



# Maryland 8th District

## Total and Per Farm Overview, 2017

	2017
Number of farms	1,683
Land in farms (acres)	223,511
Average size of farm (acres)	133
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<b>Total</b>	<b>(\$)</b>
Market value of products sold	163,428,000
Government payments	4,767,000
Farm-related income	21,167,000
Total farm production expenses	158,744,000
Net cash farm income	30,619,000
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<b>Per farm average</b>	<b>(\$)</b>
Market value of products sold	97,105
Government payments (average per farm receiving)	10,640
Farm-related income	29,318
Total farm production expenses	94,322
Net cash farm income	18,193

**7** Percent of state agriculture sales

### Share of Sales by Type (%)

Crops	53
Livestock, poultry, and products	47

### Land in Farms by Use (%) <sup>a</sup>

Cropland	75
Pastureland	11
Woodland	10
Other	5

**Acres irrigated: 2,718**

1% of land in farms

### Land Use Practices (% of farms)

No till	26
Reduced till	7
Intensive till	5
Cover crop	18

## Farms by Value of Sales

	Number	Percent of Total <sup>a</sup>
Less than \$2,500	624	37
\$2,500 to \$4,999	194	12
\$5,000 to \$9,999	189	11
\$10,000 to \$24,999	211	13
\$25,000 to \$49,999	108	6
\$50,000 to \$99,999	97	6
\$100,000 or more	260	15

## Farms by Size

	Number	Percent of Total <sup>a</sup>
1 to 9 acres	308	18
10 to 49 acres	632	38
50 to 179 acres	481	29
180 to 499 acres	173	10
500 to 999 acres	45	3
1,000 + acres	44	3

Market Value of Agricultural Products Sold

	Sales (\$1,000)	Rank in State <sup>b</sup>	CDs Producing Item	Rank in U.S. <sup>b</sup>	CDs Producing Item
<b>Total</b>	<b>163,428</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>238</b>	<b>431</b>
<b>Crops</b>	<b>86,332</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>229</b>	<b>431</b>
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, dry peas	52,935	3	8	138	381
Tobacco	-	-	2	-	68
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	108
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, sweet potatoes	3,613	4	8	239	418
Fruits, tree nuts, berries	4,762	2	8	165	416
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, sod	12,733	3	8	252	425
Cultivated Christmas trees, short rotation woody crops	423	2	7	90	326
Other crops and hay	11,867	3	8	183	395
<b>Livestock, poultry, and products</b>	<b>77,097</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>211</b>	<b>422</b>
Poultry and eggs	3,163	3	8	174	404
Cattle and calves	16,176	3	8	212	396
Milk from cows	52,495	3	6	108	312
Hogs and pigs	1,366	2	7	120	367
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, milk	670	3	8	175	393
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, donkeys	2,509	2	8	108	393
Aquaculture	(D)	4	4	(D)	328
Other animals and animal products	(D)	3	8	195	413

Total Producers <sup>c</sup>

2,981

Sex

Male  
 Female

1,757  
 1,224

Age

<35  
 35 – 64  
 65 and older

312  
 1,807  
 862

Race

American Indian/Alaska Native  
 Asian  
 Black or African American  
 Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander  
 White  
 More than one race

2  
 16  
 29  
 -  
 2,913  
 21

Other characteristics

Hispanic, Latino, Spanish origin  
 With military service  
 New and beginning farmers

41  
 257  
 809

Percent of farms that:

Have internet access

82

Farm organically

2

Sell directly to consumers

14

Hire farm labor

26

Are family farms

97

Top Crops in Acres <sup>d</sup>

Soybeans for beans 46,067  
 Forage (hay/haylage), all 41,001  
 Corn for grain 39,528  
 Wheat for grain, all 15,795  
 Corn for silage 11,335

Livestock Inventory (Dec 31, 2017)

Broilers and other meat-type chickens 1,762  
 Cattle and calves 46,582  
 Goats 2,576  
 Hogs and pigs 1,971  
 Horses and ponies 4,460  
 Layers 76,283  
 Pullets 1,054  
 Sheep and lambs 4,650  
 Turkeys (D)

See 2017 Census of Agriculture, U.S. Summary and State Data, for complete footnotes, explanations, definitions, commodity descriptions, and methodology.

<sup>a</sup> May not add to 100% due to rounding. <sup>b</sup> Among CDs whose rank can be displayed. <sup>c</sup> Data collected for a maximum of four producers per farm.

<sup>d</sup> Crop commodity names may be shortened; see full names at [www.nass.usda.gov/go/cropnames.pdf](http://www.nass.usda.gov/go/cropnames.pdf). <sup>e</sup> Position below the line does not indicate rank.

(D) Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual operations. (NA) Not available. (Z) Less than half of the unit shown. (-) Represents zero.