



Massachusetts 5th District

Total and Per Farm Overview, 2017

	2017
Number of farms	170
Land in farms (acres)	6,214
Average size of farm (acres)	37
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Total	(\$)
Market value of products sold	36,345,000
Government payments	20,000
Farm-related income	(D)
Total farm production expenses	36,279,000
Net cash farm income	563,000
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Per farm average	(\$)
Market value of products sold	213,792
Government payments (average per farm receiving)	3,393
Farm-related income	(D)
Total farm production expenses	213,407
Net cash farm income	3,309

8 Percent of state agriculture sales

Share of Sales by Type (%)

Crops	98
Livestock, poultry, and products	2

Land in Farms by Use (%) ^a

Cropland	42
Pastureland	15
Woodland	27
Other	17

Acres irrigated: 564

9% of land in farms

Land Use Practices (% of farms)

No till	8
Reduced till	11
Intensive till	22
Cover crop	17

Farms by Value of Sales

	Number	Percent of Total ^a
Less than \$2,500	76	45
\$2,500 to \$4,999	15	9
\$5,000 to \$9,999	19	11
\$10,000 to \$24,999	12	7
\$25,000 to \$49,999	13	8
\$50,000 to \$99,999	10	6
\$100,000 or more	25	15

Farms by Size

	Number	Percent of Total ^a
1 to 9 acres	58	34
10 to 49 acres	75	44
50 to 179 acres	29	17
180 to 499 acres	7	4
500 to 999 acres	1	1
1,000 + acres	-	-

Market Value of Agricultural Products Sold

	Sales (\$1,000)	Rank in State ^b	CDs Producing Item	Rank in U.S. ^b	CDs Producing Item
Total	36,345	5	9	312	431
Crops	35,690	4	9	290	431
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, dry peas	(D)	8	8	338	381
Tobacco	-	-	3	-	68
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	108
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, sweet potatoes	13,551	2	9	146	418
Fruits, tree nuts, berries	2,546	8	8	228	416
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, sod	19,340	3	9	204	425
Cultivated Christmas trees, short rotation woody crops	(D)	8	8	(D)	326
Other crops and hay	232	7	8	326	395
Livestock, poultry, and products	655	8	9	350	422
Poultry and eggs	124	7	9	239	404
Cattle and calves	(D)	8	9	356	396
Milk from cows	-	-	7	-	312
Hogs and pigs	(D)	7	8	(D)	367
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, milk	53	7	9	295	393
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, donkeys	68	7	8	314	393
Aquaculture	-	-	7	-	328
Other animals and animal products	(D)	6	9	(D)	413

Total Producers ^c

295

Sex

Male 152
Female 143

Age

<35 29
35 – 64 168
65 and older 98

Race

American Indian/Alaska Native -
Asian 5
Black or African American -
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander -
White 285
More than one race 5

Other characteristics

Hispanic, Latino, Spanish origin 7
With military service 25
New and beginning farmers 110

Percent of farms that:

Have internet access **89**

Farm organically **6**

Sell directly to consumers **28**

Hire farm labor **47**

Are family farms **89**

Top Crops in Acres ^d

Forage (hay/haylage), all 889
Vegetables harvested, all 631
Sweet corn 180
Apples 150
Pumpkins 140

Livestock Inventory (Dec 31, 2017)

Broilers and other meat-type chickens (D)
Cattle and calves 200
Goats 166
Hogs and pigs 47
Horses and ponies 156
Layers 3,326
Pullets (D)
Sheep and lambs 328
Turkeys (D)

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 CDs 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.