

# **2012 Massachusetts Sewer Rate Survey**



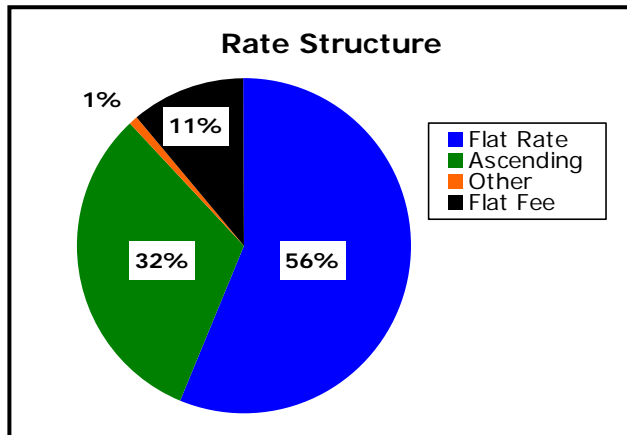
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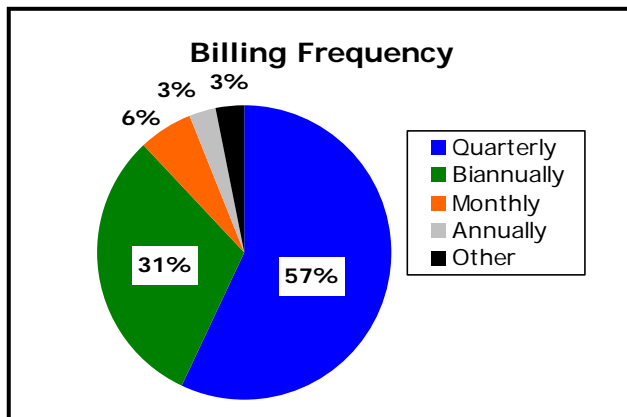
Tighe & Bond is pleased to publish our 2012 Sewer Rate Survey for communities in Massachusetts. The survey summarizes information from the following sources:

- online and written survey responses
- our extensive database of rate information for our existing clients
- the 2012 Annual Water & Sewer Retail Rate Survey published by The Massachusetts Water Resources Authority (MWRA) Advisory Board
- telephone surveys
- City and Town websites



A variety of different **rate structures** are used throughout the Commonwealth. Based on the written survey results, 56% of communities use a flat rate structure; 32% use an ascending rate structure and 11% use a flat fee. To allow for a comparative analysis, we have calculated the “typical” yearly homeowner’s cost assuming consumption of 120 hundred cubic feet (90,000 gallons) of water per year<sup>1</sup>. Based on the information included in this survey, typical annual sewer costs in Massachusetts range from a low of \$210 per household to a high of \$1,440. The 2012 average is \$690 per household, representing a 8.2% increase over the average in our 2010 rate survey. The 2012 median is \$646 per household, 15.5% above the 2010 median.

The majority of respondents to the written survey use either a quarterly billing cycle (57%) or a biannual billing cycle (31%). Three percent bill annually, 6% bill monthly and the remainder use either a bimonthly or tri-annual billing cycle. Of those communities responding to the written survey, 22% reported that they have a separate rate structure for businesses and 19% provide elderly discounts. Five percent of communities report that they offer separate seasonal rates and 5% early payment discount. Ten percent provide low-income discounts.



Tighe & Bond would like to thank all communities for their participation in this survey. Comparisons of sewer rate structures and resulting typical homeowner’s costs can be difficult given the wide variety of user charge methods in use. If we have incorrectly interpreted information for any community please let us know and we will make appropriate corrections. Questions, comments or suggestions are certainly welcome. Please contact Mary Beth Morris, P.E. at (413) 572-3247 or MBMorris@tighebond.com for further information and or additional copies.

Tighe & Bond has been providing consulting engineering services to government entities for decades. Ever since the federal Clean Water Act of 1972, municipalities have been faced with the challenge of keeping up with changing regulations governing the discharge of wastewater to rivers and streams. With engineering expertise and current regulatory knowledge, Tighe & Bond has helped many communities meet the challenge of wastewater management. Tighe & Bond also provides expertise in residuals management, water resources management, civil engineering, solid and hazardous waste management and geographic information services.

<sup>1</sup> This calculation has been maintained to allow for comparison with historic data presented in prior surveys. We understand that actual household usage may be less in some communities.

### Abington, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$640	Ascending	Quarterly	No	No	No	No	No	4,871 customers	10/2009

Notes: \$5.00/HCF for first 3000 C.F., \$7.00/HCF above 3000 C.F. Service charge of \$10.00 per bill. Residential connection fee: \$150, Business connection fee: \$500.

### Adams, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
NA	NA	NA	No	No	No	No	No	8,500	NA

Notes: Incorporated with taxes. Connection fee \$35 plus cost of pipe installation.

### Agawam, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$328	\$3.04/HCF	Biannually	No	No	Yes	No	No	28,144	1/2012

Notes: Annual minimum charge: \$96. Based on 90% water usage (100% for commercial).

### Amesbury, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$767	\$6.39/HCF	Quarterly	No	No	No	No	No	16,450	1/1/12

Notes: Minimum charge: \$47.925 per billing includes 750 CF.

### Amherst, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$414	\$3.45/HCF	Quarterly	No	No	No	No	No	35,000	7/1/12

Notes: Minimum quarterly charge is \$10.35.

### Andover, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$385	\$3.21/HCF	Biannually	No	No	No	No	No	22,300	2011

### Arlington, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$583	Ascending	Biannually	No	No	No	No	No	42,300	7/1/12

Notes: First 1,000 HCF - \$4.86/HCF; over 1,000 HCF - \$9.70/HCF. Per MWRA survey.

### Ashburnham, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$1,260	\$10.50/HCF	Quarterly	No	No	No	No	No	1,282	1/16/13

Notes: Per Town website.

### Ashland, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$1,440	Ascending	Quarterly	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	6,500	5/2012

Notes: Base charge of \$16.00; 0 - 10 HCF - \$10.86/HCF; 10 - 40 HCF - \$11.78/HCF; 40 - 90 HCF - \$13.12/HCF; over 90 HCF - \$16.28/HCF. Per MWRA survey.

### Athol, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$648	\$5.40/HCF	Quarterly	No	No	No	No	No	9,300	4/1/12

Notes: Minimum charge of \$69.75 includes 1,500 CF. Connection fee: \$1,000.

### Attleboro, City of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$934	\$8.65/HCF	Quarterly	Yes	No	No	No	No	42,100	7/1/08

Notes: Based on 90% of water usage. City has betterment fees.

### Auburn, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$470	\$4.43/HCF	Annually	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	NR	2011

Notes: Base charge of \$160 includes 5,000 CF. Discounts apply if qualified on taxes.

### Ayer, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$751	Ascending	Biannually	No	No	No	No	No	6,752	7/1/12

Notes: Minimum charge: \$10.00. First 6,000 CF - \$6.26/HCF; 6,000 - 12,000 CF - \$7.18/HCF; over 12,000 CF - \$8.17/HCF.

