

Massachusetts at a Glance

Massachusetts Ranking	
Stress Test Overall Rank	14

Massachusetts: Stress Test Data Points					
	2000	Latest	Change	Pct. Change	Rank
Unemployment rate ¹	2.8	4.4	1.6	57%	20
Construction jobs ²	127,300	135,400	8,100	6%	20
Manufacturing jobs ³	401,000	292,900	-108,100	-27%	7
Goods-producing jobs ⁴	517,400	417,200	-100,200	-19%	7
Service-providing jobs ⁵	2,746,100	2,831,400	85,300	3%	4
People uninsured ⁶	82.82 (per 1,000)	102.11 (per 1,000)	-	23%	35
Employer-provided health insurance coverage ⁷	239.38 (per 1,000)	192.27 (per 1,000)	-	-20%	11
Individuals that spend 25 percent of pre-tax income on health care ⁸	201,000 and 3.6%	282,000 and 4.9%	81,000	36%	45
Public college tuition ⁹	\$4,686	\$7,629 and 13% (of 2006 Median Household Income)	\$2,943	63%	7
Average weekly wage ¹⁰	\$968	\$1009	\$41	4%	21
Individuals below poverty line ¹¹	553,680 (2002)	620,188 and 96.39(per 1,000)	66,508	12%	42
Bankruptcy ¹²	8,400 (2006)	13,709 and 2.13(per 1,000)	5,309	63%	16
Foreclosures ¹³	15,887 (2006) and 2.47 (per 1,000)	41,487 and 6.43 (per 1,000)	25,600	161%	6
Gasoline Prices ¹⁴ (excluding taxes and AAA)	\$1.20 (excluding taxes)	\$2.63 (excluding taxes) and \$3.61 (AAA- including taxes)	\$1.43 (excluding taxes)	119%	44

ENDNOTES

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<http://www.abiworld.org/AM/AMTemplate.cfm?Section=Home&TEMPLATE=/CM/ContentDisplay.cfm&CONTENTID=46951>; American Bankruptcy Institute, Quarterly Filings by State (2006-2007), Total Bankruptcy Filings 2007.
<http://www.abiworld.org/AM/AMTemplate.cfm?Section=Home&TEMPLATE=/CM/ContentDisplay.cfm&CONTENTID=49791>
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