

# 2002 Census of Agriculture Congressional District Profile

## District 1, Massachusetts

**Number of farms:** 2,160

**Land in farms:** 263,787 acres

**Average size of farm:** 122 acres

**Irrigated Land:** 3,803 acres

**Total Number of Farm Operators:** 3,514

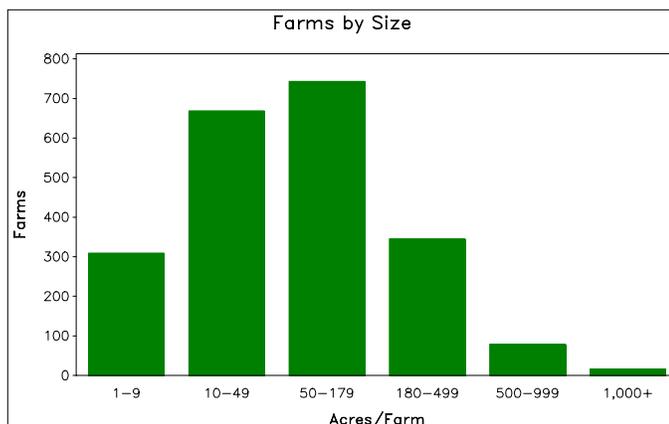
**Market Value of Production:** \$127,425,000

**Market Value of Production, average per farm:** \$58,993

**Government Payments:** \$2,304,000

**Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments:** \$12,002

**Gross Income from Farm Related Sources:** \$8,650,000



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**Ranked items among the 10 congressional districts in the state, and among the 435 congressional districts in the U.S., 2002**

Item	Quantity	State Rank	Universe <sup>1</sup>	U.S. Rank	Universe <sup>1</sup>
<b>MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD (\$1,000)</b>					
Total value of agricultural products sold	127,425	1	10	238	418
<b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)<sup>2</sup></b>					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	482	1	7	291	371
Tobacco	12,623	1	2	29	106
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	111
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	17,800	1	9	101	398
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	7,784	3	10	98	403
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	30,033	1	10	136	415
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	622	1	9	81	349
Poultry and eggs	8,965	1	9	172	382
Cattle and calves	5,800	1	9	250	389
Milk and other dairy products from cows	30,516	1	8	136	339
Hogs and pigs	367	2	9	214	372
Sheep, goats, and their products	697	1	9	108	380
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	1,849	1	10	153	398
Aquaculture	2,986	2	8	65	321
<b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>					
Layers 20 weeks old and older	285,522	1	9	147	387
Cattle and calves	29,037	1	9	249	394
Quail	(D)	1	6	(D)	313
Pheasants	(D)	1	9	(D)	327
Rabbits	(D)	1	9	(D)	343
<b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>					
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	50,592	1	9	193	391
Corn for silage	9,707	1	9	111	330
All Vegetables harvested	6,292	1	9	98	398
Potatoes	2,466	1	9	52	318
Apples	1,886	1	10	34	354

**Other Congressional District Highlights**

Economic Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales	
Less than \$1,000	604
\$1,000 to \$2,499	337
\$2,500 to \$4,999	252
\$5,000 to \$9,999	231
\$10,000 to \$19,999	197
\$20,000 to \$24,999	51
\$25,000 to \$39,999	93
\$40,000 to \$49,999	44
\$50,000 to \$99,999	95
\$100,000 to \$249,999	135
\$250,000 to \$499,999	69
\$500,000 or more	52
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	73,373
Average per farm (\$)	167,902
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	27,366
Average per farm (\$)	12,400

Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Farming	1,134
Other	1,026
Principal operators by sex:	
Male	1,739
Female	421
Average age of principal operator (years)	54.5
All operators <sup>3</sup> by race:	
White	3,405
Black or African American	-
American Indian or Alaska Native	4
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
Asian	11
More than one race	9
All operators <sup>3</sup> of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	86

(D) Cannot be disclosed. (Z) Less than half of the unit shown. See "Census of Agriculture, Volume 1, Geographic Area Series" for complete footnotes.

<sup>1</sup> Universe is number of congressional districts in state or U.S. with item.

<sup>2</sup> Categories are not comprehensive and will not sum to total.

<sup>3</sup> Data were collected for a maximum of three operators per farm.