

# 2011 STATE AGRICULTURE OVERVIEW

## Massachusetts

### Farms

Number of Farms	7,700
Land in Farms (acres)	520,000
Average Farm Size (acres)	68

### Livestock Inventory

Cattle and Calves - All (Jan. 1, 2012)	41,000
Hogs & Pigs - All ( Dec. 1, 2011)	12,000

### Milk

Milk Cows (Average head)	13,000
Milk Production per Cow (lbs)	16,923
Production (lbs)	220,000,000

### Crops - Planted, Harvested, Yield, Production, Price (MYA), Value of Production

Commodity	Planted All Purpose Acres	Harvested Acres	Yield	Production	Price per Unit	Value of Production Dollars
Field & Misc Crops						43,873,000
Hay All (Dry)		74,000	1.8 tons	136,000 tons	207.000 dols/ton	28,096,000
Hay Other (Dry)		65,000	1.8 tons	117,000 tons	201.000 dols/ton	23,517,000
Potatoes Fall	3,500	2,700	275.0 cwt	743,000 cwt	10.600 dols/cwt	7,876,000
Potatoes All	3,500	2,700	275.0 cwt	743,000 cwt	10.600 dols/cwt	7,876,000
Tobacco Cigar Binder Conn Valley Broadleaf (Type 51)		440	1,680.0 lbs	739,000 lbs	6.200 dols/lb	4,582,000
Hay Alfalfa (Dry)		9,000	2.1 tons	19,000 tons	241.000 dols/ton	4,579,000
Principal Crops	95,000	90,000				
Corn For Grain	17,000					
Alfalfa & Alfalfa Mixtures - New Seedings	1,000					
Tobacco All (All Classes)		570	1,570.0 lbs	895,000 lbs		
Corn For Silage		13,000	18.0 tons	234,000 tons		
Tobacco Cigar Wrapper Conn Valley Shade-Grown (Type 61)		130	1,200.0 lbs	156,000 lbs		
Maple Syrup			0.3 gals	62 galts		

# 2007 Census of Agriculture State Profile

United States Department of Agriculture, Massachusetts Agricultural Statistics Service  
Massachusetts - Ranked items within U.S. 2007

Item	Quantity	U.S. Rank	Universe <sup>1</sup>
<b>MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD (\$1,000)</b>			
Total value of agricultural products sold	489,820	47	50
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	364,481	41	50
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	125,338	46	50
<b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)</b>			
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	1,781	47	50
Tobacco	15,775	9	17
Cotton and cottonseed			17
Vegetables, melons, potatoes and sweet potatoes	59,180	31	50
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	100,623	14	50
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	169,167	25	50
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops		20	49
Other crops and hay		45	50
Poultry and eggs	13,207	42	50
Cattle and calves	12,444	44	50
Milk and other dairy products from cows	50,485	41	50
Hogs and pigs	2,108	40	50
Sheep, goats, and their products			50
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	5,703	39	50
Aquaculture	18,548	16	50
Other animals and other animal products		22	50
<b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>			
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greench	93,811	44	50
Vegetables harvested for sale	15,764	34	50
Land in berries	14,804	7	49
Corn for silage	13,895	38	48
Sweet corn	5,248	19	50
<b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>			
Layers	139,764	45	50
Cattle and calves	46,852	45	50
Pheasants		21	50
Horses and ponies	20,580	41	50
Turkeys	17,501	28	50

## Other Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales:		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	2,380	Farming	3,688
\$1,000 to \$2,499	949	Other	4,003
\$2,500 to \$4,999	839		
\$5,000 to \$9,999	769	Principal operators by sex:	
\$10,000 to \$19,999	791	Male	5,465
\$20,000 to \$24,999	244	Female	2,226
\$25,000 to \$39,999	362		
\$40,000 to \$49,999	156	Average age of principal operator (years)	56
\$50,000 to \$99,999	398		
\$100,000 to \$249,999	397	All operators by race <sup>2</sup> :	
\$250,000 to \$499,999	212	American Indian or Alaska Native	26
\$500,000 or more	194	Asian	71
		Black or African American	52
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	461,483	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	3
Average per farm (\$)	60,003	White	11,787
		More than one race	44
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	96,266		
Average per farm (\$)	12,517	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin <sup>2</sup>	198

See "Census of Agriculture, Volume 1, Geographic Area Series" for complete footnotes, explanations, definitions, and methodology.

(D) Cannot be disclosed.

<sup>1</sup> Universe is number of states in U.S. with item.

<sup>2</sup> Data were collected for a maximum of three operators per farm.