



MA Opioid-Related EMS Incidents 2013-June 2017

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Enhancement of Opioid Overdose Surveillance

MATRIS, the Massachusetts Ambulance Trip Reporting Information System, is a statewide database for collecting emergency medical service (EMS) data from licensed ambulance services. It was not specifically designed to track opioid overdose incidents. DPH is currently working with all EMS providers to improve the quality and completeness of these data especially with respect to opioid overdose incidents. To more accurately identify ambulance trips that are opioid-related, several pieces of information from MATRIS are combined such as: a notation that a trip was listed as a poisoning, that there was an administration of naloxone, or that the patient admitted to drug use. In combination, this information allows DPH to more accurately count opioid overdose incidents. Data for Boston came from applying this algorithm to events identified by Boston EMS as "Narcotic Related Incidents" (NRI). Not all ambulance services have reported their most recent data at the time this report was generated, and therefore the numbers cited here may be underestimates. Counts will be updated on a quarterly basis. Beginning with the August 2017 report, incidents are only among people ages 11 and above.

DPH has revised the methodology for identifying EMS incidents involving naloxone administration. The new methodology allows the capture of additional EMS incidents involving naloxone administration that were not previously counted. The EMS naloxone statistics are depicted in the new Figure 2, which shows the total number of all EMS incidents involving naloxone administration.

Results

Since 2013, there has been an increasing trend in the percentage of EMS incidents that are considered opioid-related and the number of all EMS incidents involving naloxone administration. In the first six months of 2017, the greatest number of suspected opioid-related overdoses treated by EMS is among males aged 25-34, accounting for 27% of opioid-related overdose incidents with a known age and gender.

All Suspected Opioid Related Incidents: 2017 (Quarter 1)								
	11-14	15-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+	Total
Male	<7	311	1228	604	396	245	107	2891
Female	<7	206	550	277	205	143	74	1455
Total	<7	517	1778	881	601	388	181	4346

All Suspected Opioid Related Incidents: 2017 (Quarter 2)								
	11-14	15-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+	Total
Male	0	353	1295	796	534	292	82	3352
Female	0	210	664	380	242	145	71	1712
Total	0	563	1959	1176	776	437	153	5064

Figure 1: Percent of Opioid-Related Overdoses Among All EMS Incidents, MA: 2013-Q2 2017

