



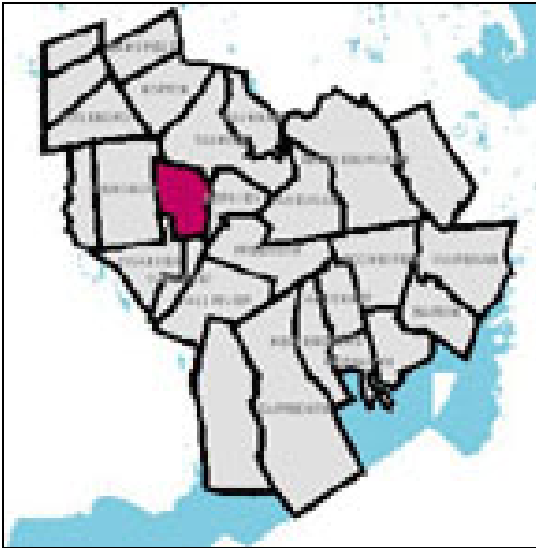
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SPOTLIGHT ON:

# DIGHTON TOWN

FALL 2009



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# DIGHTON COMMUNITY PROFILE

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## GOVERNMENT INFORMATION (Updated October 2009)

Address:

Town Hall

979 Somerset Ave.

Dighton, MA 02715

Website: [http://www.dighton-ma.gov/Public\\_Documents/index](http://www.dighton-ma.gov/Public_Documents/index)

Phone: (508) 669-6431

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Form of Government: Board of Selectmen; Open Town Meeting

Board of Selectmen Chair: Thomas Pires (508) 669-6431

Town Administrator: Kerrie Easterday

## GEOGRAPHY

Location in State: Southeastern Massachusetts, bordered by Taunton on the north, the Taunton River and Berkley on the east, Somerset and Swansea on the south and southwest, and Rehoboth on the west and northwest. Dighton is 40 miles south of Boston; 13 miles east of Providence, Rhode Island; and 190 miles from New York City. (Source: MA DHCD)

Total Area: 22.12 sq. miles

Metropolitan Statistical Area: Boston-Cambridge-Quincy (Taunton-Norton-Raynham)

Chamber of Commerce

Taunton Chamber of Commerce

12 Taunton Green, Taunton, MA 02780

Director: Kerrie Babin (508) 824-4068

*[STREET MAP OF DIGHTON](#)*

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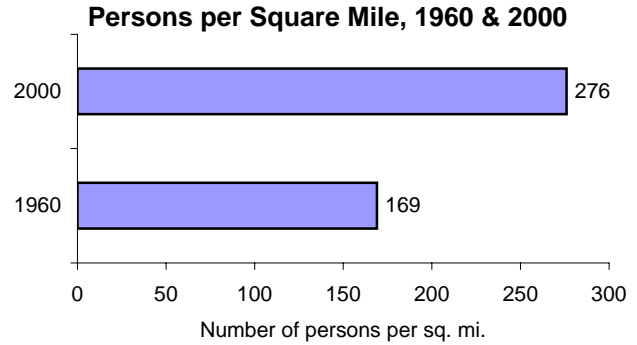


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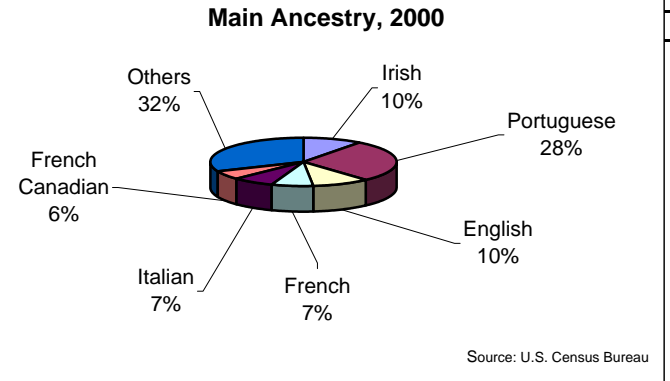
**GENERAL POPULATION STATISTICS**

