

2002 Census of Agriculture Congressional District Profile

Correction issued January 2005. See Economic Characteristics table.

District 3, Massachusetts

Number of farms: 371

Land in farms: 23,482 acres

Average size of farm: 63 acres

Irrigated Land: 1,339 acres

Total Number of Farm Operators: 597

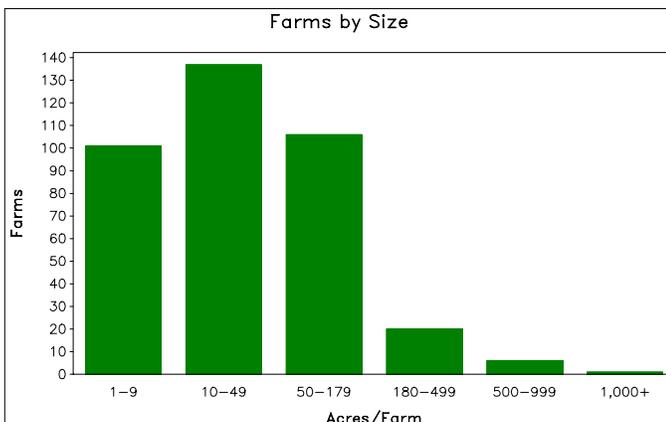
Market Value of Production: \$35,570,000

Market Value of Production, average per farm: \$95,876

Government Payments: \$81,000

Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments: \$5,071

Gross Income from Farm Related Sources: \$2,483,000



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United States Department of Agriculture, New England Agricultural Statistics Service**

District 3, Massachusetts

Ranked items among the 10 congressional districts in the state, and among the 435 congressional districts in the U.S., 2002

Item	Quantity	State Rank	Universe ¹	U.S. Rank	Universe ¹
MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD (\$1,000)					
Total value of agricultural products sold	35,570	5	10	313	418
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000) ²					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	(D)	(D)	7	(D)	371
Tobacco	-	-	2	-	106
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	111
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	3,240	4	9	230	398
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	(D)	(D)	10	(D)	403
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	27,256	2	10	154	415
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	154	4	9	206	349
Poultry and eggs	155	7	9	287	382
Cattle and calves	756	4	9	316	389
Milk and other dairy products from cows	2,050	6	8	276	339
Hogs and pigs	86	5	9	280	372
Sheep, goats, and their products	22	7	9	322	380
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	247	6	10	324	398
Aquaculture	(D)	(D)	8	(D)	321
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Cattle and calves	3,052	4	9	319	394
Turkeys	2,143	4	9	110	356
Hogs and pigs	1,606	4	9	235	371
Horses and ponies	1,075	7	10	318	408
Layers 20 weeks old and older ³	(D)	(D)	9	314	387
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	3,931	7	9	308	391
All Vegetables harvested	1,297	4	9	231	398
Corn for silage	1,057	4	9	237	330
Nursery stock	944	1	8	146	404
Sweet corn	574	4	9	147	368

Other Congressional District Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	90	Farming	184
\$1,000 to \$2,499	68	Other	187
\$2,500 to \$4,999	38	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	44	Male	301
\$10,000 to \$19,999	35	Female	70
\$20,000 to \$24,999	11	Average age of principal operator (years)	55.7
\$25,000 to \$39,999 ⁴	16	All operators ⁵ by race:	
\$40,000 to \$49,999 ⁴	8	White	580
\$50,000 to \$99,999	18	Black or African American	-
\$100,000 to \$249,999	27	American Indian or Alaska Native	-
\$250,000 to \$499,999	10	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
\$500,000 or more	6	Asian	1
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000) ⁴	30,485	More than one race	2
Average per farm (\$) ⁴	80,014	All operators ⁵ of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	12
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	8,344		
Average per farm (\$) ⁴	21,899		

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

¹ Universe is number of congressional districts in state or U.S. with item.

² Categories are not comprehensive and will not sum to total.

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

⁴ Value corrected January 2005.

⁵ Data were collected for a maximum of three operators per farm.