



## Middlesex County Massachusetts

### Total and Per Farm Overview, 2022 and change since 2017

	2022	% change since 2017
Number of farms	617	-0
Land in farms (acres)	25,752	-6
Average size of farm (acres)	42	-5
<b>Total</b>	<b>(\$)</b>	
Market value of products sold	87,865,000	+39
Government payments	434,000	+152
Farm-related income	16,664,000	+333
Total farm production expenses	88,394,000	+36
Net cash farm income	16,569,000	+664
<b>Per farm average</b>	<b>(\$)</b>	
Market value of products sold	142,407	+39
Government payments <sup>a</sup>	14,959	+161
Farm-related income <sup>a</sup>	64,842	+203
Total farm production expenses	143,265	+36
Net cash farm income	26,854	+668

**14** Percent of state agriculture sales

#### Share of Sales by Type (%)

Crops	88
Livestock, poultry, and products	12

#### Land in Farms by Use (acres)

Cropland	11,949
Pastureland	2,222
Woodland	7,519
Other	4,062

#### Acres irrigated: 1,530

6% of land in farms

#### Land Use Practices (% of farms)

No till	15
Reduced till	9
Intensive till	9
Cover crop	15

### Farms by Value of Sales

	Number	Percent of Total <sup>b</sup>
Less than \$2,500	229	37
\$2,500 to \$4,999	43	7
\$5,000 to \$9,999	52	8
\$10,000 to \$24,999	74	12
\$25,000 to \$49,999	74	12
\$50,000 to \$99,999	44	7
\$100,000 or more	101	16

### Farms by Size

	Number	Percent of Total <sup>b</sup>
1 to 9 acres	235	38
10 to 49 acres	240	39
50 to 179 acres	110	18
180 to 499 acres	29	5
500 to 999 acres	3	(Z)
1,000+ acres	-	-

Market Value of Agricultural Products Sold

	Sales (\$1,000)	Rank in State <sup>c</sup>	Counties Producing Item	Rank in U.S. <sup>c</sup>	Counties Producing Item
<b>Total</b>	<b>87,865</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>1,508</b>	<b>3,078</b>
<b>Crops</b>	<b>76,891</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>1,021</b>	<b>3,074</b>
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, dry peas	1,139	4	11	2,148	2,917
Tobacco	-	-	3	-	267
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	647
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, sweet potatoes	14,212	4	14	213	2,831
Fruits, tree nuts, berries	5,574	6	14	235	2,711
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, sod	54,070	1	14	86	2,660
Cultivated Christmas trees, short rotation woody crops	462	6	11	127	1,274
Other crops and hay	1,434	5	13	1,754	3,035
<b>Livestock, poultry, and products</b>	<b>10,974</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>2,110</b>	<b>3,076</b>
Poultry and eggs	682	6	14	844	3,027
Cattle and calves	3,256	1	13	1,915	3,047
Milk from cows	(D)	9	9	(D)	1,770
Hogs and pigs	(D)	9	13	(D)	2,814
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, milk	237	6	12	806	2,967
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, donkeys	942	1	12	305	2,907
Aquaculture	-	-	11	-	1,190
Other animals and animal products	5,057	1	14	44	2,909

<b>Producers <sup>d</sup></b>	<b>1,198</b>	<b>Percent of farms that:</b>	<b>Top Crops in Acres <sup>e</sup></b>
<b>Sex</b>		Have internet access	89
Male	686		
Female	512	Farm organically	6
<b>Age</b>		Sell directly to consumers	27
<35	116	Hire farm labor	43
35 – 64	587	Are family farms	87
65 and older	495		
<b>Race</b>			
American Indian/Alaska Native	1		
Asian	22		
Black or African American	-		
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	-		
White	1,172		
More than one race	3		
<b>Other characteristics</b>			
Hispanic, Latino, Spanish origin	18		
With military service	85		
New and beginning farmers	401		
			<b>Livestock Inventory (Dec 31, 2022)</b>
			Broilers and other meat-type chickens
			1,332
			Cattle and calves
			2,513
			Goats
			433
			Hogs and pigs
			171
			Horses and ponies
			1,514
			Layers
			9,997
			Pullets
			1,224
			Sheep and lambs
			1,015
			Turkeys
			4,385

<sup>a</sup> Average per farm receiving. <sup>b</sup> May not add to 100% due to rounding. <sup>c</sup> Among counties whose rank can be displayed. <sup>d</sup> Data collected for a maximum of four producers per farm. <sup>e</sup> Crop commodity names may be shortened; see full names at [www.nass.usda.gov/go/cropnames.pdf](http://www.nass.usda.gov/go/cropnames.pdf). <sup>f</sup> 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.