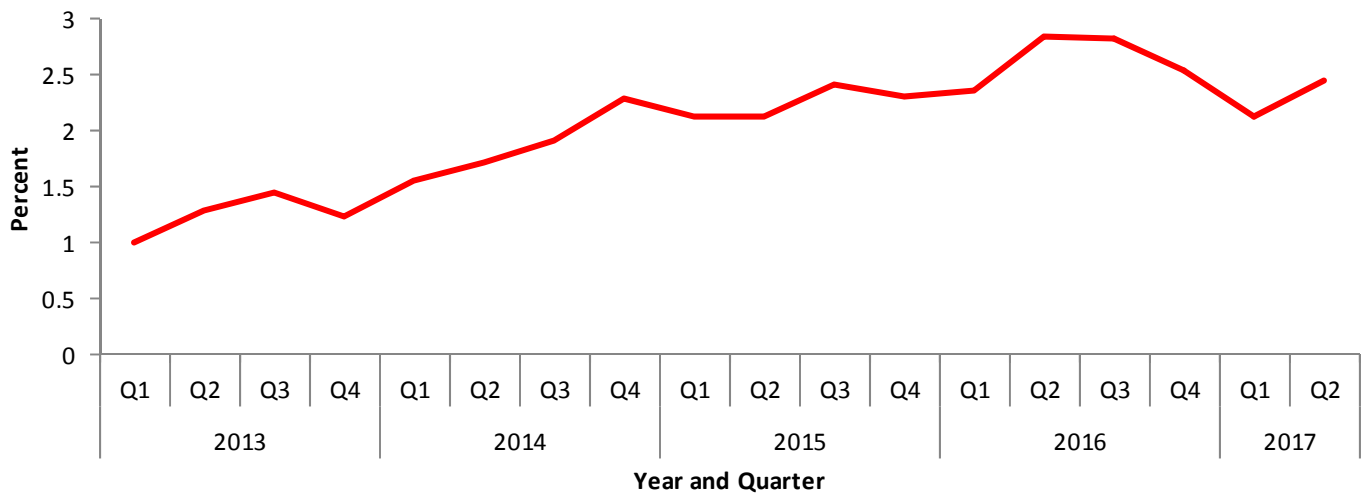
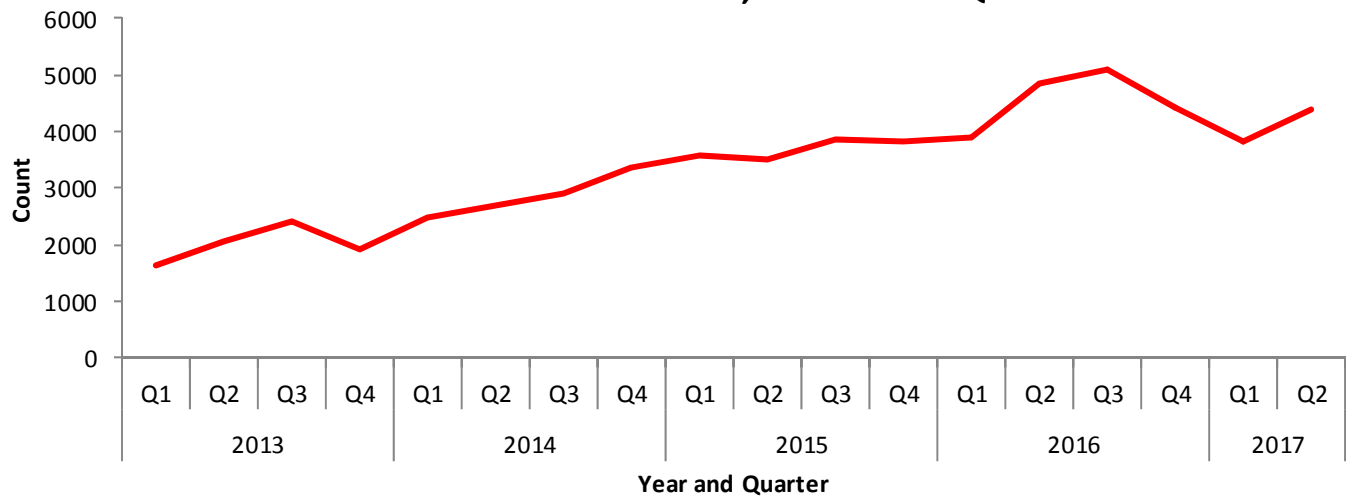


Figure 2: Count of All EMS Incidents Involving Naloxone Administration, MA: 2013-Q2 2017



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	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Total	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Total	Q1	Q2
Abington	<7	<7	<7	†	<7	11	8	12	9	40	14	7
Acton	9	<7	7	<7	24	<7	<7	<7	<7	19	<7	7
Acushnet	<7	<7	<7	†	<7	†	<7	<7	<7	12	7	7
Adams	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	<7	<7
Agawam	<7	<7	<7	21	28	18	8	16	13	55	9	10
Alford	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†
Amesbury	<7	13	<7	8	32	15	24	13	16	68	11	14
Amherst	<7	<7	<7	7	17	8	<7	<7	<7	20	8	<7
Andover	<7	13	<7	<7	28	<7	<7	10	12	30	7	10
Aquinnah	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†
Arlington	15	16	32	21	84	15	16	15	8	54	9	14
Ashburnham	†	†	†	†	†	<7	<7	<7	†	9	<7	<7
Ashby	†	†	<7	<7	<7	<7	†	<7	<7	8	†	<7
Ashfield	†	†	†	<7	<7	†	†	†	<7	<7	†	†
Ashland	<7	<7	<7	<7	10	<7	*	7	8	25	<7	9
Athol	<7	*	9	14	36	<7	*	9	16	38	<7	15
Attleboro	27	21	30	19	97	22	39	38	40	139	36	31
Auburn	<7	†	<7	8	13	<7	<7	11	8	27	<7	11
Avon	<7	<7	<7	<7	14	<7	<7	<7	<7	19	<7	<7
Ayer	†	<7	<7	†	<7	<7	<7	<7	<7	17	<7	<7
Barnstable	94	55	63	51	263	45	54	61	58	218	61	46
Barre	<7	<7	<7	<7	8	<7	<7	<7	<7	8	<7	<7
Becket	†	<7	†	†	<7	†	<7	†	†	<7	<7	<7
Bedford	<7	<7	<7	<7	14	<7	8	9	<7	28	<7	8
Belchertown	<7	†	†	<7	<7	<7	†	†	<7	<7	<7	†
Bellingham	*	<7	8	7	26	7	11	11	13	42	11	14
Belmont	<7	7	<7	<7	18	10	11	*	<7	33	<7	<7
Berkley	<7	†	<7	<7	<7	<7	<7	<7	<7	11	<7	<7
Berlin	<7	†	<7	<7	<7	<7	†	†	<7	<7	<7	†
Bernardston	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†
Beverly	21	27	33	22	103	24	31	24	31	110	25	34
Billerica	<7	10	*	†	21	19	12	29	12	72	20	15
Blackstone	†	<7	<7	<7	8	<7	<7	<7	<7	7	<7	9
Blandford	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†
Bolton	<7	<7	†	<7	<7	<7	<7	<7	<7	7	†	†

