



## Massachusetts 9th District

### Total and Per Farm Overview, 2017

	2017
Number of farms	1,278
Land in farms (acres)	81,432
Average size of farm (acres)	64
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<b>Total</b>	(\$)
Market value of products sold	108,740,000
Government payments	680,000
Farm-related income	17,164,000
Total farm production expenses	110,480,000
Net cash farm income	16,105,000
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<b>Per farm average</b>	(\$)
Market value of products sold	85,086
Government payments (average per farm receiving)	7,732
Farm-related income	38,484
Total farm production expenses	86,447
Net cash farm income	12,601

**23** Percent of state agriculture sales

#### Share of Sales by Type (%)

Crops	74
Livestock, poultry, and products	26

#### Land in Farms by Use (%) <sup>a</sup>

Cropland	28
Pastureland	5
Woodland	23
Other	43

**Acres irrigated: 12,994**

16% of land in farms

#### Land Use Practices (% of farms)

No till	5
Reduced till	2
Intensive till	11
Cover crop	9

### Farms by Value of Sales

	Number	Percent of Total <sup>a</sup>
Less than \$2,500	424	33
\$2,500 to \$4,999	130	10
\$5,000 to \$9,999	124	10
\$10,000 to \$24,999	165	13
\$25,000 to \$49,999	122	10
\$50,000 to \$99,999	112	9
\$100,000 or more	201	16

### Farms by Size

	Number	Percent of Total <sup>a</sup>
1 to 9 acres	560	44
10 to 49 acres	456	36
50 to 179 acres	196	15
180 to 499 acres	49	4
500 to 999 acres	10	1
1,000 + acres	7	1

Market Value of Agricultural Products Sold

	Sales (\$1,000)	Rank in State <sup>b</sup>	CDs Producing Item	Rank in U.S. <sup>b</sup>	CDs Producing Item
<b>Total</b>	<b>108,740</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>258</b>	<b>431</b>
<b>Crops</b>	<b>80,095</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>238</b>	<b>431</b>
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, dry peas	408	3	8	298	381
Tobacco	-	-	3	-	68
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	108
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, sweet potatoes	7,722	6	9	183	418
Fruits, tree nuts, berries	47,230	1	8	54	416
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, sod	23,870	2	9	175	425
Cultivated Christmas trees, short rotation woody crops	83	7	8	170	326
Other crops and hay	781	6	8	304	395
<b>Livestock, poultry, and products</b>	<b>28,646</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>256</b>	<b>422</b>
Poultry and eggs	377	4	9	214	404
Cattle and calves	1,137	4	9	290	396
Milk from cows	3,579	3	7	202	312
Hogs and pigs	263	3	8	173	367
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, milk	206	5	9	248	393
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, donkeys	889	2	8	223	393
Aquaculture	20,938	1	7	18	328
Other animals and animal products	1,256	2	9	150	413

<b>Total Producers <sup>c</sup></b>	<b>2,215</b>	<b>Percent of farms that:</b>	<b>Top Crops in Acres <sup>d</sup></b>
<b>Sex</b>		Have internet access	Land in Berries 12,021
Male	1,325	<b>87</b>	Cranberries 11,901
Female	890		Forage (hay/haylage), all 4,270
<b>Age</b>		Farm organically	Vegetables harvested, all 1,806
<35	171	<b>4</b>	Corn for silage 1,174
35 – 64	1,259		
65 and older	785		
<b>Race</b>		Sell directly to consumers	<b>Livestock Inventory (Dec 31, 2017)</b>
American Indian/Alaska Native	8	<b>22</b>	Broilers and other meat-type chickens 1,242
Asian	9		Cattle and calves 3,081
Black or African American	5		Goats 719
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	1		Hogs and pigs 1,117
White	2,179	Hire farm labor	Horses and ponies 2,806
More than one race	13	<b>44</b>	Layers 11,277
<b>Other characteristics</b>		Are family farms	Pullets 680
Hispanic, Latino, Spanish origin	38	<b>93</b>	Sheep and lambs 1,541
With military service	215		Turkeys 695
New and beginning farmers	602		

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

<sup>a</sup> May not add to 100% due to rounding. <sup>b</sup> Among CDs 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](http://www.nass.usda.gov/go/cropnames.pdf). <sup>e</sup> 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.