

The 2016 top 100 women-led businesses in Massachusetts

The Globe Magazine and the Commonwealth Institute partner to name the most noteworthy companies and nonprofits helmed by women.

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HOW WE CREATED THIS YEAR'S LIST

We looked at revenue or operating budget and other variables, including number of full-time employees in the state, workplace and management diversity, and innovative projects. We then ranked organizations according to our own formula. We considered both for-profit and nonprofit organizations. This is the 15th year that the Commonwealth Institute — a local nonprofit that supports female business leaders — has created the list, and the fourth year that the Globe Magazine has partnered with the group.

Note: Leaders in this list were in place at the end of 2015 (the year for which we examined revenue and other data) and a few are no longer at the businesses.

In addition to the list, [read interviews with seven of the business leaders](#), plus [sizing up a few of the organizations](#).

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LEADER

LOCATION

INDUSTRY

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| 1 | Brigham and Women's Health Care | Elizabeth G. Nabel, president | Boston | Health care |
| 2 | Boston Medical Center HealthNet Plan | Susan Coakley, president | Boston | Health care |
| 3 | Houghton Mifflin Harcourt | Linda K. Zecher, president, CEO, and director | Boston | Education/media |
| 4 | Boston Medical Center | Kathleen E. Walsh, CEO and president | Boston | Health care |
| 5 | Boston Children's Hospital | Sandra L. Fenwick, president and CEO | Boston | Health care |
| 6 | TJX Cos. | Carol Meyrowitz, chairman and CEO | Framingham | Retail or wholesale |
| 7 | PGR Media | Jane Deery, CEO | Boston | Advertising |
| 8 | Mount Auburn Hospital | Jeanette G. Clough, president and CEO | Cambridge | Health care |
| 9 | New England Baptist Hospital | Trish Hannon, president and CEO | Boston | Health care |
| 10 | Atlas Travel & Technology Group | Elaine Osgood, CEO | Milford | Travel services |
| 11 | Abt Associates | Kathleen L. Flanagan, president and CEO | Cambridge | Research and consulting |
| 12 | Lynn Community Health Center | Lori Abrams Berry, CEO | Lynn | Health care |
| 13 | Hebrew SeniorLife Health Care Services and Hebrew Rehabilitation Center | Mary K. Moscato, president | Boston | Health care |
| 14 | Vistaprint | Trynka Shineman, president | Waltham | E-commerce |
| 15 | The Greater Boston Food Bank | Catherine D'Amato, president and CEO | Boston | Human services |
| 16 | WilmerHale | Susan Murley, co-managing partner | Boston and Washington | Law |
| 17 | Beacon Communities | Pamela Goodman, CEO | Boston | Real estate |
| 18 | Analysis Group | Martha S. Samuelson, president and CEO | Boston | Consulting |
| 19 | Worcester Polytechnic Institute | Laurie Leshin, president | Worcester | Education |

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| 20 | Boston Heart Diagnostics | Susan Hertzberg, president and CEO | Framingham | Health care |
| 21 | Fidelity Investments | Abigail Johnson, president and CEO | Boston | Financial services |
| 22 | Princess House | Connie Tang, president and CEO | Taunton | Direct selling |
| 23 | Partners Community Physicians Organization | Lynn Malloy Stofer, president | Needham | Health care |
| 24 | Harvard University | Drew Gilpin Faust, president | Cambridge | Education |
| 25 | Copyright Clearance Center | Tracey Armstrong, president and CEO | Danvers | Copyright licensing |
| 26 | May Institute | Lauren C. Solotar, president and CEO | Randolph | Human services |
| 27 | Au Bon Pain | Sue Morelli, president and CEO | Boston | Food or hospitality |
| 28 | RFX Forward | Caitlin Welby, CEO and president | Avon | Transportation, trucking, and logistics |
| 29 | Care.com | Sheila Lirio Marcelo, founder, chairwoman, and CEO | Waltham | Consumer Internet |
| 30 | Ascentria Care Alliance | Angela Bovill, president and CEO | Worcester | Human services |
| 31 | Simmons College | Helen Drinan, president | Boston | Education |
| 32 | Candlewick Press | Karen Lotz, president and publisher | Somerville | Publishing |
| 33 | MassDevelopment | Marty Jones, president and CEO | Boston | Finance and development |
| 34 | Toward Independent Living and Learning | Dafna Krouk-Gordon, founder and president | Dedham | Human services |
| 35 | Windham Professionals | Christine Timmins Barry, president and CEO | Andover | Revenue management and customer care services |
| 36 | Salem State University | Patricia Maguire Meservey, president | Salem | Education |
| 37 | Infinity Pharmaceuticals | Adelene Perkins, president and CEO | Cambridge | Biotechnology |
| 38 | Catholic Charities, Archdiocese of Boston | Deborah Kincade Rambo, president | Boston | Human services |

