The Farm Bill is important to Massachusetts:

- **Total Farms**: 7,800
- **Total Farmed Acres**: 520,000
- **People Receiving SNAP Assistance per Month**: 771,436
- **Total Ag Exports in 2017**: $1B
- **Total Conservation $**: $10.5M
- **Universities Receiving Farm Bill Research $**: 4
- **Specialty Crop Block Grants FY 2010-2017**: $3.4M
- **Critical 2018 Farm Bill Preventive Programs***:
  - National impact of invasive species: $120B
  - National impact of animal disease outbreak: $200B

*The 2018 Farm Bill must continue preventive programs such as the Plant Pest and Disease Management and Disaster Prevention Program (PPMDPP). The upcoming farm bill must also establish a 3-tiered plan to prevent, identify, and mitigate animal disease outbreaks.

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