

MASSACHUSETTS - DISTRICT 3**Information based on Congressional Districts of the 106th U.S. Congress, 1997**

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	SMALLEST	LARGEST	MEDIAN OF COUNTIES
Farms			
Number	185	984	543
Acreage	9,869	103,400	33,946
Average size (acres)	53	105	63
Median size (acres)	16	58	29
Estimated market value average per farm			
Land/buildings (dollars)	377,579	573,801	479,902
Machinery/equip (dollars)	30,941	40,939	36,905
Cropland (acres)			
Total	3,856	44,047	16,426
Harvested	2,763	33,232	12,569
Irrigated	333	1,964	1,431
Agricultural products sold - market value			
(\$1,000)	8,266	57,949	45,837
(dollars avg. per farm)	44,680	108,421	60,168
Agricultural sales - Net cash return per farm			
(dollars average)	7,974	42,312	16,910
Livestock inventory (number)			
Cattle and calves	901	12,776	5,301
Beef cows	205	1,472	727
Milk cows	310	5,704	2,197
Hogs and pigs	1,011	4,504	3,790
Sheep and lambs	491	1,649	771
Layers 13 wks or/older	4,190	10,706	7,448
Broilers and chicken (sold)	821	1,095	958
Harvested commodities (acres)			
Corn, grain or seed	0	394	99
Corn, silage or green chop	576	4,381	2,795
Sorghum, grain or seed	N	N	0
Wheat	N	N	0
Barley	N	N	0
Oats	N	N	0
Rice	N	N	0

Sunflower seed	N	N	0
Cotton	N	N	0
Tobacco	N	N	0
Soybeans	N	N	0
Dry edible beans, excl limas	N	N	0
Potatoes, excl sweetpotatoes	3	27	9
Sugar beets for sugar	N	N	0
Sugarcane for sugar	N	N	0
Peanuts for nuts	N	N	0
Hay-alfalfa	1,884	24,286	6,900

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Vegetables			
Number of farms	40	139	122
Acreage	508	2,357	2,151
Orchards			
Number of farms	10	114	52
Acreage	108	2,838	628

Abbreviations/footnotes:

N represents zero.

0 represents an insignificant amount.

D-Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual farms.

Source: USDA, NASS, 1997 Census of Agriculture