

## Boston at a Glance - 2018

### POPULATION

#### Population Count - 1YR ACS 2016

Total population	672,840
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#### Gender Distribution - 5YR ACS 2012-2016

Total population	658,279	
Male	316,009	48.0%
Female	342,270	52.0%

#### Age Distribution - 5YR ACS 2012-2016

Total population	658,279	
0 to 4 years	34,914	5.3%
5 to 14 years	56,238	8.5%
15 to 19 years	48,355	7.3%
20 to 34 years	227,753	34.6%
35 to 44 years	82,145	12.5%
45 to 54 years	73,537	11.2%
55 to 59 years	34,643	5.3%
60 to 64 years	30,416	4.6%
65 and over	70,278	10.7%

#### Race & Ethnicity -5YR ACS 2012-2016

Total population	658,279	
White only	298,378	45.3%
Black or African American only	150,037	22.8%
American Indian and Alaska Native only	1,283	0.2%
Asian only	60,985	9.3%
Native Hawaiian/ Pacific Islander only	97	0.0%
Hispanic only*	125,087	19.0%
Other race	6,898	1.0%
Two or more races	15,514	2.4%

#### Nativity - 5YR ACS 2012-2016

Total population	658,279	
Native	476,627	72.4%
Foreign Born	181,652	
U.S. citizen by naturalization	86,259	13.1%
Not a U.S. citizen	95,393	14.5%

#### Sources:

Boston Public Schools, Boston Public Schools at Glance 2016-2017, BPDA Research Division Analysis

University Accountability Ordinance data, excluding MIT

U.S Census Bureau, 2016 1-Year Estimate and 2012-2016 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates, BPDA Research Division Analysis

### Marital Status - 5YR ACS 2012-2016

Total population (15 years and over)	567,127	
Never married	319,310	56.3%
Married	181,004	31.9%
Divorced or widowed	66,813	11.8%

### Top 5 Languages Other than English Spoken at Home - 1YR ACS 2016

Spanish or Spanish Creole	108,957
Haitian	28,055
Chinese	28,584
Portuguese or Cape Verdean Creole	12,358
Vietnamese	10,560

### English Proficiency - 5YR ACS 2012-2016

Total population (5 years and over)	623,365	
Speak only English at home	391,911	62.9%
Speak another language at home	231,454	
Speak English very well	124,866	20.0%
Speak English less than very well	106,588	17.1%

### EDUCATION

#### Educational Attainment - 5YR ACS 2012-2016

Total population (25 years and over)	444,255	
Less than high school	63,528	14.3%
High school graduate	94,626	21.3%
Some college or Associate's degree	79,966	18.0%
Bachelor's degree or higher	206,134	46.4%

#### Boston Public School Enrollment - BPS 2016-2017

Total students enrolled	55,843	
Pre-kindergarten to grade 5	28,013	50.2%
Middle School: grade 6 to grade 8	10,668	19.1%
High School: grade 9 to grade 12	17,162	30.7%

#### College & University Enrollment - DND 2016-2017

Total students enrolled in Boston institutions	138,180	
Undergraduate programs	87,752	63.5%
Graduate programs	50,428	36.5%

\*Hispanics can be of any race, but are reported separately in this analysis.

## Boston at a Glance - 2018

### HOUSING

#### Housing Units - 5YR ACS 2012-2016

Total housing units	281,417	
Occupied	259,324	
Owner occupied	89,882	31.9%
Renter occupied	169,442	60.2%
Vacant	22,093	7.9%

#### Household Type - 5YR ACS 2012-2016

Total households	259,324	
Family Households**	124,198	47.9%
Nonfamily Households	135,126	52.1%

#### Household Size - 5YR ACS 2012-2016

Total occupied housing units	259,324	
1-person household	96,103	37.1%
2-person household	82,009	31.6%
3-person household	37,992	14.7%
4-or-more person household	43,220	16.7%

#### Migration (Domestic/International) - 5YR ACS 2012-2016

Total population (1 year and over)	651,218	
Same residence (non-movers)	516,416	79.3%
Moved within Suffolk County	67,075	10.3%
Moved from different county within MA	27,351	4.2%
Moved from different state	27,351	4.2%
Moved from abroad	13,024	2.0%

#### BPDA Board Approved Projects 2017 - BPDA \*\*\*

Number of projects	74
Number of residential units	5,780
Total square feet	10.3 million

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### INCOME & POVERTY LEVEL

#### Income (In 2016 inflation-adjusted dollars)\*\*\* - 5YR ACS 2012-2016

Per capita income	\$37,288
Median household income	\$58,516
Median family income	\$65,238
Median non-family income	\$49,835

#### Population Below Poverty Level - 5YR ACS 2012-2016

Poverty rate	21.1%
Child poverty rate (under 18 years old)	29.5%

### LABOR FORCE

#### Labor Force Participation - 5YR ACS 2012-2016

Boston's Resident Labor Force	385,571	
Men in labor force	191,481	49.7%
Women in labor force	194,090	50.3%
Labor Force Participation Rate of Residents 16+		68.7%
Participation Rate for Men 16+		71.7%
Participation Rate for Women 16+		66.0%

#### Transportation Means to Work - 5YR ACS 2012-2016

Workers 16 years and over	347,608	
Car, truck or van	155,960	44.9%
Public transit	116,723	33.6%
Walked / Bicycle	58,657	16.9%
Other, or work at home	16,268	4.7%

#### Travel Time to Work - 5YR ACS 2012-2016

Workers 16 years and over, except work at home	335,949	
0-29 minutes	161,855	48.2%
30-59 minutes	134,917	40.2%
60+ minutes	39,177	11.7%

\*\*A family consists of a householder and one or more other people living in the same household who are related to the householder by birth, adoption, or marriage.

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