

Successful Overrides in Massachusetts, Fiscal 1990 to 2005

Municipality	Number of Wins	Average Amount Won	Total Amount of Overrides Won	Municipality	Number of Wins	Average Amount Won	Total Amount of Overrides Won	Municipality	Number of Wins	Average Amount Won	Total Amount of Overrides Won
ABINGTON	2	539,000	1,078,000	HATFIELD	2	13,500	27,000	RICHMOND	3	113,260	339,781
ACTON	4	1,469,500	5,878,000	HAWLEY	1	15,000	15,000	ROCHESTER	5	64,653	323,263
ALFORD	1	40,000	40,000	HEATH	5	58,809	294,045	ROCKLAND	1	389,500	389,500
AMHERST	6	617,732	3,706,390	HINGHAM	3	704,730	2,114,190	ROCKPORT	7	445,382	3,117,673
AQUINNAH	13	39,288	510,744	HINSDALE	3	91,879	275,637	ROWLEY	6	68,293	409,759
ARLINGTON	1	2,520,000	2,520,000	HOLBROOK	2	566,000	1,132,000	ROYALSTON	1	16,000	16,000
ASHBURNHAM	5	297,780	1,488,899	HOLDEN	3	202,963	608,890	RUTLAND	3	140,007	420,020
ASHBY	4	47,138	188,550	HOLLAND	24	28,169	676,060	SALISBURY	7	157,152	1,100,067
ASHFIELD	3	77,933	233,799	HOLLISTON	2	230,000	460,000	SANDSFIELD	5	19,469	97,347
AUBURN	1	713,584	713,584	HOLYOKE	4	1,276,000	5,104,000	SANDWICH	6	481,188	2,887,130
AVON	1	962,614	962,614	HOPEDALE	1	382,000	382,000	SAVOY	2	14,520	29,039
AYER	3	254,706	764,119	HOPKINTON	4	674,475	2,697,899	SCITUATE	2	1,161,610	2,323,220
BARNSTABLE	1	1,700,000	1,700,000	HUDSON	1	699,684	699,684	SHARON	6	1,338,203	8,029,220
BECKET	2	140,814	281,628	HUNTINGTON	2	53,230	106,460	SHEFFIELD	4	194,913	779,650
BELCHERTOWN	3	326,494	979,483	IPSWICH	3	301,382	904,147	SHELBURNE	3	70,198	210,593
BELMONT	3	2,498,315	7,494,946	KINGSTON	1	513,000	513,000	SHERBORN	9	324,611	2,921,500
BERLIN	11	32,975	362,724	LAKEVILLE	2	670,419	1,340,838	SHIRLEY	3	120,000	360,000
BERNARDSTON	2	101,957	203,913	LANCASTER	5	523,565	2,617,826	SHUTESBURY	7	69,326	485,280
BLANDFORD	4	24,750	99,000	LEE	1	228,683	228,683	SOUTHAMPTON	2	87,898	175,795
BOLTON	9	228,065	2,052,589	LEICESTER	1	629,827	629,827	SOUTHBOROUGH	6	197,597	1,185,580
BOURNE	1	2,285,000	2,285,000	LEVERETT	8	53,859	430,871	SOUTHBRIDGE	2	183,593	367,186
BOXBOROUGH	1	103,000	103,000	LEXINGTON	13	998,545	12,981,090	SPRINGFIELD	5	2,162,427	10,812,136
BOXFORD	26	108,030	2,808,772	LEYDEN	2	50,380	100,759	STERLING	4	99,375	397,498
BOYLSTON	4	170,750	683,000	LINCOLN	8	350,625	2,805,000	STOCKBRIDGE	1	250,000	250,000
BREWSTER	6	274,570	1,647,421	LITTLETON	2	185,522	371,044	STOW	9	187,423	1,686,803
BRIMFIELD	1	253,034	253,034	LONGMEADOW	2	2,200,000	4,400,000	STURBRIDGE	3	230,383	691,148
BROOKLINE	1	2,960,000	2,960,000	LUNENBURG	3	354,246	1,062,739	SUDBURY	6	1,204,502	7,227,011
BUCKLAND	8	27,511	220,085	LYNNFIELD	2	941,810	1,883,620	SUNDERLAND	7	78,583	550,081
CARLISLE	19	109,817	2,086,529	MANCHESTER	4	332,283	1,329,131	SUTTON	1	614,983	614,983
CHARLEMONT	1	95,000	95,000	MANSFIELD	1	1,587,144	1,587,144	SWAMPSCOTT	2	2,153,395	4,306,790
CHARLTON	5	44,296	221,481	MARBLEHEAD	5	438,683	2,193,414	TEMPLETON	4	171,587	686,348
CHATHAM	55	65,772	3,617,455	MARION	37	52,751	1,951,772	TISBURY	32	37,571	1,202,283
CHELMSFORD	2	1,302,500	2,605,000	MARSHFIELD	6	320,000	1,920,000	TOLLAND	1	50,000	50,000
CHESTER	8	12,164	97,309	MASHPEE	3	444,855	1,334,565	TOPSFIELD	12	240,689	2,888,265
CHESTERFIELD	2	35,259	70,517	MATTAPOISETT	23	80,965	1,862,189	TOWNSEND	7	120,356	842,490
CHILMARK	25	71,117	1,777,932	MAYNARD	3	208,129	624,387	TRURO	30	70,827	2,124,814
COHASSET	10	253,039	2,530,385	MEDFIELD	5	633,400	3,167,000	TYNGSBOROUGH	1	580,000	580,000
