



## COMMUNITY QUICKSTATS

### TOWN PROFILE

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# SWANSEA COMMUNITY PROFILE

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## GOVERNMENT INFORMATION (Updated September 2010)

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Town Hall  
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Swansea, MA 02777

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Hours: 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., except Wednesdays: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Board of Selectmen Meetings: Tuesday evenings at 7 p.m.

**Town Administrator: James Kern**

**Board of Selectmen Chairman: Robert Marquis**

## GEOGRAPHY

Location in State: Southeastern Massachusetts, bordered by Barrington and Warren, Rhode Island on the west and southwest; the mouth of the Taunton River on the south; Somerset on the east; and Dighton, Rehoboth and Seekonk on the north. Swansea is about 4 miles west of Fall River; 47 miles south of Boston; 12 miles southeast of Providence, Rhode Island; and 190 miles from New York. (Source: MA DHCD)

Total Area, 1999: 23.03 sq. miles

Metropolitan Statistical Area: Providence-Fall River-Warwick, RI-MA

Chamber of Commerce:

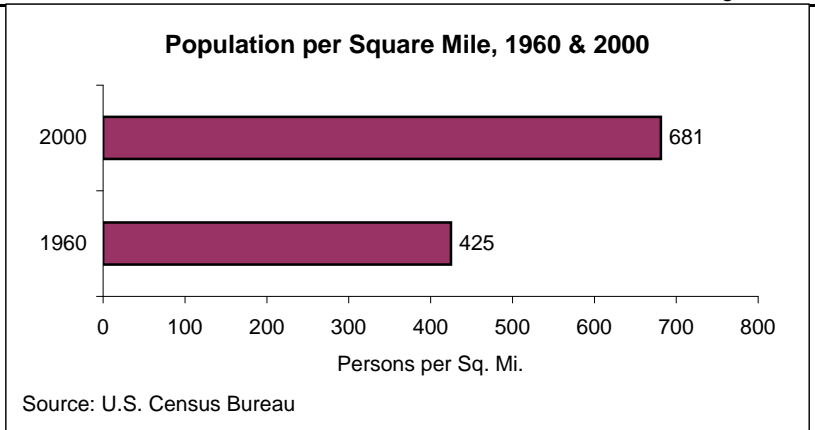
Fall River Area Chamber of Commerce  
200 Pocasset Street, Fall River, MA 02721  
Telephone: (508) 676-8226



**General Population Statistics**

	1990 Number	2000 Number
<b>Total population.....</b>	<b>15,411</b>	<b>15,901</b>
<b>SEX AND AGE</b>		
Male.....	7,645	7,825
Female.....	7,766	8,076
Under 5 years.....	821	750
5 to 9 years.....	963	920
10 to 14 years.....	1,090	1,096
15 to 19 years.....	1,282	1,131
20 to 24 years.....	1,054	700
25 to 34 years.....	2,170	1,945
35 to 44 years.....	2,634	2,567
45 to 54 years.....	1,790	2,610
55 to 59 years.....	718	992
60 to 64 years.....	793	691
65 to 74 years.....	1,311	1,258
75 to 84 years.....	617	960
85 years and over.....	168	281
Median age (years).....	36.3	40.5
<b>RACE /ETHNICITY</b>		
One race.....		15,742
White.....	15,241	15,715
Black or African Amer	52	85
Asian.....	22	48
Hawaiian/Other PI	66	96
Some other races	1	13
Two or more races		105
<b>HISPANIC OR LATINO AND RACE</b>		
Hispanic or Latino.....	91	96
Not Hispanic or Latino.....	15,320	15,805
White alone Not Hispanic....	15,169	15,494
<b>HOUSEHOLDS BY TYPE</b>		
Total households.....	5,252	5,888
Family HHs (families).....	4,255	4,540
W/ own children <18 yrs.....	1,888	1,834
Married-couple family.....	3,670	3,805
W/ own children <18 yrs...	1,672	1,499
Female hholder, no husband	428	519
W/ own children <18 yrs...	164	236
Nonfamily HHs.....	997	1,348
Hholder living alone.....	848	1,155
Householder 65 yrs+.....	442	600
HHs with individuals<18 yrs....	2,020	2,013
HHs with individuals 65+	1,450	1,715
Average household size.....	2.90	2.67
Average family size.....	3.26	3.06

