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Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY, BOSTON, Oct. 28, 1897.

*To the Honorable Senate
and the House of Representatives.*

I have the honor to submit herewith, as required by law, the Fifty-fifth Annual Registration Report, relating to the births, marriages and deaths occurring in Massachusetts and registered in the several cities and towns during the year ending Dec. 31, 1896; and containing, also, the reports relating to libels for divorce in the several counties, and the returns of deaths the causes and manner of which have been investigated by the medical examiners during the year 1896.

The rule adopted in the report of 1891 of restricting the exhibition of tabular results to such as are plainly of practical utility within the meaning of the statute by authority of which the tables are prepared, is continued, and the report is again edited by FRANCIS A. HARRIS, M.D.

Very respectfully,
Your obedient servant,

WM. M. OLIN,
Secretary of the Commonwealth.

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Fifty-fifth

ANNUAL REPORT

OF

BIRTHS, MARRIAGES, AND DEATHS,

REGISTERED IN

MASSACHUSETTS,

FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1896.

TABLE I. — POPULATION [1895], — BIRTHS,

General Abstract, exhibiting, in Connection with the Population Deaths registered in Each County and Town in Massachusetts Children Born, the Nativity of Persons Married, and the Sex, ber who Died.

THE STATE AND COUNTIES.	Population, State Census, 1895.	BIRTHS.								
		Whole No.	SEX.			PARENTAGE.				
			M.	F.	Unk.	Am.	For.	Am. Pa. and For. Mo.	For. Pa. and Am. Mo.	Unk.
MASSACHUSETTS,	2,500,187	72,313	37,186	35,111	13	22,810	31,297	7,792	7,211	363.
BARNSTABLE,	27,664	494	270	224	-	288	110	48	57	1
BEEKSHIRE,	86,292	2,285	1,185	1,100	-	1,148	664	249	226	3
BRISTOL,	219,009	7,280	3,674	3,606	1	1,668	4,197	742	662	11
DUXES,	4,258	66	38	28	-	35	14	11	6	-
ESEK,	530,290	8,746	4,497	4,248	1	3,070	3,806	965	857	35
FRANKLIN,	46,145	991	466	435	-	487	290	63	56	2
HAMPDEN,	152,998	4,998	2,645	2,351	2	1,540	2,484	504	469	7
HAMPSHIRE,	54,710	1,298	646	651	1	541	484	150	120	3
MIDDLESEX,	492,217	14,135	7,318	6,802	15	4,373	6,725	1,580	1,468	49
NANTUCKET,	3,016	61	36	25	-	42	4	10	8	-
NORFOLK,	181,519	3,238	1,617	1,584	7	1,231	1,310	362	322	25
PLYMOUTH,	161,498	2,217	1,135	1,080	2	1,100	664	253	194	10
SUFFOLK,	529,799	17,779	9,191	8,668	16	4,356	9,456	1,965	1,912	50
WORCESTER,	366,446	8,845	4,528	4,313	4	2,948	4,629	806	956	39

MARRIAGES, AND DEATHS, 1896.

according to the State Census of 1895, the Births, Marriages, and during the year 1896, — distinguishing the Sex and the Parentage of Nativity, and Aggregate and Average Ages by Counties of the Num-