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Boston	496	477	519	480	1972	323	517	526	328	1694	347	498
Bourne	<7	<7	21	18	46	18	28	31	12	89	17	29
Boxborough	†	†	<7	†	<7	<7	<7	<7	<7	17	†	<7
Boxford	<7	<7	<7	<7	<7	†	<7	<7	<7	7	<7	<7
Boylston	†	†	<7	<7	<7	†	<7	<7	<7	8	†	†
Braintree	26	15	19	27	87	23	32	26	41	122	23	34
Brewster	7	†	<7	<7	15	<7	<7	†	<7	<7	†	<7
Bridgewater	<7	<7	<7	<7	7	<7	<7	†	<7	9	<7	<7
Brimfield	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†
Brockton	225	187	91	180	683	189	261	245	169	864	173	154
Brookfield	<7	<7	†	<7	<7	†	<7	†	<7	<7	<7	<7
Brookline	9	*	<7	7	29	9	*	<7	10	31	12	18
Buckland	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†
Burlington	10	<7	<7	7	23	<7	<7	14	12	35	9	13
Cambridge	55	71	78	72	276	90	154	120	93	457	76	88
Canton	<7	<7	<7	<7	11	<7	13	*	10	34	<7	7
Carlisle	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†
Carver	<7	<7	<7	8	23	13	12	14	13	52	11	12
Charlemont	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†
Charlton	†	†	†	†	†	<7	†	†	<7	<7	<7	<7
Chatham	<7	<7	<7	<7	13	<7	<7	<7	<7	7	<7	<7
Chelmsford	7	11	20	9	47	19	17	11	10	57	19	12
Chelsea	34	71	87	71	263	56	70	81	41	248	48	81
Cheshire	†	†	†	<7	<7	<7	†	<7	<7	<7	<7	<7
Chester	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†
Chesterfield	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†
Chicopee	36	69	48	80	233	78	58	45	54	235	44	54
Chilmark	†	†	<7	†	<7	<7	†	<7	†	<7	†	†
Clarksburg	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†
Clinton	10	11	11	9	41	<7	13	*	28	54	<7	11
Cohasset	<7	†	†	†	<7	†	†	<7	<7	<7	†	<7
Colrain	†	<7	†	†	<7	†	†	†	†	†	†	†
Concord	<7	<7	<7	<7	17	<7	7	<7	<7	18	<7	<7
Conway	†	†	†	†	†	<7	†	†	†	<7	†	†
Cummington	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†
Dalton	<7	<7	†	<7	8	<7	<7	<7	<7	12	<7	†