	1990	2000
	Number	Number
<b>Total population</b> .....	5,631	6,175
<b>SEX AND AGE</b>		
Male.....	2,810	3,037
Female.....	2,821	3,138
Under 5 years.....	372	357
5 to 9 years.....	387	466
10 to 14 years.....	421	516
15 to 19 years.....	398	418
20 to 24 years.....	367	248
25 to 34 years.....	848	727
35 to 44 years.....	926	1,150
45 to 54 years.....	664	901
55 to 59 years.....	229	359
60 to 64 years.....	255	241
65 to 74 years.....	451	397
75 to 84 years.....	233	300
85 years and over.....	80	95
Median age (years).....	35.2	38.0
<b>RACE /ETHNICITY</b>		
One race.....		6,132
White.....	5,578	6,039
Black or African Amer	16	33
Asian.....	8	30
Hawaiian/Other PI	12	12
Some other races	0	1
Two or more races	17	17
<b>HISPANIC OR LATINO AND RACE</b>		43
Hispanic or Latino.....		
Not Hispanic or Latino.....	67	66
White alone Not Hispanic.....	5,564	6,109
<b>HOUSEHOLDS BY TYPE</b>		
Total households.....	1,927	2,201
Family HHs (families).....	1,566	1,718
W/ own children <18 yrs.....	742	823
Married-couple family.....	1,328	1,419
W/ own children <18 yrs.....	648	681
Female hholder, no husband present ....	178	217
W/ own children <18 yrs.....	76	112
Nonfamily HHs.....	361	483
Hholder living alone.....	313	414
Householder 65 years+.....	179	213
HHs with individuals<18 years.....	779	891
HHs with individuals 65+	524	555
Average household size.....	2.89	2.78
Average family size.....	3.24	3.17
Source: U.S. Census 1990, 2000		



Source: U.S. Census Bureau

<b>POPULATION GROWTH, ESTIMATE, &amp; PROJECTIONS</b>				
Year	Population			
1960	3,769			
1970	4,667			
1980	5,352			
1990	5,631			
2000	6,175			
2005	6,665			
2008	6,724			
2010	7,194			
2020	8,213			
2030	9,233			
Note: Projections in italics.				
Source: U.S. Census Bureau, SRPEDD				



Source: U.S. Census Bureau

<b>LAND USE CHANGE (in Acres), 1951-1999</b>			
	1951	1999	% Change
Urban	661	2,444	269.8
Forest	9,868	9,432	-4.4
Agricultural	3,135	1,983	-36.7
Wetland	588	295	-49.9
<b>Total</b>	<b>14,252</b>	<b>14,154</b>	<b>-0.7</b>
Source: MacConnell & Mueller, MassGIS			

**ECONOMY**

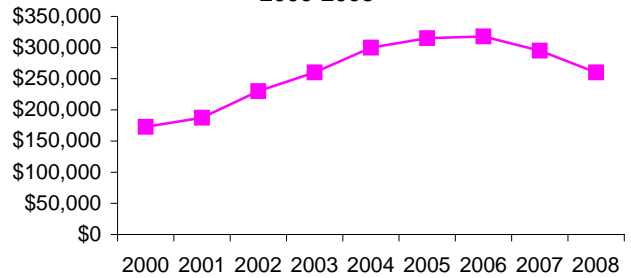
**HOUSING**

**Area Employment by Industry, 2008**

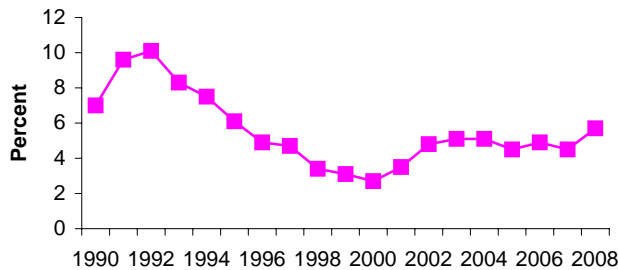
	Number	Percent
23 - Construction	116	6.2
31-33 - Manufacturing	236	12.7
44-45 - Retail Trade	54	2.9
48-49 - Transportation and Warehousing	52	2.8
52 - Finance and Insurance	28	1.5
54 - Professional and Technical Services	51	2.7
56 - Administrative and Waste Services	16	0.9
61 - Educational Services	336	18.1
62 - Health Care and Social Assistance	152	8.2
72 - Accommodation and Food Services	58	3.1
81 - Other Services, Ex. Public Admin	20	1.1
99 - NEC (Suppressed or Unclassified)	741	39.8
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,860</b>	<b>100.0</b>