MARRIAGES.						DEATHS.									
Com- plices.	NATIVITY.					Persons.	SEX.		NATIVITY.			No. whose Ages are registered.	AGE.		
	Am.	For.	Am. Groom.	For. Groom.	Unk.		M.	F.	Am.	For.	Unk.		Agg'te.	Av'ge.	
23,651	10,191	7,920	2,332	2,191	†	19,381	25,110	21,211	35,885	12,983	512	19,273	1,639,235	31-10	
192	146	14	17	15	-	384	300	284	507	64	13	584	28,176	48-24	
628	393	168	64	65	-	1,847	907	740	1,155	380	32	1,544	55,313	35-32	
2,277	810	1,003	242	291	1	4,985	2,198	2,487	3,850	1,321	34	4,985	149,377	29-17	
41	23	4	9	2	1	98	52	46	91	6	1	97	5,293	38-32	
2,911	1,347	840	296	328	-	6,295	3,163	3,732	4,751	1,486	64	5,626	226,648	36-30	
363	265	45	27	28	-	642	312	330	535	97	10	642	29,630	46-28	
1,596	675	639	114	115	-	2,556	1,453	1,426	2,124	706	25	2,359	56,501	36-39	
149	238	115	45	39	-	351	471	186	729	193	9	931	38,687	41-55	
4,157	1,910	1,426	438	423	-	8,445	4,684	4,761	6,791	2,564	90	9,429	321,425	34-09	
15	16	1	3	1	-	84	36	49	79	5	-	84	4,541	53-76	
952	459	278	107	106	2	2,230	1,137	1,093	1,767	459	34	2,224	87,414	39-30	
790	459	136	108	67	-	1,854	961	893	1,511	317	26	1,833	79,310	42-91	
6,665	2,969	2,583	802	711	-	12,410	6,510	5,939	8,334	3,987	198	12,447	383,995	29-55	
2,678	1,240	820	326	288	-	5,978	2,777	2,601	3,621	1,336	62	5,273	198,158	35-55	

* Not including 61 lost at sea.