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Danvers	40	20	43	34	137	31	45	39	22	137	28	41
Dartmouth	13	21	16	20	70	18	24	25	24	91	19	25
Dedham	15	12	<7	<7	37	13	26	*	<7	57	16	15
Deerfield	<7	<7	<7	†	<7	<7	<7	†	†	<7	†	<7
Dennis	13	<7	8	<7	33	<7	<7	9	*	18	11	12
Dighton	<7	<7	<7	<7	9	<7	<7	†	†	7	<7	<7
Douglas	<7	†	<7	†	<7	<7	<7	†	†	<7	†	†
Dover	†	<7	†	†	<7	†	†	†	†	†	†	†
Dracut	12	15	16	22	65	15	10	22	14	61	11	16
Dudley	†	10	<7	<7	13	†	<7	8	*	18	<7	7
Dunstable	†	†	<7	†	<7	†	†	<7	†	<7	<7	†
Duxbury	<7	<7	<7	<7	12	<7	<7	<7	<7	19	<7	<7
East Bridgewater	20	<7	*	11	43	<7	15	9	*	37	<7	<7
East Brookfield	†	<7	†	<7	<7	†	†	†	<7	<7	†	†
East Longmeadow	<7	<7	<7	8	19	<7	8	<7	9	23	7	<7
Eastham	<7	<7	<7	†	<7	<7	<7	<7	<7	9	<7	<7
Easthampton	<7	<7	<7	†	<7	†	†	<7	†	<7	†	†
Easton	7	†	<7	<7	13	<7	<7	<7	†	9	<7	<7
Edgartown	†	<7	†	<7	<7	<7	<7	<7	<7	7	<7	<7
Egremont	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	<7	†	<7	†	†
Erving	<7	†	†	<7	<7	†	†	†	<7	<7	<7	†
Essex	<7	†	<7	†	<7	<7	<7	†	<7	<7	<7	<7
Everett	37	27	36	29	129	34	56	48	38	176	38	44
Fairhaven	13	20	23	16	72	25	24	19	15	83	11	13
Fall River	20	66	155	185	426	151	155	297	227	830	194	165
Falmouth	32	33	18	13	96	23	56	46	45	170	40	48
Fitchburg	43	47	55	65	210	71	80	90	65	306	53	48
Florida	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†
Foxborough	<7	†	<7	†	7	<7	<7	12	16	34	11	7
Framingham	43	57	42	36	178	29	61	66	55	211	43	34
Franklin	*	<7	13	12	37	<7	17	16	<7	44	16	15
Freetown	<7	<7	9	<7	19	<7	<7	7	7	23	<7	<7
Gardner	18	19	25	22	84	14	29	24	12	79	20	13
Georgetown	<7	<7	<7	<7	15	<7	<7	<7	<7	10	<7	<7
Gill	†	†	†	†	†	<7	<7	†	<7	<7	†	†

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Gloucester	26	22	31	23	102	39	30	29	14	112	16	25
Goshen	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	<7	†	<7	†	†
Gosnold	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†
Grafton	<7	9	7	<7	22	<7	<7	<7	<7	16	<7	7
Granby	<7	<7	<7	<7	10	<7	<7	<7	<7	9	<7	†
Granville	†	<7	<7	†	<7	<7	†	†	†	<7	†	†
Great Barrington	<7	†	†	<7	<7	<7	<7	<7	<7	12	<7	<7
Greenfield	<7	8	<7	13	32	10	7	21	9	47	10	15
Groton	†	†	†	†	†	<7	†	†	<7	<7	†	<7
Groveland	†	†	<7	†	<7	<7	<7	<7	<7	<7	<7	<7
Hadley	<7	<7	<7	7	12	7	<7	<7	<7	19	<7	<7
Halifax	16	9	*	<7	36	10	22	<7	*	45	<7	<7
Hamilton	†	<7	<7	<7	<7	<7	<7	†	†	<7	<7	<7
Hampden	<7	<7	†	†	<7	†	<7	†	<7	<7	<7	<7
Hancock	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	<7
Hanover	8	<7	<7	<7	19	<7	<7	<7	<7	18	<7	<7
Hanson	14	14	9	8	45	7	<7	9	<7	27	<7	8
Hardwick	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†
Harvard	†	<7	†	†	<7	<7	†	†	†	<7	<7	†
Harwich	10	<7	*	8	28	<7	7	7	<7	20	9	<7
Hatfield	<7	†	<7	†	<7	†	†	†	<7	<7	†	<7
Haverhill	72	78	89	100	339	91	89	77	104	361	87	82
Hawley	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†
Heath	†	<7	†	<7	<7	†	†	†	†	†	<7	†
Hingham	<7	<7	<7	<7	11	<7	<7	<7	13	23	<7	<7
Hinsdale	†	†	†	†	†	†	<7	†	†	<7	†	†
Holbrook	10	<7	12	<7	32	16	17	21	18	72	17	20
Holden	<7	<7	<7	<7	13	<7	<7	<7	<7	14	<7	<7
Holland	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†
Holliston	†	†	<7	<7	<7	†	†	†	†	†	<7	<7
Holyoke	54	61	57	92	264	81	86	64	75	306	55	48
Hopedale	<7	<7	<7	<7	11	†	†	†	<7	<7	<7	<7
Hopkinton	<7	<7	<7	<7	12	<7	<7	7	†	15	<7	8
Hubbardston	<7	<7	†	†	<7	<7	<7	<7	†	7	<7	<7
Hudson	<7	*	18	7	37	*	10	13	<7	35	<7	<7
Hull	<7	†	<7	†	<7	11	<7	<7	†	18	<7	<7

