

2002 Census of Agriculture County Profile

Harford, Maryland

Number of farms

683 farms in 2002, 733 farms in 1997, down 7 percent.

Land in farms

81,409 acres in 2002, 94,806 acres in 1997, down 14 percent.

Average size of farm

119 acres in 2002, 129 acres in 1997, down 8 percent.

Market Value of Production

\$26,094,000 in 2002, \$38,250,000 in 1997, down 32 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$12,939,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$13,155,000 of the total value in 2002.

Market Value of Production, average per farm

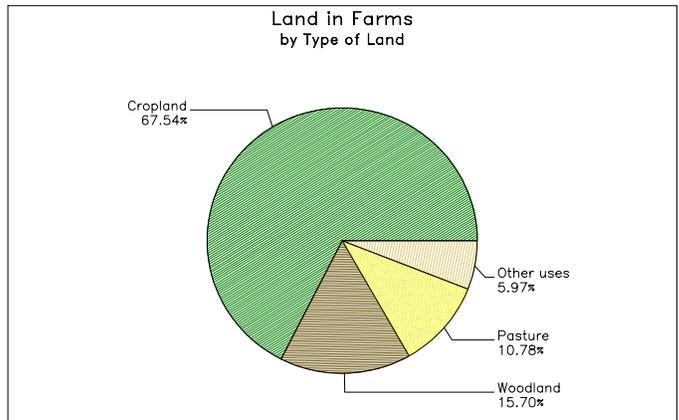
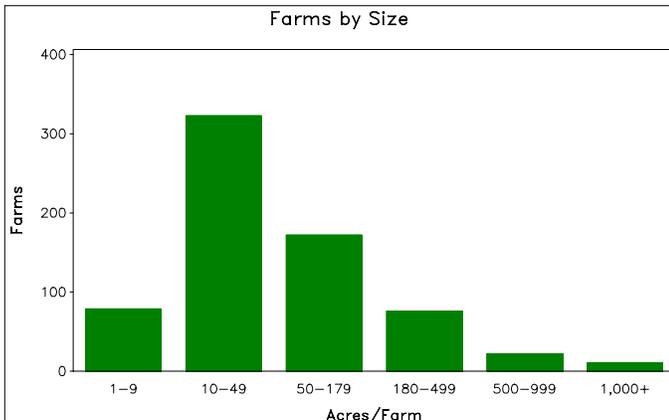
\$38,205 in 2002, \$52,183 in 1997, down 27 percent.

Government Payments

\$1,417,000 in 2002, \$579,000 in 1997, up 145 percent.

Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$8,910 in 2002, \$5,462 in 1997, up 63 percent.



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United States Department of Agriculture, Maryland Agricultural Statistics Service**

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Ranked items among the 23 state counties and 3,078 U.S. counties, 2002

Item	Quantity	State Rank	Universe ¹	U.S. Rank	Universe ¹
MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD (\$1,000)					
Total value of agricultural products sold	26,094	15	23	1,850	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	12,939	14	23	1,489	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	13,155	15	23	1,648	3,070
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	(D)	(D)	23	(D)	2,871
Tobacco	-	-	7	-	560
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	1,321	12	23	666	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	703	7	23	434	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	5,052	12	23	464	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	(D)	(D)	21	(D)	1,774
Other crops and hay	889	8	23	1,359	3,046
Poultry and eggs	(D)	(D)	23	(D)	2,918
Cattle and calves	3,067	6	23	1,889	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	8,523	6	20	431	2,493
Hogs and pigs	(D)	(D)	22	(D)	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	67	8	23	1,065	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	1,018	6	23	127	3,014
Aquaculture	(D)	(D)	16	(D)	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	(D)	(D)	23	(D)	2,727
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Cattle and calves	15,923	5	23	1,681	3,059
Broilers and other meat-type chickens	(D)	11	23	(D)	2,599
Sheep and lambs	3,406	2	23	329	2,867
Hogs and pigs	2,738	5	22	1,056	2,926
Horses and ponies	2,013	6	23	476	3,065
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Corn for grain	17,286	11	23	864	2,592
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	12,782	5	23	1,524	3,059
Soybeans	9,984	15	23	1,035	2,076
Corn for silage	3,437	6	23	505	2,307
All Wheat for grain	2,445	16	23	1,207	2,517

Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales	
Less than \$1,000	224
\$1,000 to \$2,499	107
\$2,500 to \$4,999	78
\$5,000 to \$9,999	68
\$10,000 to \$19,999	64
\$20,000 to \$24,999	13
\$25,000 to \$39,999	27
\$40,000 to \$49,999	6
\$50,000 to \$99,999	34
\$100,000 to \$249,999	32
\$250,000 to \$499,999	19
\$500,000 or more	11
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	27,523
Average per farm (\$)	40,415
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	1,735
Average per farm (\$)	2,547

Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Farming	365
Other	318
Principal operators by sex:	
Male	566
Female	117
Average age of principal operator (years)	56.5
All operators ² by race:	
White	999
Black or African American	13
American Indian or Alaska Native	6
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
Asian	-
More than one race	2
All operators ² of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	7

(D) Cannot be disclosed. (Z) Less than half of the unit shown. See "Census of Agriculture, Volume 1, Geographic Area Series" for complete footnotes.

¹ Universe is number of counties in state or U.S. with item.

² Data were collected for a maximum of three operators per farm.