TABLE I. — Births, Marriages, and Deaths,

COUNTIES AND TOWNS.	Population, State Census, 1895.	BIRTHS.								
		Whole No.	SEX.			PARENTAGE.				
			M.	F.	Unk.	Am.	For.	Am. Fa. and For. Mo.	For. Fa. and Am. Mo.	Unk.
BARNSTABLE,	27,654	494	270	224	-	253	110	43	57	1
Barnstable, . . .	4,655	59	34	25	-	39	4	6	10	-
Bourne, . . .	1,580	24	12	12	-	16	3	4	1	-
Brewster, . . .	901	10	6	4	-	6	1	2	1	-
Chatham, . . .	1,809	28	13	15	-	26	-	1	1	-
Denals, . . .	2,545	30	14	16	-	27	1	2	-	-
Eastham, . . .	476	9	5	4	-	8	-	1	-	-
Falmouth, . . .	2,655	59	41	18	-	32	15	9	3	-
Harwich, . . .	2,632	42	22	20	-	31	3	5	3	-
Mashpee, . . .	330	6	2	4	-	3	-	2	1	-
Orleans, . . .	1,198	23	13	10	-	22	1	-	-	-
Provincetown, . . .	4,555	130	74	56	-	24	71	9	26	-
Sandwich, . . .	1,880	14	6	8	-	10	2	-	1	1
Truro, . . .	815	20	12	8	-	7	6	2	3	-
Wellfleet, . . .	968	15	5	10	-	10	2	-	3	-
Yarmouth, . . .	1,655	25	11	14	-	22	1	-	2	-
BERKSHIRE,	86,292	2,285	1,185	1,100	-	1,143	664	249	226	3
Adams, . . .	7,337	327	176	151	-	198	162	33	24	-
Alford, . . .	280	7	3	4	-	6	1	-	-	-
Becket, . . .	583	18	8	10	-	9	5	1	3	-
Cheshire, . . .	1,176	16	11	5	-	8	5	2	1	-
Clarksburg, . . .	1,062	22	11	11	-	11	6	3	2	-
Dalton, . . .	3,210	68	33	35	-	50	9	6	3	-
Egremont, . . .	336	10	3	7	-	9	-	1	-	-
Florida, . . .	435	7	3	4	-	2	-	1	1	-
Gr. Barrington, . . .	4,794	87	50	37	-	62	13	5	7	-
Hancock, . . .	514	12	7	5	-	11	1	-	5	-
Hinsdale, . . .	1,650	37	21	16	-	15	8	5	-	-
Lanesborough, . . .	348	14	7	7	-	12	1	-	-	-
Lee, . . .	4,666	84	39	45	-	54	15	7	9	1
LeDox, . . .	2,372	77	43	34	-	41	19	3	9	-
Monterey, . . .	464	8	6	2	-	4	-	-	1	-
Mt. Washington, . . .	138	3	2	1	-	2	-	-	-	-
New Ashford, . . .	116	1	1	1	-	1	-	-	-	-
New Marlborough, . . .	1,288	12	6	6	-	11	-	-	1	-
North Adams, . . .	19,125	671	332	339	-	279	237	75	75	2
Otis, . . .	518	8	3	5	-	5	-	-	-	-
Peru, . . .	303	8	4	4	-	7	-	1	-	-
Pittsfield, . . .	20,461	529	234	245	-	275	132	55	64	-
Richmond, . . .	701	10	6	4	-	6	3	1	1	-
Sandisfield, . . .	892	5	3	2	-	5	-	-	-	-
Saxoy, . . .	564	7	3	4	-	6	-	-	1	-
Sheffield, . . .	1,897	25	13	12	-	22	-	2	1	-
Stockbridge, . . .	2,077	36	16	20	-	24	7	5	1	-
Tyringham, . . .	363	3	2	1	-	2	-	1	-	-
Washington, . . .	423	5	2	3	-	3	2	-	-	-
W. Stockbridge, . . .	1,257	24	12	12	-	19	2	3	-	-
Williamstown, . . .	4,887	138	72	66	-	63	35	26	14	-
Windsor, . . .	556	6	3	3	-	6	-	1	-	-
Bristol,	219,019	7,250	3,674	3,605	1	1,668	4,197	742	662	11
Acushnet, . . .	1,113	24	14	10	-	19	4	1	-	-
Attleborough, . . .	8,288	211	111	100	-	83	75	33	20	-
Berkley, . . .	953	16	5	11	-	8	7	1	-	-
Dartmouth, . . .	3,107	55	36	22	-	35	19	6	-	-
Dighton, . . .	1,797	22	13	7	-	14	5	2	1	-
Easton, . . .	4,432	107	63	54	-	48	45	6	8	-
Fairhaven, . . .	3,338	77	35	42	-	41	22	8	6	-
Fall River, . . .	89,203	3,374	1,688	1,686	-	431	2,189	331	342	1
Freetown, . . .	1,103	34	13	21	-	22	10	1	1	-
Mansfield, . . .	3,722	73	39	43	-	49	15	3	8	-
New Bedford, . . .	53,251	2,127	1,093	1,031	1	414	1,334	194	182	3
North Attleboro, . . .	6,076	799	69	70	-	89	32	23	14	-

Registered during the Year 1896 — Continued.