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Huntington	†	†	†	<7	<7	†	†	†	†	†	†	†
Ipswich	<7	<7	<7	<7	12	7	<7	<7	<7	20	8	7
Kingston	10	<7	8	<7	25	<7	<7	<7	9	20	<7	<7
Lakeville	<7	†	<7	<7	9	<7	<7	27	11	47	17	10
Lancaster	<7	<7	<7	<7	7	<7	<7	<7	<7	7	†	<7
Lanesborough	<7	†	†	†	<7	†	†	†	<7	<7	†	<7
Lawrence	133	86	109	94	422	192	96	163	171	622	142	177
Lee	†	<7	<7	†	<7	<7	<7	<7	<7	7	<7	<7
Leicester	<7	8	<7	<7	21	<7	<7	<7	10	25	10	<7
Lenox	<7	†	<7	<7	<7	†	<7	<7	<7	<7	<7	<7
Leominster	23	41	59	39	162	49	66	111	62	288	65	53
Leverett	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	<7	†
Lexington	<7	8	<7	<7	18	<7	<7	8	<7	16	<7	<7
Leyden	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†
Lincoln	†	†	†	†	†	<7	†	<7	†	<7	†	<7
Littleton	†	<7	<7	<7	<7	<7	<7	<7	<7	15	<7	<7
Longmeadow	<7	<7	<7	<7	15	<7	<7	<7	<7	13	<7	<7
Lowell	124	153	184	150	611	191	186	214	236	827	268	307
Ludlow	9	7	12	21	49	*	13	<7	13	43	10	<7
Lunenburg	<7	8	13	<7	29	<7	<7	9	<7	22	<7	†
Lynn	53	90	63	73	279	92	108	132	114	446	111	141
Lynnfield	<7	<7	<7	<7	14	<7	<7	<7	<7	9	<7	<7
Malden	22	83	50	33	188	36	56	61	39	192	29	54
Manchester	†	<7	<7	<7	<7	†	<7	<7	†	<7	<7	<7
Mansfield	<7	<7	<7	†	<7	<7	9	10	<7	28	7	9
Marblehead	<7	<7	<7	<7	13	<7	*	14	8	35	8	<7
Marion	<7	<7	<7	<7	9	<7	<7	<7	<7	<7	<7	<7
Marlborough	12	17	14	10	53	21	13	19	12	65	<7	9
Marshfield	<7	<7	10	8	29	9	16	12	7	44	8	†
Mashpee	13	10	*	<7	36	<7	12	17	*	42	16	8
Mattapoisett	<7	<7	<7	<7	12	<7	7	<7	<7	13	<7	<7
Maynard	7	<7	<7	<7	14	<7	<7	<7	<7	12	9	9
Medfield	†	<7	<7	†	<7	<7	<7	<7	<7	8	<7	<7
Medford	25	28	39	30	122	40	42	34	21	137	14	24
Medway	<7	†	<7	<7	8	<7	<7	<7	8	19	7	8
Melrose	7	<7	13	<7	29	16	17	17	9	59	7	<7