Source: U.S. Census 1990, 2000

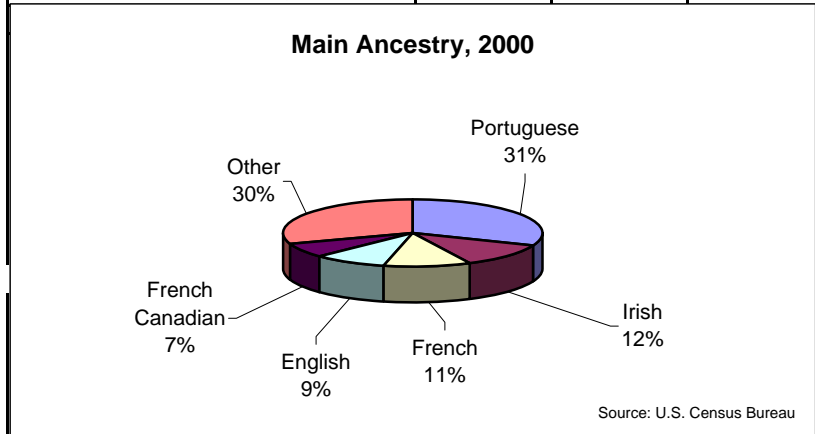


**POPULATION GROWTH, ESTIMATE, & PROJECTIONS**

Year	Population
1960	9,916
1970	12,640
1980	15,461
1990	15,411
2000	15,901
2005	16,250
2008	16,155
2009	16,175
2010	16,431
2020	17,406
2030	18,409

Note: Projections in italics.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, SRPEDD



**LAND USE CHANGE (in Acres), 1951-1999**

	1951	1999	% Change
Urban	2,862	4,753	66.1
Forest	7,796	7,007	-10.1
Agricultural	3,498	2,379	-32.0
Wetland	439	598	36.2
Total	14,595	14,737	1.0

Source: MacConnell & Mueller, MassGIS



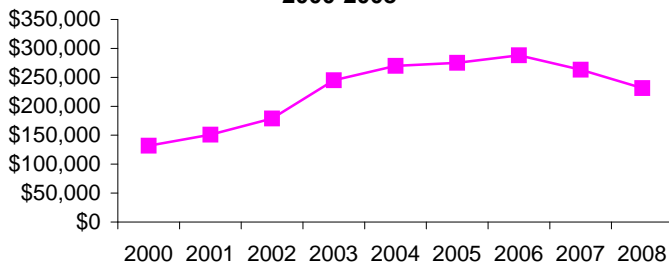
**ECONOMY**

Area Employment by Industry, 2009		
	Number	Percent
Construction	205	4.0
Manufacturing	121	2.4
Wholesale Trade	101	2.0
Retail Trade	1396	27.3
Transportation and Warehousing	60	1.2
Information	43	0.8
Finance and Insurance	165	3.2
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	67	1.3
Professional and Technical Services	158	3.1
Administrative and Waste Services	103	2.0
Educational Services	403	7.9
Health Care and Social Assistance	963	18.8
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	90	1.8
Accommodation and Food Services	749	14.6
Other Services, Ex. Public Admin	195	3.8
NEC	295	5.8
<b>Total</b>	<b>5,114</b>	<b>100.0</b>

Source: MA Labor & Workforce Development (EOLWD)

