

## Appendix 4. Glossary of Terms

This Appendix contains definitions of key terms used in this Report.

<b>Baby Boomers</b>	Persons born between 1946 and 1964.
<b>Cape Cod</b>	Synonymous with the fifteen towns of Barnstable County, MA, namely; <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Barnstable</li><li>• Bourne</li><li>• Brewster</li><li>• Chatham</li><li>• Dennis</li><li>• Eastham</li><li>• Falmouth</li><li>• Harwich</li><li>• Mashpee</li><li>• Orleans</li><li>• Provincetown</li><li>• Sandwich</li><li>• Truro</li><li>• Wellfleet, and</li><li>• Yarmouth.</li></ul>
<b>Census 2000</b>	The latest official US Census of the United States. Conducted early in the year 2000.
<b>Census Tract</b>	US Census Bureau designated geographic area smaller* than a “Census place” or “County sub-division,” that is, smaller than a town or city. There are fifty Census Tracts defined in Barnstable County. *Exception is Mass. Military [Reservation] tract which includes parts of all four of the Upper-Cape towns.
<b>Community-Based Research</b>	A research technique involving “community participation and influence in research efforts that are beneficial to the communities involved” and includes “the active engagement . . . . of community members in all aspects of the research.” Sometimes called “action research.”
<b>Chronic Illness</b>	Any disease, sickness, or illness lasting for a prolonged length of time, for which no immediate cure is available.
<b>Disability</b>	Any condition which significantly limits the physical or mental ability of an individual.
<b>Elders</b>	Persons age 65 or older.

<b>Family</b>	A household consisting of persons related through birth, marriage, or legal guardianship. Includes married couples with or without children, single parents with children, and extended families. Contrast with “Household.”
<b>GED</b>	<u>G</u> eneral <u>E</u> ducational <u>D</u> evelopment certificate
<b>Household</b>	A living arrangement with one or more individual(s). Includes family units, adults living alone, unrelated persons living together in a shelter, jail, group home, etc. Contrast with “Family.”
<b>Household Income</b>	The combined annual incomes of all persons living in the household.
<b>Human Environment</b>	The primary elements of our human environment include; <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Education</li> <li>• Employment</li> <li>• Health</li> <li>• Housing</li> <li>• Income Security</li> <li>• Leisure/Culture</li> <li>• Participation in Government</li> <li>• Public Assistance</li> <li>• Public Safety</li> <li>• Sustainability</li> <li>• Transportation</li> <li>• Volunteerism</li> </ul>
<b>Hyannis</b>	Specifically the area covered by ZIP Code 02601.
<b>Living in Poverty</b>	Persons living in a household with a combined annual income below 100% of the federal poverty level. Example: in 2005, for a Barnstable County family of four, the federal poverty level is an annual income of \$19,350
<b>Large Family</b>	A household with three or more young people (age 17 or younger)
<b>Lower-Cape Cod</b>	The four towns of Brewster, Chatham, Harwich and Orleans.
<b>Lower/Outer-Cape Cod</b>	The eight towns of Brewster, Chatham, Eastham, Harwich Orleans, Provincetown, Truro, and Wellfleet.
<b>Mean</b>	The arithmetic average.
<b>Median</b>	The mid-point, with 50% <u>ABOVE</u> and 50% <u>BELOW</u> the figure shown

<b>Median Age</b>	The age point at which exactly one-half of the population is older and one-half is younger.
<b>Median Household Income</b>	The household income point at which exactly one-half of households have a higher income and one-half have lower.
<b>Mid-Cape Cod</b>	The three towns of Barnstable, Dennis, and Yarmouth.
<b>Outer-Cape Cod</b>	The four towns of Eastham, Provincetown, Truro, and Wellfleet.
<b>MassHealth</b>	The Massachusetts Medicaid program.
<b>Middle Age Adults</b>	Persons ages 45 - 54 years.
<b>Minority Household</b>	A household in which the primary race, national origin, Or ethnicity is reported to be: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• American Indian or Native American,</li> <li>• Asian,</li> <li>• Black or African American,</li> <li>• Brazilian,</li> <li>• Cape Verdean,</li> <li>• Haitian,</li> <li>• Hispanic or Latino,</li> <li>• Portuguese,</li> <li>• Wampanoag, or</li> </ul> whose primary language is not English.
<b>Pre-Teen/Teen</b>	A persons ages 10-17 years.
<b>Primary Data Collection</b>	Research into facts/information not already known. Data collection is through surveys, focus groups, and community forums. Examples: Household Survey, Youth Speak Out Checklist.
<b>Resident</b>	An individual whose permanent, year-round place of legal residence is Barnstable County. Includes incarcerated persons and individuals living in nursing homes, group homes, and assisted living facilities. Does <u>not</u> include seasonal residents, second homeowners, summer guests, and tourists.
<b>Secondary Data Collection</b>	Gathering of data/information previously collected through primary data collection methods. Examples: Teen birth rates, Head Start Program enrollment statistics.
<b>Seniors</b>	Persons ages 55 – 64 years.
<b>Senior/Elder</b>	A person age 55 years or older.

<b>Single-Parent Family</b>	A male or female adult and child(ren) living together with no spouse or partner present, and related to each other through birth or legal guardianship.
<b>The Human Condition 2001</b>	A multi-year, community-based effort aimed at understanding the human needs of Cape Codders and improving human services to needy individuals (A.K.A. THC 2001).
<b>The Human Condition 1995</b>	The health and human services needs assessment study conducted in Barnstable County during 1994-1995 (A.K.A. THC 1995).
<b>Unemployed Household</b>	A households in which no adult member is employed.
<b>Unemployment Rate</b>	Annual average percentage of the eligible workforce who is unemployed.
<b>Underemployed Households</b>	Households in which adults are working seasonally only and/or part-time only—no full-time or year-round workers.
<b>Underinsured Household</b>	A household in which not all members are covered by health insurance
<b>Under 200% of Poverty Level</b>	Annual income is less than twice the federal poverty guideline. Example: In 2005, for a Barnstable County family of four, twice the poverty level equates to an annual income of \$38,700.
<b>Upper-Cape Cod</b>	The four towns of Bourne, Falmouth, Mashpee, Sandwich.
<b>“Working Poor” Households</b>	Households with working adult(s) but with a combined annual income below 200% of the federal poverty level.
<b>Young Adults</b>	Persons ages 18 – 44 years.
<b>Young People</b>	Persons ages 17 years or younger.
<b>Young People Family Household</b>	A household that includes one or more person age 17 or younger (i.e., ages birth – 17 years)

## **Census 2000 Terminology**

This Glossary section contains “subject definitions” as published by the U.S. Census Bureau relating to the Census 2000 statistics contained in Section 5.1 of this Report.

