



Franklin County Massachusetts

Total and Per Farm Overview, 2017 and change since 2012

	2017	% change since 2012
Number of farms	830	+6
Land in farms (acres)	88,247	-2
Average size of farm (acres)	106	-8
Total (\$)		
Market value of products sold	68,890,000	+25
Government payments	476,000	-76
Farm-related income	4,996,000	-25
Total farm production expenses	61,587,000	(Z)
Net cash farm income	12,774,000	+537
Per farm average (\$)		
Market value of products sold	83,000	+18
Government payments (average per farm receiving)	6,698	-57
Farm-related income	11,511	-38
Total farm production expenses	74,201	-6
Net cash farm income	15,390	+499

14 Percent of state agriculture sales

Share of Sales by Type (%)

Crops	73
Livestock, poultry, and products	27

Land in Farms by Use (%) ^a

Cropland	28
Pastureland	11
Woodland	56
Other	5

Acres irrigated: 1,776

2% of land in farms

Land Use Practices (% of farms)

No till	9
Reduced till	6
Intensive till	15
Cover crop	15

Farms by Value of Sales

	Number	Percent of Total ^a
Less than \$2,500	415	50
\$2,500 to \$4,999	73	9
\$5,000 to \$9,999	89	11
\$10,000 to \$24,999	99	12
\$25,000 to \$49,999	48	6
\$50,000 to \$99,999	22	3
\$100,000 or more	84	10

Farms by Size

	Number	Percent of Total ^a
1 to 9 acres	150	18
10 to 49 acres	238	29
50 to 179 acres	306	37
180 to 499 acres	108	13
500 to 999 acres	24	3
1,000 + acres	4	(Z)

Market Value of Agricultural Products Sold

	Sales (\$1,000)	Rank in State ^b	Counties Producing Item	Rank in U.S. ^b	Counties Producing Item
Total	68,890	2	14	1,491	3,077
Crops	50,296	3	14	1,081	3,073
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, dry peas	945	2	10	2,132	2,916
Tobacco	639	3	4	180	323
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	647
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, sweet potatoes	21,637	1	14	127	2,821
Fruits, tree nuts, berries	5,271	3	13	202	2,748
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, sod	18,336	2	14	148	2,601
Cultivated Christmas trees, short rotation woody crops	379	3	11	111	1,384
Other crops and hay	3,089	2	13	828	3,040
Livestock, poultry, and products	18,594	2	14	1,704	3,073
Poultry and eggs	1,191	3	13	727	3,007
Cattle and calves	1,848	2	12	2,199	3,055
Milk from cows	9,553	2	11	462	1,892
Hogs and pigs	184	4	13	762	2,856
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, milk	232	4	12	690	2,984
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, donkeys	29	11	12	2,037	2,970
Aquaculture	5,379	3	11	62	1,251
Other animals and animal products	178	4	12	560	2,878

Total Producers ^c	1,528	Percent of farms that:	Top Crops in Acres ^d	
Sex		Have internet access	84	
Male	844			
Female	684			
Age		Farm organically	4	
<35	162			
35 – 64	849			
65 and older	517			
Race		Sell directly to consumers	29	
American Indian/Alaska Native	1			
Asian	7			
Black or African American	-			
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	-			
White	1,512	Hire farm labor	28	
More than one race	8			
Other characteristics		Are family farms	98	
Hispanic, Latino, Spanish origin	13			
With military service	143			
New and beginning farmers	374			
			Livestock Inventory (Dec 31, 2017)	
			Broilers and other meat-type chickens	916
			Cattle and calves	6,198
			Goats	756
			Hogs and pigs	588
			Horses and ponies	924
			Layers	8,446
			Pullets	1,244
			Sheep and lambs	1,567
			Turkeys	183

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 counties 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.