

# 1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture, New England Agricultural Statistics Service

## WASHINGTON RHODE ISLAND

### Ranked Items Within State and U.S., 1997

Item	Quantity	State		U.S.	
		Rank	Universe*	Rank	Universe*
<b>MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD (\$1,000)</b>					
Total value of agricultural products sold	18,542	1	5	2,168	3,076
Value of crops including nursery	16,525	1	5	1,416	3,070
Value of livestock and poultry	2,016	3	5	2,726	3,069
<b>TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)</b>					
Nursery and greenhouse crops	14,843	1	5	144	2,790
Dairy products	1,390	2	5	1,242	2,563
Vegetables, sweet corn, and melons	943	2	5	556	2,739
Hay, silage, field seeds, grass seeds	468	1	5	1,671	3,043
Cattle and calves	254	1	5	2,892	3,063
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)</b>					
Cattle and calves sold	691	2	5	2,893	3,063
Rabbits and their pelts sold	377	1	4	422	1,593
Ducks, geese, and other poultry sold	262	2	5	1,101	2,200
Sheep and lambs sold	258	2	5	1,595	2,765
Hogs and pigs sold	246	4	5	2,332	2,976
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)</b>					
Cattle and calves inventory	1,849	2	5	2,854	3,064
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	1,391	3	5	1,051	3,002
Ducks, geese, and other poultry inventory	761	2	5	803	2,884
Sheep and lamb inventory	430	1	5	1,482	2,864
Horse and pony inventory	369	2	5	1,976	3,066
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA</b>					
All nursery-acres	3,074	1	5	76	2,619
Hay crops-acres	2,595	1	5	2,628	3,061
Corn for silage-acres	1,009	2	5	1,053	2,473
Land used for vegetables-acres	588	2	5	604	2,741
Total berries-acres	69	2	5	193	2,058

Some counties do not have five commodities in a group.

### Other County Summary Highlights

Item	1997	1992	Percent Change
<b>Farms by value of sales:</b>			
Less than \$10,000 .....	124	121	2
\$10,000 or more .....	106	79	34
Total farm production expenses .....\$1,000..	14,143	12,110	17
Average per farm .....dollars..	61,490	60,548	2
<b>Net cash return from agricultural sales</b>			
for the farm unit .....\$1,000..	4,399	2,709	62
Average per farm .....dollars..	19,127	13,545	41
<b>Farms by type of organization:</b>			
Individual or family .....	179	170	5
Partnership or corporation .....	48	28	71
Other .....	3	2	50
<b>OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS</b>			
<b>Operators by principal occupation:</b>			
Farming .....	110	99	11
Other .....	120	101	19
<b>Operators by sex:</b>			
Male .....	190	159	19
Female .....	40	41	-2
<b>Operators by race:</b>			
White .....	228	200	14
Black and other races .....	2	-	
Average age of operator .....	53.6	52.6	2

(D) Cannot be disclosed. See "Census of Agriculture Volume 1 Geographic Area Series" for complete footnotes.

\* Universe is number of counties in state or U.S. with item.