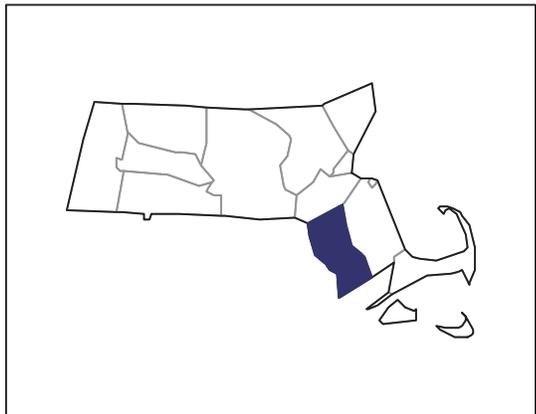


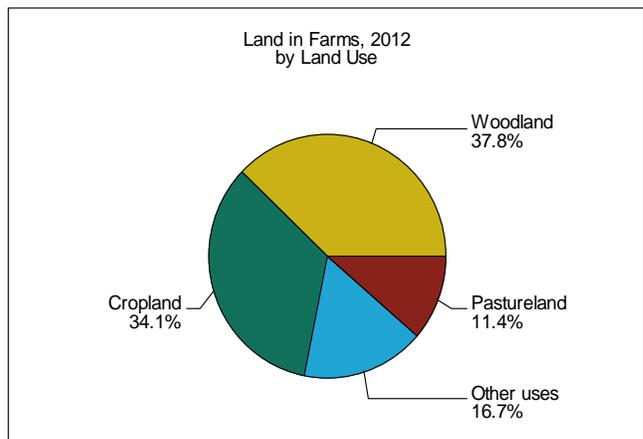
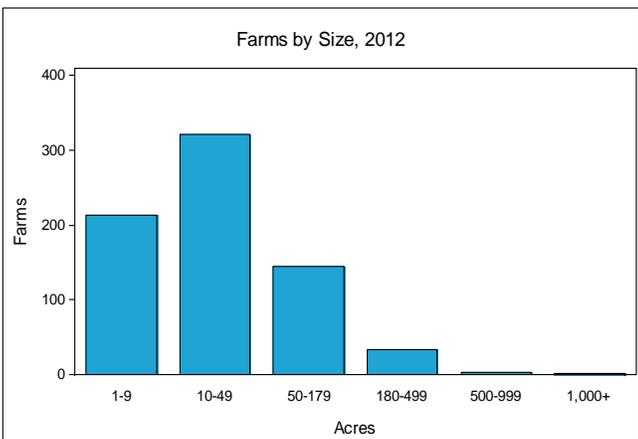
# 2012 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

## COUNTY PROFILE



### Bristol County Massachusetts

	2012	2007	% change
<b>Number of Farms</b>	717	777	- 8
<b>Land in Farms</b>	34,869 acres	39,252 acres	- 11
<b>Average Size of Farm</b>	49 acres	51 acres	- 4
<b>Market Value of Products Sold</b>	\$37,658,000	\$44,245,000	- 15
Crop Sales \$29,899,000 (79 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$7,760,000 (21 percent)			
Average Per Farm	\$52,522	\$56,944	- 8
<b>Government Payments</b>	\$1,527,000	\$555,000	+ 175
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$16,777	\$8,945	+ 88





## Bristol County – Massachusetts

### Ranked items among the 14 state counties and 3,079 U.S. counties, 2012

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	37,658	6	14	1,981	3,077
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	29,899	6	14	1,484	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	7,760	8	14	2,257	3,076
<b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)</b>					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	458	7	11	2,419	2,926
Tobacco	-	-	4	-	436
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	635
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	8,382	4	14	242	2,802
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	5,072	4	13	193	2,724
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	14,783	3	14	199	2,678
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	48	9	12	480	1,530
Other crops and hay	1,156	7	13	1,807	3,049
Poultry and eggs	(D)	6	14	(D)	3,013
Cattle and calves	1,331	4	13	2,527	3,056
Milk from cows	3,155	7	12	865	2,038
Hogs and pigs	343	3	12	996	2,827
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, and milk	177	6	12	890	2,988
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	807	6	13	318	3,011
Aquaculture	(D)	4	11	(D)	1,366
Other animals and other animal products	164	7	14	847	2,924
<b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>					
Forage-land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	4,951	7	13	2,219	3,057
Vegetables harvested, all	1,659	3	14	360	2,801
Corn for silage	1,527	4	10	918	2,237
Land in Berries	1,059	2	13	43	2,339
Cranberries	997	3	9	13	99
<b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>					
Layers	7,362	4	14	732	3,040
Cattle and calves	3,838	5	13	2,512	3,063
Horses and ponies	2,447	4	13	332	3,072
Hogs and pigs	1,698	3	13	939	2,889
Rabbits, live	1,485	1	11	33	2,157

### Other County Highlights, 2012

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales:		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	233	Farming	351
\$1,000 to \$2,499	86	Other	366
\$2,500 to \$4,999	65		
\$5,000 to \$9,999	73	Principal operators by sex:	
\$10,000 to \$19,999	67	Male	523
\$20,000 to \$24,999	18	Female	194
\$25,000 to \$39,999	41		
\$40,000 to \$49,999	19	Average age of principal operator (years)	59.0
\$50,000 to \$99,999	53		
\$100,000 to \$249,999	25	All operators by race <sup>2</sup> :	
\$250,000 to \$499,999	22	American Indian or Alaska Native	1
\$500,000 or more	15	Asian	6
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	44,306	Black or African American	1
Average per farm (\$)	61,793	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
		White	1,091
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	863	More than one race	9
Average per farm (\$)	1,203	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin <sup>2</sup>	19

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

- Represents zero. (D) Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual operations.

<sup>1</sup> Universe is number of counties in state or U.S. with item. <sup>2</sup> Data were collected for a maximum of three operators per farm.