



## Here are the 19 Mass. quasipublic agencies that have failed to report spending records



**The Merrimack Valley Regional Transit Authority didn't properly report data for each of the past three years.**

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At least 19 agencies in Massachusetts [appear to have flouted](#) state law by failing to publish millions of dollars in payroll and spending data on a state transparency website as required by a 2010 law that mandated such public disclosures.

All of the missing data belonged to so-called quasigovernment agencies, which are established by the state. They provide public services and receive state financial support, but unlike regular government

agencies, they are legally structured to operate somewhat independently.

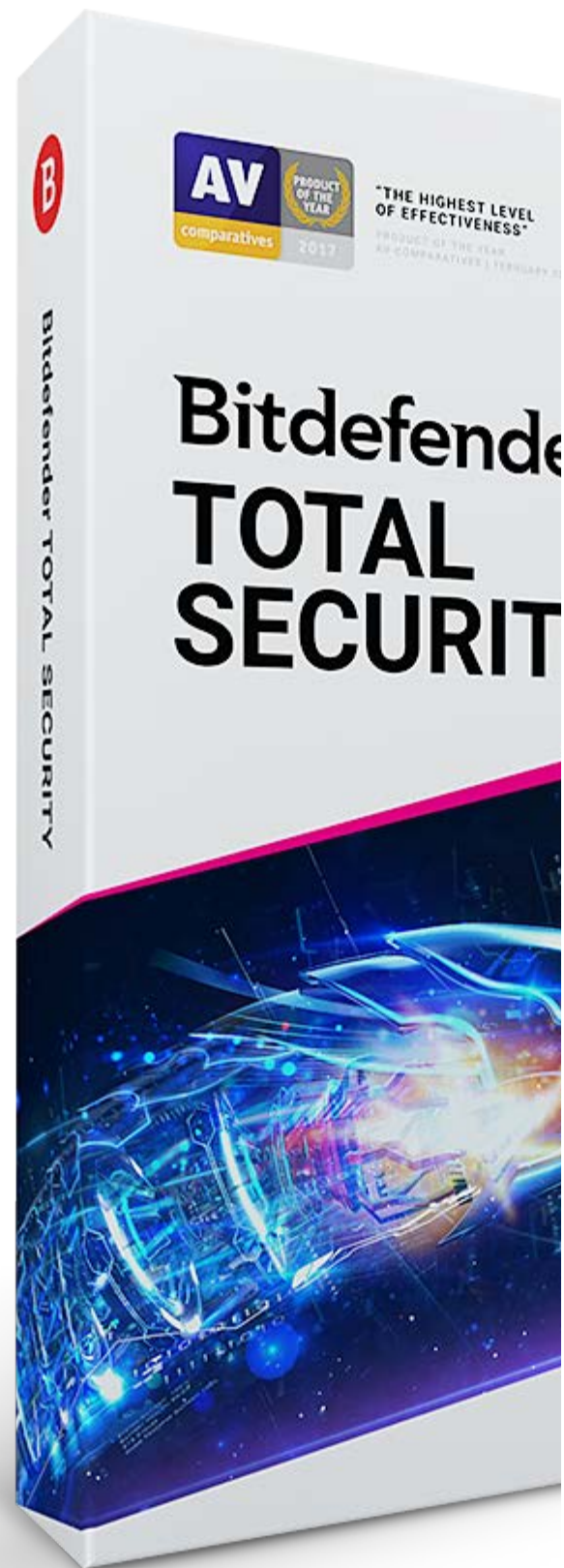
There are approximately 40 quasigovernment agencies in Massachusetts, though state officials note there is no complete list of quasipublic agencies. That's because there are organizations throughout the state that receive state money each year, and nowhere is it defined which ones constitute quasipublic groups.

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But below is a list of agencies that receive sufficient state support that they are widely labeled as quasipublic groups. The ones highlighted in green are those that as of early April had failed to disclose payroll or spending data online for at least one of the past three years.