### Barnstable, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$530	\$4.42/HCF	Quarterly	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	4,200 customers	7/2012

Notes: Town indicates customers use 60,000 gals. per year (\$354).

### Barre, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$840	\$0.070/CF	Quarterly	No	No	No	No	No	2,700	7/1/11

Notes: Base charge of \$70.00 per bill includes first 1,000 CF. Connection fee: \$7,420.

### Bedford, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$953	Ascending	Biannually	Yes	No	No	No	No	13,000	7/1/12

Notes: Base charge \$22.50. 0-2,000 CF - \$3.30/HCF; over 2,000 CF - \$9.70/HCF. Per MWRA survey.

### Belchertown, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$739	\$739/year	Quarterly	No	No	Yes	No	No	2,032 customers	2011

### Bellingham, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$835	\$7.70/1000 gals.	Biannually	No	No	No	Yes	No	4,500	7/1/12

Notes: Service charge: \$71.00 for 5/8-3/4" meter size per billing. Non-metered charge is \$480/year.

### Belmont, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$1,347	\$10.72/HCF	Quarterly	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	24,000	7/1/12

Notes: Service charge per quarter is \$15.16 for 5/8" meter, more for larger meters. Elderly/low income discount based on property tax discount eligibility. Per MWRA survey.

### Beverly, City of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$704	\$5.87/HCF	Quarterly	No	No	No	No	No	42,000	7/1/12

Notes: Per MWRA survey.

### BillERICA, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$328	Ascending	Tri-Annually	No	No	No	No	No	40,243	7/1/12

Notes: 0 - 2,000 CF - \$2.57/HCF; 2,001 - 10,000 CF - \$2.90/HCF; 10,001 CF & up - \$4.13/HCF.

### Blackstone, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$562	Ascending	Biannually	No	No	No	No	No	NR	2007

Notes: First 10,000 gals. - \$72.91; 10,001 - 50,000 gals. - \$5.95/1000 gals.; 50,001 - 100,000 gals. - \$8.38/1000 gals.; over 100,001 gals. - \$10.08/1000 gals. Per Town website.

### Boston Water and Sewer Commission

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$674	Ascending	Monthly	No	No	No	No	No	NR	1/2012

Notes: Rates based on CF/day; First 19 CF - \$5.545/HCF; next 20 CF - \$5.716/HCF; next 50 CF - \$5.831/HCF; next 260 CF - \$6.152/HCF; next 950 CF - \$6.492/HCF; over 1,299 CF - \$6.716/HCF. Per MRWA survey.

### Bourne, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$734	\$734/year	Biannually	No	No	No	No	No	997 customer accounts	6/10

Notes: Flat fee. Town bases usage on 45,000 gals. Water overage: Any account in excess of 45,000 gallons of water is charged \$.010/gals. (residential or commercial). Billing cycle: 1/1-12/31.

### Braintree, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$643	Ascending	Quarterly	No	No	No	No	Yes	34,275	6/2012

Notes: Service charge: \$15.00/per bill. Ascending rates - 0-5 HCF - \$3.99/HCF; 5-35 HCF - \$5.03/HCF; 35-200 HCF - \$7.88/HCF; over 200 HCF - \$8.65/HCF. Per MWRA Survey.

### Bridgewater, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$454	Ascending	Biannually	No	No	No	No	No	18,000	9/2010

Notes: Base charge of \$98.00/bill includes first 3,000 CF of usage. 3,001 CF - 6,000 CF - \$4.30/HCF; 6,001 CF and over - \$6.30/HCF.

### Brockton, City of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$446	Ascending	Quarterly	No	No	No	No	No	94,000	1/1/2012

Notes: First 1,250 CF - \$2.93/HCF; 1,251-2,500 CF - \$3.91/HCF; 2,501-5,000 CF - \$5.20/HCF; 5,001-10,000 CF - \$6.91/HCF; 10,001-25,000 CF - \$9.22/HCF; 25,000-875,000 CF - \$12.23/HCF; over 875,000 CF - \$16.26/HCF.

### Brookline, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$895	Ascending	Quarterly	No	No	Yes	No	No	56,377	7/2012

Notes: Base charge: \$25.00. 0-7 HCF - \$3.60/HCF; > 7HCF - \$7.55/HCF. Per MWRA Survey.

### Buckland-Shelburne

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$588	\$0.049/CF	Annually	No	No	No	No	No	2,200	2012

Notes: Town reports average annual household cost at \$300.

### Burlington, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$372	Ascending	Biannually	Yes	No	No	No	No	NR	10/1/10

Notes: Base charge of \$37.00 includes first 20,000 gallons. 20,001-30,000 gals. - \$5.50/1000gals.; 30,001-50,000 gals. - \$6.25/1000 gals.; 50,001-70,000 gals. - \$7.00/1000 gals.; 70,001-90,000 - \$8.00/1000 gals.; over 90,001 gals. - \$9.50/1000gals. Per MWRA survey.



### Cambridge, City of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$980	Ascending	Quarterly	No	No	Yes	No	No	NR	4/1/12

Notes: Based on annual consumption. 0-40 HCF - \$7.86/HCF; 41-400 HCF - \$8.32/HCF; 401-2,000 HCF - \$8.93/HCF; 2,001-10,000 HCF - \$9.62 HCF; over 10,000 CF - \$10.23/HCF. Per MWRA survey.

### Canton, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$832	Ascending	Quarterly	Yes	No	No	No	No	19,735	7/1/12

Notes: Base charge: \$5.00. 0-15 HCF - \$6.48/HCF; 16-40 HCF - \$7.06/HCF; 41-60 HCF - \$9.21/HCF; over 60 HCF - \$11.81/HCF. Separate Irrigation Rate. Per MWRA survey.

### Chatham, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$637	Ascending	Quarterly	No	Yes	No	No	No	7,000 Winter / 30,000 Summer	4/1/04

Notes: Base sewer summer: \$67.50 includes first 1,000 CF; 1,001 - 3,000 CF - \$6.70/HCF; 3,001 - 5,000 CF - \$7.15/HCF; over 5,000 CF - \$7.35/HCF. Base sewer winter - \$33.75 includes first 1,000 CF; 1,001 - 3,000 CF - \$4.15/HCF; 3,001 - 5,000 CF - \$4.50/HCF; over 5,000 CF - \$4.75/HCF. Assume summer rates apply for two quarters.

### Chelmsford, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$314	\$3.49/1000 gals.	Biannually	Yes	No	No	No	No	30,000	7/2011

Notes: Commercial rate - \$4.17/1000 gals. Industrial rate - \$4.53/1000 gals. Minimum charge per bill \$40.50.

### Chelsea, City of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$964	Ascending	Monthly	No	No	No	No	No	NR	1/2011

Notes: \$8.03/HCF for 0 - 10 HCF; 11 - 15 HCF - \$8.75/HCF; over 15 HCF - \$10.06/HCF. Per MWRA survey.

