

## Plymouth County: Abington, MA

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### COMMUTE TO WORK

#### MEANS OF TRANSPORTATION TO WORK FOR WORKERS 16 YEARS AND OVER IN 2003

Drove Alone (Car, truck, or van):	6,725	83.49%	Carpooled:	590	7.32%
Public Transportation:	500	6.21%	Motorcycle:	6	0.07%
Bicycle:	12	0.15%	Walked:	106	1.32%
Other Means:	18	0.22%	Worked at Home:	98	1.22%
<b>2003 Average number of vehicles available:</b>	<b>1.8%</b>				
<b>2003 Average travel time to work in minutes:</b>	<b>32</b>				

### EDUCATION LEVELS

#### EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT FOR THE POPULATION 25 YEARS + IN 2003

Less than 9th grade:	171	1.71%	Bachelor's Degree:	1,605	16.05%
Some High School no diploma:	847	8.47%	Master's Degree:	506	5.06%
High School Graduate (includes GED):	3,587	35.87%	Doctorate Degree:	31	0.31%
Some College, no degree:	2,083	20.83%	Professional School Degree:	70	0.7%
Associate's Degree:	1,099	10.99%	<b>Bachelor's Degree or Higher:</b>	<b>2,212</b>	<b>22.12%</b>

### EMPLOYMENT (2003)

In Armed Forces:	0	0%	Civilian Employed:	8,144	70.44%
Civilian Unemployed:	197	2.36%	Not In Labor Force:	3,221	27.86%

#### INDUSTRY FOR THE EMPLOYED CIVILIAN POPULATION 16 YEARS AND OVER:

Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting, and Mining:	33	Construction:	522
Finance, Insurance, Real Estate and Rental and Leasing:	983	Wholesale Trade:	329
Transportation and Warehousing, and Utilities:	399	Retail Trade:	1,041
Information:	172	Manufacturing:	889

#### Services:

Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services:	305
Management of Companies and Enterprises:	46
Administrative and Support and Waste Management Services	346

#### Educational, Health and Social Services All:

Educational Services:	567
Health care and Social assistance:	1,157

#### Arts, Entertainment, Recreation, Accommodation and Food Services All:

Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation:	131
Accommodation and Food Services:	425
Other Services (except public administration):	446
Public Administration:	353

### OCCUPATION FOR THE EMPLOYED CIVILIAN POPULATION 16 YEARS AND OVER:

#### Management, Business, and Financial Operations occupations:

Management occupations, except farmers and farm managers:	884
Farmers and farm managers:	9
Business operations specialists:	223
Financial specialists:	221

#### PROFESSIONAL AND RELATED OCCUPATIONS:

Computer and mathematical occupations:	160
Architecture and engineering occupations:	158
Life, physical, and social science occupations:	35
Community and social services occupations:	76
Legal occupations:	59
Healthcare practitioners and technical occupations:	592
Education, training and library occupations:	391
Arts, design, entertainment, sports, and media occupations:	98

<b>Service Occupations All:</b>	<b>160</b>
<b>Sales And Office Occupations All:</b>	<b>862</b>
<b>Farming, Fishing, and Forestry Occupations All:</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>Construction, Extraction, and Maintenance Occupations All:</b>	<b>428</b>
<b>Production, Transportation, and Material Moving Occupations All:</b>	<b>500</b>

### HOUSING CHARACTERISTICS

HOUSING CHARACTERISTICS	2003 Number	2003 Percent	2008 Number	2008 Percent
Total Housing Units:	5,512		5,786	
Owner Occupied:	3,897	71.83%	4,097	71.93%
Renter Occupied:	1,528	28.17%	1,599	28.07%
<b>Total Housing Units Change: 1990-2000:</b>	<b>7.93%</b>			
<b>Total Housing Units Change: 2000-2003:</b>	<b>3.07%</b>			
<b>Total Housing Units Change: 2003-2008:</b>	<b>4.97%</b>			
<b>2000 Median Contract Rent: Cash Rent:</b>	<b>\$644</b>			

#### AVERAGE HOUSEHOLD SIZE BY HOUSEHOLD TYPE:

	2000	2003	2008
Avg Household Size:	2.74	2.71	2.67
Family Households, Avg Household Size:	3.34	3.33	3.3
Nonfamily Households, Avg Household Size:	1.24	1.24	1.24