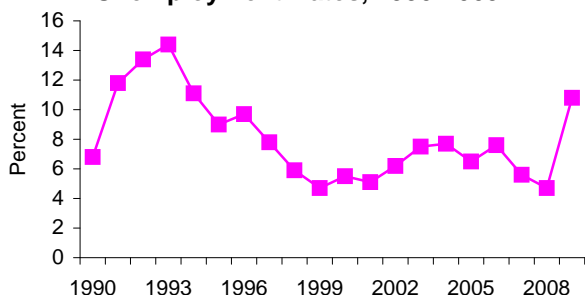
**HOUSING**

**Median Housing Costs (All Types), 2000-2008**



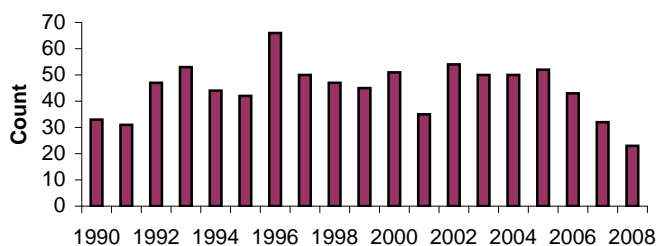
The Warren Group

**Unemployment Rates, 1990-2009**



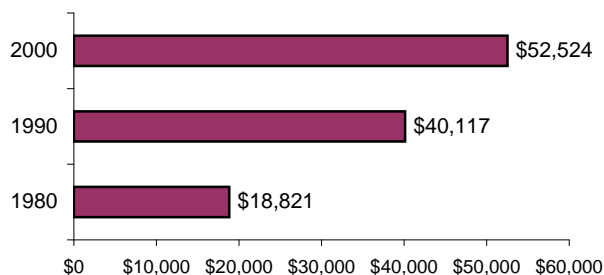
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**Building Permits for Single Residential Family Homes, 1990-2008**



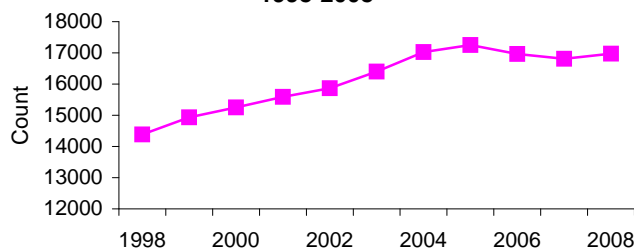
Source: SRPEDD

**Median Household Income, 1980-2000**



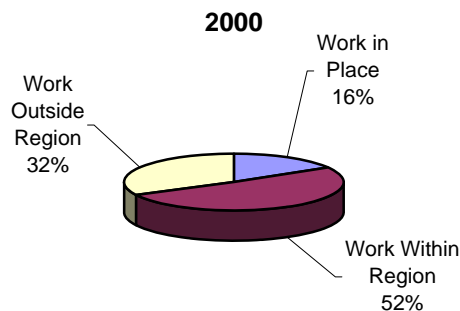
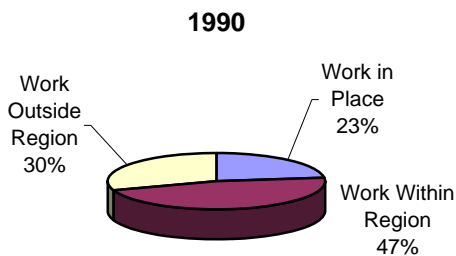
Source: U.S. Census Bureau

**Number of Registered Vehicles, 1998-2008**



Source: MA DOR

**JOURNEY TO WORK, 1990-2000**



Source: CTPP



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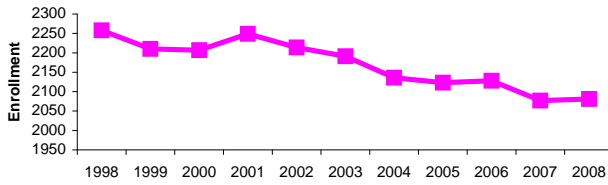
[www.srpedd.org](http://www.srpedd.org)

