



BALTIMORE COUNTY 2008 AGRICULTURAL PROFILE

Farm Numbers ¹	1997 ³	2002	2007
Number of Farms	889	784	751
Average Size (acres)	89	91	104
Land in Farms (acres)	79,479	71,227	78,282
Livestock Inventory ¹	1997 ³	2002	2007
Cattle	9,831	8,534	5,715
Hogs	2,477	1,343	798
Sheep	3,089	1,977	1,897
Value of Sales ¹			
All Products (\$1,000)			68,423
Nursery & Greenhouse (\$1,000)			34,052
Horses (\$1,000)			²
Vegetables (\$1,000)			5,655
Demographic Data ¹	1997 ³	2002	2007
Average Age of Operator	56.2	58.5	58.8
Percent Female Principal Operators	20.6	26.4	24.1
2007 Equine Census			
Number of Equine Places			2,100
Equine Inventory			10,630
Value of Equine Inventory			\$121,800,000

Crop Production Acres Rank among Maryland Counties, 2007 ¹			
Corn for Grain	12	Soybeans	15
Barley	10	Vegetables	5
Forage	2	Wheat	14

Livestock & Poultry Inventories Rank among Maryland Counties, 2007 ¹			
Beef Cows	9	Milk Cows	10
Broilers	9	Sheep	6
Hogs	7		

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Crop	Year	Acreage Harvested	Yield	Total Production
Corn for Grain (bushels)	2006	20,200	138.5	2,797,000
	2007	22,500	124.0	2,790,000
	2008	17,700	123.0	2,180,000
Corn for Silage (tons)	2006	2,000	17.3	34,500
	2007	2,000	10.0	20,000
	2008	*	*	*
Soybeans (bushels)	2006	11,300	37.0	418,600
	2007	8,500	32.8	279,000
	2008	*	*	*
Wheat (bushels)	2006	4,900	71.7	351,500
	2007	3,700	49.2	182,000
	2008	3,000	74.5	223,000
Hay (tons)	2006	9,900	3.20	31,700
	2007	10,500	2.63	27,600
	2008	10,000	3.05	30,500
Barley (bushels)	2006	1,800	74.4	134,000
	2007	1,300	78.5	102,000
	2008	2,200	95.5	210,000

* Acreage too small to publish.

The National Agricultural Statistics Service is an agency of the United States Department of Agriculture working cooperatively with the Maryland Department of Agriculture in the collection of statistical data for Maryland agriculture. Most data collection results from the voluntary cooperation of Maryland's farmers and other industry representatives. All published results are available through contact with the Maryland Field Office in Annapolis or through their website. Any questions or comments should be directed to Barbara Rater, Director.

¹ Source: Census of Agriculture, NASS.

² Not published to avoid disclosure of individual operations.

³ Revised.