

Belmont

OVERVIEW

Belmont is a fairly small town with a population of 26,123 and an area of 7.7 miles. It is bordered by Arlington, Cambridge, Lexington, Waltham and Watertown and is about 7 miles from Boston.

Belmont’s nickname is “Town of Homes” so one can tell that it is very residential; but it does have some rental units. Belmont has a cute downtown area and good schools that make it attractive for residents who want a quiet suburb.

Until not that long ago, Belmont was a “dry” town; Belmont obtained limited restaurant alcohol licenses in 1998 and its first liquor store in 2007. It is famous for being the home of McLean’s Hospital – one of the leading psychiatric hospitals in the country.

SCHOOLS

Mary Lee Burbank Elementary School (Grades K– 4)
Great Schools Rating: 9/10

Roger Wellington Elementary School (Grades Pre-K – 4)
Great Schools Rating: 8/10

Belmont High School (Grades 9 – 12)
Great Schools Rating: 9/10

Butler Elementary School (Grades K- 4)
Great Schools Rating: 9/10

Winn Brook Elementary School (Grades K – 4)
Great Schools Rating: 7/10

Winthrop L. Cheney Middle School (Grades 5 – 8)
Great Schools Rating: 9/10

High School 4-Year Graduation Rate

Belmont High School	98.7%
Massachusetts	88.0%

Data Sources: GreatSchools.org; MA Dept. of Elementary & Secondary Education District Profiles

COMMUNITY SAFETY

In 2016, the Town of Belmont’s violent crime rate was 86% lower than the national average and 86% lower than the Massachusetts average. The property crime rate was 72% lower than the national average and 56% lower than the Massachusetts average. (www.cityrating.com/crime-statistics)



TRANSPORTATION

Belmont has two commuter rail stations on the Fitchburg Line to North Station. Buses do run through Belmont and to Alewife Station in Cambridge which is not far away and is on the Red Line (you can take the 74/75 bus there). Closest highways are 95, 90 (the Pike) and Route 2.

DEMOGRAPHICS

Poverty Rate: **5.6%**

Percent of population that speaks a language other than English at home: **29.9%**

Race	%
White	78.6%
Asian	16.2%
Two or more races	3.2%
Black/African American	1.5%
Some other race	0.3%
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	0.0%
American Indian and Alaska Native	0.3%
Age Group	%
Under 5	5.7%
Age 5-17	19.6%
Age 18-64	58.0%
Age 65 and older	16.7%

Data Source: U.S. Census Bureau

LOCAL AMENITIES

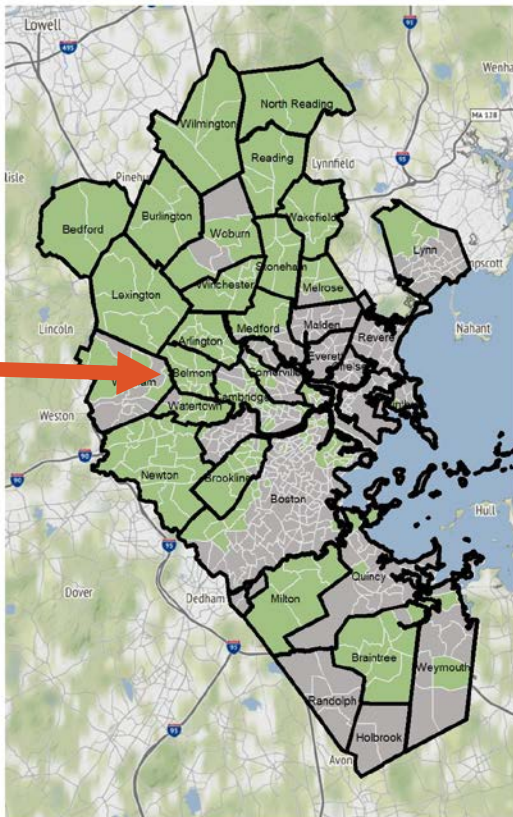
Belmont has a small town feel with a number of locally owned restaurants and stores. But it also has some big chains like Starbucks and Dunkin Donuts. Belmont has a Star Market along with other smaller local and convenience stores. There is a weekly farmer's market in the Center. The town of Belmont has compiled a community resources guide to services for families. Belmont Recreation sponsors activities and a summer camp for kids. There is a town pool, an ice skating rink and a recreation center for arts and crafts. Beaver Brook Spray Deck is a fun place for kids.



MAP

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