### Chicopee, City of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$653	Ascending	Quarterly	No	Yes	No	No	No	55,000	7/1/11

Notes: 30% summer discount - June, July, August. \$4.45/HCF for first 1,000 HCF; \$5.25/HCF over 1,000 HCF. CSO fee: \$25.00/quarter. Minimum charge is \$10 (under 250 CF/quarter).

### Clinton, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$258	Ascending	Biannually	No	No	No	No	No	13,500	6/07

Notes: Sewer bill is 75% of water bill. Minimum sewer charge: \$42.40. Water rates are: 0 - 1,000 CF - \$5.66/HCF; 1,000- 3,000 CF - \$1.30/HCF; 3,000 - 5,000 CF - \$2.90/HCF; 5,000 - 20,000 CF - \$3.12/ HCF; over 20,000 CF - \$3.35 HCF.

### Cohasset, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$1,032	\$8.60/HCF	Quarterly	No	No	No	No	No	1,090	5/15/07

### Concord, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$927	\$9.66/HCF	Bimonthly	No	Yes	No	No	No	4,000	6/1/12

Notes: Sewer bill is 80% of water usage.

### Dalton, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$220	\$220/year	Biannually	Yes	No	No	No	No	2,191	2009

Notes: Residential sewer use is billed in two installments of \$110.00 per dwelling. Business with water meters are charged a rate of \$1.98/1000 gals.

### Danvers, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$774	Ascending	Quarterly	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	26,500	7/1/12

Notes: First 20 HCF - \$6.12/HCF; 20-24 HCF - \$6.30/HCF; greater than 24 HCF - \$7.63/HCF. Commercial customers billed monthly. Connection fee: \$50.

### Dartmouth, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$416	Ascending	Biannually	Yes	No	No	No	No	23,492	7/1/12

Notes: First 1,000 CF - \$31.84; 1,000 CF - 2,600 CF - \$33.87/1000 CF; \$35.89/1000 CF for all additional CF; sewer charge based on 75% of water consumption. Commercial rate: first 1,000 - \$31.84/1000 CF; 1,000 CF to 1,600 CF - \$42.11/1000 CF; over 1,600- \$46.38/1000 CF.

### Dedham, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$937	\$8.08/HCF	Quarterly	Yes	No	No	No	No	24,500	6/2008

Notes: Minimum charge is \$32.32 includes 5 HCF. Per MWRA survey.

### Deerfield, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$538	\$5.42/1000 gals.	Biannually	No	No	No	No	No	980 customers	5/1/2012

Notes: \$25.00 charge per bill for connection charge.

### Dighton, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$372	\$2.30/HCF	Biannually	Yes	No	No	No	No	560 customers	8/09

Notes: Service charge: \$75.00/billing period plus 80% water consumption for residential.

### Douglas, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$900	\$6.83/HCF	Biannually	No	No	No	No	No	2,200	2011

Notes: Basic service charge \$40.00. Per Town website.

### Dracut, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$520	\$520/year	Quarterly	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	7,722	7/1/11

Notes: Flat fee. Commercial accounts will also receive a minimum sewer bill of \$260 biannually. Any excess over 4,000 CF - \$6.55/HCF. Per Town website.

### Dudley, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$639	\$3.20/HCF	Quarterly	No	No	No	No	No	1,823	7/1/06

Notes: Base charge: \$63.75 per bill. Does not include any water usage.

### East Longmeadow, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$288	\$2.40/HCF	Quarterly	No	No	Yes	No	No	15,852	1/1/12

Notes: Minimum bill of \$24.00 includes 1,000 CF. Also have agricultural rates (75% of residential rate).

### Easthampton, City of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$502	\$3.90/HCF	Quarterly	No	No	No	No	No	16,023	7/1/12

Notes: Service charge \$8.50/quarter. Connection fee: \$1,250/service and \$2,500/main line.

### Edgartown, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$520	\$520/year	Annually	Yes	No	No	No	No	3,000 - 30,000 seasonally	2011

Notes: Town reports sewer charges to be \$65.00 per drain. BOD charge of \$1,375 per food serving establishment (including up to 25 seats). Over 25 seats \$13.75/seat BOD charge. Connection fee: \$50 residential and \$250 commercial.

### Erving, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
NA	NA	NA	No	No	No	No	No	NA	NA

Notes: Sewer costs are partially deferred because 1 of 2 treatment plants is run by the paper mill. Sewer costs are obtained through taxes.

### Everett, City of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$625	Ascending	Quarterly	No	No	No	No	No	NR	7/2012

Notes: 0-30 HCF - \$5.21/HCF; 30-60 HCF - \$6.83/HCF; 60-90 HCF - \$7.84/HCF; 90 - 240 HCF - \$8.79/HCF; over 240 HCF - \$9.79/HCF. Per MWRA Survey.

### Fairhaven, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$690	\$5.75/HCF	Biannually	No	No	No	No	No	12,195	4/1/06

Notes: Per MWRA Survey.

### Fall River, City of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$631	\$4.09/HCF	Quarterly	No	No	No	No	No	90,000	9/2011

Notes: Additional stormwater fee: \$140.00/year. Town reports actual usage 100 HCF/year. Per MWRA survey.

### Falmouth, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$482	\$6.10/HCF	Biannually	No	No	No	No	No	900 customers	10/1/09

Notes: Rates are based on 79 HCF (annual usage). Connection fee: \$50 residential, \$50/family for multi-family, \$200 Commercial/Industrial and tapping fee. Accept septage at rate of \$0.080/gals. - October-March; \$0.095/gals. - April-September.

### Fitchburg, City of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$839	\$7.30/HCF	Monthly	No	No	No	No	No	40,000	7/2011

Notes: Base charge of \$18.85 for first 3 HCF. Per MWRA survey.

### Foxborough, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$787	Ascending	Monthly or Quarterly	No	No	No	No	No	2,700	1/28/13

Notes: Minimum charge of \$57.87 includes first 750 CF; from 750-3,000 CF - \$61.69/1000CF; 3,000-7,500 CF - \$62.62/1000CF; over 7,500 CF - \$63.60/1000 CF. Quarterly and monthly rates imply same total cost to customer. Per Town website.

### Framingham, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$678	Ascending	Quarterly	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	65,000	7/1/12

Notes: 1 - 12 HCF - \$5.36/HCF; 13 - 27 HCF - \$5.54/HCF; 28 - 51 HCF - \$7.39/HCF; 52 - 750 HCF - \$10.57/HCF; over 750 HCF - \$15.35/HCF. Per MWRA survey.

### Franklin, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$513	Ascending	Quarterly	No	No	No	Yes	No	31,929	6/30/12

Notes: Cost based on annual consumption: 0 - 15 HCF - \$4.15/HCF; 16 - 40 HCF - \$4.40/HCF; 41+ HCF - \$5.10/HCF. Sewer usage for residences without municipal water costs \$125 per quarter. Entry fee: \$2,440 and \$375 Connection fee.

