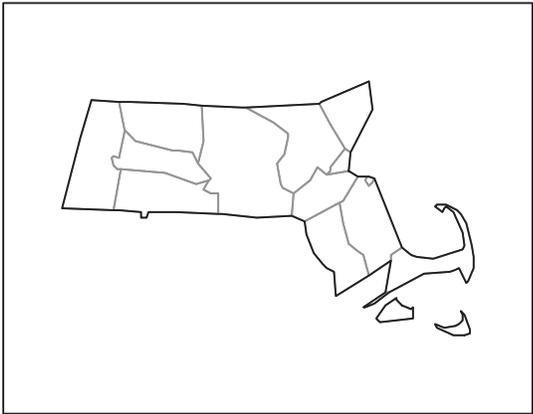


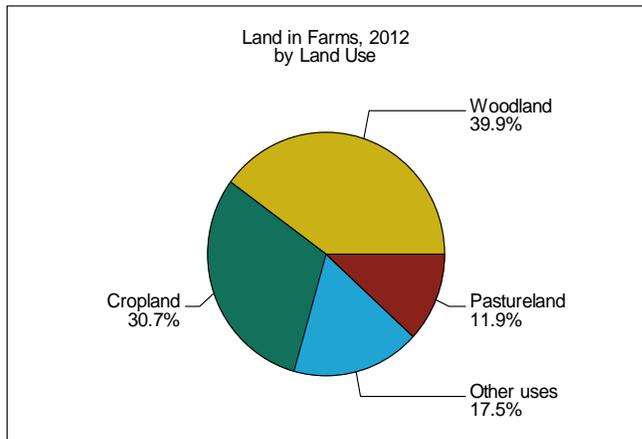
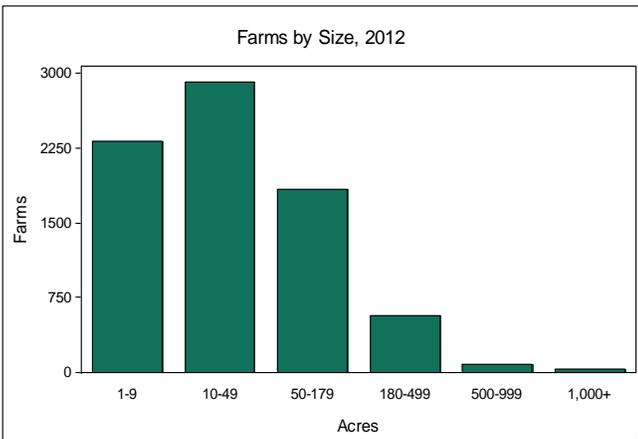
2012 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

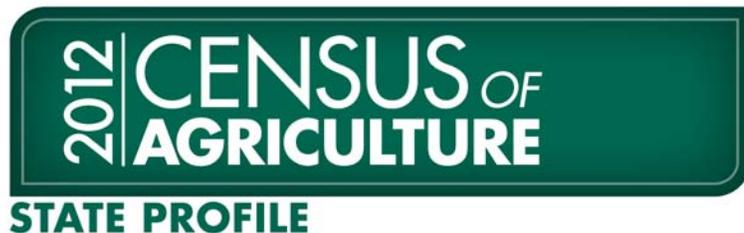
STATE PROFILE



Massachusetts

	2012	2007	% change
Number of Farms	7,755	7,691	+ 1
Land in Farms	523,517 acres	517,879 acres	+ 1
Average Size of Farm	68 acres	67 acres	+ 1
Market Value of Products Sold	\$492,211,000	\$489,820,000	0
Crop Sales \$382,915,000 (78 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$109,296,000 (22 percent)			
Average Per Farm	\$63,470	\$63,687	0
Government Payments	\$8,124,000	\$4,603,000	+ 76
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$10,416	\$7,763	+ 34





Massachusetts

Ranked items within U.S., 2012

Item	Quantity	U.S. Rank	Universe ¹
MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD (\$1,000)			
Total value of agricultural products sold	492,211	47	50
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	382,915	44	50
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	109,296	47	50
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)			
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	7,466	47	50
Tobacco	5,174	11	19
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	17
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	81,209	27	50
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	125,585	13	50
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	144,188	25	50
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	1,409	26	49
Other crops and hay	17,884	45	50
Poultry and eggs	11,748	43	50
Cattle and calves	9,503	45	50
Milk from cows	44,250	39	50
Hogs and pigs	2,898	36	50
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, and milk	2,122	44	50
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	11,600	37	50
Aquaculture	23,251	17	50
Other animals and other animal products	3,924	40	50
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)			
Forage-land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	76,519	44	50
Vegetables harvested, all	17,770	31	50
Land in Berries	15,727	8	49
Cranberries	14,070	2	13
Corn for silage	11,872	38	49
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)			
Layers	153,925	44	50
Cattle and calves	35,703	45	50
Horses and ponies	20,337	42	50
Broilers and other meat-type chickens	18,137	40	50
Sheep and lambs	12,504	43	50

Other State Highlights, 2012

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales:		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	2,755	Farming	3,878
\$1,000 to \$2,499	908	Other	3,877
\$2,500 to \$4,999	727		
\$5,000 to \$9,999	828	Principal operators by sex:	
\$10,000 to \$19,999	669	Male	5,248
\$20,000 to \$24,999	192	Female	2,507
\$25,000 to \$39,999	354		
\$40,000 to \$49,999	132	Average age of principal operator (years)	57.8
\$50,000 to \$99,999	432		
\$100,000 to \$249,999	355	All operators by race ² :	
\$250,000 to \$499,999	203	American Indian or Alaska Native	24
\$500,000 or more	200	Asian	134
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	539,319	Black or African American	110
Average per farm (\$)	69,545	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	1
		White	11,967
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	39,499	More than one race	39
Average per farm (\$)	5,093	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin ²	203

See "Census of Agriculture, Volume 1, Geographic Area Series" for complete footnotes, explanations, definitions, and methodology.

- Represents zero.

¹ Universe is number of states in U.S. with item. ² Data were collected for a maximum of three operators per farm.