MARRIAGES.						DEATHS.										
Comps.	NATIVITY.					Persons.	SEX.		NATIVITY.			No. whose Ages were registered.	AGE.			
	Am.	For.	Am. Groom.	For. Groom.	Unk.		M.	F.	Am.	For.	Unk.		Age'ly.	Av'ge.		
192	146	14	17	15	-	584	300	281	507	64	13	551	28,170	48.24		
24	21	-	3	-	-	83	41	42	78	4	1	-	-	-		
15	11	-	2	-	-	27	11	16	23	1	2	-	-	-		
4	3	-	1	-	-	23	10	13	19	2	2	-	-	-		
15	10	-	1	-	-	35	16	19	30	3	3	-	-	-		
10	14	-	1	-	-	56	29	27	53	3	3	-	-	-		
2	3	-	-	-	-	10	5	5	10	-	-	-	-	-		
22	14	3	2	3	-	52	33	19	49	-	-	-	-	-		
29	26	1	1	-	-	54	34	20	52	1	1	-	-	-		
3	2	1	-	-	-	3	2	1	2	-	-	-	-	-		
5	5	-	-	-	-	28	11	14	25	3	-	-	-	-		
34	18	5	5	6	-	101	50	51	69	32	-	-	-	-		
11	6	3	2	-	-	23	14	9	20	3	-	-	-	-		
2	1	-	-	1	-	15	6	9	12	3	-	-	-	-		
2	2	-	-	-	-	32	17	15	27	4	1	-	-	-		
10	10	-	-	-	-	42	18	24	37	2	3	-	-	-		
628	393	106	64	65	-	1,547	807	740	1,155	300	32	1,544	55,818	33.82		
73	33	22	8	10	-	169	81	88	115	54	-	-	-	-		
1	1	-	-	-	-	8	6	2	9	-	-	-	-	-		
10	8	-	-	2	-	14	8	6	8	5	1	-	-	-		
4	3	-	1	-	-	22	12	10	14	7	1	-	-	-		
1	1	-	-	-	-	17	13	4	13	3	-	-	-	-		
25	14	2	5	4	-	56	34	22	41	15	-	-	-	-		
4	3	-	-	1	-	12	5	7	11	1	-	-	-	-		
1	1	-	-	1	-	9	1	8	8	3	-	-	-	-		
40	28	8	3	1	-	78	37	41	56	21	1	-	-	-		
1	1	-	-	-	-	10	7	3	10	-	-	-	-	-		
17	15	2	-	-	-	28	14	14	21	-	-	-	-	-		
4	4	-	-	-	-	13	5	8	12	1	-	-	-	-		
26	26	1	2	2	-	60	30	31	42	18	-	-	-	-		
14	10	1	1	1	-	38	14	24	32	6	-	-	-	-		
2	2	-	-	-	-	10	6	4	8	1	1	-	-	-		
1	1	-	-	-	-	2	2	-	2	-	-	-	-	-		
5	5	-	1	1	-	34	20	14	25	7	2	-	-	-		
172	89	46	23	21	-	365	189	176	276	83	6	-	-	-		
3	3	-	-	-	-	15	10	5	15	-	-	-	-	-		
1	1	-	-	-	-	4	1	3	3	1	-	-	-	-		
187	91	19	14	13	-	349	195	154	264	82	15	-	-	-		
2	2	-	-	-	-	11	7	4	8	1	1	-	-	-		
3	3	-	-	-	-	11	4	7	10	1	-	-	-	-		
5	5	-	-	-	-	3	2	1	3	-	-	-	-	-		
16	14	-	1	1	-	25	12	13	26	5	4	-	-	-		
9	6	-	-	3	-	31	18	13	22	9	-	-	-	-		
2	2	-	-	-	-	6	4	2	6	-	-	-	-	-		
7	7	1	-	-	-	10	4	6	7	2	1	-	-	-		
29	20	4	1	4	-	29	15	14	20	9	-	-	-	-		
7	7	-	-	-	-	90	47	43	71	19	-	-	-	-		
						7	4	3	7	-	-	-	-	-		
2,377	840	1,003	242	291	1	4,965	2,468	2,487	3,630	1,321	34	4,983	140,377	28.17		
9	9	-	-	-	-	27	15	12	25	2	-	-	-	-		
124	63	20	16	23	-	133	67	66	101	30	2	-	-	-		
10	8	-	-	1	1	21	12	9	19	1	1	-	-	-		
15	13	1	-	1	-	56	28	31	54	4	1	-	-	-		
11	9	-	2	-	-	22	11	11	17	4	1	-	-	-		
31	16	7	4	4	-	94	50	44	70	23	1	-	-	-		
19	15	-	-	4	-	96	48	42	76	12	2	-	-	-		
1,024	239	540	113	132	-	2,291	1,127	1,164	1,637	746	8	-	-	-		
6	5	1	-	-	-	29	12	17	25	4	-	-	-	-		
29	18	2	3	6	-	55	29	26	40	8	1	-	-	-		
710	226	342	60	82	-	1,225	630	595	958	294	3	-	-	-		
66	41	5	9	11	-	111	57	54	74	36	1	-	-	-		