



## Middlesex County Connecticut

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

	2017	% change since 2012
Number of farms	441	-15
Land in farms (acres)	16,417	-32
Average size of farm (acres)	37	-20
<b>Total</b>	<b>(\$)</b>	
Market value of products sold	57,077,000	+7
Government payments	304,000	+82
Farm-related income	9,004,000	+10
Total farm production expenses	63,501,000	+4
Net cash farm income	2,884,000	+165
<b>Per farm average</b>	<b>(\$)</b>	
Market value of products sold	129,426	+25
Government payments (average per farm receiving)	14,488	+143
Farm-related income	77,619	+68
Total farm production expenses	143,994	+23
Net cash farm income	6,539	+211

**10** Percent of state agriculture sales

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

Crops	97
Livestock, poultry, and products	3

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

Cropland	39
Pastureland	11
Woodland	26
Other	23

**Acres irrigated: 730**

4% of land in farms

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

No till	10
Reduced till	2
Intensive till	6
Cover crop	8

#### Farms by Value of Sales

	Number	Percent of Total <sup>a</sup>
Less than \$2,500	202	46
\$2,500 to \$4,999	74	17
\$5,000 to \$9,999	66	15
\$10,000 to \$24,999	50	11
\$25,000 to \$49,999	16	4
\$50,000 to \$99,999	6	1
\$100,000 or more	27	6

#### Farms by Size

	Number	Percent of Total <sup>a</sup>
1 to 9 acres	213	48
10 to 49 acres	137	31
50 to 179 acres	78	18
180 to 499 acres	10	2
500 to 999 acres	2	(Z)
1,000 + acres	1	(Z)

**Market Value of Agricultural Products Sold**

	Sales (\$1,000)	Rank in State <sup>b</sup>	Counties Producing Item	Rank in U.S. <sup>b</sup>	Counties Producing Item
<b>Total</b>	<b>57,077</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>1,653</b>	<b>3,077</b>
<b>Crops</b>	<b>55,274</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>1,029</b>	<b>3,073</b>
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, dry peas	(D)	8	8	(D)	2,916
Tobacco	-	-	2	-	323
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	647
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, sweet potatoes	1,581	6	8	621	2,821
Fruits, tree nuts, berries	1,256	7	8	419	2,748
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, sod	51,538	3	8	54	2,601
Cultivated Christmas trees, short rotation woody crops	(D)	(D)	8	(D)	1,384
Other crops and hay	(D)	8	8	(D)	3,040
<b>Livestock, poultry, and products</b>	<b>1,803</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>2,750</b>	<b>3,073</b>
Poultry and eggs	66	8	8	1,155	3,007
Cattle and calves	251	7	8	2,623	3,055
Milk from cows	(D)	6	8	(D)	1,892
Hogs and pigs	(D)	7	8	(D)	2,856
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, milk	58	8	8	1,644	2,984
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, donkeys	304	5	8	711	2,970
Aquaculture	(D)	7	7	(D)	1,251
Other animals and animal products	204	4	8	524	2,878

**Total Producers <sup>c</sup>**

<b>Sex</b>	<b>761</b>
Male	428
Female	333
<b>Age</b>	
<35	89
35 – 64	457
65 and older	215
<b>Race</b>	
American Indian/Alaska Native	-
Asian	-
Black or African American	2
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	-
White	756
More than one race	3
<b>Other characteristics</b>	
Hispanic, Latino, Spanish origin	3
With military service	96
New and beginning farmers	237

**Percent of farms that:**

Have internet access	<b>84</b>
Farm organically	<b>2</b>
Sell directly to consumers	<b>22</b>
Hire farm labor	<b>24</b>
Are family farms	<b>93</b>

**Top Crops in Acres <sup>d</sup>**

Forage (hay/haylage), all	3,810
Nursery stock crops	(D)
Cultivated Christmas trees	308
Vegetables harvested, all	262
Corn for silage or greenchop	258

**Livestock Inventory (Dec 31, 2017)**

Broilers and other meat-type chickens	(D)
Cattle and calves	965
Goats	485
Hogs and pigs	40
Horses and ponies	1,379
Layers	3,207
Pullets	184
Sheep and lambs	418
Turkeys	76

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 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](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.