



Plymouth County Massachusetts

Total and Per Farm Overview, 2017 and change since 2012

	2017	% change since 2012
Number of farms	758	-8
Land in farms (acres)	60,036	-6
Average size of farm (acres)	79	+2
Total	(\$)	
Market value of products sold	71,935,000	-33
Government payments	316,000	-76
Farm-related income	15,790,000	+22
Total farm production expenses	77,319,000	-16
Net cash farm income	10,721,000	-65
Per farm average	(\$)	
Market value of products sold	94,901	-28
Government payments (average per farm receiving)	7,343	-43
Farm-related income	51,099	+16
Total farm production expenses	102,004	-8
Net cash farm income	14,144	-62

15 Percent of state agriculture sales

Share of Sales by Type (%)

Crops	86
Livestock, poultry, and products	14

Land in Farms by Use (%) ^a

Cropland	30
Pastureland	3
Woodland	17
Other	50

Acres irrigated: 11,888

20% of land in farms

Land Use Practices (% of farms)

No till	4
Reduced till	2
Intensive till	10
Cover crop	4

Farms by Value of Sales

	Number	Percent of Total ^a
Less than \$2,500	267	35
\$2,500 to \$4,999	56	7
\$5,000 to \$9,999	73	10
\$10,000 to \$24,999	84	11
\$25,000 to \$49,999	80	11
\$50,000 to \$99,999	62	8
\$100,000 or more	136	18

Farms by Size

	Number	Percent of Total ^a
1 to 9 acres	294	39
10 to 49 acres	273	36
50 to 179 acres	137	18
180 to 499 acres	42	6
500 to 999 acres	6	1
1,000 + acres	6	1

Market Value of Agricultural Products Sold

	Sales (\$1,000)	Rank in State ^b	Counties Producing Item	Rank in U.S. ^b	Counties Producing Item
Total	71,935	1	14	1,446	3,077
Crops	62,140	1	14	941	3,073
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, dry peas	223	8	10	2,373	2,916
Tobacco	-	-	4	-	323
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	647
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, sweet potatoes	3,810	8	14	399	2,821
Fruits, tree nuts, berries	47,114	1	13	64	2,748
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, sod	10,196	7	14	243	2,601
Cultivated Christmas trees, short rotation woody crops	140	8	11	215	1,384
Other crops and hay	658	9	13	2,195	3,040
Livestock, poultry, and products	9,794	6	14	2,121	3,073
Poultry and eggs	183	7	13	906	3,007
Cattle and calves	159	10	12	2,661	3,055
Milk from cows	645	9	11	994	1,892
Hogs and pigs	116	7	13	868	2,856
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, milk	75	9	12	1,472	2,984
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, donkeys	629	1	12	333	2,970
Aquaculture	6,751	2	11	53	1,251
Other animals and animal products	1,236	2	12	148	2,878

Total Producers ^c	1,326	Percent of farms that:	Top Crops in Acres ^d
Sex		Have internet access	Land in berries 11,438
Male	785	89	Cranberries 11,354
Female	541		Forage (hay/haylage), all 2,145
Age		Farm organically	Vegetables harvested, all 1,407
<35	105	3	Sweet corn 622
35 – 64	733		
65 and older	488		
Race		Sell directly to consumers	Livestock Inventory (Dec 31, 2017)
American Indian/Alaska Native	5	18	Broilers and other meat-type chickens 612
Asian	5		Cattle and calves 501
Black or African American	4	Hire farm labor	Goats 418
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	-	44	Hogs and pigs 839
White	1,310		Horses and ponies 2,371
More than one race	2	Are family farms	Layers 5,850
Other characteristics		92	Pullets 339
Hispanic, Latino, Spanish origin	15		Sheep and lambs 921
With military service	132		Turkeys (D)
New and beginning farmers	358		

See 2017 Census of Agriculture, U.S. Summary and State Data, for complete footnotes, explanations, definitions, commodity descriptions, and methodology.

^a May not add to 100% due to rounding. ^b Among counties whose rank can be displayed. ^c Data collected for a maximum of four producers per farm.

^d Crop commodity names may be shortened; see full names at www.nass.usda.gov/go/cropnames.pdf. ^e Position below the line does not indicate rank.

(D) Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual operations. (NA) Not available. (Z) Less than half of the unit shown. (-) Represents zero.