

**Table 46. Women Principal Operators – Selected Farm Characteristics: 2012**

[For meaning of abbreviations and symbols, see introductory text.]

Geographic area	Land in farms		Harvested cropland		Market value of agricultural products sold (\$1,000)	Farms by economic class and primary occupation						
	Farms	Acres	Farms	Acres		Farming			Other than farming			
						Less than \$2,500	\$2,500 to \$9,999	\$10,000 or more	Less than \$2,500	\$2,500 to \$9,999	\$10,000 or more	
<b>State Total</b>												
Massachusetts.....	2,507	94,598	1,237	14,948	51,136	639	310	437	736	264	121	
<b>Counties</b>												
Barnstable .....	100	1,022	32	88	1,061	29	25	9	19	10	8	
Berkshire .....	154	8,862	67	603	944	47	24	24	41	12	6	
Bristol .....	194	5,248	88	867	3,157	41	35	38	58	10	12	
Dukes .....	41	(D)	17	87	204	15	4	4	7	6	5	
Essex .....	196	5,122	63	525	3,667	63	23	36	52	16	6	
Franklin.....	267	23,844	155	2,832	5,418	81	35	61	41	38	11	
Hampden.....	155	6,048	74	1,107	2,244	30	28	30	28	25	14	
Hampshire .....	226	8,676	131	2,198	5,709	50	30	37	72	32	5	
Middlesex .....	337	8,508	187	1,954	13,576	76	33	80	112	19	17	
Nantucket .....	11	(D)	5	5	240	-	-	-	-	5	6	
Norfolk.....	93	2,937	20	205	891	39	7	13	20	8	6	
Plymouth.....	213	5,097	101	1,142	3,490	71	9	27	74	21	11	
Suffolk.....	7	(D)	7	9	94	-	-	6	-	1	-	
Worcester .....	513	18,277	290	3,326	10,441	97	57	72	212	61	14	

**Table 47. Women Operators: 2012**

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Geographic area	All farms with a woman operator <sup>1</sup>			Farms with a woman principal operator	
	Farms	Women operators	Land in farms (acres)	Farms	Land in farms (acres)
<b>State Total</b>					
Massachusetts.....	4,595	5,079	250,935	2,507	94,598
<b>Counties</b>					
Barnstable .....	186	198	2,475	100	1,022
Berkshire .....	338	367	28,763	154	8,862
Bristol .....	390	423	15,036	194	5,248
Dukes .....	63	81	12,081	41	(D)
Essex .....	311	366	8,882	196	5,122
Franklin.....	492	537	50,888	267	23,844
Hampden.....	302	337	16,365	155	6,048
Hampshire .....	456	497	21,131	226	8,676
Middlesex .....	502	579	15,043	337	8,508
Nantucket .....	11	11	(D)	11	(D)
Norfolk.....	152	159	5,729	93	2,937
Plymouth.....	398	428	18,168	213	5,097
Suffolk.....	10	23	(D)	7	(D)
Worcester .....	984	1,073	56,176	513	18,277

<sup>1</sup> Data were collected for a maximum of three operators per farm.

**Table 48. Women Principal Operators – Tenure: 2012**

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Geographic area	Total farms	Full owners			Part owners			Tenants		
		Farms	Land in farms (acres)	Harvested cropland (acres)	Farms	Land in farms (acres)	Harvested cropland (acres)	Farms	Land in farms (acres)	Harvested cropland (acres)
<b>State Total</b>										
Massachusetts.....	2,507	1,962	73,362	9,740	232	17,155	4,014	313	4,081	1,194
<b>Counties</b>										
Barnstable .....	100	87	(D)	(D)	2	(D)	-	11	(D)	(D)
Berkshire .....	154	110	7,211	451	14	999	(D)	30	652	(D)
Bristol .....	194	160	4,220	730	6	255	58	28	773	79
Dukes .....	41	32	741	79	3	(D)	(D)	6	(D)	(D)
Essex .....	196	160	(D)	293	29	1,439	(D)	7	(D)	(D)
Franklin.....	267	210	16,440	1,330	41	7,177	1,424	16	227	78
Hampden.....	155	132	5,355	839	9	561	(D)	14	132	(D)
Hampshire .....	226	162	6,212	998	38	1,908	849	26	556	351
Middlesex .....	337	229	5,972	1,357	35	1,636	286	73	900	311
Nantucket .....	11	11	(D)	5	-	-	-	-	-	-
Norfolk.....	93	70	2,159	(D)	8	558	(D)	15	220	(D)
Plymouth.....	213	189	4,525	985	14	442	98	10	130	59
Suffolk.....	7	7	(D)	9	-	-	-	-	-	-
Worcester .....	513	403	15,763	2,429	33	2,131	701	77	383	196