### Gardner, City of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$486	\$4.10/HCF	Quarterly	No	No	No	No	No	20,000	2012

Notes: Base charge: \$15.00 per billing includes 400 CF. Per City website.

### Gloucester, City of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$999	\$11.10/1000 gals.	Quarterly	No	No	No	No	No	NR	7/20/12

Notes: Per MWRA survey.

### Grafton, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$315	\$3.50/1000 gals.	Quarterly	No	No	No	No	No	12,000	7/2012

### Granby, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$556	\$556/year	Biannually	No	No	No	No	No	319 connections	7/1/12

Notes: Rate reported is for regional sewer users (\$265 is paid to Town of South Hadley). Community septic users pay \$407/year.

### Great Barrington, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$460	\$460/year	Biannually	No	No	No	No	No	3, 710 EDUs	7/2012

Notes: Connection fees assessed by the size of the pipe. Force main: <1" \$500; 1"-2" \$600; 2"-3" \$800; 3"-4" \$1000; 4" or greater \$1500. Gravity: 4" \$500; 6" \$1000; 8" \$1500; 10" \$2000.

### Greenfield, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$479	\$3.99/HCF	Biannually	No	No	No	No	No	18,600	2011

Notes: Per Town website.

### Groton, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$1,348	Ascending	Quarterly	No	No	No	No	No	2,000	7/1/12

Notes: Minimum charge: \$9.13; 0-15 HCF - \$9.13/HCF; 16 - 30 HCF - \$13.33/HCF; over 30 HCF - \$14.66/HCF. Rates will change as of June 1, 2013.

### Groveland, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$657	\$5.74/HCF	Biannually	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	900	3/28/11

Notes: Base rate of \$93.08 per billing period includes first 1,900 CF of usage. Connection fee = \$450. Town reports cost based on actual consumption at \$550.

### Hadley, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$552	\$4.60/HCF	Biannually	Yes	No	No	No	No	5,166	12/16/08

Notes: Commercial rate is \$4.72/HCF. Connection fees are \$1,500 for the first 2,000 SF and an additional \$500 for every 2,000 SF. Commercial conservation rate: \$5.28/HCF.

### Hardwick Villages of Gilbertville and Wheelwright

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$528	\$528/year	Annually	No	No	No	No	No	1450	2012



### Hatfield, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$684	\$5.70/HCF	Biannually	No	No	No	No	No	3,478	7/2012

Notes: Agricultural sewer rate \$2.35 HCF.

### Haverhill, City of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$456	\$3.80/HCF	Quarterly	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	60,000	7/1/12

### Hingham, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$1,128	\$9.40/HCF	Biannually	No	No	No	Yes	No	6,200	5/1/12

Notes: Town reports average use is 86 HCF. Connection fee: \$1000 for existing houses and \$1,174.80 per bedroom for new houses and renovations.

### Holbrook, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$726	\$6.05/HCF	Quarterly	Yes	No	No	No	No	10,780	4/2011

Notes: Minimum charge is \$229.36/year. Business rate: \$6.20/HCF. Per MWRA survey.

### Holden, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$919	Ascending	Monthly	No	No	No	No	No	3,700	8/1/12

Notes: Base rate: \$13.54 per billing. 0 - 150 CF - \$4.89/HCF; 151 - 500 CF - \$5.86/HCF; 501 - 1,000 CF - \$7.04/HCF; 1,001 - 1,500 - \$8.45/HCF; over 1,500 CF - \$10.14/HCF. Per Town website.

### Holyoke, City of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$486	\$5.40/1000 gals.	Quarterly	Yes	No	No	No	No	NR	12/2/08

### Hopedale, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$440	\$3.67/HCF	Quarterly	No	No	No	No	No	6,000	1/07

Notes: Per Town website.

### Hopkinton, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$942	Ascending	Biannually	No	No	No	No	No	7,900	7/1/08

Notes: 0 - 8,000 CF - \$7.85/HCF; over 8,000 CF - \$9.50/HCF.

### Hudson, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$589	\$4.91/HCF	Quarterly	No	No	No	No	No	NR	7/1/12

### Hull, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$853	\$7.11/HCF	Biannually	No	No	No	No	No	12,000	3/27/12

Notes: Connection Charges \$60-\$1,000.

### Huntington, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$900	\$12.50/1000 gals	Quarterly	No	No	No	No	No	1,050	2010

Notes: Minimum bill \$104 per quarter. Based on 80% of water usage. Connection fee: \$950.

### Ipswich, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$600	\$5.00/HCF	Monthly	No	No	No	No	No	6,875	10/1/12

Notes: Connection fee: \$200.

### Kingston, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$996	\$10.40/1000 gals.	Quarterly	No	No	No	No	No	1,600	5/1/11

Notes: Service charge: \$15.00/bill. Town reports annual cost at \$684 based on 15,000 gals. per quarter.

### Lancaster Sewer District

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$660	\$5.50/HCF	Quarterly	No	No	No	No	No	NR	6/1/2010

Notes: Per District website.

### Lawrence, City of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$402	\$3.35/HCF	Quarterly	No	No	No	No	No	75,000	7/1/09

### Lee, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$977	\$8.14/HCF	Quarterly	No	No	No	No	Yes	6,000	4/1/12

Notes: Minimum charge: \$50. Connection fee: \$880 per bedroom. Per Town website.

### Leicester - Hillcrest Sewer District

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$460	\$460/year	Quarterly	No	No	No	No	No	1,000	2004

Notes: Billed \$115 per quarter. This is the fifth year of service.

### Leicester - Leicester Water Supply District

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$639	Ascending	Quarterly	No	No	No	No	No	3,100	4/5/11

Notes: Base charge: \$35.00 per billing. \$4.16/HCF - 1,000 - 6,500 CF; \$5.29/HCF - over 6,500CF. Connection fee: \$5,500. Per District website.

### Leicester - Oxford-Rochdale Sewer District

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$400	\$400/year	Quarterly	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	2,900	7/95

Notes: Business rates - 6 employees at a business is equal to 1 housing unit. Nursing homes rate - \$6.00/1000 gals. \$5.00 off per bill if paid within 30 days. Connection fee: \$4,500 per living unit.

### Lenox, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$765	\$8.50/1000 gals.	Biannually	No	No	No	No	No	6,000	5/1/12

Notes: Flat rate of \$272.80 per six months for unmetered users. Per Town website.

### Leominster, City of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$485	\$3.75/HCF	Quarterly	No	No	No	No	No	40,000	4/2012

Notes: Base charge: \$20.00 for first 3 HCF. Per MWRA survey.

### Lexington, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$1,008	Ascending	Biannually	No	No	No	Yes	No	31,545	7/2012

Notes: 0-40 HCF - \$6.94/HCF; 40-80 HCF \$11.34/HCF; 80+ HCF - \$18.02/HCF. Per MRWA survey.

### Longmeadow, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$347	\$2.32/HCF	Biannually	No	No	No	No	No	15,975	7/1/12

Notes: Base charge of \$34.28 per bill. Town reports 220/HCF annual cutoff for residential only.

