



MONTGOMERY

Spectacular autumn foliage is a traditional attraction in this town of mountaintops. The terrain is very hilly with elevations to 1,400 feet. New development is limited by the topography and wetlands.

Incorporated in 1780, Montgomery was founded in yeoman agriculture but developed into a small, bustling milltown. There are remnants of the Old Falley Armory, where rifles were made during the Revolutionary War at the foot of Mt. Tekoa. The population has fallen steadily in the past century, and new development is primarily single family homes for residents who commute out of town for professional positions. Montgomery offers close proximity to the industrial and commercial areas of Westfield to its immediate south and Northampton to the northeast.

There are numerous historical attractions in Town. Along with the Town House in the Center, built in 1849, and the Community Church, built in 1848, there are 31 other historical buildings, bridges and cemeteries in town. There is an ancient Indian Cemetery in Montgomery. The one-room library serves as a meeting place and the Historical Society holds an annual Pancake Supper and Sugar Eat.

Today the town remains predominantly agricultural and residential, with more than 3/4 of its land undeveloped. Montgomery is a member of the Gateway Regional Public School System.

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Profiles covering all forty-three communities in the Pioneer Valley Region and a range of other topics are available. The Pioneer Valley Planning Commission Regional Information Center provides demographic, economic, and geographic data and services including mapping, research, and analysis to its constituent communities and to the public. Contact the Information Center for additional information.

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Type of Government:

Open Town Meeting, 3 Selectmen

Transit System:

Public Carrier None

Private Carrier None

Para-Transit Carrier None

MUNICIPAL OFFICE

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LAND AREA and TAX BASE

Acres	9,650
Square Miles	15
2012	
Vehicle Registrations <i>(autos and light trucks)</i>	1,051
2015	
Property Tax Rates	
Residential	\$14.37
Commercial/Industrial	\$14.37

POPULATION TRENDS

1970	446
2014	637
1990	657
2000	655
2010	838
2014	950

2014 Race and Latino Population

White	98.7%
Black	0.0%
Asian	0.5%
Other	0.7%
Latino (of any race)	0.0%

Note: Race %s can be greater than 100% because of multiple race persons.

Percent of Population by Age

Age	1990	2000	2010
0 - 4	6.2	4.4	4.7
5 - 9	6.1	6.7	5.3
10 - 14	9.1	7.2	5.0
15 - 19	7.6	6.1	5.6
20 - 24	5.1	2.9	5.6
25 - 34	14.0	9.0	8.1
35 - 44	17.8	18.5	12.5
45 - 54	15.0	21.7	20.9
55 - 59	2.8	7.2	11.7
60 - 64	5.5	5.5	7.3
65 - 74	7.3	6.3	9.1
75 & over	3.6	4.4	4.3

LAND USE 2005

Total Square Miles	15
Total Road Miles	2009 31

Land Use	Acres
Residential	386
Commercial	3
Industrial	0
Urban Open/Public	8
Transportation	13
Outdoor Recreational	0
Agricultural Land	313
Undeveloped Land	8,788
Water	79

RECREATION AREAS

PARKS:

GOLF COURSES: None

OTHER:

Data Sources: Massachusetts Department of Revenue; Massachusetts Executive Office of Labor & Workforce Development; Massachusetts Department of Education; United States Census Bureau; The Warren Group; Resource Mapping; University of Massachusetts; Applied Geographic Solutions; Local Municipal Offices

EMPLOYERS and EMPLOYMENT

2014

Industry	Number	Percent of Community Total
Agriculture, Forestry, Fisheries	0	0%
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	0	0%
Construction	10	27.8%
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	0	0%
Health Care and Social Assistance	0	0%
Information	0	0%
Manufacturing	0	0%
Services	26	72.2%
Transportation, Comm. & Utilities	0	0%
Wholesale and Retail Trade	0	0%

Note: Above does not include self-employed, where many work in the agriculture, construction and service industries.

Average Weekly Wage \$481

Self-employed (includes all business types) 75

WHERE RESIDENTS WORK 2014

7.9%	work in Montgomery
92.1%	commute out of Montgomery

HOUSING PRICES

Year	Number of Sales	Median Sales Price
2010	10	\$242,500
2011	9	\$0
2012	4	\$296,000
2013	10	\$278,500
2014	11	\$260,000

EDUCATION

Educational Attainment of Persons 25 Years and Older *

2013	
Less than 12 years	1.9%
4 years High School	25.2%
Less than 4 years College	31.3%
4 or more years College	41.6%

*Expressed as the highest level attained.

District	Grades	Integrated Per Pupil Cost 2013
Gateway	PK-12	\$14,619
Smith Vocational	9-12	\$17,954

RESIDENTS IN THE LABOR FORCE

Year	Labor Force	Percent Unemployed
2004	438	4.1%
2005	444	4.1%
2006	457	5.0%
2007	454	4.0%
2008	426	3.3%
2009	429	7.2%
2010	434	8.5%
2011	490	5.1%
2012	493	4.7%
2013	498	5.4%
2014	506	4.7%

HOUSEHOLD INCOME 2010-2014

\$0 - \$9,999	0.0%
\$10,000 - \$14,999	1.9%
\$15,000 - \$24,999	6.1%
\$25,000 - \$34,999	6.7%
\$35,000 - \$49,999	7.2%
\$50,000 - \$74,999	24.7%
\$75,000 & over	53.3%

Median Household Income: 2010-14 \$78,333

Persons Below Poverty Level: 2010-2014 2.0%