Agency	What it does	Properly reported data for each of the past three years
Berkshire Regional Transit Authority	Provides regional public transit service	Yes
<b>Brockton Area Transit Authority</b>	<b>Provides regional public transit service</b>	<b>No</b>
<b>Cape Ann Transportation Authority</b>	<b>Provides regional public transit service</b>	<b>No</b>
<b>Cape Cod Regional Transit Authority</b>	<b>Provides regional public transit service</b>	<b>No</b>
<b>Commonwealth Corporation</b>	<b>Workforce development agency</b>	<b>No</b>
Commonwealth Health Insurance Connector	Runs state's marketplace for health, dental insurance	Yes



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Community Economic Development Assistance Corporation Provides financial, technical aid to nonprofits involved with community development Yes

**Franklin Regional Transit Authority Provides regional public transit service No**

<b>Greater Attleboro-Taunton Regional Transit Authority</b>	<b>Provides regional public transit service</b>	<b>No</b>
<b>Lowell Regional Transit Authority</b>	<b>Provides regional public transit service</b>	<b>No</b>
<b>Martha's Vineyard Transit Authority</b>	<b>Provides regional public transit service</b>	<b>No</b>
Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority	Provides public transit service across much of Greater Boston	Yes
Massachusetts Clean Energy Center	Aims to grow state's clean energy sector	Yes
Massachusetts Clean Water Trust	Helps finance water infrastructure projects	Yes
<b>Massachusetts Convention Center Authority</b>	<b>Owens, runs Boston Convention &amp; Exhibition Center and several other properties</b>	<b>No</b>
Massachusetts Department of Transportation	Oversees roads and other transportation-related activities across state	Yes
Massachusetts Educational Financing Authority	Student loan agency	Yes
<b>Massachusetts Growth Capital Corporation</b>	<b>Promotes economic development in underserved, low- to moderate-income communities</b>	<b>No</b>
Massachusetts Housing Partnership	Works to increase supply of affordable housing	Yes
Massachusetts Life Science Center	Invests in innovative life sciences initiatives	Yes
Massachusetts Port Authority	Manages Logan International Airport, seaport terminals in Boston, two other airports	Yes (Disclosed its own payroll, spending, but failed to disclose State Police Troop F pay records)
Massachusetts School Building Authority	Helps fund construction of school buildings	Yes

Massachusetts Teachers Retirement System	Provides retirement, and other benefits to active educators, retirees, and survivors	Yes
Massachusetts Technology Collaborative	Aims to bolster state's technology sector	Yes
Massachusetts Water Resources Authority	Supplies water for Boston along with dozens of cities and towns across Eastern Mass.	Yes
MassDevelopment	State's economic development and finance agency	Yes
MassHousing	Helps finance affordable housing	Yes
MassVentures	Provides seed, early-stage funding for startups	Yes
<b>Merrimack Valley Regional Transit Authority</b>	<b>Provides regional public transit service</b>	<b>No</b>
<b>MetroWest Regional Transit Authority</b>	<b>Provides regional public transit service</b>	<b>No</b>
<b>Montachusett Regional Transit Authority</b>	<b>Provides regional public transit service</b>	<b>No</b>
<b>Nantucket Regional Transit Authority</b>	<b>Provides regional public transit service</b>	<b>No</b>
Pension Reserves Investment Management Board	Invests state's pension fund	Yes
<b>Pioneer Valley Regional Transit Authority</b>	<b>Provides regional public transit service</b>	<b>No</b>
Public Employee Retirement Administration Commission	Oversees state's public pension systems	Yes
<b>Southeastern Regional Transit Authority</b>	<b>Provides regional public transit service</b>	<b>No</b>
State College Building Authority	Helps finance construction of buildings on nine state university campuses	Yes

<b>Steamship Authority</b>	<b>Operates ferries to Martha's Vineyard and Nantucket</b>	<b>No</b>
<b>University of Massachusetts Building Authority</b>	<b>Helps finance construction of buildings on UMass campuses</b>	<b>No</b>
<b>Worcester Regional Transit Authority</b>	<b>Provides regional public transit service</b>	<b>No</b>

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