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EASTHAMPTON

Located below the rugged Mount Tom Range, Easthampton is a residential and manufacturing community whose population has remained stable since 2000. Easthampton has a growing arts community, and maintains a New England village character. The town's Central Business District remains an architecturally attractive and historically significant feature of the community.

Settled around 1664, incorporated as a town in 1785, and changed to a city form of governance in 1996, Easthampton was an agrarian village until the mid-1800s when manufacturing became a major force in the local economy. Innovations in the manufacture of cloth-covered buttons and the use of vulcanized rubber in woven goods catapulted Easthampton into a leading industrial center. By the 1900s, there were numerous factories producing yarn, thread, buttons, and elastic. Easthampton today has thirty-two manufacturing firms which create 19.3 percent of the jobs in Easthampton. Projects such as Eastworks, Mill 180, Paragon, The Brickyard, One Cottage Street, and 15 Cottage Street all reuse existing mill space for new businesses and private residences.

Easthampton offers numerous opportunities for education and recreation. Nonotuck Park is a beautiful regional recreation area containing 190 acres for active and passive activities. The Massachusetts Audubon Society manages the Arcadia Wildlife Sanctuary which provides educational programs for adults and children. Easthampton is also home to the Williston Northampton School, a private secondary college prep school which recently received a blue ribbon educational award, ranking it one of the top private schools in the country.

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Profiles covering all forty-three communities in the Pioneer Valley Region and a range of other topics are available. The Pioneer Valley Planning Commission Regional Information Center provides demographic, economic, and geographic data and services including mapping, research, and analysis to its constituent communities and to the public. Contact the Information Center for additional information.

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Type of Government:

Mayor, 9 City Councilors

Transit System:

Public Carrier Pioneer Valley Transit Authority

Private Carrier Peter Pan

Para-Transit Carrier Council on Aging, PVTA

MUNICIPAL OFFICE

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LAND AREA and TAX BASE

Acres	8,674
Square Miles	14
2012	
Vehicle Registrations <i>(autos and light trucks)</i>	15,602
2015	
Property Tax Rates	
Residential	\$15.15
Commercial/Industrial	\$15.15

POPULATION TRENDS

1970	13,012
2014	15,580
1990	15,432
2000	16,007
2010	16,053
2014	16,066
2014 Race and Latino Population	
White	91.9%
Black	0.8%
Asian	3.5%
Other	3.8%
Latino (of any race)	4.5%

Note: Race %s can be greater than 100% because of multiple race persons.

Percent of Population by Age

Age	1990	2000	2010
0 - 4	6.6	5.3	4.8
5 - 9	6.3	5.8	4.9
10 - 14	6.1	6.0	5.0
15 - 19	6.7	6.0	5.3
20 - 24	7.6	5.4	5.2
25 - 34	18.2	15.0	13.7
35 - 44	17.8	17.5	13.8
45 - 54	8.8	17.0	16.9
55 - 59	3.9	4.7	8.5
60 - 64	4.3	3.2	7.4
65 - 74	8.4	6.5	6.9
75 & over	5.4	7.6	7.5

LAND USE 2005

Total Square Miles	14
Total Road Miles	2009 89

Land Use	Acres
Residential	2,381
Commercial	141
Industrial	189
Urban Open/Public	223
Transportation	17
Outdoor Recreational	110
Agricultural Land	1,015
Undeveloped Land	4,299
Water	213

RECREATION AREAS

PARKS: Massachusetts Audubon Society's Arcadia Wildlife Sanctuary, Nashawanuck Pond, Manhan Rail Trail, Nonotuck Park and numerous neighborhood playgrounds.

GOLF COURSES: None

Data Sources: Massachusetts Department of Revenue; Massachusetts Executive Office of Labor & Workforce Development; Massachusetts Department of Education; United States Census Bureau; The Warren Group; Resource Mapping; University of Massachusetts; Applied Geographic Solutions; Local Municipal Offices

EMPLOYERS and EMPLOYMENT

2014

Industry	Number	Percent of Community Total
Agriculture, Forestry, Fisheries	20	0.4%
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	490	10.7%
Construction	327	7.1%
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	320	7.0%
Health Care and Social Assistance	619	13.5%
Information	0	0.0%
Manufacturing	710	15.4%
Services	1,517	33.0%
Transportation, Comm. & Utilities	99	2.2%
Wholesale and Retail Trade	495	10.8%
Average Weekly Wage	\$763	

Note: Above does not include self-employed, where many work in the agriculture, construction and service industries.

Self-employed (includes all business types) 670

WHERE RESIDENTS WORK 2014

24.3%	work in Easthampton
75.7%	commute out of Easthampton

HOUSING PRICES

Year	Number of Sales	Median Sales Price
2010	172	\$214,000
2011	198	\$205,068
2012	218	\$207,250
2013	222	\$221,500
2014	227	\$236,000

EDUCATION

Educational Attainment of Persons 25 Years and Older * 2013

Less than 12 years	7.9%
4 years High School	32.7%
Less than 4 years College	30.3%
4 or more years College	29.1%

*Expressed as the highest level attained.

District	Grades	Integrated Per Pupil Cost 2013
Easthampton	PK-12	\$11,821
Smith Vocational	9-12	\$17,954

RESIDENTS IN THE LABOR FORCE

Year	Labor Force	Percent Unemployed
2004	9,470	4.1%
2005	9,461	4.1%
2006	9,557	3.9%
2007	9,578	3.8%
2008	9,661	4.7%
2009	9,552	7.7%
2010	9,547	8.0%
2011	9,342	6.5%
2012	9,319	5.8%
2013	9,319	6.1%
2014	9,433	5.0%

HOUSEHOLD INCOME 2010-2014

\$0 - \$9,999	3.9%
\$10,000 - \$14,999	6.9%
\$15,000 - \$24,999	10.2%
\$25,000 - \$34,999	8.1%
\$35,000 - \$49,999	13.5%
\$50,000 - \$74,999	21.6%
\$75,000 & over	35.8%

Median Household Income: 2010-14 \$56,927

Persons Below Poverty Level: 2010-2014 8.3%