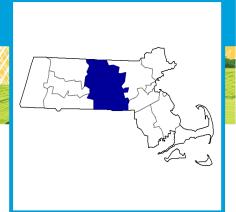


# **Worcester County Massachusetts**



### Total and Per Farm Overview, 2017 and change since 2012

	2017	% change since 2012
Number of farms	1,568	+1
Land in farms (acres)	95,308	-6
Average size of farm (acres)	61	-7
Total	(\$)	
Market value of products sold	65,196,000	+13
Government payments	1,015,000	+47
Farm-related income	17,441,000	+45
Total farm production expenses	75,509,000	+10
Net cash farm income	8,143,000	+432
Per farm average	(\$)	
Market value of products sold	41,579	+13
Government payments		
(average per farm receiving)	7,750	+43
Farm-related income	36,718	+57
Total farm production expenses	48,156	+9
Net cash farm income	5,193	+429

### **14** Percent of state agriculture sales

Share of Sales by Type (%)		
Crops	71	
Livestock, poultry, and products		
Land in Farms by Use (%)	1	
Cropland	36	
Pastureland	10	
Woodland	41	
Other	13	
Acres irrigated: 1,480		
2% of la	and in farms	
Land Use Practices (% of fa	rms)	
No till	12	
Reduced till	4	
Intensive till	10	
Cover crop	11	

Farms by Value of Sal	es		Farms by Size		
	Number	Percent of Total a		Number	Percent of Total a
Less than \$2,500	807	51	1 to 9 acres	543	35
\$2,500 to \$4,999	169	11	10 to 49 acres	518	33
\$5,000 to \$9,999	169	11	50 to 179 acres	348	22
\$10,000 to \$24,999	180	11	180 to 499 acres	144	9
\$25,000 to \$49,999	72	5	500 to 999 acres	13	1
\$50,000 to \$99,999	55	4	1,000 + acres	2	(Z)
\$100,000 or more	116	7			

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#### **Market Value of Agricultural Products Sold**

		Rank	Counties	Rank	Counties
	Sales	in State b	Producing	in U.S. <sup>b</sup>	Producing
Total	(\$1,000)	State <sup>b</sup>	Item		Item
Total	65,196	3	14	1,535	3,077
Crops	46,213	4	14	1,138	3,073
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, dry peas	(D)	1	10	2,123	2,916
Tobacco	(D)	4	4	(D)	323
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	647
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, sweet potatoes	9,220	4	14	233	2,821
Fruits, tree nuts, berries	14,980	2	13	131	2,748
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, sod	15,677	3	14	166	2,601
Cultivated Christmas trees, short rotation					
woody crops	745	2	11	53	1,384
Other crops and hay	(D)	1	13	540	3,040
Livestock, poultry, and products	18,983	1	14	1,682	3,073
Poultry and eggs	7,641	1	13	587	3,007
Cattle and calves	2,168	1	12	2,128	3,055
Milk from cows	6,695	3	11	532	1,892
Hogs and pigs	497	1	13	647	2,856
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, milk	614	1	12	273	2,984
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, donkeys	(D)	4	12	584	2,970
Aquaculture	(D)	10	11	(D)	1,251
Other animals and animal products	983	3	12	184	2,878

Total Producers <sup>c</sup>	2,740	Percent of farms that:		Top Crops in Acres d	
Sex Male Female	1,452 1,288	Have internet access	83	Forage (hay/haylage), all Corn for silage or greenchop Apples Vegetables harvested, all	19,425 2,492 1,758 1,732
<b>Age</b> <35 35 – 64 65 and older	220 1,615 905	Farm organically	2	Cultivated Christmas trees	731
Race American Indian/Alaska Native Asian Black or African American	13 40 128	Sell directly to consumers	26	Livestock Inventory (Dec 31, 2017)  Broilers and other meat-type chickens	7,887
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander White More than one race	5 2,537 17	Hire farm labor	28	Cattle and calves Goats Hogs and pigs Horses and ponies	6,947 2,964 2,236 2,677
Other characteristics Hispanic, Latino, Spanish origin With military service New and beginning farmers	35 231 769	Are family farms	98	Layers Pullets Sheep and lambs Turkeys	96,384 3,289 3,296 13,801

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

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> May not add to 100% due to rounding. <sup>b</sup> Among counties whose rank can be displayed. <sup>c</sup> Data collected for a maximum of four producers per farm. <sup>d</sup> Crop commodity names may be shortened; see full names at www.nass.usda.gov/go/cropnames.pdf. <sup>e</sup> Position below the line does not indicate rank.

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