

# 2002 Census of Agriculture Congressional District Profile

## District 4, Maryland

**Number of farms:** 261

**Land in farms:** 34,207 acres

**Average size of farm:** 131 acres

**Irrigated Land:** 1,105 acres

**Total Number of Farm Operators:** 445

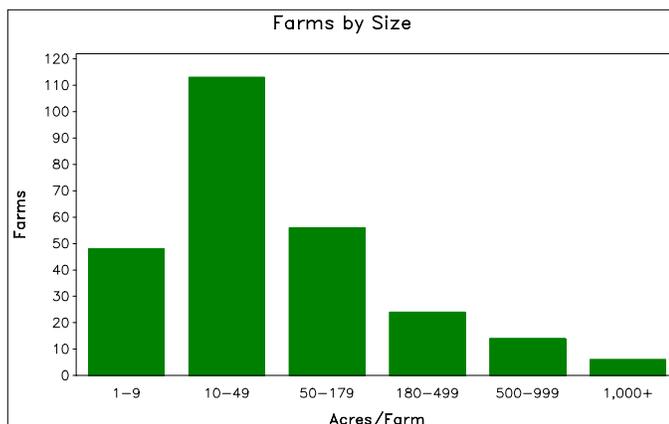
**Market Value of Production:** \$31,598,000

**Market Value of Production, average per farm:** \$121,067

**Government Payments:** \$318,000

**Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments:** \$9,929

**Gross Income from Farm Related Sources:** \$1,076,000



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United States Department of Agriculture, Maryland Agricultural Statistics Service**

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**Ranked items among the 8 congressional districts in the state, and among the 435 congressional districts in the U.S., 2002**

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	31,598	4	8	318	418
<b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000) <sup>2</sup></b>					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	3,182	4	8	232	371
Tobacco	26	3	3	85	106
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	111
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	248	8	8	355	398
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	148	6	8	339	403
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	25,025	3	8	164	415
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	120	5	8	222	349
Poultry and eggs	11	7	8	336	382
Cattle and calves	979	5	8	312	389
Milk and other dairy products from cows	902	6	7	297	339
Hogs and pigs	(D)	(D)	8	(D)	372
Sheep, goats, and their products	62	4	8	278	380
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	201	7	8	332	398
Aquaculture	(D)	(D)	4	(D)	321
<b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>					
Cattle and calves	4,200	5	8	312	394
Horses and ponies	895	6	8	326	408
Sheep and lambs	595	6	8	275	383
All Goats	388	4	8	302	387
Layers 20 weeks old and older	370	7	8	340	387
<b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>					
Corn for grain	6,380	5	8	210	327
Soybeans	5,088	5	8	179	269
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	4,934	6	8	301	391
Sod harvested	1,267	2	7	88	291
All Wheat for grain	1,238	6	8	248	323

**Other Congressional District Highlights**

Economic Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales	
Less than \$1,000	87
\$1,000 to \$2,499	40
\$2,500 to \$4,999	22
\$5,000 to \$9,999	18
\$10,000 to \$19,999	26
\$20,000 to \$24,999	7
\$25,000 to \$39,999	15
\$40,000 to \$49,999	4
\$50,000 to \$99,999	13
\$100,000 to \$249,999	10
\$250,000 to \$499,999	9
\$500,000 or more	10
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	26,490
Average per farm (\$)	420,476
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	-1,735
Average per farm (\$)	-5,030

Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Farming	128
Other	133
Principal operators by sex:	
Male	216
Female	45
Average age of principal operator (years)	57.1
All operators <sup>3</sup> by race:	
White	402
Black or African American	16
American Indian or Alaska Native	1
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
Asian	7
More than one race	1
All operators <sup>3</sup> 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.

<sup>1</sup> Universe is number of congressional districts in state or U.S. with item.

<sup>2</sup> Categories are not comprehensive and will not sum to total.

<sup>3</sup> Data were collected for a maximum of three operators per farm.