

2002 Census of Agriculture Congressional District Profile

District 8, Maryland

Number of farms: 293

Land in farms: 41,737 acres

Average size of farm: 142 acres

Irrigated Land: 494 acres

Total Number of Farm Operators: 472

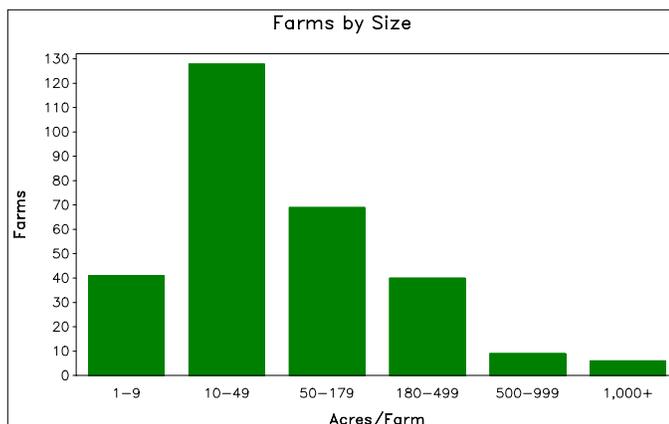
Market Value of Production: \$10,267,000

Market Value of Production, average per farm: \$35,040

Government Payments: \$706,000

Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments: \$13,571

Gross Income from Farm Related Sources: \$1,817,000



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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 ¹	U.S. Rank	Universe ¹
MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD (\$1,000)					
Total value of agricultural products sold	10,267	6	8	366	418
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000) ²					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	2,938	5	8	237	371
Tobacco	-	-	3	-	106
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	111
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	746	5	8	325	398
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	976	4	8	264	403
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	2,764	8	8	381	415
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	112	6	8	226	349
Poultry and eggs	(D)	(D)	8	(D)	382
Cattle and calves	337	6	8	332	389
Milk and other dairy products from cows	1,205	5	7	290	339
Hogs and pigs	(D)	(D)	8	(D)	372
Sheep, goats, and their products	47	6	8	286	380
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	381	5	8	305	398
Aquaculture	-	-	4	-	321
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Cattle and calves	2,952	6	8	320	394
Broilers and other meat-type chickens	(D)	4	8	(D)	354
Horses and ponies	1,371	5	8	309	408
Layers 20 weeks old and older	925	4	8	317	387
Sheep and lambs	287	7	8	315	383
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Soybeans	8,876	4	8	165	269
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	5,910	4	8	293	391
Corn for grain	4,878	6	8	224	327
All Wheat for grain	3,376	4	8	212	323
All Vegetables harvested	910	5	8	262	398

Other Congressional District Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales	
Less than \$1,000	106
\$1,000 to \$2,499	38
\$2,500 to \$4,999	29
\$5,000 to \$9,999	37
\$10,000 to \$19,999	30
\$20,000 to \$24,999	6
\$25,000 to \$39,999	8
\$40,000 to \$49,999	4
\$50,000 to \$99,999	9
\$100,000 to \$249,999	15
\$250,000 to \$499,999	6
\$500,000 or more	5
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	6,406
Average per farm (\$)	142,347
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	1,455
Average per farm (\$)	6,554

Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Farming	150
Other	143
Principal operators by sex:	
Male	220
Female	73
Average age of principal operator (years)	58.2
All operators ³ by race:	
White	432
Black or African American	4
American Indian or Alaska Native	-
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	1
Asian	6
More than one race	7
All operators ³ of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	-

(D) Cannot be disclosed. (Z) Less than half of the unit shown. See "Census of Agriculture, Volume 1, Geographic Area Series" for complete footnotes.

¹ Universe is number of congressional districts in state or U.S. with item.

² Categories are not comprehensive and will not sum to total.

³ Data were collected for a maximum of three operators per farm.