### Lowell, City of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$325	Ascending	Quarterly	No	No	No	No	No	117,000	NR

Notes: 0 - 50 HCF - \$2.708/HCF; 50 - 100 HCF - \$2.859/HCF; 100 - 200 HCF - \$2.904/HCF; 200 - 500 HCF - \$2.950/HCF; over 500 HCF - \$2.995/HCF. Per MWRA survey.

### Ludlow, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$348	\$2.90/HCF	Annually	No	No	No	No	No	22,000	2011

Notes: Minimum bill charge is \$80.00 annually and includes the first 4,000 C.F. of usage.

### Lynn Water & Sewer Commission

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$737	Ascending	Quarterly	No	No	Yes	No	No	133,200	7/1/10

Notes: 0 - 27 HCF - \$6.12/HCF; 27 - 73 HCF - \$6.33/HCF; 73 - 2812 HCF - \$6.39/HCF; over 2812 HCF - \$6.44/HCF.

### Malden, City of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$636	Ascending	Monthly	No	No	No	No	No	57,500	8/2012

Notes: Monthly charge of \$3.00 includes 200 CF. 201 - 800 CF - \$5.19/HCF; 801 - 12,000 CF - \$9.41/HCF; over 12,000 CF - \$10.73/HCF. Per MWRA survey.

### Manchester, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$1,410	\$11.75/HCF	Quarterly	No	No	Yes	No	No	3,200	2011

Notes: Elderly discounts only apply to elderly housing.

### Mansfield, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$771	Ascending	Quarterly	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	23,829	6/1/12

Notes: Early payment discount is 10%. \$75.59/1000 CF up to 3,000 CF; \$80.11/1000 CF for 3,001-4,500 CF; \$86.67/1000 CF for 4,501-6,000 CF; \$95.23/1000 CF over 6,000 CF. Commercial billed monthly. Sewer cost is based on 85% for residential consumption and 100% for commercial/industrial water consumption. Connection charge is \$2,460.

### Marblehead, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$774	Ascending	Quarterly	No	No	No	No	No	20,000	7/1/12

Notes: 0 - 30 HCF - \$6.10/HCF; over 30 HCF - \$6.45/HCF. \$10.50 Administration Charge - billed quarterly. Sewer deduct meters are utilized. Per MWRA survey.

**Marion, Town of**

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$1,128	Ascending	Biannually	No	No	No	No	No	1,590	NR

Notes: Base charge: \$204 per billing (5/8" x 3/4" meter). 0 - 2,500 CF - \$49.40/1000 CF; 2,501 - 5,000 CF - \$111.80/1000 CF; over 5,000 CF- \$161.20/1000 CF. Per Town website.

**Marlborough, City of**

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$629	\$5.24/HCF	Quarterly	No	No	No	No	No	38,000	2011

Notes: Larger users billed monthly. Per City website.

**Marshfield, Town of**

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$754	\$5.40/1000 gals.	Biannually	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	3,921 residential services	7/1/12

Notes: \$268.00 base charge per year plus consumption charges. Town reports actual usage as 56,000 gals/year (\$570).

**Mattapoisett, Town of**

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$648	\$5.40/HCF	Biannually	No	No	No	No	No	1,702 customers	10/2010

Notes: Base charge of \$108.00 per billing period includes first 2,000 CF of usage. Per Town website.

**Maynard, Town of**

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$1,066	\$8.88/HCF	Quarterly	No	No	Yes	No	No	10,461	7/1/10

Notes: Minimum charge of \$44.40 per bill.

### Medfield, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$762	\$8.50/1000 gals.	Biannually	No	No	No	No	No	2,235	6/2012

Notes: Base charge is \$82.42 for up to 10,000 gals.

### Medford, City of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$912	\$7.60/HCF	Bimonthly	No	No	Yes	Yes	NR	57,407	7/2010

Notes: Per MWRA survey.

### Medway, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$406	\$4.20/HCF	Biannually	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	12,448	7/1/12

Notes: \$3.36/HCF up to 4,000 HCF; \$3.42/HCF - 4,001 - 7,000 HCF; \$4.20/HCF for 7,001+ HCF. Town reports average annual residential household usage of 8,000 CF (\$269).

### Melrose, City of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$1,069	\$9.90/HCF	Quarterly	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	28,100	8/2012

Notes: Based on 90% water usage. Per MWRA Survey.

### Merrimac, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$1,077	\$12.75/1000 gals.	Quarterly	No	No	No	No	No	2,000	7/1/12

Notes: Base charge of \$78.00 per quarter for up to 7,500 gals. \$142.50 per quarter for unmetered houses.



### Methuen, City of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$258	\$2.15/HCF	Quarterly	Yes	No	No	No	No	45,000	10/1/07

Notes: Business rate is \$2.25/HCF. Connection fee: \$1,250 per unit.

### Middleborough, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$398	Ascending	Quarterly	No	No	Yes	No	No	6,500	7/1/12

Notes: Service charge of \$28.92 per billing for first 500 CF (5/8" meter); 501-2,500 CF - \$2.49/HCF; 2,501 - 25,000 CF - \$4.16/HCF; over 25,000 CF - \$6.99/HCF.

### Milford, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$505	\$0.04206/CF	Biannually	Yes	No	No	No	No	27,000	9/2008

Notes: Per Town website.

### Millbury, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$764	\$8.49/1000 gals.	Biannually	No	No	No	No	No	3,063	2012

### Millis, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$634	Ascending	Quarterly	No	No	No	No	No	1,184 accounts	7/2012

Notes: Base charge of \$36.40 per bill. 0 - 25,000 gals. - \$5.43/1000 gals.; 25,001 - 50,000 gals. - \$7.80/1000 gals.; 50,001+ gals. - \$10.52/HCF. Per Town website.

### Milton, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$1,232	Ascending	Quarterly	No	No	No	No	No	NR	8/2012

Notes: 0 - 6 HCF - \$36.00; 6 - 30 HCF - \$11.33/HCF; 30 - 60 HCF - \$12.48/HCF; over 60 HCF - \$13.31/HCF. Per MWRA survey.

### Monson, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$340	\$340/year	Quarterly	No	No	No	No	No	4,176	4/1/11

Notes: Flat fee. Businesses and large volume contributors are charged \$4.66/1000 gals based on 73,000 gallon EDU. Connection Fee:\$1,500 (4").

### Montague, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$540	\$6.00/1000 gals.	Biannually	Yes	No	No	No	No	7,252	2010

Notes: Billed twice/year payable in 2 installations. Minimum bill of \$36.00 per period. For unmetered customers flat rate is \$334.00 for 12 months. Connection Fee: \$105 Residential, \$125 Commercial. Per Town website.

### Nahant, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$1,072	\$8.93/HCF	Tri-annually	No	No	No	No	No	4,998	7/2012

Notes: Per MWRA Survey.