COLRAIN	1	90,000	90,000	MEDWAY	1	1,881,203	1,881,203	TYRINGHAM	1	94,000	94,000
CONCORD	13	547,578	7,118,519	MELROSE	1	3,000,000	3,000,000	UPTON	4	478,831	1,915,322
CONWAY	4	64,000	256,000	MENDON	2	280,795	561,589	UXBRIDGE	2	400,000	800,000
DEERFIELD	3	200,838	602,515	MERRIMAC	4	123,511	494,042	WAKEFIELD	1	760,000	760,000
DENNIS	11	323,181	3,554,986	MIDDLEFIELD	2	52,500	105,000	WALES	1	20,120	20,120
DOUGLAS	3	66,800	200,400	MIDDLETON	5	133,046	665,229	WALPOLE	1	3,709,259	3,709,259
DOVER	9	255,018	2,295,163	MILLIS	3	240,229	720,687	WARE	1	80,000	80,000
DUNSTABLE	4	113,438	453,750	MILTON	6	1,018,133	6,108,797	WARWICK	7	9,215	64,508
DUXBURY	1	1,000,000	1,000,000	MONSON	1	451,000	451,000	WASHINGTON	7	10,745	75,217
EASTHAM	34	46,052	1,565,757	MONTAGUE	1	76,190	76,190	WAYLAND	6	888,316	5,329,895
EASTHAMPTON	3	83,188	249,564	MONTEREY	1	65,000	65,000	WELLESLEY	8	1,136,920	9,095,358
EAST LONGMEADOW	2	415,472	830,944	MOUNT WASHINGTON	5	30,156	150,780	WELLFLEET	36	63,573	2,288,635
EASTON	2	1,064,817	2,129,633	NAHANT	2	164,244	328,488	WENDELL	1	19,598	19,598
EDGARTOWN	23	115,414	2,654,514	NAHTUCKET	7	626,116	4,382,811	WENHAM	11	149,395	1,643,346
EGREMONT	2	85,000	170,000	NATICK	1	427,000	427,000	WEST BOYLSTON	1	200,000	200,000
ERVING	1	175,000	175,000	NEEDHAM	15	330,156	4,952,334	WEST BRIDGEWATER	1	62,500	62,500
ESSEX	12	111,881	1,342,571	NEW BRAintree	1	1,690	1,690	WESTHAMPTON	5	17,105	85,525
FALMOUTH	1	980,000	980,000	NEWBURY	6	126,922	761,534	WESTFORD	8	512,016	4,096,126
FLORIDA	1	40,000	40,000	NEW MARLBOROUGH	1	60,000	60,000	WESTMINSTER	11	146,322	1,609,545
FRAMINGHAM	4	2,912,735	11,650,938	NEW SALEM	11	22,412	246,528	WEST NEWBURY	5	192,030	960,148
GEORGETOWN	2	112,887	225,773	NEWTON	1	1,150,000	1,150,000	WESTON	7	476,429	3,335,000
GILL	1	110,000	110,000	NORFOLK	10	162,468	1,624,681	WESTPORT	2	80,000	160,000
GOSHEN	1	98,000	98,000	NORTH ANDOVER	4	1,236,005	4,944,019	WEST STOCKBRIDGE	2	236,188	472,375
GOSNOLD	1	7,219	7,219	NORTHBOROUGH	1	487,370	487,370	WEST TISBURY	46	70,965	3,264,389
GRANBY	4	127,260	509,041	NORTHBRIDGE	1	24,200	24,200	WESTWOOD	3	1,058,260	3,174,780
GREAT BARRINGTON	2	362,380	724,760	NORTHFIELD	5	102,666	513,331	WHATELY	4	40,653	162,613
GREENFIELD	1	1,358,297	1,358,297	NORTH READING	1	1,244,773	1,244,773	WILBRAHAM	5	605,215	3,026,075
GROTON	4	535,876	2,143,502	NORWELL	2	462,500	925,000	WILLIAMSBURG	23	28,558	656,831
GROVELAND	9	154,157	1,387,414	OAK BLUFFS	11	202,882	2,231,697	WILLIAMSTOWN	2	572,633	1,145,266
HALIFAX	2	244,809	489,618	OAKHAM	2	12,758	25,515	WINCHENDON	1	97,000	97,000
HAMILTON	13	300,251	3,903,261	ORANGE	14	47,105	659,468	WINCHESTER	1	4,550,000	4,550,000
HAMPDEN	7	53,851	376,957	ORLEANS	7	132,077	924,541	WINDSOR	4	35,705	142,818
HANCOCK	2	8,500	17,000	OTIS	4	81,517	326,068	WINTHROP	1	2,500,000	2,500,000
HANOVER	2	1,140,100	2,280,199	PAXTON	13	31,277	406,598	WORCESTER	1	4,583,000	4,583,000
HANSON	4	165,554	662,217	PELHAM	2	74,000	148,000	WORTHINGTON	6	33,867	203,204
HARVARD	14	125,885	1,762,395	PERU	2	17,225	34,450	WRENTHAM	1	681,000	681,000
HARWICH	14	129,418	1,811,846	PHILLIPSTON	5	69,322	346,610	YARMOUTH	4	901,818	3,607,271
				PLYMPTON	2	49,640	99,280				
				READING	2	3,455,256	6,910,512				

224 communities have passed at least one override since fiscal 1990.
 Note: This chart includes successful overrides only; it does not include results of debt or capital exclusions.
 Source: Massachusetts Department of Revenue, Division of Local Services, Municipal Databank/Local Aid Section