**EDUCATION**

	1990	2000
Persons 3+ enrolled in school	3,970	3,872

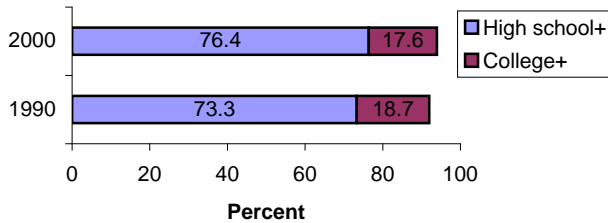
Source: U.S. Census Bureau

**Trends in Public School Enrollment, 1998-2008**



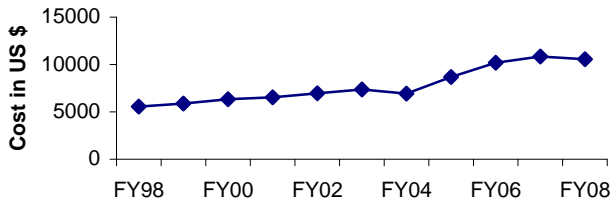
Source: MA DOE

**Educational Attainment, 1990-2000**



Source: MA DOE

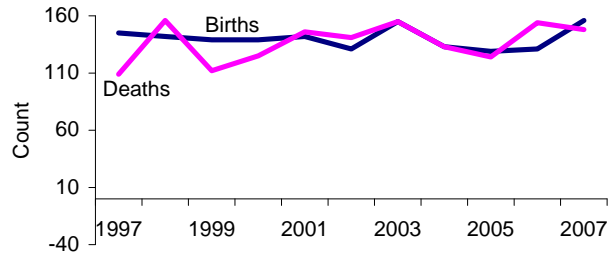
**Cost per Pupil, 1998-2008**



Source: MA DOE

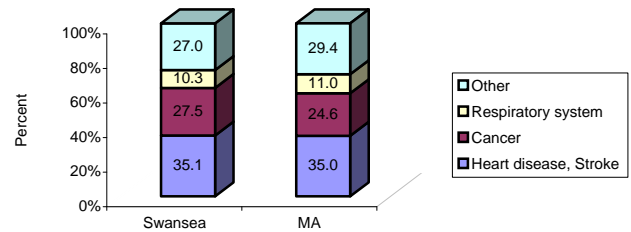
**HEALTH**

**Number of Births & Deaths, 1997-2007**



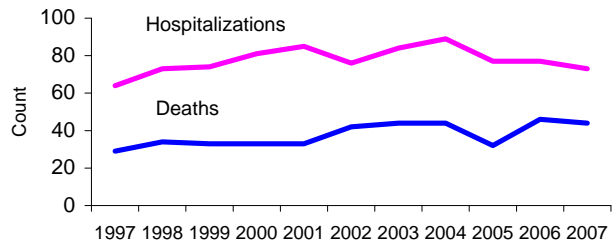
Source: MA DPH

**Leading Causes of Death, 1997-2007**



Source: MA DPH

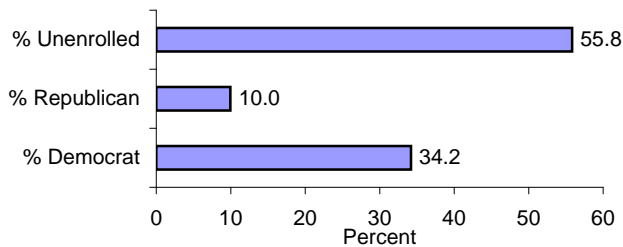
**Cancer Hospitalizations and Deaths, 1997-2007**



Source: MA DPH (MassCHIP)

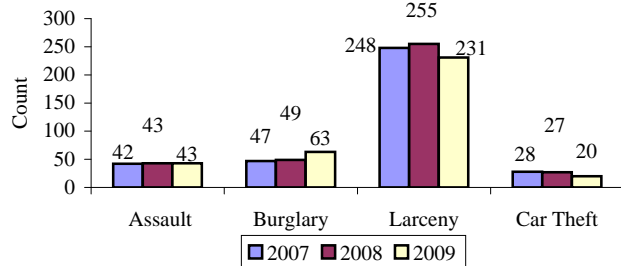
**COMMUNITY**

**Registered Voters, 2008 State Election**



Source: MA DOR

**Crime Reports, 2007-2009**



Source: UCR Program