### Natick, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$951	Ascending	Quarterly	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	32,000	7/2012

Notes: Administrative fee: \$5.00 per bill; 0 - 10 HCF - \$4.15/HCF; 11 - 20 HCF - \$7.40/HCF; over 21 HCF - \$12.23/HCF. Per MWRA survey.

### Needham, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$998	Ascending	Quarterly	Yes	No	No	No	No	30,000	7/1/10

Notes: 0 - 600 CF - \$7.70/HCF; 601 - 2,700 CF - \$8.40/HCF; 2,701 - 4,200 CF - \$8.95 HCF; over 4,201 CF - \$9.70/HCF. Per MWRA survey.

### New Bedford, City of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$568	\$4.15/HCF	Monthly	No	No	No	No	No	106,000	7/1/10

Notes: \$70.00 base charge per year.

### Newburyport, City of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$870	Ascending	Quarterly	No	No	No	No	No	17,552	7/1/12

Notes: Service charge of \$18.00 per quarter. 0 - 30 HCF - \$6.65/HCF; 30+ HCF - \$7.41/HCF.

### Newton, City of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$1,060	Ascending	Quarterly	No	No	No	Yes	No	81,000+	7/20/12

Notes: 0 - 20 HCF - \$8.28/HCF; 21 - 70 HCF - \$9.94/HCF; over 70 HCF - \$11.93/HCF. Per MWRA survey.

### North Andover, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$846	Ascending	Quarterly	No	No	No	No	No	18,000	8/1/12

Notes: 0 - 20 HCF - \$5.95/HCF; over 21 HCF - \$9.24/HCF. Per Town website.

### North Attleborough, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$557	\$4.07/HCF	Biannually	No	No	No	No	No	18,000	4/2012

Notes: Minimum charge of \$115.68/bill per unit includes first 2,000 CF of usage. Commercial customers are billed monthly. Moving to quarterly billing in April 2013. Rates increasing as well.

### North Brookfield, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$944	\$11.65/1000 gals.	Biannually	No	No	No	No	No	2,900	8/2012

Notes: Rate based on 90% of metered water consumption. Connection fee: \$5,000. Town bases their use on 67,000 gallons.

### Northampton, City of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$696	\$5.80/HCF	Quarterly	No	No	No	No	No	29,000	7/1/12

### Northborough, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$632	Ascending	Quarterly	No	No	No	No	No	1,200	7/10

Notes: 0 - 2,000 CF - \$52.07/1000 CF; 2,001 - 6,000 CF - \$54.01/1000 CF; over 6,001 CF - \$56.44/1000 CF. Per MWRA survey.

### Northbridge, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$607	Ascending	Quarterly	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	3,800 customers	7/1/11

Notes: Minimum charge of \$60.50 for 800 cf or less per quarter. Flat fee of \$89.18 for up to 2,000 CF per quarter; \$6.25/HCF for all usage over 2,000 CF per quarter. Single family residence sewer use charge is based on winter quarter water consumption. For all other customers, quarterly sewer use charge is based on actual water consumption for each quarter.

### Northfield, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$1,014	\$8.45/HCF	Biannually	No	No	No	No	No	1,400	11/2012

Notes: Town reports average annual cost as \$917.

### Norton, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$752	\$6.60/HCF	Quarterly	No	No	No	No	No	NR	4/2010

Notes: Minimum charge: \$72.25. Residential customer billed based on 95% of metered water. Per Town website.

### Norwood, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$690	Ascending	Monthly	No	No	No	No	No	28,700	7/2012

Notes: Based on 60% metered water usage. 0-3 HCF - \$6.55/HCF; over 3 HCF - \$12.63/HCF. Per MWRA survey.

### Oak Bluffs, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$1,020	Ascending	Annually	No	No	No	No	No	754 customers	4/1/02

Notes: \$0.010/gals. - 0-40,000 gals.; \$0.012/gals. - 40,001-80,000 gals.; \$0.014/gals. - 80,001-120,000 gals.; \$0.016/gals. - 120,001-160,000 gals.; \$0.018/gals. - 160,001-200,000 gals.; \$0.020/gals. - 200,001-240,000 gals.; \$0.022/gals. - 240,001-280,000 gals.; \$0.024/gals. - 280,001-320,000 gals.; \$0.026/gals. - 320,001-360,000 gals.; \$0.028/gals. - 360,001-400,000+ gals.

### Orange, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$499	\$4.16/HCF	Quarterly	No	No	No	No	No	3,900	7/1/10

Notes: Minimum charge: \$2.50 includes first 100 CF.

### Oxford, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$936	\$10.40/1000 gals.	Quarterly	No	No	No	No	No	820	7/1/12

### Palmer, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$430	\$430/year	Biannually	No	No	Yes	No	No	11,000	7/1/12

Notes: Flat fee.

### Peabody, City of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$410	Ascending	Quarterly	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	46,500	3/03

Notes: Ascending rates are 0-15 HCF - \$3.25/HCF; over 15 HCF - \$3.58/HCF. Commercial rates are 0-15 HCF - \$3.75/HCF; over 15 HCF - \$4.13/HCF. Per MWRA survey.

### Pepperell, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$936	Ascending	Biannually	Yes	No	No	No	No	5,200	7/2012

Notes: Minimum charge of \$194.98 per billing includes first 2,500 CF. 2,501 - 6,000 CF - \$0.07799/CF; 6,001 - 12,000 CF - \$0.09097/CF; 12,001 - 18,000 CF - \$0.10221/CF; 18,001+ CF - \$0.11346/CF. Per Town website.

### Pittsfield, City of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$210	\$1.75/HCF	Quarterly	No	No	No	No	No	42,000	7/1/12

Notes: Minimum quarterly charge is \$6.75.

### Plainville, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$552	\$6.60/1000 gals.	Quarterly	No	No	No	No	No	7,500	2012

Notes: Capital Fee \$12.00 per billing. Sewer bill is based on 85% water usage for residential use; 100% for commercial/industrial use. Connection fee: \$225.

### Plymouth, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$776	Ascending	Biannually	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	7,000	6/24/08

Notes: Minimum charge: \$85.00 (no consumption). 0 - 3,000CF - \$3.64/HCF; 3,000 - 9,000CF - \$4.84/HCF; over 9,000CF - \$5.70/HCF. Per Town website.

### Quincy, City of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$1,000	\$11.90/HCF	Quarterly	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	88,000	7/2012

Notes: Based on 70% of water usage. Per MWRA survey.

### Randolph, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$813	Ascending	Biannually	No	No	Yes	No	No	NR	8/2012

Notes: Base charge: \$25.00 per bill. 0-50 HCF - \$5.21/HCF; over 50 HCF - \$8.46/HCF.

### Raynham, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$228	\$228/year	Biannually	Yes	No	No	No	No	10,000	6/1/08

Notes: Flat fee of \$114.00 billed twice per year. Commercial rate: \$3.50/1000 gals. Connection charge: \$5,000.

### Reading, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$1,176	\$9.80/HCF	Quarterly	No	No	No	No	Yes	23,486	9/1/12

Notes: Minimum charge: \$19.60 per bill includes 200 CF.

