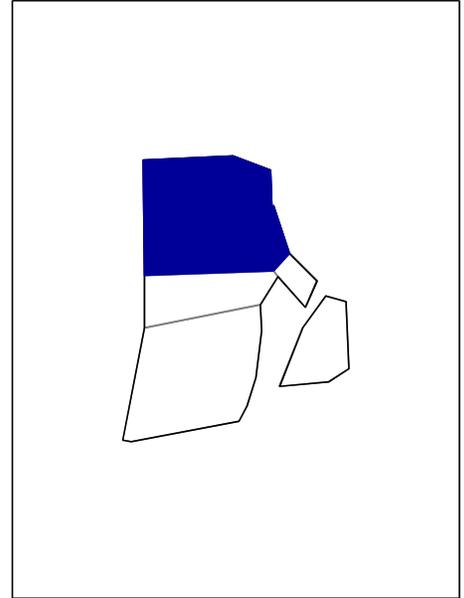


# 2002 Census of Agriculture County Profile

## Providence, Rhode Island



### Number of farms

290 farms in 2002, 343 farms in 1997, down 15 percent.

### Land in farms

16,822 acres in 2002, 18,211 acres in 1997, down 8 percent.

### Average size of farm

58 acres in 2002, 53 acres in 1997, up 9 percent.

### Market Value of Production

\$11,846,000 in 2002, \$10,537,000 in 1997, up 12 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$8,361,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$3,486,000 of the total value in 2002.

### Market Value of Production, average per farm

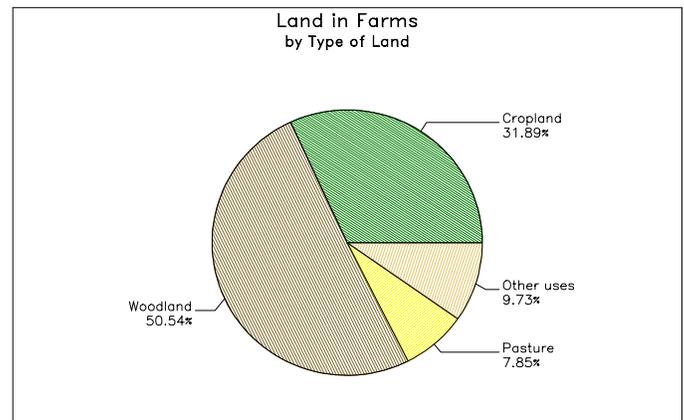
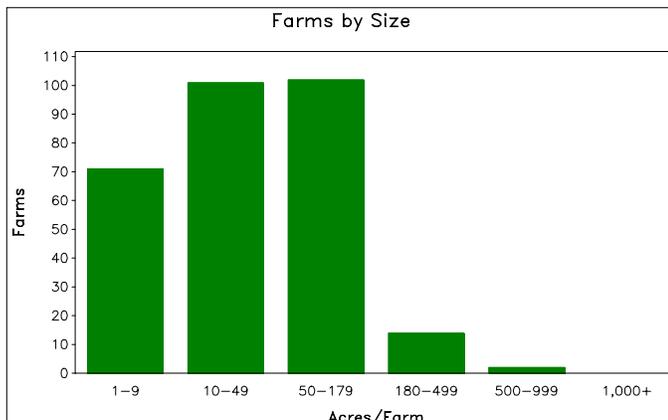
\$40,849 in 2002, \$30,721 in 1997, up 33 percent.

### Government Payments

(D) in 2002, \$61,000 in 1997.

### Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

(D) in 2002, \$5,107 in 1997.



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**Ranked items among the 5 state counties and 3,078 U.S. counties, 2002**

Item	Quantity	State Rank	Universe <sup>1</sup>	U.S. Rank	Universe <sup>1</sup>
<b>MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD (\$1,000)</b>					
Total value of agricultural products sold	11,846	3	5	2,419	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	8,361	3	5	1,777	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	3,486	1	5	2,514	3,070
<b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)</b>					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	(D)	(D)	5	(D)	2,871
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	560
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	1,482	2	5	631	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	(D)	(D)	5	(D)	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	5,271	3	5	449	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	92	3	5	466	1,774
Other crops and hay	216	2	5	2,491	3,046
Poultry and eggs	1,578	1	5	872	2,918
Cattle and calves	146	3	5	2,941	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	(D)	(D)	4	(D)	2,493
Hogs and pigs	85	1	4	1,511	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	21	3	5	1,877	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	226	1	4	998	3,014
Aquaculture	-	-	3	-	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	(D)	(D)	5	(D)	2,727
<b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>					
Layers 20 weeks old and older	32,727	1	5	584	2,983
Broilers and other meat-type chickens	(D)	1	4	(D)	2,599
Quail	(D)	1	2	(D)	1,412
Ducks	1,476	1	5	83	2,630
Pheasants <sup>3</sup>	(D)	(D)	3	(D)	1,541
<b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>					
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	2,051	2	5	2,732	3,059
All Vegetables harvested	700	1	5	537	2,710
Sweet corn	339	1	5	260	2,279
Corn for silage	278	3	5	1,640	2,307
Apples	245	1	5	188	2,173

**Other County Highlights**

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	85	Farming	154
\$1,000 to \$2,499	31	Other	136
\$2,500 to \$4,999	38	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	38	Male	242
\$10,000 to \$19,999	30	Female	48
\$20,000 to \$24,999	8	Average age of principal operator (years)	53.9
\$25,000 to \$39,999	11	All operators <sup>2</sup> by race:	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	5	White	436
\$50,000 to \$99,999	16	Black or African American	-
\$100,000 to \$249,999	18	American Indian or Alaska Native	1
\$250,000 to \$499,999	3	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
\$500,000 or more	7	Asian	-
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	11,657	More than one race	1
Average per farm (\$)	40,197	All operators <sup>2</sup> of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	12
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	1,758		
Average per farm (\$)	6,063		

(D) Cannot be disclosed. (Z) Less than half of the unit shown. See "Census of Agriculture, Volume 1, Geographic Area Series" for complete footnotes.

<sup>1</sup> Universe is number of counties in state or U.S. with item.

<sup>2</sup> Data were collected for a maximum of three operators per farm.

<sup>3</sup> Items with a rank that cannot be disclosed are separated by a blank line, position in table does not indicate rank.