

2002 Census of Agriculture County Profile

Allegany, Maryland

Number of farms

278 farms in 2002, 274 farms in 1997, up 1 percent.

Land in farms

39,379 acres in 2002, 43,944 acres in 1997, down 10 percent.

Average size of farm

142 acres in 2002, 160 acres in 1997, down 11 percent.

Market Value of Production

\$2,135,000 in 2002, \$2,983,000 in 1997, down 28 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$965,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$1,170,000 of the total value in 2002.

Market Value of Production, average per farm

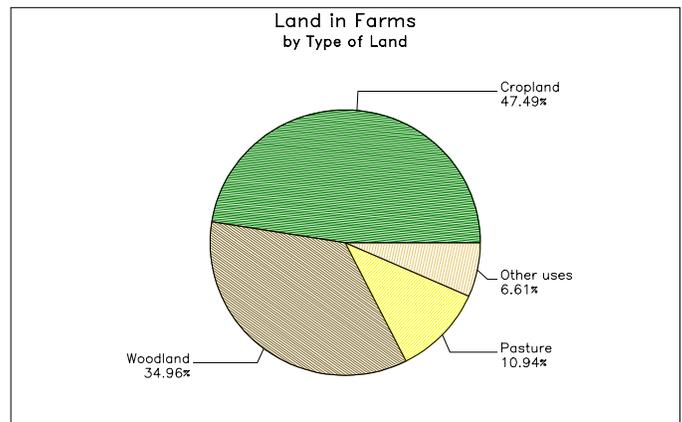
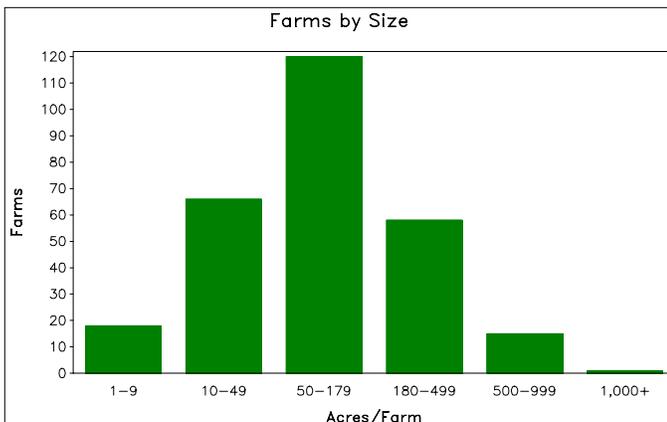
\$7,679 in 2002, \$10,885 in 1997, down 29 percent.

Government Payments

\$76,000 in 2002, \$88,000 in 1997, down 14 percent.

Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$1,438 in 2002, \$2,011 in 1997, down 28 percent.



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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	2,135	23	23	2,941	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	965	23	23	2,744	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	1,170	21	23	2,842	3,070
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	69	23	23	2,462	2,871
Tobacco	-	-	7	-	560
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	138	23	23	1,551	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	303	8	23	728	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	113	23	23	2,046	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	12	16	21	1,101	1,774
Other crops and hay	330	12	23	2,239	3,046
Poultry and eggs	(D)	(D)	23	(D)	2,918
Cattle and calves	783	14	23	2,641	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	352	18	20	1,804	2,493
Hogs and pigs	(D)	(D)	22	(D)	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	11	18	23	2,254	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	10	22	23	2,898	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	5,254	12	23	2,492	3,059
Horses and ponies	303	20	23	2,614	3,065
Sheep and lambs	264	17	23	1,833	2,867
Layers 20 weeks old and older	212	22	23	2,445	2,983
All Goats	114	19	23	2,200	2,971
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	9,304	8	23	1,845	3,059
Corn for grain	358	23	23	2,072	2,592
Corn for silage	256	17	23	1,666	2,307
Soybeans	(D)	22	23	(D)	2,076
Apples	93	7	23	381	2,173

Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales	
Less than \$1,000	132
\$1,000 to \$2,499	44
\$2,500 to \$4,999	30
\$5,000 to \$9,999	18
\$10,000 to \$19,999	23
\$20,000 to \$24,999	10
\$25,000 to \$39,999	13
\$40,000 to \$49,999	2
\$50,000 to \$99,999	4
\$100,000 to \$249,999	1
\$250,000 to \$499,999	1
\$500,000 or more	-
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	3,791
Average per farm (\$)	13,685
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	-571
Average per farm (\$)	-2,061

Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Farming	126
Other	152
Principal operators by sex:	
Male	258
Female	20
Average age of principal operator (years)	56.2
All operators ² by race:	
White	389
Black or African American	-
American Indian or Alaska Native	7
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
Asian	-
More than one race	-
All operators ² of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	3

(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.