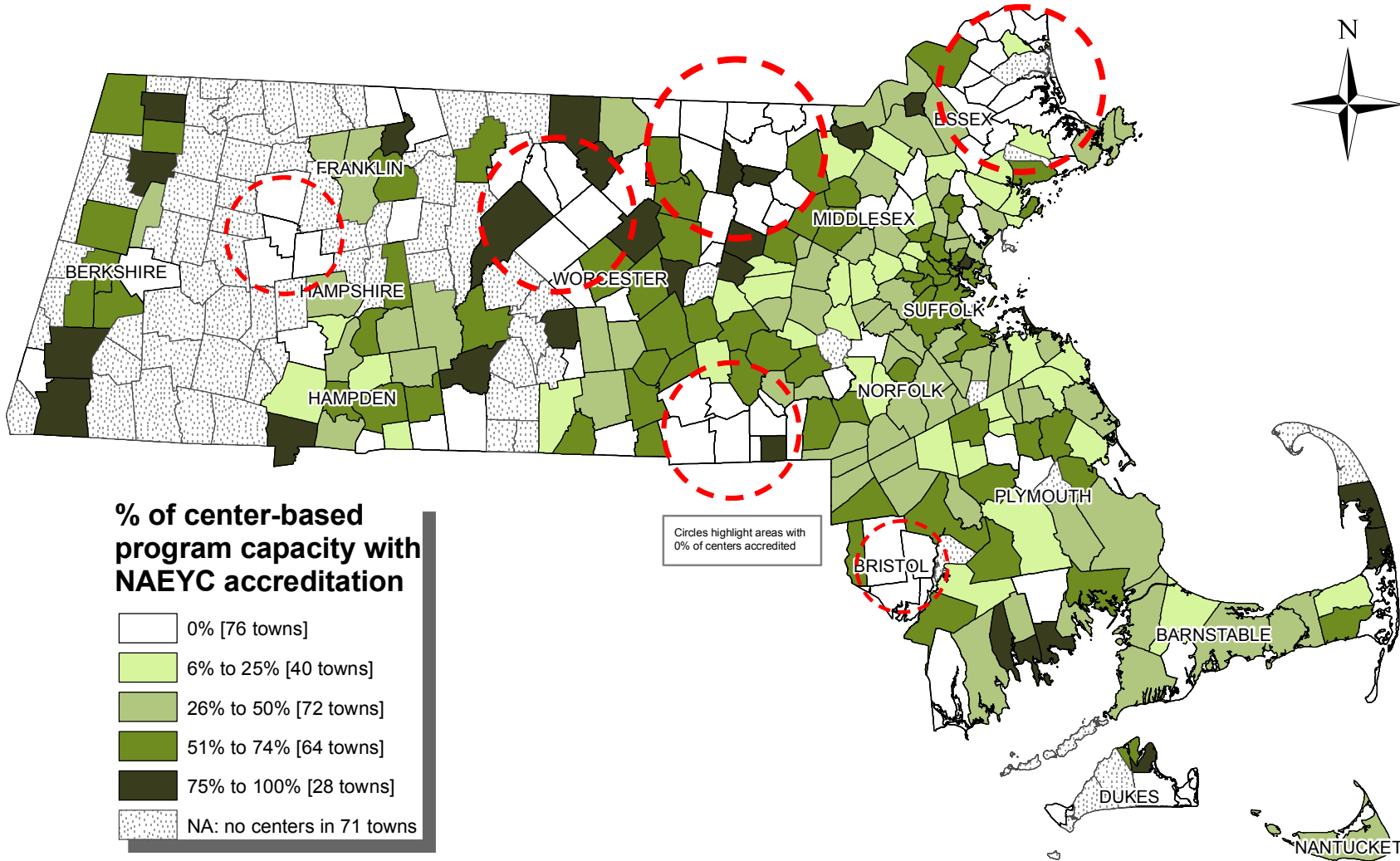


Accredited Pre-k Capacity, by City/Town Center-based Programs



***An estimated 746 or 35% of the state's 2154 licensed center-based pre-k programs are accredited by NAEYC. This accounts for 37,079 available pre-k seats (42% of all licensed center-based pre-k capacity).**

*Families living in towns without center-based early education programs may choose family child care programs, public school pre-k, or center-based programs in nearby towns.

*There are 351 cities and towns in Massachusetts

*Source: Massachusetts Department of Early Education and Care, February 2009; National Association for the Education of Young Children, February 2009