href="#">Chapter 127 of the Acts of 1999</a>
FY2001	<a href="#">Chapter 159 of the Acts of 2000</a>
FY2002	<a href="#">Chapter 177 of the Acts of 2001</a>
FY2003	<a href="#">Chapter 184 of the Acts of 2002</a>
FY2004	<a href="#">Chapter 26 of the Acts of 2003</a>
FY2005	<a href="#">Chapter 149 of the Acts of 2004</a>
FY2006	<a href="#">Chapter 45 of the Acts of 2005</a>
FY2007	<a href="#">Chapter 139 of the Acts of 2006</a>
FY2008	<a href="#">Chapter 61 of the Acts of 2007</a>
FY2009	<a href="#">Chapter 182 of the Acts of 2008</a>
FY2010	<a href="#">Chapter 27 of the Acts of 2009</a>
FY2011	<a href="#">Chapter 131 of the Acts of 2010</a>
FY2012	<a href="#">Chapter 68 of the Acts of 2011</a>
FY2013	<a href="#">Chapter 139 of the Acts of 2012</a>
FY2014	<a href="#">Chapter 38 of the Acts of 2013</a>
FY2015	<a href="#">Chapter 165 of the Acts of 2014</a>
FY2016	<a href="#">Chapter 46 of the Acts of 2015</a>
FY2017	<a href="#">Chapter 133 of the Acts of 2016</a>
FY2018	<a href="#">Chapter 47 of the Acts of 2017</a>
FY2019	<a href="#">Chapter 154 of the Acts of 2018</a>
FY2020	<a href="#">Chapter 41 of the Acts of 2019</a>
FY2021	<a href="#">Chapter 227 of the Acts of 2020</a>
FY2022	<a href="#">Chapter 24 of the Acts of 2021</a>