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Mendon	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	<7	<7	<7	<7
Merrimac	<7	<7	<7	<7	14	<7	†	<7	<7	<7	<7	<7
Methuen	68	25	29	50	172	44	51	61	47	203	23	31
Middleborough	22	<7	*	11	48	*	20	<7	†	35	<7	<7
Middlefield	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	<7	†	<7	†	<7
Middleton	<7	<7	<7	<7	<7	<7	<7	<7	†	12	<7	<7
Milford	<7	<7	13	11	35	<7	14	22	*	54	13	23
Millbury	12	9	14	10	45	7	19	17	9	52	8	11
Millis	†	†	<7	†	<7	<7	<7	<7	8	18	<7	<7
Millville	<7	<7	†	<7	<7	<7	<7	†	<7	7	<7	†
Milton	<7	7	12	<7	29	7	12	9	8	36	10	9
Monroe	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†
Monson	<7	<7	<7	7	11	<7	<7	<7	<7	12	<7	<7
Montague	<7	<7	<7	<7	15	*	10	7	<7	28	<7	<7
Monterey	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†
Montgomery	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†
Mount Washington	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†
Nahant	<7	<7	†	<7	7	<7	<7	†	<7	<7	†	<7
Nantucket	<7	<7	†	<7	11	<7	<7	9	<7	18	<7	<7
Natick	<7	<7	9	9	29	<7	9	*	10	33	7	<7
Needham	<7	<7	†	†	8	<7	<7	<7	<7	15	<7	†
New Ashford	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†		†	†	†
New Bedford	151	174	211	146	682	116	152	218	214	700	118	196
New Braintree	†	<7	†	†	<7	†	†	†	<7	<7	†	<7
New Marlborough	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	<7
New Salem	†	†	†	<7	<7	†	†	†	†	†	†	<7
Newbury	<7	<7	†	†	<7	<7	†	†	†	<7	†	†
Newburyport	<7	<7	<7	<7	17	<7	9	<7	11	24	<7	<7
Newton	<7	20	*	9	43	11	12	15	16	54	16	15
Norfolk	<7	†	<7	<7	7	7	<7	<7	<7	17	<7	<7
North Adams	<7	*	8	13	31	11	27	20	14	72	9	8
North Andover	10	14	10	7	41	12	11	18	13	54	15	11
North Attleboro	11	15	8	15	49	13	21	18	16	68	11	24
North Brookfield	†	†	<7	<7	<7	†	†	<7	<7	<7	†	†

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North Reading	<7	8	<7	<7	15	<7	<7	9	<7	21	<7	9
Northampton	<7	7	19	<7	31	25	*	<7	21	68	26	19
Northborough	<7	†	<7	<7	<7	<7	<7	9	<7	22	<7	<7
Northbridge	<7	7	<7	<7	22	<7	7	7	<7	22	<7	<7
Northfield	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†
Norton	<7	†	†	†	<7	†	*	<7	11	26	7	<7
Norwell	<7	*	10	†	22	<7	7	<7	<7	19	<7	<7
Norwood	<7	<7	<7	<7	7	<7	†	<7	11	18	13	13
Oak Bluffs	<7	<7	<7	<7	15	<7	<7	<7	<7	14	<7	†
Oakham	†	†	†	†	†	†	<7	<7	†	<7	<7	†
Orange	†	†	<7	<7	<7	<7	<7	<7	7	11	8	<7
Orleans	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†
Otis	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†
Oxford	9	<7	13	*	34	<7	10	23	<7	41	10	8
Palmer	<7	<7	<7	<7	14	†	<7	†	<7	<7	†	<7
Paxton	<7	†	<7	†	<7	<7	<7	<7	<7	<7	<7	<7
Peabody	37	27	30	27	121	34	43	41	42	160	33	35
Pelham	†	†	<7	†	<7	†	†	†	†	†	†	†
Pembroke	<7	13	12	*	36	8	9	8	17	42	13	8
Pepperell	<7	<7	9	<7	23	<7	<7	9	<7	20	<7	†
Peru	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†
Petersham	†	<7	†	†	<7	†	<7	†	<7	<7	†	†
Phillipston	†	<7	†	†	<7	†	†	<7	†	<7	†	†
Pittsfield	28	24	38	56	146	39	40	31	39	149	33	27
Plainfield	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	<7
Plainville	<7	<7	<7	<7	21	<7	<7	<7	11	23	7	<7
Plymouth	57	46	35	47	185	38	60	45	39	182	49	58
Plympton	<7	<7	<7	†	<7	†	<7	<7	<7	<7	<7	<7
Princeton	†	†	†	<7	<7	†	†	†	†	†	†	<7
Provincetown	†	7	*	<7	15	<7	<7	<7	<7	10	<7	<7
Quincy	86	88	41	86	301	56	123	121	117	417	86	87
Randolph	<7	<7	19	7	34	30	30	16	24	100	19	13
Raynham	*	<7	18	7	38	<7	<7	7	13	32	<7	9
Reading	<7	<7	<7	<7	15	<7	<7	7	7	26	<7	<7
Rehoboth	†	†	†	<7	<7	†	†	†	†	†	<7	<7
Revere	44	61	75	59	239	50	80	85	72	287	50	66

