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WHERE & WHEN WE GO

Connecticut **1639**

Rhode Island **1636**

New Hampshire **1623**

Massachusetts **1620**

New York **1626**

Maine **1607**

WHY WE GO

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TREES

RELIGIOUS FREEDOM

TO OWN LAND

ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY

A FRESH START

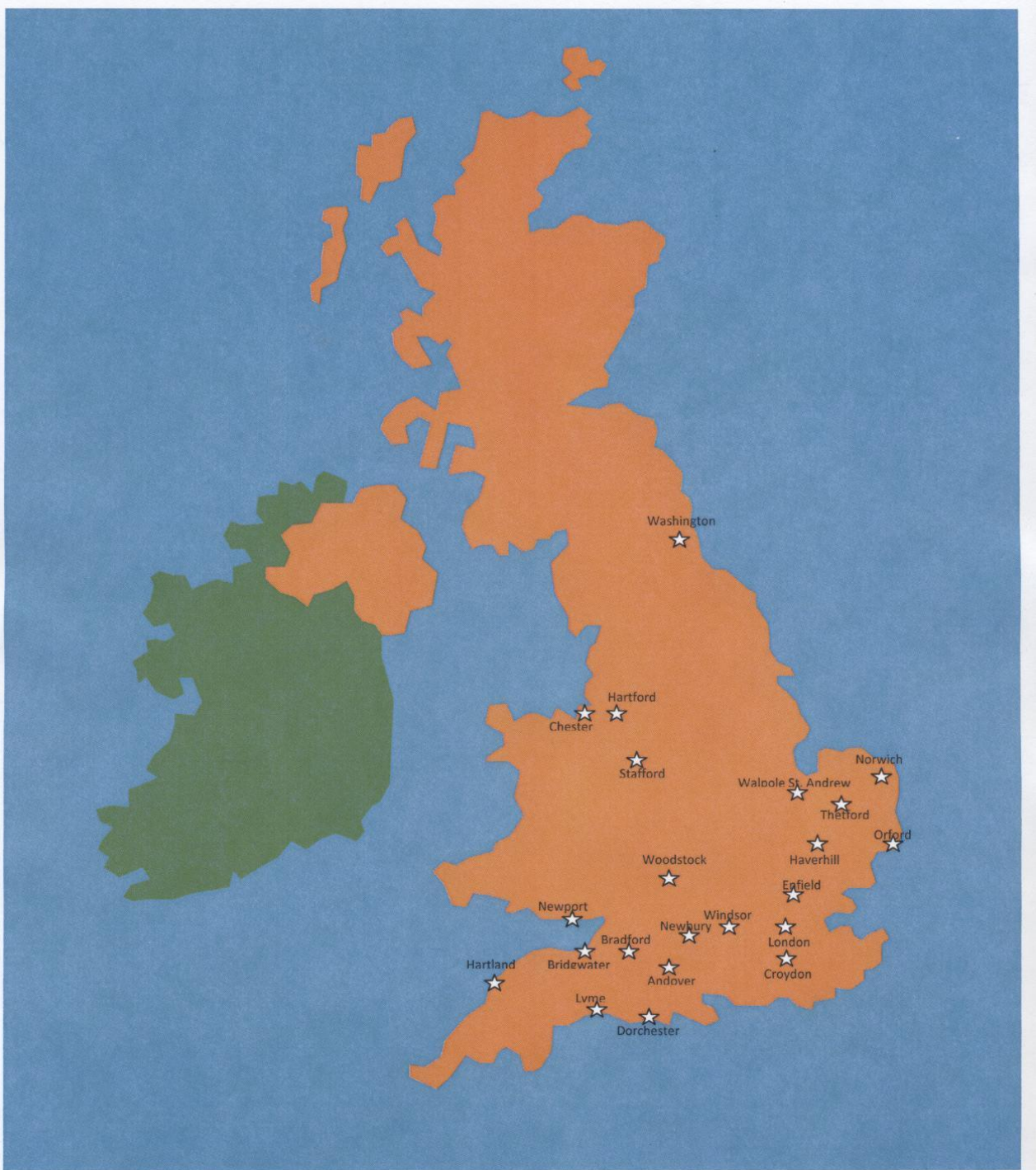


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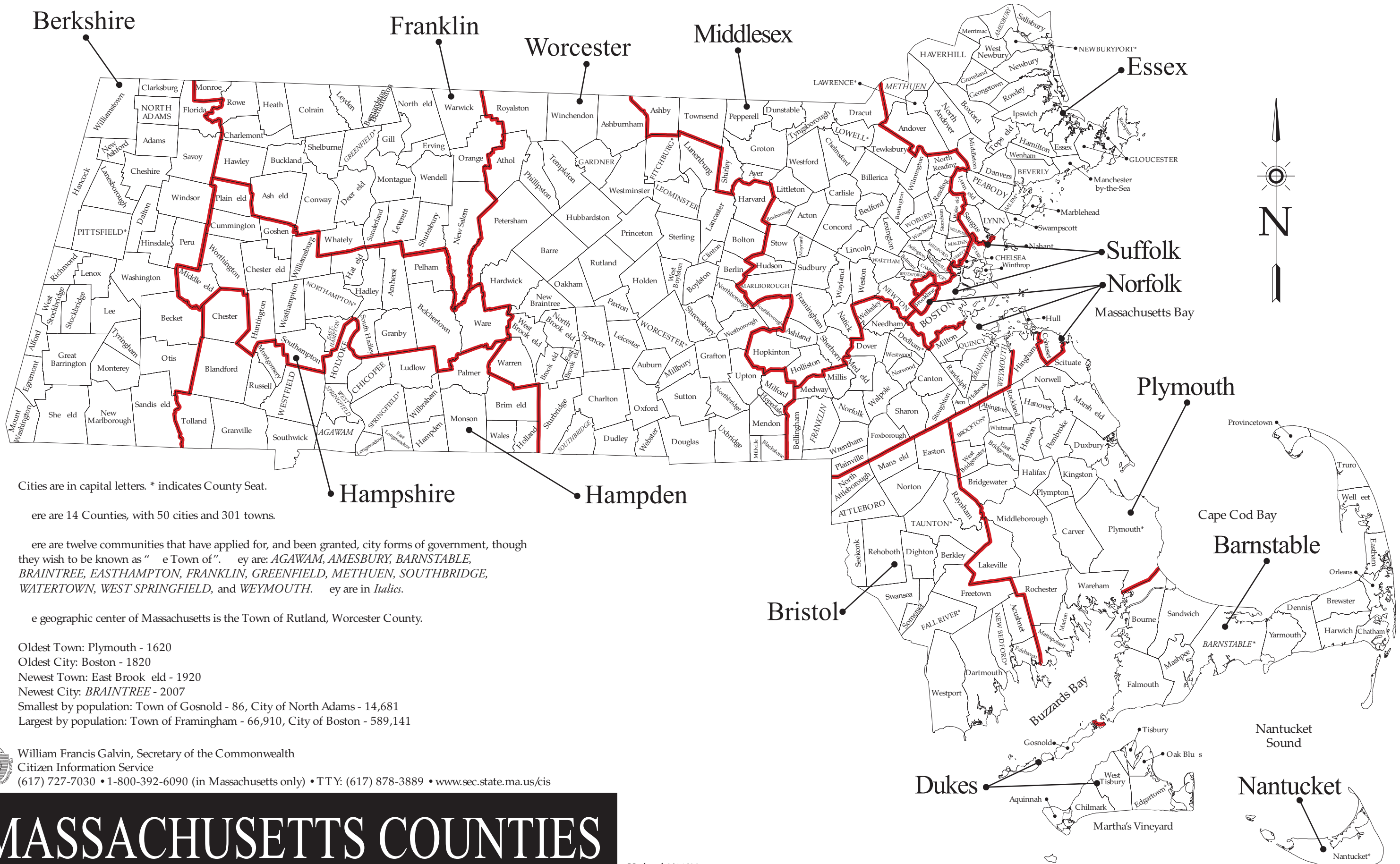
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Cities are in capital letters. * indicates County Seat.

There are 14 Counties, with 50 cities and 301 towns.

There are twelve communities that have applied for, and been granted, city forms of government, though they wish to be known as "the Town of". They are: *AGAWAM, AMESBURY, BARNSTABLE, BRAINTREE, EASTHAMPTON, FRANKLIN, GREENFIELD, METHUEN, SOUTHBRIDGE, WATERTOWN, WEST SPRINGFIELD, and WEYMOUTH.* They are in *Italics*.

The geographic center of Massachusetts is the Town of Rutland, Worcester County.

- Oldest Town: Plymouth - 1620
- Oldest City: Boston - 1820
- Newest Town: East Brookfield - 1920
- Newest City: *BRAINTREE* - 2007
- Smallest by population: Town of Gosnold - 86, City of North Adams - 14,681
- Largest by population: Town of Framingham - 66,910, City of Boston - 589,141

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MASSACHUSETTS COUNTIES

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