Source: MA EOLWD

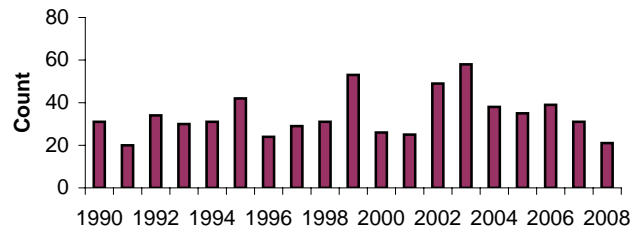
**Median Housing Costs (All Types), 2000-2008**



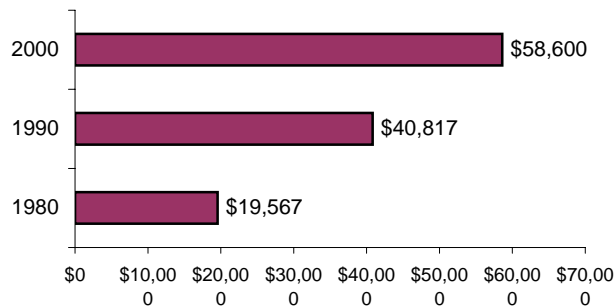
**Unemployment Rates, 1990-2008**



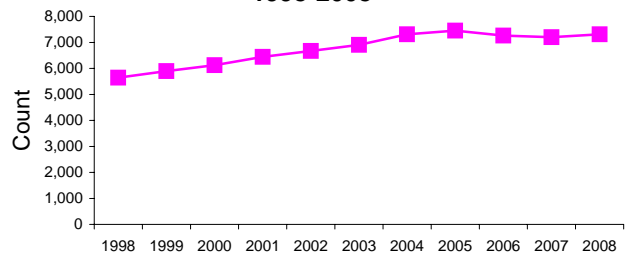
**Building Permits for Single Residential Family Homes, 1990-2008**



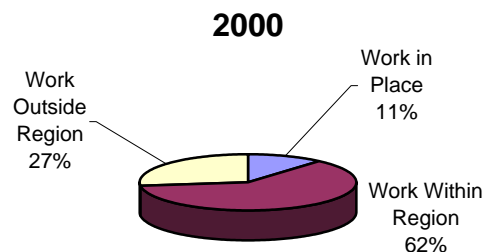
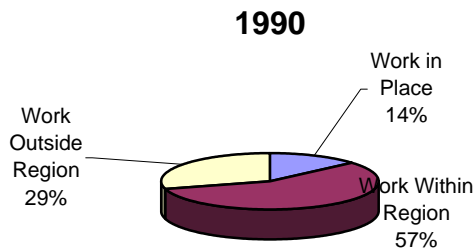
**Median Household Income, 1980-2000**



