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BOSTON PARKING

Boston Parking tickets: worst spots and how SpotAngels can save you \$\$\$

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Boston is well known for its hefty parking tickets. Between July 2020 and end of June 2021, the City of Boston made over **\$50m from parking tickets** according to the city data.

SpotAngels – the ‘Waze for Parking’ app that helps drivers find street parking and avoid tickets – analyzed this data to show you the **best and worst spots and neighborhoods for parking tickets in Boston**.

It used the same data to show you the **riskiest times to get a ticket** for any given spot in the SpotAngels app.



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How is parking at 220 Newbury St Boston

5 stars

Riskiest times to get a ticket

Data provided by the city

- 2am-3am: 20% of tickets issued
- 5pm-6pm: 20% of tickets issued
- 6pm-7pm: 40% of tickets issued
- 7pm-8pm: 20% of tickets issued

What people say

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Methodology Section below for the data cleaning process and the list of parking violation codes used.

Boston neighborhoods and parking ticket likelihood

With over 12 parking tickets per 100 spots – North End, West End and Leather District are the neighborhoods where you're **most** likely to get a parking ticket.

With less than 6 parking tickets per 100 spots – Mission Hill, Roxbury and Dorchester are where you're **less** likely to get a parking ticket.



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Neighborhood	# of parking tickets	\$ parking tickets	# parking spots with restrictions	Ratio tickets per 100 spots
Back Bay	118,626	\$ 6,310,230	1,803,165	6.6
Downtown	78,879	\$ 5,158,620	727,853	10.8
South End	68,755	\$ 3,533,340	933,762	7.4
South Boston	52,751	\$ 3,062,240	595,735	8.9
Beacon Hill	41,280	\$ 2,489,315	391,107	10.6
Fenway	37,857	\$ 1,868,695	461,933	8.2
North End	27,978	\$ 1,698,770	230,957	12.1



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10 worst spots for parking tickets

These are the 10 parking spots with the most parking tickets in the neighborhoods included in the study. Each spot gets more than 1 parking ticket per day, be extra careful when you park there!

# of parking tickets	Address	Neighborhood	Most common parking violations
1345	201 NEWBURY ST, Boston	Back Bay	LOADING ZONE
677	115 NEWBURY ST, Boston	Back Bay	LOADING ZONE
635	46 NEWBURY ST, Boston	Back Bay	LOADING ZONE



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SpotAngels helps you find free parking and avoid tickets

SpotAngels helps drivers find street parking and avoid tickets in Boston and 100+ cities across North America. The SpotAngels parking map in Boston has parking rules, rates and availability information that is constantly updated by a community of 30k+ active Angels in the city.

The app also shows the riskiest times to get a ticket at a given spot using the Boston city data detailed above.

Most of the features on the app are free. Some are part of the 'Plus' plan which provides premium features like the chance to find parking based on historical availability



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2h max until 6pm except [permit South End](#)
Street Cleaning starts at 8am
Usually available according to Angels nearby

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were excluded. Further below is the list of parking violation codes that SpotAngels focused on.

3. SpotAngels further filtered the data focusing only on parking tickets for which geographic coordinates were found. This was done to avoid considering parking tickets with an incorrect location which would skew the neighborhood breakdown. SpotAngels used [Mapbox's geocoding service](#) for determining the geographic coordinates.
4. SpotAngels associated the geographic coordinates to Boston's neighborhood limits defined on the City of Boston's open data hub
5. SpotAngels matched the resulting data to its proprietary parking map data – the SpotAngels map displays all the street parking spots and knows which ones have restrictions. SpotAngels has exhaustive data in several neighborhoods in Boston except for the following where SpotAngels data is partial: Allston, Brighton, Charlestown, East Boston, Hyde Park, Jamaica Plain, Mattapan, Roslindale, West Roxbury



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