#### HOUSING UNITS BY UNITS IN STRUCTURE IN 2003:

1 Unit Attached:	3,650	20 to 49 Units:	97
1 Unit Dettached:	184	50 or More Units:	182

2 Units:	417	Mobile Home:	7
3 to 19 Units:	975		

### YEAR STRUCTURE BUILT:

<b>Median Year Structure Built:</b>	<b>1956</b>	1970 to 1979:	674
1999 to March 2003:	202	1960 to 1969:	615
1995 to 1998:	189	1950 to 1959:	831
1990 to 1994:	263	1940 to 1949:	501
1980 to 1989:	505	1939 or earlier:	1,732

### YEAR HOUSEHOLDER MOVED INTO UNIT AS OF 2003:

0 - 1 year ago:	814	11 - 20 years ago:	893
2 - 5 years ago:	1,389	21 - 30 years ago:	652
6 - 10 years ago:	878	31 years ago and over:	799

## INCOME

<b>Per Capita Income:</b>	<b>\$26,368</b>	<b>Households Below Poverty:</b>	<b>1.46%</b>
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<b>HOUSEHOLD INCOME GROUPS:</b>	<b>2003 Number</b>	<b>2003 Percent</b>	<b>2008 Number</b>	<b>2008 Percent</b>
HH with income less than \$15,000:	452	8.33%	409	7.54%
HH with income \$15,000 - \$24,999:	467	8.61%	434	8%
HH with income \$25,000 - \$34,999:	460	8.48%	432	7.96%
HH with income \$35,000 - \$49,999:	713	13.14%	712	13.12%
HH with income \$50,000 - \$74,999:	1,135	20.92%	1,057	19.48%
HH with income \$75,000 - \$99,999:	909	16.76%	922	17%
HH with income \$100,000 - \$149,999:	956	17.62%	1,171	21.59%
HH with income \$150,000 - \$249,999:	307	5.66%	504	9.29%
HH with income \$250,000 - \$499,999:	25	0.46%	48	0.88%
HH with income > than \$500,000:	1	0.02%	7	0.13%
<b>Total Households:</b>	<b>5,425</b>		<b>5,696</b>	

<b>MEDIAN AND AVERAGE HOUSEHOLD INCOMES:</b>	<b>1999</b>	<b>2003</b>	<b>2008</b>
<b>Median Household Income:</b>	\$57,921	\$63,667	\$70,364
<b>Median Household Effective Buying Income:</b>		\$47,763	\$52,642
<b>Average Household Income:</b>	\$64,139	\$71,964	\$81,072

### POVERTY LEVEL (2003)

Families below poverty (married with children):	20
Families below poverty (married with no children):	33
Families below poverty (male householder with children):	0
Families below poverty (male householder with no children):	0
Families below poverty (female householder with children):	26
Families below poverty (female householder with no children):	0
Families at or above poverty (married with children):	1,526

Families at or above poverty (married with no children):	1,482
Families at or above poverty (male householder with children):	119
Families at or above poverty (male householder with no children):	91
Families at or above poverty (female householder with children):	273
Families at or above poverty (female householder with no children):	248

## POPULATION BY AGE, RACE & OTHER

TOTAL POPULATION:	1990	2000	2003	2008	TOTAL POPULATION CHANGE:	
Total Population:	13,817	14,605	14,905	15,388	<b>Years 1990-2000:</b>	<b>5.7%</b>
Population Density:	1,390	1,469	1,499	1,548	<b>Years 2000-2003:</b>	<b>2.05%</b>
					<b>Years 2003-2008:</b>	<b>3.24%</b>

### Male/Female Ratio:

Male: 48.72% Female: 51.28%

### POPULATION BY AGE IN 2003:

Under age 16:	3,740
Age 16 and over:	11,562
Age 18 and over:	11,165
Age 21 and over:	10,650
Age 25 and over:	9,999
Under age 50:	10,462
Age 65 and over:	1,872
Age 85 and over:	316

### AGE GROUPS IN 2003:

Age 0 to 4:	990	Age 35 to 44:	2,520
Age 5 to 9:	1,041	Age 45 to 49:	1,219
Age 10 to 14:	1,087	Age 50 to 54:	1,021
Age 15 to 17:	622	Age 55 to 59:	875
Age 18 to 20:	545	Age 60 to 64:	675
Age 21 to 24:	651	Age 65 to 74:	863
Age 25 to 34:	1,817	Age 75 to 84:	693

MEDIAN AGE IN:	1990	2003	2008
<b>Male Median Age:</b>	31.7	<b>36.8</b>	37.6
<b>Female Median Age:</b>	34.4	<b>38.9</b>	40.3
<b>Total Median Age:</b>	33	<b>37.9</b>	39