### Revere, City of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$1,337	\$11.14/HCF	Quarterly	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	47,500	7/1/12

Notes: Commercial Rate: \$15.82/HCF.

### Rockland, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$468	\$3.90/HCF	Quarterly	No	No	No	No	No	18,000	10/2011

### Rockport, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$1,179	\$13.10/1000 gals.	Quarterly	No	No	Yes	No	No	7,800	7/1/12

### Russell, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$480	\$480/year	Monthly	Yes	No	No	No	No	1,135	2/2009

Notes: Connection fee: \$1,500.



### Rutland, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$929	\$6.20/HCF	Quarterly	No	No	No	No	No	5,057	4/1/12

Notes: \$33.25/quarter for Infiltration & Inflow charge. \$13.00/quarter for sewer repair loan charge. Town reports annual average consumption as 100 CF (\$620).

### Salem, City of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$648	\$5.40/HCF	Quarterly	Yes	No	No	No	No	40,407	8/2012

Notes: Business rates - 0 - 25,000 CF - \$8.19/HCF billed monthly; \$10.49/HCF over 25,000 CF. Per MWRA survey.

### Salisbury, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$360	\$90/quarter	Quarterly	No	No	Yes	No	No	6,100	4/1/02

### Saugus, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$344	Ascending	Biannually	No	No	No	No	No	26,000	11/07

Notes: Minimum charge of \$60.00 includes first 2,000 CF; 2,001 - 3,001 CF - \$2.20/HCF; 3,001 - 6,000 CF - \$3.00/HCF; 6,001 - 100,000 CF - \$4.20/HCF; 100,001 - 200,000 - \$5.20/HCF; 200,001 - 500,000 - \$6.20/HCF; 500,001 - 1,000,000 - \$6.90/HCF; over 1,000,000 CF - \$7.20/HCF. Per MWRA survey.

### Scituate, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$552	\$4.60/HCF	Quarterly	No	No	No	No	No	7,327	2/1/11

Notes: Base charge of \$57.35 includes 12.5 HCF.

### Shrewsbury, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$795	\$7.50/1000 gals.	Quarterly	Yes	No	No	No	No	33,622	NR

Notes: Base rate: \$30.00 per bill. Commercial rate is \$9.30/1000 gallons. Per Town website.

### Somerset, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$270	\$270/year	Biannually	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	19,000	7/09

### Somerville, City of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$864	Ascending	Tri-Annually	No	No	No	No	No	77,478	7/2011

Notes: First 13 HCF - \$6.07/HCF; 14 - 67 HCF - \$7.75/HCF; 68 - 133 HCF - \$8.13/HCF; over 133 HCF - \$8.41/HCF. Per MWRA survey.

### South Hadley, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$225	\$225/year	Biannually	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	15,000	2009

Notes: Residential customer billed twice per year \$132.50 each bill (September and March). Separate business rates if strength is >250ppm for BOD or TSS. EDU = Equivalent Dwelling Unit = 10,000 cf/year. Rates based on 100 HCF or 74,800 gals. annually. Per Town website.

### Southbridge, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$576	Ascending	Quarterly	No	No	No	No	No	15,000	7/1/10

Notes: Service charge: \$49.86 for 5/8" meter. First 500 CF - \$2.46/HCF; next 3,500 CF - \$3.27/HCF; next 15,000 CF - \$4.28/HCF; next 81,000 CF - \$6.32/HCF; over 100,000 CF - \$8.17/HCF. Per Town website.

### Southwick, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$446	\$4.95/1000 gals.	Biannually	No	No	Yes	No	No	2,600	2005

Notes: Non-metered water year round occupancy \$675/ Year, Non-metered water seasonal occupancy \$337.50/ year. Connection Fee: \$100. Rate increase will be effective 4/1/13.

### Spencer, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$598	Ascending	Quarterly	No	No	No	No	No	5,000	7/1/12

Notes: Minimum charge: \$74.50/quarter includes first 1,500 CF of usage; \$5.00/HCF 1,500 - 5,000 CF; \$5.45/HCF 5,000 - 8,000 CF; \$6.00/HCF over 8,000 CF.

### Springfield Water & Sewer Commission

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$437	\$3.64/HCF	Quarterly	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	150,000	7/1/12

Notes: Per MWRA survey.

### Stockbridge, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$390	\$3.25/HCF	Biannually	No	No	No	No	No	1,800	6/7/11

Notes: Minimum charge: \$80.75 for up to 2,500 CF.

### Stoneham, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$1,080	\$9.00/HCF	Quarterly	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	23,000	7/1/12

Notes: Town reports average sewer bill approximately \$800.

### Stoughton, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$1,117	\$9.31/HCF	Quarterly	No	No	No	No	No	NR	8/2011

Notes: Minimum charge is \$72.62 per bill. Customers with private wells pay a flat charge of: \$186.21 per condominium, \$279.30 per private home. Per MWRA survey.

### Sturbridge, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$956	\$7.97/HCF	Quarterly	No	Yes	No	No	No	4,410	7/2012

Notes: Seasonal Rate is a flat rate.

### Sutton, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$638	\$6.25/1000 gals.	Biannually	Yes	No	No	No	No	2,800	2008

Notes: Town reports average use is 60,000 gals. Minimum charge of \$225.06 per half year bill includes 30,000 gallons. Connection charge is \$5,000 per unit.

### Swampscott, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$707	\$5.60/HCF	Quarterly	No	No	No	No	No	14,000	7/6/12

Notes: Base charge: \$8.75/bill. Per MWRA survey.

### Taunton, City of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$467	Ascending	Quarterly	Yes	No	No	No	No	25,000	7/1/12

Notes: Base charge: \$72.00 (5/8") per billing. \$1.49/HCF - 0 to 30 CF; \$5.30/HCF - over 250 CF. Per City website.

### Templeton, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$639	Ascending	Quarterly	No	No	No	No	Yes	1,200	7/16/12

Notes: Minimum annual charge of \$300.00 per billing cycle (\$75 per quarter) includes first 8,750 gals.; \$5.43/1000 gals. for 8,751 - 15,000 gals.; \$6.79/1000 gals. for over 15,000 gals.

### Tewksbury, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$755	Ascending	Biannually	No	No	No	No	No	10,000	7/1/12

Notes: Based on annual consumption: 1,000 - 34,999 gals - \$6.55/1000 gals.; 35,000 - 70,000 gals. - \$8.43/1000 gals; 70,000 - 140,000 gals. - \$11.53/1000 gals; over 140,000 - \$13.49/1000 gals. \$482.16 semi-annually for unmetered properties. Per Town website.

### Tyngsborough, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$496	\$496/year	Biannually	Yes	No	No	No	No	1,500	2009

Notes: Flat Fee. Connection fee: \$5,200 for existing and new.

### Upton, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$723	\$5.81/1000 gals.	Biannually	No	No	No	No	No	2,500	3/6/12

Notes: Base charge - \$100/per bill. Changing to quarterly billing effective 3/19/13. Sewer rate also increasing.

