



Barnstable County Massachusetts

Total and Per Farm Overview, 2017 and change since 2012

	2017	% change since 2012
Number of farms	321	-4
Land in farms (acres)	6,564	+40
Average size of farm (acres)	20	+46
Total	(\$)	
Market value of products sold	23,119,000	+21
Government payments	197,000	-45
Farm-related income	1,075,000	-75
Total farm production expenses	20,886,000	-11
Net cash farm income	3,504,000	+930
Per farm average	(\$)	
Market value of products sold	72,020	+25
Government payments (average per farm receiving)	13,131	-8
Farm-related income	16,791	-64
Total farm production expenses	65,066	-7
Net cash farm income	10,916	+969

5 Percent of state agriculture sales

Share of Sales by Type (%)

Crops	40
Livestock, poultry, and products	60

Land in Farms by Use (%) ^a

Cropland	25
Pastureland	(D)
Woodland	39
Other	(D)

Acres irrigated: 1,124

17% 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 ^a
Less than \$2,500	87	27
\$2,500 to \$4,999	39	12
\$5,000 to \$9,999	41	13
\$10,000 to \$24,999	41	13
\$25,000 to \$49,999	29	9
\$50,000 to \$99,999	37	12
\$100,000 or more	47	15

Farms by Size

	Number	Percent of Total ^a
1 to 9 acres	226	70
10 to 49 acres	74	23
50 to 179 acres	15	5
180 to 499 acres	3	1
500 to 999 acres	3	1
1,000 + acres	-	-

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	23,119	10	14	2,298	3,077
Crops	9,333	11	14	2,071	3,073
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, dry peas	-	-	10	-	2,916
Tobacco	-	-	4	-	323
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	647
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, sweet potatoes	973	12	14	760	2,821
Fruits, tree nuts, berries	2,880	7	13	274	2,748
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, sod	5,449	10	14	365	2,601
Cultivated Christmas trees, short rotation woody crops	(D)	11	11	(D)	1,384
Other crops and hay	(D)	12	13	2,739	3,040
Livestock, poultry, and products	13,785	3	14	1,911	3,073
Poultry and eggs	88	11	13	1,086	3,007
Cattle and calves	(D)	12	12	2,733	3,055
Milk from cows	-	-	11	-	1,892
Hogs and pigs	111	8	13	878	2,856
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, milk	24	11	12	2,128	2,984
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, donkeys	(D)	8	12	(D)	2,970
Aquaculture	13,346	1	11	30	1,251
Other animals and animal products	20	11	12	1,311	2,878

Total Producers ^c

Sex	506
Male	332
Female	174
Age	
<35	31
35 – 64	329
65 and older	146
Race	
American Indian/Alaska Native	3
Asian	3
Black or African American	1
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	1
White	492
More than one race	6
Other characteristics	
Hispanic, Latino, Spanish origin	6
With military service	45
New and beginning farmers	140

Percent of farms that:

Have internet access	90
Farm organically	3
Sell directly to consumers	28
Hire farm labor	41
Are family farms	92

Top Crops in Acres ^d

Land in berries	919
Cranberries	884
Vegetables harvested, all	190
Forage (hay/haylage), all	(D)
Sweet corn	(D)

Livestock Inventory (Dec 31, 2017)

Broilers and other meat-type chickens	(D)
Cattle and calves	78
Goats	181
Hogs and pigs	111
Horses and ponies	405
Layers	2,623
Pullets	110
Sheep and lambs	113
Turkeys	413

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.