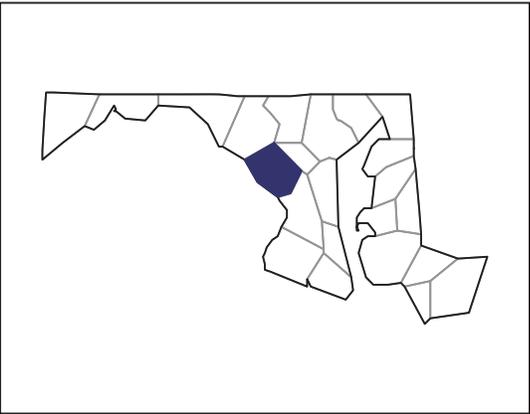


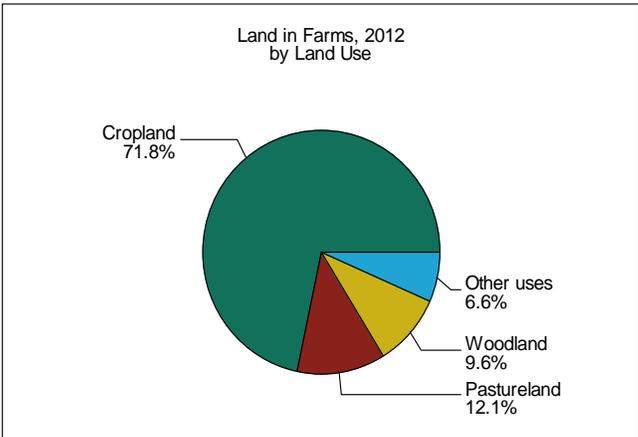
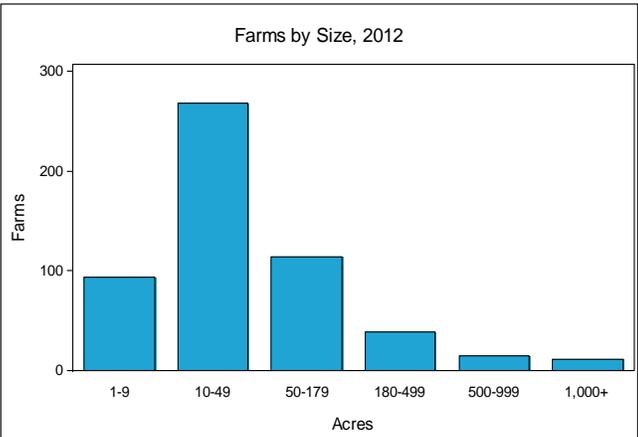
2012 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

COUNTY PROFILE



Montgomery County Maryland

	2012	2007	% change
Number of Farms	540	561	- 4
Land in Farms	63,493 acres	67,613 acres	- 6
Average Size of Farm	118 acres	121 acres	- 2
Market Value of Products Sold	\$48,341,000	\$33,193,000	+ 46
Crop Sales \$41,870,000 (87 percent) Livestock Sales \$6,471,000 (13 percent)			
Average Per Farm	\$89,520	\$59,168	+ 51
Government Payments	\$836,000	\$1,047,000	- 20
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$8,988	\$9,691	- 7





Montgomery County – Maryland

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

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	48,341	14	23	1,787	3,077
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	41,870	13	23	1,266	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	6,471	16	23	2,364	3,076
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	20,578	14	23	1,221	2,926
Tobacco	-	-	8	-	436
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	635
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	2,511	10	23	543	2,802
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	2,620	3	23	277	2,724
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	14,107	6	23	206	2,678
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	175	3	21	183	1,530
Other crops and hay	1,879	6	23	1,394	3,049
Poultry and eggs	59	20	23	1,570	3,013
Cattle and calves	1,725	10	23	2,398	3,056
Milk from cows	2,359	11	18	973	2,038
Hogs and pigs	(D)	9	23	(D)	2,827
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, and milk	157	7	23	985	2,988
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	(D)	3	22	(D)	3,011
Aquaculture	-	-	15	-	1,366
Other animals and other animal products	(D)	2	23	(D)	2,924
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Soybeans for beans	14,253	14	23	1,025	2,162
Corn for grain	11,899	15	23	1,138	2,638
Forage-land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	8,385	6	23	1,799	3,057
Wheat for grain, all	5,253	14	22	964	2,537
Winter wheat for grain	5,253	14	22	885	2,480
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Cattle and calves	4,199	12	23	2,480	3,063
Horses and ponies	3,219	1	23	175	3,072
Layers	2,578	12	23	1,124	3,040
Goats, all	732	4	23	807	2,996
Sheep and lambs	666	8	23	1,204	2,897

Other County Highlights, 2012

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales:		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	213	Farming	227
\$1,000 to \$2,499	63	Other	313
\$2,500 to \$4,999	45	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	62	Male	376
\$10,000 to \$19,999	41	Female	164
\$20,000 to \$24,999	18	Average age of principal operator (years)	60.6
\$25,000 to \$39,999	20	All operators by race ² :	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	4	American Indian or Alaska Native	2
\$50,000 to \$99,999	17	Asian	13
\$100,000 to \$249,999	17	Black or African American	7
\$250,000 to \$499,999	15	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
\$500,000 or more	25	White	874
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	58,686	More than one race	3
Average per farm (\$)	108,678	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin ²	38
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	1,399		
Average per farm (\$)	2,590		

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.

¹ Universe is number of counties in state or U.S. with item. ² Data were collected for a maximum of three operators per farm.