### Uxbridge, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$586	\$5.15/HCF	Quarterly	No	No	No	No	No	6,560	4/1/12

Notes: \$33.20 includes first 800 CF. Quarterly cost reflects \$11.56 in capital improvements costs per EDU.

### Wakefield, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$1,200	\$10.00/HCF	Quarterly	No	No	No	No	Yes	24,000	7/2012

Notes: Early discount is 10%. Town reports annual cost at \$1,080.

### Walpole, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$758	\$7.892/HCF	Quarterly	No	No	No	No	No	12,750	7/1/12

Notes: Based on 80% water usage. Commercial billed monthly. Per MWRA survey.

### Waltham, City of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$753	Ascending	Quarterly	No	No	No	No	No	NR	2012

Notes: Minimum charge: \$5.75. First 21 HCF - \$5.75/HCF; 21 - 45 HCF - \$7.50/HCF; 45 - 120 HCF - \$11.33/HCF; over 120 HCF - \$13.69/HCF. Per MWRA Survey.

### Wannacomet Water Co., Nantucket

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$1,200	Seasonal	Monthly	No	Yes	No	No	No	9,000	2012

Notes: Seasonal rates are \$8.00/HCF - May 1st - October 31st and \$6.00/HCF - November 1st - April 30th. Service charge: \$30.00/month for all meter sizes. Per Water Company website.

### Ware, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$547	\$3.93/HCF	Quarterly	No	No	No	No	No	5,500	11/1/11

Notes: Base charge of \$38.50 includes first 5 HCF.

### Wareham, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$598	\$598/year	Biannually	No	No	No	No	No	20,000	2010

Notes: Flat Fee.

### Warren, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$300	\$300/year	Annually	No	No	No	No	No	2,500	7/1/07

### Watertown, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$913	Ascending	Quarterly	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	32,986	7/1/12

Notes: 0 - 3,000 CF - \$7.61/HCF; 3,001 - 30,000 CF - \$9.82/HCF; over 30,000 CF - \$13.17/HCF. Per MWRA survey.

### Webster, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$874	\$72.87/1000 CF	Quarterly	No	No	Yes	No	No	16,000	6/14/2010

### Wellesley, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$941	\$7.69/HCF	Monthly	No	No	No	No	No	26,364	7/1/10

Notes: Base charge per bill: \$1.50. Per MWRA survey.

### West Boylston, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$957	\$0.00904/gallon	Quarterly	Yes	No	No	No	No	2,000 connections	4/22/10

Notes: Service charge: \$35.00 billed quarterly. Per Town website.

### West Springfield, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$221	\$1.84/HCF	Quarterly	No	No	Yes	No	No	28,000	7/1/10

Notes: Sewer volume cap for residential unit is 1,500 CF/month or 4,500 CF/quarter. No volume cap for businesses. Excess pollution charges - BOD \$0.11957/lb; suspended solids \$0.05555/lb. Connection charge: \$80.

### Westborough, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$578	\$6.052/HCF	Quarterly	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	18,000	7/1/12

Notes: Minimum fee of \$36.96/billing cycle for sewer usage up to 625 CF. Sewer bill is based on 80% of water usage. Sewer only charge: no public water- \$262/year - billed quarterly. Per Town website.

### Westfield, City of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$283	\$283/year	Quarterly	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	41,119	10/7/10

Notes: Flat fee. Business rates are \$4.23/1,000 gals. with a minimum charge of \$70.75 per quarter.

### Westminster, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$1,419	\$15.77/1000 gals.	Biannually	No	No	No	No	No	NR	7/1/08

Notes: \$94.62 for the first 6,000 gals. Connection fee: \$1,000 per housing unit. Per Town website.



### Westwood, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$748	Ascending	Quarterly	No	No	No	No	No	NR	9/2011

Notes: \$15.00 base charge for 5/8" meter per billing. First 25 HCF - \$5.30/HCF; 25 - 70 HCF - \$7.90/HCF; over 70 HCF - \$14.20/HCF. Per MWRA Survey.

### Weymouth, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$921	Ascending	Quarterly	No	No	No	No	No	52,200	7/2011

Notes: \$5.18 base charge for 5/8" meter. First 27 HCF - \$7.00/HCF; over 27 HCF - \$12.01/HCF. Large customer billed monthly. Per MWRA survey.

### Whitman, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$510	\$4.25/HCF	Biannually	No	No	No	No	No	14,000	4/2009

Notes: Town reports annual homeowners cost is approximately \$350.

### Wilbraham, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$492	\$4.10/HCF	Biannually	Yes	No	No	No	No	4,491	10/08

Notes: Minimum charge: \$52.50 per bill. Business rate = \$5.00/HCF. Per MRWA Survey.

### Williamsburg, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$420	\$3.50/HCF	Biannually	No	No	No	No	No	1,800	1/14/10

Notes: Connection Charge \$3,500 + \$10.00 inspection fee.

### Williamstown, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$317	\$2.64/HCF	Quarterly	No	No	No	Yes	No	7,326	7/1/12

### Wilmington, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$599	\$4.99/HCF	Quarterly	Yes	No	No	No	No	23,066	4/15/10

Notes: Business rate = \$5.00/HCF. Per MWRA survey.

### Winchendon, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$908	\$7.57/HCF	Biannually	No	No	No	No	No	3,000	7/1/09

Notes: Connection charge: \$5,860.

### Winchester, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$313	Ascending	Quarterly	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	22,275	11/2006

Notes: 0 - 15 HCF - \$1.25/HCF; 16 - 45 HCF - \$3.97/HCF; over 45 HCF - \$6.16/HCF. Commercial rates - 0 - 75 CF - \$6.42/HCF; over 75 CF - \$8.71/HCF.

### Winthrop, Town of

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$998	\$8.32/HCF	Quarterly	No	No	No	No	No	NR	7/2012

Notes: Minimum charge: \$31.73/quarter. Per MWRA survey.

**Woburn, City of**

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$328	\$328/year	Biannually	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	36,000	1/2010

Notes: Flat fee billed in two installments of \$164.00. Nonresidential customers pay 304% of water bill (water is \$4.83/HCF translating to a sewer charge of \$14.68/HCF). Per MWRA survey.

**Worcester, City of**

Annual Cost	Sewer Rate	Billing Cycle	Separate Business Rate	Seasonal Rate	Elderly Discounts	Low Income Discounts	Early Payment Discounts	Population Served	Last Rate Change
\$530	\$5.52/HCF	Quarterly	No	No	Yes	No	No	165,000	7/1/12

Notes: Sewer bill based on 80% of water usage with a 5/8" meter. Minimum charge per bill is \$10.00.

Footnotes:

1. The MWRA Advisory Board's Annual Water Sewer Retail Rate Survey - November 2012 was used as a reference.
2. Typical Annual Homeowner's Cost was determined assuming consumption of 120 HCF = 90,000 gals.
3. HCF is hundred cubic feet.
4. NA = Not Available
5. NR = No Response

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