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



**JOURNEY TO WORK, 1990-2000**

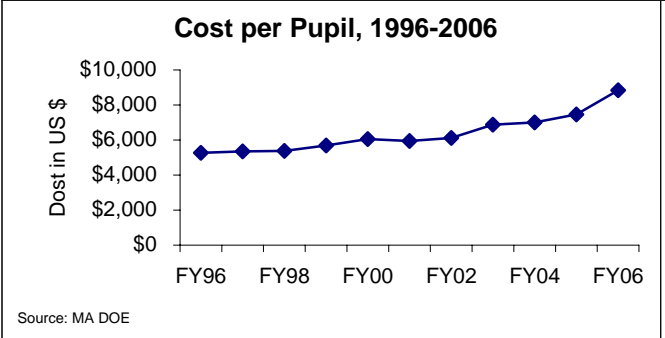
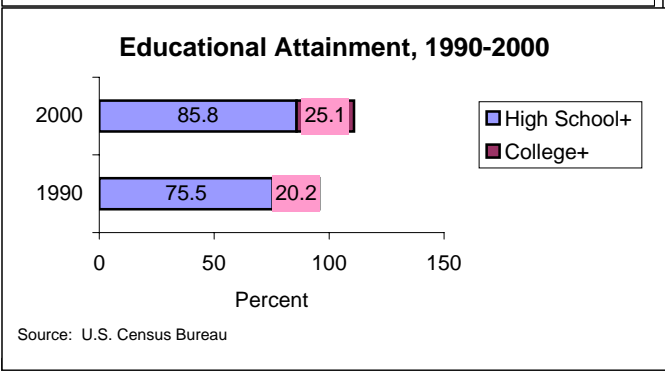
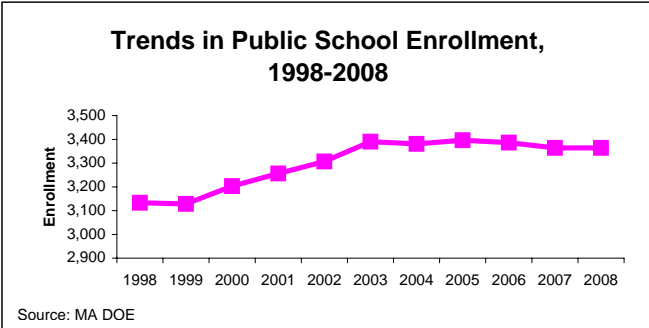


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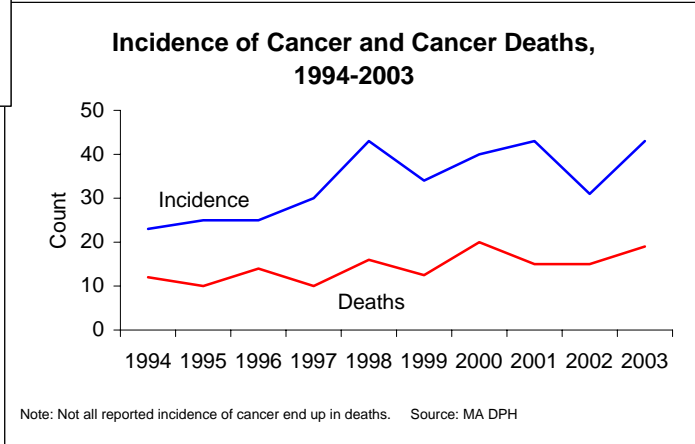
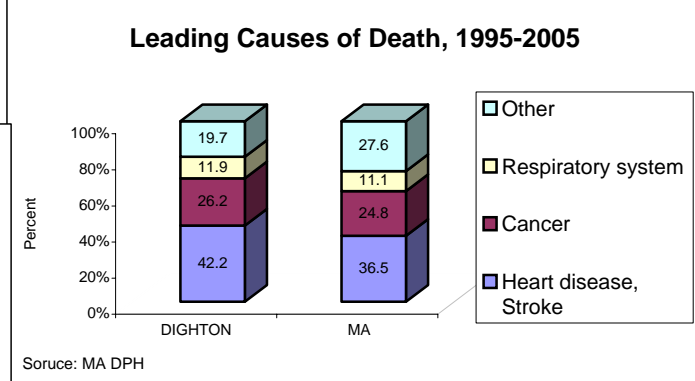
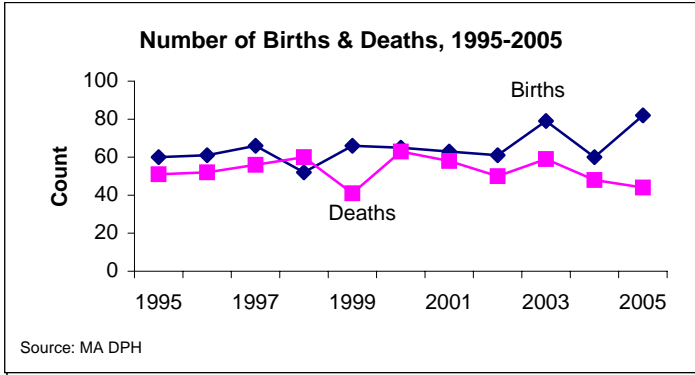
## EDUCATION

	1990	2000
Persons 3+ years old in school	1,486	1,734

Source: U.S. Census Bureau



## HEALTH



## COMMUNITY

