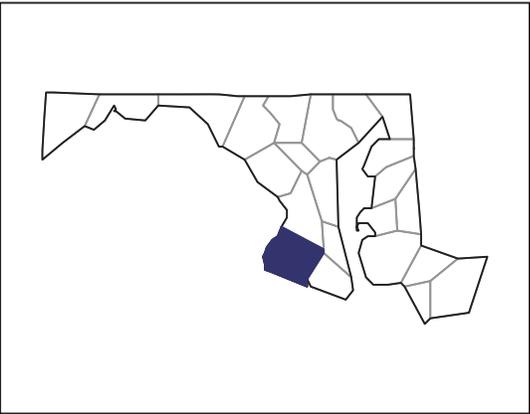


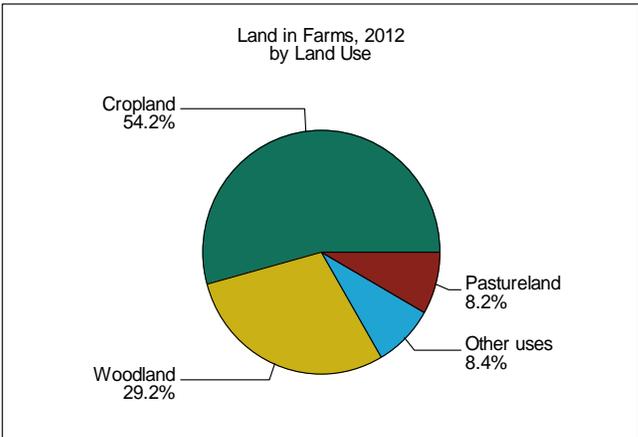
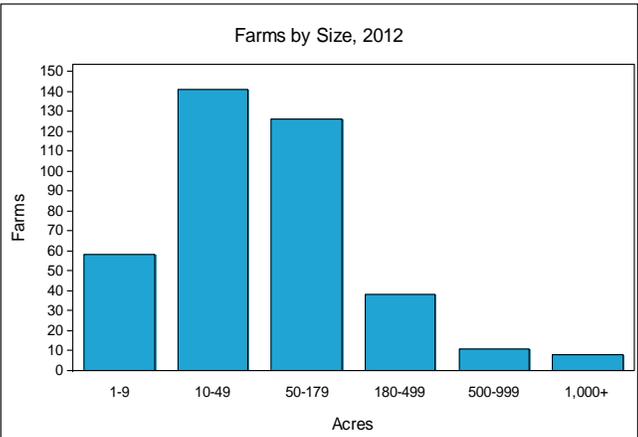
# 2012 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

## COUNTY PROFILE



### Charles County Maryland

	2012	2007	% change
<b>Number of Farms</b>	382	418	- 9
<b>Land in Farms</b>	46,659 acres	52,147 acres	- 11
<b>Average Size of Farm</b>	122 acres	125 acres	- 2
<b>Market Value of Products Sold</b>	\$11,946,000	\$8,898,000	+ 34
Crop Sales \$10,726,000 (90 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$1,220,000 (10 percent)			
Average Per Farm	\$31,273	\$21,287	+ 47
<b>Government Payments</b>	\$508,000	\$487,000	+ 4
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$5,843	\$5,356	+ 9





## Charles County – Maryland

### Ranked items among the 23 state counties and 3,079 U.S. counties, 2012

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	11,946	21	23	2,606	3,077
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	10,726	21	23	2,050	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	1,220	22	23	2,848	3,076
<b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)</b>					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	7,596	19	23	1,620	2,926
Tobacco	(D)	3	8	(D)	436
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	635
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	942	17	23	857	2,802
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	244	14	23	988	2,724
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	1,526	16	23	882	2,678
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	(D)	21	21	(D)	1,530
Other crops and hay	(D)	17	23	(D)	3,049
Poultry and eggs	(D)	18	23	(D)	3,013
Cattle and calves	508	15	23	2,789	3,056
Milk from cows	(D)	18	18	(D)	2,038
Hogs and pigs	48	11	23	1,464	2,827
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, and milk	100	9	23	1,351	2,988
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	123	16	22	1,670	3,011
Aquaculture	(D)	12	15	(D)	1,366
Other animals and other animal products	7	21	23	2,334	2,924
<b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>					
Soybeans for beans	5,563	18	23	1,262	2,162
Corn for grain	5,357	20	23	1,396	2,638
Sorghum for grain	4,542	1	17	193	1,220
Wheat for grain, all	4,333	16	22	1,044	2,537
Winter wheat for grain	4,333	16	22	967	2,480
<b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>					
Layers	2,902	10	23	1,062	3,040
Cattle and calves	2,004	14	23	2,736	3,063
Broilers and other meat-type chickens	1,932	12	23	775	2,723
Pullets for laying flock replacement	892	8	21	567	2,637
Horses and ponies	872	13	23	1,365	3,072

### Other County Highlights, 2012

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales:		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	143	Farming	201
\$1,000 to \$2,499	53	Other	181
\$2,500 to \$4,999	51	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	34	Male	305
\$10,000 to \$19,999	34	Female	77
\$20,000 to \$24,999	2	Average age of principal operator (years)	58.0
\$25,000 to \$39,999	23	All operators by race <sup>2</sup> :	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	5	American Indian or Alaska Native	4
\$50,000 to \$99,999	12	Asian	1
\$100,000 to \$249,999	15	Black or African American	10
\$250,000 to \$499,999	6	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	2
\$500,000 or more	4	White	586
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	16,661	More than one race	3
Average per farm (\$)	43,615	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin <sup>2</sup>	10
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	-2,928		
Average per farm (\$)	-7,664		

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

- Represents zero. (D) Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual operations.

<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.