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Richmond	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†
Rochester	†	<7	†	†	<7	<7	<7	<7	<7	8	<7	†
Rockland	12	7	18	12	49	41	27	23	22	113	17	19
Rockport	<7	†	<7	†	7	†	†	<7	<7	<7	<7	<7
Rowe	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†
Rowley	†	<7	†	<7	<7	<7	<7	<7	<7	8	†	<7
Royalston	†	<7	<7	<7	<7	<7	<7	<7	†	<7	<7	†
Russell	†	<7	<7	†	<7	†	†	†	<7	<7	†	<7
Rutland	†	<7	<7	†	<7	†	<7	<7	<7	10	<7	<7
Salem	35	59	38	33	165	45	58	78	58	239	53	54
Salisbury	16	16	10	12	54	23	32	32	15	102	17	23
Sandisfield	†	†	†	†	†	†	<7	†	†	<7	<7	†
Sandwich	†	†	<7	†	<7	†	†	*	<7	8	<7	†
Saugus	29	24	26	16	95	25	37	38	27	127	24	31
Savoy	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†
Scituate	<7	<7	7	<7	20	<7	<7	9	<7	21	<7	<7
Seekonk	<7	<7	7	26	42	8	*	10	<7	30	<7	9
Sharon	†	†	†	†	†	†	<7	7	<7	11	<7	<7
Sheffield	†	†	<7	<7	<7	†	†	<7	†	<7	†	<7
Shelburne	†	<7	†	<7	<7	<7	†	†	<7	<7	<7	†
Sherborn	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	<7	<7	†	†
Shirley	<7	<7	<7	<7	9	<7	<7	7	†	11	<7	<7
Shrewsbury	12	8	12	18	50	10	19	11	11	51	7	16
Shutesbury	<7	†	†	†	<7	†	†	<7	†	<7	†	†
Somerset	<7	8	10	<7	29	13	17	10	9	49	8	10
Somerville	17	42	38	44	141	38	52	54	49	193	25	35
South Hadley	<7	†	†	<7	<7	†	<7	†	†	<7	†	†
Southampton	†	<7	<7	<7	<7	†	<7	<7	<7	<7	<7	<7
Southborough	†	†	<7	<7	<7	<7	<7	<7	<7	<7	†	†
Southbridge	13	13	10	15	51	11	26	21	36	94	8	14
Southwick	<7	<7	<7	<7	10	11	10	*	<7	33	7	<7
Spencer	<7	†	<7	<7	9	<7	<7	<7	<7	12	<7	<7
Springfield	116	160	162	264	702	209	224	184	204	821	128	189
Sterling	<7	†	<7	<7	7	<7	<7	<7	<7	12	<7	<7
Stockbridge	†	†	<7	†	<7	†	†	†	†	†	<7	†
Stoneham	15	13	11	14	53	<7	23	*	12	52	9	<7

