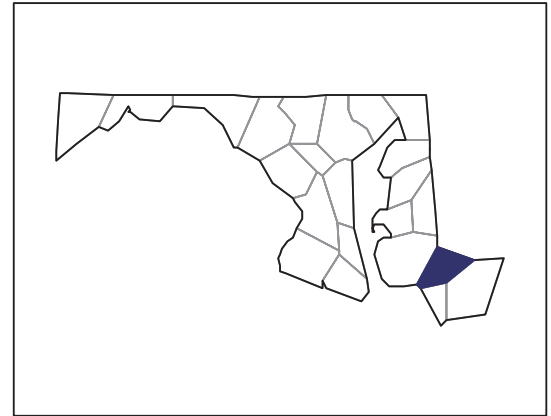


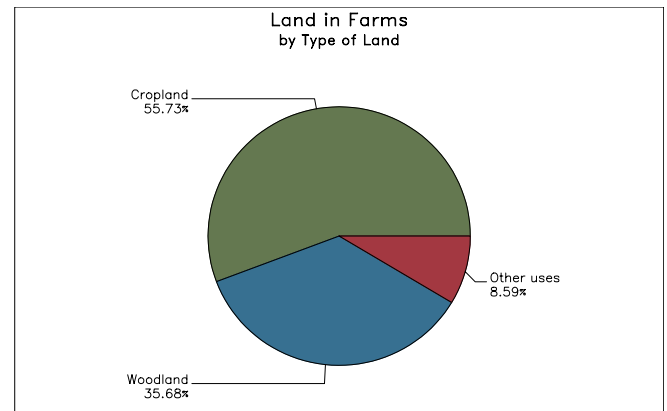
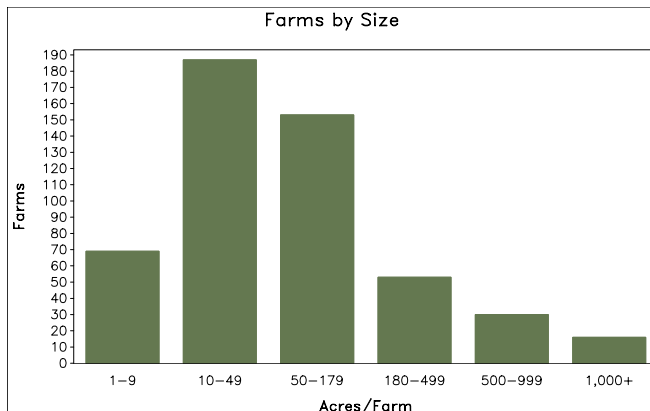
# 2007 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

## County Profile

### Wicomico County Maryland



	2007	2002	% change
<b>Number of Farms</b>	508	512	- 1
<b>Land in Farms</b>	92,852 acres	88,470 acres	+ 5
<b>Average Size of Farm</b>	183 acres	173 acres	+ 6
<b>Market Value of Products Sold</b>	\$197,828,000	\$174,594,000	+ 13
Crop Sales \$40,448,000 (20 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$157,381,000 (80 percent)			
Average Per Farm	\$389,426	\$341,003	+ 14
<b>Government Payments</b>	\$1,858,000	\$1,492,000	+ 25
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$7,064	\$8,777	- 20



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#### Ranked items among the 23 state counties and 3,079 U.S. counties, 2007

Item	Quantity	State Rank	Universe <sup>1</sup>	U.S. Rank	Universe <sup>1</sup>
<b>MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD (\$1,000)</b>					
Total value of agricultural products sold	197,828	1	23	328	3,076
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	40,448	8	23	1,022	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	157,381	3	23	187	3,069
<b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)</b>					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	10,248	13	23	1,220	2,933
Tobacco	-	-	9	-	437
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	626
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	5,381	4	23	316	2,796
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	575	8	23	670	2,659
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	23,849	3	23	136	2,703
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	14	17	22	1,010	1,710
Other crops and hay	381	19	23	2,326	3,054
Poultry and eggs	155,866	3	23	43	3,020
Cattle and calves	346	20	23	2,858	3,054
Milk and other dairy products from cows	(D)	16	20	(D)	2,493
Hogs and pigs	150	10	23	1,280	2,922
Sheep, goats, and their products	25	17	23	2,162	2,998
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	(D)	(D)	23	(D)	3,024
Aquaculture	(D)	5	17	(D)	1,498
Other animals and other animal products	26	15	23	1,673	2,875
<b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>					
Corn for grain	20,364	10	23	930	2,634
Soybeans for beans	15,909	10	23	904	2,039
Wheat for grain, all	2,583	16	23	1,257	2,481
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	2,254	19	23	2,690	3,060
Vegetables harvested for sale	1,835	5	23	365	2,794
<b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>					
Broilers and other meat-type chickens	10,467,370	4	23	31	2,476
Pullets for laying flock replacement	(D)	1	19	(D)	2,627
Layers	27,976	7	23	583	3,024
Cattle and calves	2,071	16	23	2,772	3,060
Horses and ponies	640	16	23	1,966	3,066

#### Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales:		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	148	Farming	271
\$1,000 to \$2,499	28	Other	237
\$2,500 to \$4,999	12		
\$5,000 to \$9,999	43	Principal operators by sex:	
\$10,000 to \$19,999	35	Male	432
\$20,000 to \$24,999	10	Female	76
\$25,000 to \$39,999	26		
\$40,000 to \$49,999	4	Average age of principal operator (years)	55.9
\$50,000 to \$99,999	17		
\$100,000 to \$249,999	29	All operators by race <sup>2</sup> :	
\$250,000 to \$499,999	37	American Indian or Alaska Native	1
\$500,000 or more	119	Asian	44
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	150,638	Black or African American	8
Average per farm (\$)	296,531	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	3
		White	687
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	52,140	More than one race	4
Average per farm (\$)	102,638	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin <sup>2</sup>	4

See "Census of Agriculture, Volume 1, Geographic Area Series" for complete footnotes, explanations, definitions, and methodology.

(D) Cannot be disclosed. (Z) Less than half of the unit shown.

<sup>1</sup> Universe is number of counties in state or U.S. with item. <sup>2</sup> Data were collected for a maximum of three operators per farm.