AVERAGE AGE IN 2003:	
<b>Male Average Age:</b>	<b>36.3</b>
<b>Female Average Age:</b>	<b>39.1</b>
<b>Total Average Age:</b>	<b>37.8</b>

### POPULATION BY CENSUS RACE AND ETHNICITY:

	2000	2003	2008
White Alone:	14,237	14,495	14,922
Black or African American Alone:	111	127	146
American Indian and Alaska Native Alone:	17	18	18
Asian Alone:	71	79	93
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander Alone:	1	1	1
Some Other Race Alone:	47	55	65
Two or More Races:	121	130	143
All Hispanic/Latino:	103	104	118
All Not Hispanic/Latino:	14,502	14,801	15,270

Sources: Claritas; The Warren Group

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## STATISTICS

<b>Total Area, sq. miles:</b>	10.17	<b>Population:</b>	14,905
<b>Land Area, sq. miles:</b>	9.941	<b>Population Density per sq. mile:</b>	1,499
<b>*Quality Score (from 65 to 170):</b>	106	<b>Population Density Centile (from 1 to 100):</b>	57
<b>Family Cycle Type:</b>	Child-Launching Family: More than 40 percent of all families in this group have children under age 18. The majority of these children are age 14 to 17.		

\* Also known as the Socioeconomic Score, the score indicating whether a particular geographic unit is Higher than, lower than, or equal to the U.S. norm, which is 100. The score's range is from 65 to 170. This is a four-component status score that Rates the geographical unit by applying a weight to each element of the following four data categories: Household income (25 categories), Educational attainment or years of school completed by persons age 25 and older (7 categories), Occupation of employed civilian labor force (13 categories), and Home value (20 categories).

## PROFILE

Abington is a small bedroom community of 13,000 people some 12 miles south of Boston. The town was famous as part of the shoe industry and, as recently as 1986, had a working dairy farm. Today, though the town's roots in manufacturing and agriculture have given way to a primarily residential community character, several small and medium size businesses flourish within the boundaries of the quiet town. The town was founded in 1712 and although it has experienced substantial growth over the last several decades, the community retains a great deal of open space and a rural feeling. Residents are proud of the parks and recreation facilities which have produced several fine athletes. In addition, the growth of the town has not diminished the local spirit. There are several active civic organizations; annual celebrations include everything from an enthusiastic St. Patrick's Day parade to a huge 4th of July celebration attracting thousands from the South Shore. Abington enjoys a fine school system and full time fire and police departments. Town facilities also include a water department, sewer department, public library and municipal golf course. The future of Abington remains bright as development continues. Residents believe that future growth is certain to be spurred on when the Old Colony Railroad, which will connect the town to Boston by rail, is reactivated. In addition, the town will have its own commuter rail station. Abington keeps an eye on the potential for development that lies on the horizon. At the same time, the town keeps its feet planted firmly on the ground in a desire to maintain the high quality of life that makes Abington a special place to live.

## GOVERNMENT

Board of Selectmen, Executive Secretary, Open Town Meeting

**Year Incorporated:** as a town: 1712

## LOCATION

Southeastern Massachusetts, bordered by Weymouth on the north, Rockland on the east, Whitman on the south, and Brockton and Holbrook on the west and northwest. Abington is 4 miles east of Brockton, 19 miles south of Boston, and 21 miles northeast of Plymouth.

**Longitude:** -70.9545      **Latitude:** 42.1174

## TRANSPORTATION

### TRANSPORTATION & ACCESS

Abington is situated in the Greater Brockton area, which is strategically located between State Route 128 and Interstate 495, the inner and outer loops around Boston. State Routes 3, 24, and 28 provide easy access to the air, port, and intermodal facilities of Boston and Providence.

### MAJOR HIGHWAYS

Principal highways are State Routes 18, 123, and 139. Route 18 leads to State Route 3, the Southeast Expressway into Boston. Routes 123 and 139 link up to State Routes 24 and 28.

### RAIL

Commuter rail service to South Station, Boston, will be available in 1996-97 on the Plymouth Line. The Bay Colony Railroad provides freight rail service to Abington. Contact number: (781) 380-3556.

### BUS

Abington is a member of the Brockton Area Transit Authority (BAT), which provides Dial-A-Bat paratransit service for the elderly and disabled. Carey's Bus Lines, Inc., provides commuter service to Boston from Abington and North Abington.

