

Table 6. Characteristics of Operators: 1978

All Farms	Operators			Operators by place of residence		Operators reporting days of work off farm				Operators by principal occupation	
	Male	Female	Average age	On farm operated	Not on farm operated	Any days	1 to 99 days	100 to 199 days	200 days or more	Farming	Other
Massachusetts.....	5 438	453	51.9	4 780	743	3 275	440	538	2 297	3 062	2 829
Barnstable.....	102	15	54.0	73	28	58	15	11	32	74	43
Berkshire.....	298	20	52.7	256	34	141	33	22	86	208	110
Bristol.....	522	32	51.7	426	79	288	32	58	198	317	237
Dukes.....	49	4	55.5	42	8	36	8	7	21	23	30
Essex.....	314	30	51.5	279	46	179	31	42	106	198	146
Franklin.....	421	35	52.0	389	38	222	37	53	132	281	175
Hampden.....	334	33	53.9	297	45	190	29	45	116	205	162
Hampshire.....	457	36	53.9	406	58	245	43	41	161	297	196
Middlesex.....	525	49	51.7	448	80	278	44	60	174	329	245
Nantucket.....	9	-	50.7	7	2	6	3	1	2	4	5
Norfolk.....	188	15	53.9	151	35	96	18	7	71	106	97
Plymouth.....	534	55	53.0	343	193	318	55	60	203	328	261
Suffolk.....	3	2	51.0	2	3	1	-	-	1	2	3
Worcester.....	807	57	51.8	741	69	462	61	81	320	480	384
Farms not on mail list.....	875	70	48.7	920	25	755	31	50	674	210	735

Table 7. Farms by Value of Sales and Occupation: 1978

All Farms	Farms with sales of \$20,000 or more		Farms with sales of less than \$20,000				Abnormal farms (see text)	
	Farms	Total	Occupation		Total	Occupation		
			Farming	Other than farming		Farming		Other than farming
Massachusetts.....	5 891	1 740	1 545	195	4 131	1 501	2 630	20
Barnstable.....	117	28	27	1	88	46	42	1
Berkshire.....	318	128	124	4	189	83	106	1
Bristol.....	554	194	167	27	359	150	209	1
Dukes.....	53	4	3	1	48	20	28	1
Essex.....	344	104	98	6	239	99	140	1
Franklin.....	456	177	165	12	279	116	163	-
Hampden.....	367	119	107	12	248	98	150	-
Hampshire.....	493	164	157	7	326	137	189	3
Middlesex.....	574	205	180	25	365	145	220	4
Nantucket.....	9	3	3	-	6	1	5	-
Norfolk.....	203	66	52	14	136	53	83	1
Plymouth.....	589	200	163	37	386	163	223	3
Suffolk.....	5	3	-	3	2	2	-	-
Worcester.....	864	323	284	39	537	193	344	4
Farms not on mail list.....	945	22	15	7	923	195	728	-

Table 8. Farms by Standard Industrial Classification: 1978

All Farms Part 1 of 2	Farms		Field crop except cash grain (013)				Vegetable and melon (016)	Fruit and tree nut (017)
	Farms	Cash grain (011)	Total (013)	Cotton (0131)	Tobacco (0132)	Sugar crop, Irish potato, hay, peanut, and other field crop (0133, 0134, 0139)		
Massachusetts.....	5 891	39	843	-	31	812	651	740
Barnstable.....	117	-	4	-	-	4	10	63
Berkshire.....	318	1	54	-	-	54	18	11
Bristol.....	554	1	63	-	-	63	110	44
Dukes.....	53	-	10	-	-	10	8	1
Essex.....	344	-	60	-	-	60	61	22
Franklin.....	456	2	86	-	9	77	38	30
Hampden.....	367	1	54	-	8	46	48	47
Hampshire.....	493	7	95	-	14	81	100	32
Middlesex.....	574	-	78	-	-	78	75	50
Nantucket.....	9	-	1	-	-	1	2	3
Norfolk.....	203	-	26	-	-	26	18	10
Plymouth.....	589	-	35	-	-	35	53	307
Suffolk.....	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Worcester.....	864	-	136	-	-	136	47	86
Farms not on mail list.....	945	27	141	-	-	141	63	34