

Policy profile

MBTA community	Yes	Housing Choice at a Glance – MAPC
MBTA Compliance Status	Interim Compliance	Multi-Family Zoning Requirement for MBTA Communities Mass.gov
Community Preservation Act (2023)	No	CPA State Map Community Preservation Coalition
Affordable housing trust (2024)	Yes	Affordable Housing Trust Swampscott, MA (swampscottma.gov)
Multi-family zoning (2024)	Yes, by permit in different zones	PAS - Swampscott ZBA By-Law (Version 2) (00000892-6).DOC (swampscottma.gov)
Mixed-use zoning (2024)	Yes	PAS - Swampscott ZBA By-Law (Version 2) (00000892-6).DOC (swampscottma.gov)
Accessory dwelling units permitted (2024)	Yes in most districts	PAS - Swampscott ZBA By-Law (Version 2) (00000892-6).DOC (swampscottma.gov)
Inclusionary zoning (2024)	Yes	PAS - Swampscott ZBA By-Law (Version 2) (00000892-6).DOC (swampscottma.gov)
Smart growth overlay district (2024)	Yes	Layout (mass.gov)
Housing choice community (2024)	Yes	Housing Choice Designation Mass.gov
Subsidized housing inventory percentage (2023)	4.01%	Subsidized Housing Inventory (SHI) Mass.gov
HPP (2022)	Yes	swampscott_housing_production_plan_2022_revised.pdf (swampscottma.gov)

Housing Profile

Renter households with moderate cost burden (2016-20)	16.5%	DataTown (shinyapps.io)
Renter households with severe cost burden (2016-20)	32.5%	DataTown (shinyapps.io)
Owner households with moderate cost burden (2016-20)	17.7%	DataTown (shinyapps.io)
Owner households with severe cost burden (2016-20)	19.8%	DataTown (shinyapps.io)
Proportion of single family, attached homes (2016-20)	5.5%	DataTown (shinyapps.io)
Median value of owner-occupied housing units (2022)	\$645,700	Swampscott town, Essex County, MA - Profile data - Census Reporter
Median gross rent (2018-2022)	\$2,134	U.S. Census Bureau QuickFacts: United States
Permitted relative to proportional share of housing needed	140.5%	Greater Boston Housing Report Card Interactive Tools Boston Indicators
Renter-occupied housing (2016-20)	26.3%	DataTown (shinyapps.io)

Population profile

Population estimates (2022)	15,125	Swampscott town, Essex County, MA - Profile data - Census Reporter
Population per square mile (2022)	5,008	Swampscott town, Essex County, MA - Profile data - Census Reporter
Proportion white alone, not Hispanic or Latino (2022)	88.0%	Swampscott town, Essex County, MA - Profile data - Census Reporter
Median household income (2022)	\$118,646	Swampscott town, Essex County, MA - Profile data - Census Reporter
Poverty rate (2022)	6.7%	Swampscott town, Essex County, MA - Profile data - Census Reporter

Government profile

Chief Municipal Officer	Administrator	Town Administrator Swampscott, MA (swampscottma.gov)
District or At-large Council	At-large	Select Board Swampscott, MA (swampscottma.gov)
Policy Board	Select Board (5)	Select Board Swampscott, MA (swampscottma.gov)
Legislative Board	Representative Town Meeting	Town Meeting Swampscott, MA (swampscottma.gov)