**OTHER**

The Norwood Memorial Airport, a Reliever (RL) facility, is accessible from Abington. It has 2 asphalt runways 4,001'x 150' and 4,007'x 150'. Instrument approaches available: Non-precision.

Sources: US Department of Housing; Claritas; The Warren Group

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Crime Types:	Number of offenses reported for 12 of 2002	Compare Crime Rate per 100,000 population		
		Abington	MA	US
<b>VIOLENT CRIMES</b>				
Murder & Manslaughter	0	0	2.7	5.6
Forcible Rape	5	33.8	27.6	33
Robbery	4	27.1	111.5	145.9
Aggravated Assault	65	439.6	342.5	342.5
<b>Total Violent Crimes</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>500.5</b>	<b>484.4</b>	<b>494.6</b>
<b>PROPERTY CRIMES</b>				
Burglary	60	405.8	517.2	746.2
Larceny - Theft	177	1,197.1	1,679	2,445.8
Motor Vehicle Theft	31	209.7	413.6	432.1
<b>Total Property Crimes</b>	<b>268</b>	<b>1,812.5</b>	<b>2,609.8</b>	<b>3,624.1</b>
<b>ALL CRIMES</b>	<b>342</b>	<b>2,313</b>	<b>3,094.2</b>	<b>4,118.8</b>

Source: Bureau of Justice Statistics, U.S. Department of Justice

Sources: Bureau of Justice Statistics; The Warren Group

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North - Abington	Elementary	<a href="#">View Contact</a>
Woodsdale - Abington	Elementary	<a href="#">View Contact</a>
Frolio Jr Hs - Abington	Middle/Junior High	<a href="#">View Contact</a>
Abington High - Abington	Secondary	<a href="#">View Contact</a>

**PRIVATE SCHOOLS LISTING**

St Bridget - Abington Elementary :K, 01, 02, 03, 04, 05, 06, 07, 08 [View Contact](#)

**PUBLIC SCHOOL ENROLLMENT BY RACE (2004)**

RACE / ETHNICITY	DISTRICT	STATE
	Abington	
Native American:	0%	0.32%



Grades and Subjects	Advanced		Proficient		Needs Improve.		Warning		Failing (absent)	Number of Students
	District	State	District	State	District	State	District	State	District	District
GRADE 3 - Reading	NA	NA	70%	63%	27%	30%	3%	7%	0%	198
GRADE 4 - English Language Arts	7%	11%	43%	45%	42%	35%	8%	10%	0%	208
GRADE 4 - Mathematics	6%	14%	29%	28%	53%	44%	12%	14%	0%	208
GRADE 5 - Science & Technology	20%	20%	40%	35%	35%	33%	5%	13%	0%	194
GRADE 6 - Mathematics	15%	17%	31%	26%	40%	32%	14%	25%	0%	216
GRADE 7 - English Language Arts	14%	9%	71%	59%	12%	25%	2%	7%	0%	202
GRADE 8 - Mathematics	17%	13%	41%	26%	32%	32%	11%	29%	0%	212
GRADE 8 - Science & Technology	5%	5%	33%	28%	45%	35%	17%	31%	0%	212
GRADE 10 - English Language Arts	25%	19%	54%	43%	16%	27%	6%	11%	0%	153
GRADE 10 - Mathematics	29%	29%	34%	28%	29%	28%	8%	15%	0%	153

### ► RESULTS OF PUBLIC AND CHARTER SCHOOLS

#### Public School: CENTER

Grades and Subjects	Advanced		Proficient		Needs Improve.		Warning		Failing (absent)	Number of Students
	District	State	District	State	District	State	District	State	District	District
GRADE 3 - Reading	NA	NA	68%	63%	30%	30%	2%	7%	0%	60
GRADE 4 - English Language Arts	4%	11%	47%	45%	43%	35%	6%	10%	0%	53
GRADE 4 - Mathematics	8%	14%	32%	28%	53%	44%	8%	14%	0%	53
GRADE 5 - Science & Technology	23%	20%	33%	35%	40%	33%	4%	13%	0%	57
GRADE 6 - Mathematics	25%	17%	30%	26%	38%	32%	7%	25%	0%	56