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| 39 | Codman Square Health Center | Sandra Cotterell, CEO | Dorchester | Health care |
| 40 | Norwell Visiting Nurse Association | Meg Doherty, CEO | Norwell | Health care |
| 41 | Creative Office Pavilion | Denise Horn, principal and president | Boston | Office furniture |
| 42 | The Advocator Group | Julie Turpin, CEO | Wakefield | Social Security disability insurance advocacy |
| 43 | The Dimock Center | Myechia Minter-Jordan, president and CEO | Roxbury | Health care |
| 44 | Bentley University | Gloria Cordes Larson, president | Waltham | Education |
| 45 | The Cambridge Institute of International Education | Christine Lin, cofounder and president | Waltham | Education |
| 46 | The Cape Cod Five Cents Savings Bank | Dorothy A. Savarese, chairman, president, and CEO | Orleans | Financial services |
| 47 | D'Youville Life & Wellness Community | Naomi Prendergast, president and CEO | Lowell | Health care |
| 48 | TD Garden | Amy Latimer, president | Boston | Sports and entertainment arena |
| 49 | Motion Recruitment Partners | Beth Gilfeather, CEO | Boston | Staffing |
| 50 | Wineland-Thomson Adventures | Judi Wineland, founder and president | Watertown | Travel services |
| 51 | Carleton-Willard Village | Barbara A. Doyle, president and CEO | Bedford | Health care |
| 52 | Audley Travel | Jacqui Lewis, president and managing director | Boston | Travel services |
| 53 | Data Intensity | Kirk Arnold, CEO | Bedford | IT services or technology |
| 54 | Eastern Insurance Group | Hope A. Aldrich, president and CEO | Natick | Insurance |
| 55 | Axcelis Technologies | Mary G. Puma, president and CEO | Beverly | IT services or technology |
| 56 | Whittier Street Health Center | Frederica M. Williams, president and CEO | Boston | Health care |

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| 57 | Jewish Family & Children's Service | Rimma Zelfand, CEO | Waltham | Human services |
| 58 | Travel Leaders Framingham | Diane Mullahy, president | Framingham | Travel services |
| 59 | Morgan Memorial Goodwill Industries | Joanne K. Hilferty, president and CEO | Boston | Human services |
| 60 | YouthBuild USA | Dorothy Stoneman, founder and CEO | Somerville | Nonprofit, national intermediary |
| 61 | Avedis Zildjian Co. | Craigie Zildjian, CEO and owner | Norwell | Manufacturing |
| 62 | Akcea Therapeutics | Paula Soteropoulos, president and CEO | Cambridge | Biotechnology |
| 63 | The Grommet | Jules Pieri, cofounder and CEO, and Joanne Domeniconi, cofounder and chief discovery officer | Somerville | Product launch platform |
| 64 | The Trustees of Reservations | Barbara Erickson, president and CEO | Boston | Nonprofit |
| 65 | Elaine Construction Co. | Lisa B. Wexler, president | Newton Upper Falls | Construction |
| 66 | Yaskawa - Solectria | Anita Worden, cofounder and co-CEO | Lawrence | Manufacturing/ services |
| 68 | Massachusetts Technology Collaborative | Pamela Goldberg, CEO | Westborough | Government/technology innovation |
| 69 | New England Aquarium | Nigella Hillgarth, president and CEO | Boston | Cultural institution/conservation organization |
| 70 | Vecna | Deborah Theobald, CEO | Cambridge | Health care |
| 71 | Newburyport Five Cents Savings Bank | Janice Morse, president and CEO | Newburyport | Financial services |
| 72 | Shepley Bulfinch | Carole Wedge, president | Boston | Architecture |
| 73 | Cambridge BioMarketing | Maureen N. Franco, CEO | Cambridge | Advertising |
| 74 | Gradient | Teresa S. Bowers, president | Cambridge | Consulting |

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| 75 | Lancaster Packaging | Marianne Lancaster, president | Hudson | Purchasing services and wholesale distribution |
| 76 | Boston Community Capital | Elyse Cherry, CEO and president | Boston | Community development finance |
| 77 | IntePros Consulting | Loren Kovalcik, CEO and president | Lexington | Staffing |
| 78 | The Children's Trust | Suzin Bartley, executive director | Boston | Human services |
| 79 | Finagle a Bagel | Laura B. Trust, owner and president | Newton | Retail or wholesale |
| 80 | Onyx Specialty Papers | Patricia Begrowicz, president and co-owner | South Lee | Manufacturing |
| 81 | United Personnel Services | Tricia Canavan, president | Springfield | Staffing |
| 82 | Magellan Diagnostics | Amy Winslow, president and CEO | North Billerica | Health care |
| 83 | E. T. & L. Corp. | Jennie Lee Colosi, president | Stow | Construction |
| 84 | P3I | Janice P. Guy, president and CEO | Hopkinton | Engineering |
| 86 | Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum | Anne Hawley, Norma Jean Calderwood director | Boston | Museum |
| 87 | KNF&T Staffing Resources | Elizabeth A. Tucker, president and CEO | Boston | Staffing |
| 88 | Radius Financial Group | Sarah Valentini, cofounder and principal | Norwell | Financial services |
| 89 | KHJ Brand Activation | Judy Habib, CEO and president | Boston | Branding/marketing |
| 90 | P.J. Spillane Co. | Sarah Spillane, CEO and president | Everett | Construction |
| 91 | Hollister Staffing | Kip Hollister, founder and CEO | Boston | Staffing |
| 92 | Chadwick Martin Bailey | Anne Bailey Berman, president and CEO | Boston | Market research and consulting |
| 93 | Reading Cooperative Bank | Julieann Thurlow, president and CEO | Reading | Financial services |

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| 94 | Front Line | Nancy Salter, president and owner | Hopedale | Construction |
| 95 | B&G Restaurant Supply | Tricia Powers Dambrauskas, owner | Pittsfield | Retail or wholesale |
| 96 | Investor Group Services | Mindy Berman, managing director | Boston | Financial services |
| 97 | Boston Common Asset Management | Geeta Aiyer, president and founder | Boston | Financial services |
| 98 | State Cleaning Service | Jennifer Lourie, president and CEO | Needham | Commercial cleaning |
| 99 | Wellesley Investment Advisors | Darlene Murphy, president and cofounder | Wellesley | Financial services |
| 100 | Kaplan Construction | Jane Kaplan Peck, COO | Brookline | Construction |

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