

S.No.	County	FIPS code	County seat	Established date	Area	Population	Origin
1	Barnstable County	001	Barnstable	1685	396 sq mi (1,026 km)	232,411	created in the Plymouth Colony
2	Berkshire County	003	Pittsfield	1761	931 sq mi (2,411 km)	128,657	County. Government abolished in 2000.
3	Bristol County	005	Taunton	1685	556 sq mi (1,440 km)	580,164	created in the Plymouth Colony
4	Dukes County	007	Edgartown	1695	104 sq mi (269 km)	21,097	the Elizabeth Islands, which had been part of Dukes County, New York until
5	Essex County	009	Salem, Lawrence	1643	498 sq mi (1,290 km)	807,074	created in the Massachusetts Bay Colony. Government abolished in 1999.
6	Franklin County	011	Greenfield	1811	702 sq mi (1,818 km)	71,015	County. Government abolished in 1997.
7	Hampden County	013	Springfield	1812	618 sq mi (1,601 km)	462,718	County. Government abolished in 1998.
8	Hampshire County	015	Northampton	1662	529 sq mi (1,370 km)	161,572	the western part of the Massachusetts Bay Colony. Government abolished 1999.
9	Middlesex County	017	Lowell, Cambridge	1643	824 sq mi (2,134 km)	1,614,742	created in the Massachusetts Bay Colony. Government abolished in 1997.
10	Nantucket County	019	Nantucket	1695	48 sq mi (124 km)	14,491	had been part of Dukes County, New York until Massachusetts gained it in
11	Norfolk County	021	Dedham	1793	400 sq mi (1,036 km)	724,505	From part of Suffolk County.
12	Plymouth County	023	Brockton, Plymouth	1685	661 sq mi (1,712 km)	533,003	created in the Plymouth Colony.
13	Suffolk County	025	Boston	1643	58 sq mi (150 km)	771,245	created in the Massachusetts Bay Colony. Government abolished in 1999.
14	Worcester County	027	Worcester	1731	1,513 sq mi (3,919 km)	862,029	County, Middlesex County and Suffolk County.

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