

**Registry of Deeds  
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We experienced an almost 5% decrease in Registry revenues during FY 2014. The major difference is in the recording fees collected during the year (almost 22% decrease) which was off-set by a 17% increase in Excise revenue. The 3-year comparison included below illustrates the shift in revenues.

	<b>FY 2012</b>	<b>FY 2013</b>	<b>FY 2014</b>
Copies and Postage	27,828	27,187	27,094
Plans	1,775	1,225	1,425
Recorded Land Recording	138,257	149,742	126,658
Land Court Recording	57,202	64,319	49,594
Excise to County	121,033	127,181	148,578
Registry Interest	21	11	6
Excise Interest	<u>34</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>14</u>
	346,150	369,684	353,369

The Registry has begun the process to provide online recordings for many of our documents. We hope to have that service available by January 2015. Currently, the availability of Dukes County records on line continues to be an asset to the services provided and we continue to add to that inventory. The research website address is [www.masslandrecords.com](http://www.masslandrecords.com). At this time, we have the Grantor/Grantee indexes and document images available on line back to the mid 1970's. We also have a large inventory of plans available on line and are actively restoring and scanning older plans to add to that inventory. Sr. Clerk Jessica Burnham, IT Manager/Clerk Paulo DeOliveira and Clerk Shannon Larsen continue to provide expert assistance to our customers and myself.

The Registry of Deeds is located on the first floor of the Courthouse in Edgartown. The hours of operation are 8:30AM to 4:30PM, Monday through Friday. Documents are accepted for recording from 8:30AM – 12:30PM and 1:30PM - 4:00PM, Monday through Friday. We can be reached during those hours at 508-627-4025. Our FAX number is 508-627-7821 and our email address is registry@dukescounty.org.

Respectfully submitted,

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