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Stoughton	7	12	18	12	49	10	21	12	11	54	13	16
Stow	<7	†	<7	<7	<7	†	<7	<7	†	<7	<7	<7
Sturbridge	†	<7	<7	<7	<7	<7	11	<7	<7	25	<7	<7
Sudbury	<7	<7	<7	†	10	†	<7	†	<7	<7	<7	<7
Sunderland	<7	†	†	<7	<7	<7	<7	†	<7	<7	†	<7
Sutton	<7	<7	<7	<7	11	<7	<7	<7	<7	12	<7	<7
Swampscott	<7	<7	<7	<7	10	<7	9	<7	<7	24	<7	<7
Swansea	<7	†	<7	<7	9	8	13	13	15	49	10	<7
Taunton	77	77	83	77	314	75	116	72	54	317	37	69
Templeton	<7	10	<7	<7	21	<7	<7	<7	<7	13	<7	<7
Tewksbury	†	<7	*	13	23	12	23	21	24	80	38	40
Tisbury	<7	<7	†	<7	<7	†	<7	†	<7	<7	<7	<7
Tolland	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†
Topsfield	<7	<7	<7	<7	9	†	†	<7	†	<7	<7	<7
Townsend	7	<7	<7	<7	16	<7	<7	<7	<7	15	<7	<7
Truro	<7	†	†	†	<7	†	<7	†	†	<7	†	†
Tyngsborough	†	<7	†	<7	<7	<7	<7	<7	7	19	<7	<7
Tyringham	†	†	†	<7	<7	†	†	†	†	†	†	†
Upton	†	<7	<7	†	<7	<7	<7	<7	<7	<7	†	<7
Uxbridge	<7	9	10	<7	30	9	<7	11	<7	29	<7	<7
Wakefield	13	<7	*	10	38	10	11	16	16	53	9	15
Wales	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†
Walpole	13	<7	<7	9	32	<7	9	*	13	35	10	9
Waltham	26	40	25	32	123	37	36	40	29	142	21	32
Ware	†	<7	†	†	<7	†	†	†	†	†	†	<7
Wareham	30	33	41	22	126	28	33	41	32	134	39	34
Warren	<7	†	<7	<7	<7	<7	<7	†	<7	7	<7	<7
Warwick	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	<7
Washington	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†
Watertown	23	22	15	8	68	28	23	7	22	80	<7	11
Wayland	†	†	<7	<7	<7	†	<7	<7	<7	<7	<7	<7
Webster	20	<7	13	*	48	16	13	20	21	70	13	18
Wellesley	<7	<7	<7	<7	13	<7	<7	<7	<7	12	<7	<7
Wellfleet	†	<7	<7	<7	<7	<7	<7	<7	<7	9	†	<7
Wendell	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†
Wenham	†	†	†	<7	<7	<7	<7	†	†	<7	<7	†

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West Boylston	<7	<7	<7	<7	11	<7	<7	<7	<7	12	<7	<7
West Bridgewater	<7	<7	<7	<7	13	8	<7	<7	†	16	<7	<7
West Brookfield	†	<7	†	†	<7	†	†	†	†	†	<7	<7
West Newbury	<7	†	†	†	<7	<7	<7	†	<7	<7	†	†
West Springfield	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†
West Stockbridge	<7	†	†	†	<7	†	†	†	†	†	<7	†
West Tisbury	<7	†	<7	†	<7	<7	<7	†	†	<7	†	<7
Westborough	10	<7	<7	9	29	<7	13	13	*	43	7	13
Westfield	10	13	11	33	67	28	16	15	22	81	11	13
Westford	†	†	<7	<7	<7	8	<7	<7	<7	21	<7	10
Westhampton	†	<7	<7	9	16	*	7	<7	7	27	<7	<7
Westminster	<7	<7	<7	†	7	<7	<7	†	<7	7	<7	<7
Weston	<7	<7	<7	†	<7	<7	<7	†	<7	<7	9	<7
Westport	<7	<7	<7	<7	7	<7	9	<7	10	27	7	8
Westwood	<7	<7	†	†	<7	<7	<7	<7	<7	14	<7	<7
Weymouth	57	50	50	17	174	35	61	80	37	213	50	57
Whately	†	<7	†	†	<7	†	†	†	†	†	<7	<7
Whitman	†	<7	9	<7	14	7	7	9	18	41	9	<7
Wilbraham	<7	<7	<7	<7	14	<7	8	<7	<7	18	<7	<7
Williamsburg	†	†	†	†	†	†	<7	†	†	<7	<7	<7
Williamstown	<7	<7	<7	<7	10	<7	<7	<7	<7	9	†	<7
Wilmington	*	14	14	<7	41	11	*	9	<7	32	<7	9
Winchendon	<7	†	<7	<7	<7	<7	<7	<7	<7	15	†	<7
Winchester	†	<7	<7	<7	<7	<7	<7	<7	9	20	<7	†
Windsor	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	<7	<7	†	†
Winthrop	<7	7	<7	10	29	12	18	21	7	58	<7	8
Woburn	32	23	14	22	91	41	38	30	26	135	40	32
Worcester	304	289	457	358	1408	330	396	478	409	1613	265	340
Worthington	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†
Wrentham	<7	†	<7	<7	<7	*	12	12	<7	36	<7	<7
Yarmouth	34	21	11	21	87	15	30	20	26	91	16	27
Unknown	117	94	111	68	390	58	112	106	69	345	55	50
Grand Total	4044	4183	4650	4471	17348	4559	5711	5984	5137	21391	4393	5118

*Complementary suppression of the next smallest count was applied if only one count was < 7

Technical Notes

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