

# HOW DOES AMHERST COMPARE?

## MASS. PUBLIC LIBRARY STATISTICS FY 2008 -- Services

Population Group 25,000 - 49,000

MUNICIPALITY	Total Municipal Income FY 2008	Books, DVD's, etc. Borrowed locally Total Direct Circulation FY 2008	Books, etc. sent to other libraries (Annual)	Total Library Holdings All Items	Hours Open All Lib's Per week FY 08	Loans per Hour open FY08	# of Visits (Weekly Avg)	Reference Questions (Weekly Avg)	# Sundays Open (Annual)	Mtg. Room Uses-Public (Annual)	Childrens Programs Staff (Annual)	Branch libraries & Bookmobiles
Andover*	\$2,427,631	495,752	73,547	253,375	63.8	172	7,968	1,237	39	736	318	0
Wellesley*	\$2,153,254	605,738	64,115	261,099	64.3	200	7,876	576	39	3,571	244	2
Lexington	\$2,096,462	668,062	39,262	255,617	66.3	205	9,480	833	35	1,054	342	1
Watertown	\$2,026,920	536,510	47,006	137,613	62.9	178	6,924	688	30	859	265	2
Arlington	\$1,848,953	529,516	44,436	235,826	78.7	140		1,428		1,364	349	1
Natick-Morse	\$1,801,873	527,476	70,922	174,155	65.8	175		570	36	4,069	578	1
Falmouth - all	\$1,614,189	435,399	36,095	194,107	157.6	57	259	840	36	757	547	1 sep.
Falmouth-Public*	\$1,586,359	379,674	28,689	147,725	99.8	79		833	36	211	322	2
Chelmsford	\$1,532,624	587,991	45,804	148,487	89.2	137	4,180	382		1,886	222	1
<b>Amherst</b>	<b>\$1,461,162</b>	<b>498,362</b>	<b>43,063</b>	<b>241,690</b>	<b>94.1</b>	<b>111</b>	<b>6,731</b>	<b>813</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>531</b>	<b>195</b>	<b>2</b>
Northampton - Forbes & Lilly	\$1,285,462	425,594	28,218	226,797	88.4	99	4,596	742	42	857	1,170	1 sep.
Needham	\$1,235,652	492,422	37,210	161,341	64.2	159	5,921	686	43	566	192	0
Shrewsbury	\$1,195,367	379,929	22,600	293,418	58.5	132	4,580	614	34	544	188	0
Burlington	\$1,148,787	369,485	28,454	106,723	58.0	132	2,803	469	37	853	222	0
Salem	\$1,077,568	515,715	30,287	146,210	65.1	161	4,601	857	49		280	0

There are 46 libraries in this population group.

Libraries marked \* have contracts with the MBLC to provide services to other libraries.

City Springfield*	\$5,612,536	554,300	93,613	801,258	268	46	30,028	2,186	37	549	848	9
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