#### Public School: NORTH

Grades and Subjects	Advanced		Proficient		Needs Improve.		Warning		Failing (absent)	Number of Students
	District	State	District	State	District	State	District	State	District	District
GRADE 3 - Reading	NA	NA	75%	63%	24%	30%	2%	7%	0%	55
GRADE 4 - English Language Arts	15%	11%	46%	45%	33%	35%	6%	10%	0%	54
GRADE 4 - Mathematics	9%	14%	33%	28%	54%	44%	4%	14%	0%	54
GRADE 5 - Science & Technology	27%	20%	35%	35%	33%	33%	4%	13%	0%	51
GRADE 6 - Mathematics	12%	17%	37%	26%	48%	32%	4%	25%	0%	52

#### Public School: WOODSDALE

Grades and Subjects	Advanced		Proficient		Needs Improve.		Warning		Failing (absent)	Number of Students
	District	State	District	State	District	State	District	State	District	District
GRADE 3 - Reading	NA	NA	69%	63%	27%	30%	5%	7%	0%	83
GRADE 4 - English Language Arts	5%	11%	40%	45%	47%	35%	8%	10%	0%	98
GRADE 4 - Mathematics	4%	14%	26%	28%	54%	44%	16%	14%	0%	98
GRADE 5 - Science & Technology	14%	20%	49%	35%	32%	33%	5%	13%	0%	84
GRADE 6 - Mathematics	11%	17%	30%	26%	37%	32%	22%	25%	0%	105

**Public School: FROLIO JR HS**

Grades and Subjects	Advanced		Proficient		Needs Improve.		Warning		Failing (absent)	Number of Students
	District	State	District	State	District	State	District	State	District	District
GRADE 7 - English Language Arts	15%	9%	72%	59%	13%	25%	1%	7%	0%	200
GRADE 8 - Mathematics	17%	13%	41%	26%	32%	32%	11%	29%	0%	212
GRADE 8 - Science & Technology	5%	5%	33%	28%	45%	35%	17%	31%	0%	212

**Public School: ABINGTON HIGH**

Grades and Subjects	Advanced		Proficient		Needs Improve.		Warning		Failing (absent)	Number of Students
	District	State	District	State	District	State	District	State	District	District
GRADE 10 - English Language Arts	25%	19%	54%	43%	15%	27%	6%	11%	0%	152
GRADE 10 - Mathematics	29%	29%	34%	28%	30%	28%	7%	15%	0%	152

Source: Massachusetts Department of Education

Sources: Massachusetts Department of Education; The Warren Group

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**Median Sales Price for the Calendar Year**

Year	Month(s)	1-Family	Condo	All Sales
2005	Jan-Dec	379,000	200,000	295,200
2004	Jan-Dec	313,450	314,950	315,000
2003	Jan-Dec	280,250	270,000	277,488
2002	Jan-Dec	245,000	223,970	235,000
2001	Jan-Dec	215,000	198,425	205,000
2000	Jan-Dec	184,950	168,700	182,559
1999	Jan-Dec	165,000	115,000	155,000
1998	Jan-Dec	139,000	112,900	133,000
1997	Jan-Dec	131,900	106,000	125,000
1996	Jan-Dec	127,000	109,000	122,850
1995	Jan-Dec	119,000	65,000	102,500
1994	Jan-Dec	119,200	88,000	105,948
1993	Jan-Dec	121,200	85,250	115,000
1992	Jan-Dec	122,500	60,000	124,000
1991	Jan-Dec	125,814	98,500	121,000
1990	Jan-Dec	134,500	117,500	135,000
1989	Jan-Dec	140,500	110,500	137,000
1988	Jan-Dec	141,000	133,000	140,500
1987	Jan-Dec	132,000	124,000	130,000

**Number of Sales for the Calendar Year**

Year	Month(s)	1-Family	Condo	All Sales
2005	Jan-Dec	23	39	80

2004	Jan-Dec	168	106	381
2003	Jan-Dec	160	39	344
2002	Jan-Dec	134	95	326
2001	Jan-Dec	142	65	284
2000	Jan-Dec	186	64	304
1999	Jan-Dec	199	21	289
1998	Jan-Dec	153	31	240
1997	Jan-Dec	139	29	204
1996	Jan-Dec	136	9	190
1995	Jan-Dec	164	21	240
1994	Jan-Dec	193	21	295
1993	Jan-Dec	187	10	248
1992	Jan-Dec	154	11	209
1991	Jan-Dec	145	10	193
1990	Jan-Dec	103	4	151
1989	Jan-Dec	100	14	161
1988	Jan-Dec	141	18	228
1987	Jan-Dec	156	51	290

**Source: The Warren Group.**

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