

Selected Social Characteristics in Springfield, MA, 2006–08

	Springfield, MA	Massachusetts
HOUSEHOLDS BY TYPE		
Total households	55,116	2,457,167
Family households (families)	61.60%	63.80%
Married-couple family	31.30%	47.70%
Female householder, no husband present, family	23.70%	12.00%
With own children under 18 years	16.20%	7.00%
Households with one or more people under 18 years	35.70%	32.30%
Households with one or more people 65 years and over	22.00%	24.30%
FERTILITY		
Number of women 15 to 50 years old who had a birth in the past 12 months	2,726	78,502
Unmarried women (widowed, divorced, and never married)	66.80%	28.60%
GRANDPARENTS		
Number of grandparents living with own grandchildren under 18 years	4,033	105,202
Responsible for grandchildren	45.00%	28.30%
EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT		
Population 25 years and over	90,352	4,373,025
Percent high school graduate or higher	76.50%	88.40%
Percent bachelor's degree or higher	16.40%	37.70%
PLACE OF BIRTH		
Total population	149,586	6,469,770
Born in United States	75.60%	83.50%
State of residence	56.10%	63.70%
Born in Puerto Rico, U.S. Island areas, or born abroad to American parent(s)	14.90%	2.30%
Foreign born	9.50%	14.20%
LANGUAGE SPOKEN AT HOME		
Population 5 years and over	137,952	6,087,734
English only	68.30%	79.50%
Language other than English	31.70%	20.50%
Speak English less than "very well"	14.60%	8.60%

Source: 2006-2008 American Community Survey 3-Year Estimates