



FREDERICK COUNTY 2007 AGRICULTURAL PROFILE

<i>Farm Numbers</i> ¹	1992	1997 ³	2002
<i>Number of Farms</i>	1,346	1,429	1,273
<i>Average Size (acres)</i>	166	153	154
<i>Land in Farms (acres)</i>	222,768	218,044	195,827
<i>Livestock Inventory</i> ¹	1992	1997 ³	2002
<i>Cattle</i>	73,252	64,460	52,940
<i>Hogs</i>	2,811	5,006	2,483
<i>Sheep</i>	2,625	3,472	2,646
<i>2002 Value of Sales</i> ¹			
<i>All Products (\$1,000)</i>			96,753
<i>Milk (\$1,000)</i>			50,042
<i>Grains & Oilseeds (\$1,000)</i>			10,271
<i>Poultry & Eggs (\$1,000)</i>			²
<i>Demographic Data</i> ¹	1992	1997 ³	2002
<i>Average Age of Operator</i>	54.1	55.7	56.0
<i>Percent Female Operators</i>	4.2	11.5	15.2
<i>2002 Equine Census</i>			
<i>Number of Equine Places</i>			2,180
<i>Equine Inventory</i>			8,290
<i>Value of Equine Inventory</i>			\$47,310,000

<i>Crop Production Acres</i> <i>Rank among Maryland Counties, 2002</i> ¹			
<i>Corn for Grain</i>	9	<i>Soybeans</i>	8
<i>Barley</i>	2	<i>Vegetables</i>	13
<i>Forage</i>	1	<i>Wheat</i>	6

<i>Livestock & Poultry Inventories</i> <i>Rank among Maryland Counties, 2002</i> ¹			
<i>Beef Cattle</i>	1	<i>Milk Cows</i>	1
<i>Broilers</i>	21	<i>Sheep</i>	3
<i>Hogs</i>	7		

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<i>Crop</i>	<i>Year</i>	<i>Acreage Harvested</i>	<i>Yield</i>	<i>Total Production</i>
<i>Corn for Grain (bushels)</i>	2005	28,800	134.7	3,880,000
	2006	30,400	121.3	3,688,000
	2007	25,300	87.0	2,200,000
<i>Corn for Silage (tons)</i>	2005	15,000	17.2	258,300
	2006	12,800	17.0	217,000
	2007	20,800	10.5	218,000
<i>Soybeans (bushels)</i>	2005	26,200	36.0	942,600
	2006	28,400	29.9	850,500
	2007	19,900	31.0	616,000
<i>Wheat (bushels)</i>	2005	13,500	74.2	1,002,000
	2006	16,000	62.5	999,800
	2007	17,000	73.5	1,250,000
<i>Hay (tons)</i>	2005	39,700	3.15	124,900
	2006	41,500	2.36	98,000
	2007	42,900	2.31	99,000
<i>Barley (bushels)</i>	2005	4,200	80.1	336,300
	2006	3,300	73.0	241,000
	2007	3,400	88.2	300,000

* Acreage too small to publish.

	2005	2006	2007
<i>Cropland Cash Rents (per acre)</i>	\$56.22	\$52.52	\$53.48

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