



Worcester County Maryland

Total and Per Farm Overview, 2017 and change since 2012

	2017	% change since 2012
Number of farms	369	-1
Land in farms (acres)	99,239	(Z)
Average size of farm (acres)	269	+1
Total (\$)		
Market value of products sold	249,131,000	+25
Government payments	3,630,000	+109
Farm-related income	3,313,000	+42
Total farm production expenses	171,090,000	+5
Net cash farm income	84,984,000	+114
Per farm average (\$)		
Market value of products sold	675,153	+27
Government payments (average per farm receiving)	19,005	+140
Farm-related income	17,624	+14
Total farm production expenses	463,659	+6
Net cash farm income	230,310	+117

10 Percent of state agriculture sales

Share of Sales by Type (%)

Crops	15
Livestock, poultry, and products	85

Land in Farms by Use (%) ^a

Cropland	72
Pastureland	1
Woodland	21
Other	6

Acres irrigated: 5,918

6% of land in farms

Land Use Practices (% of farms)

No till	28
Reduced till	7
Intensive till	7
Cover crop	19

Farms by Value of Sales

	Number	Percent of Total ^a
Less than \$2,500	124	34
\$2,500 to \$4,999	12	3
\$5,000 to \$9,999	27	7
\$10,000 to \$24,999	25	7
\$25,000 to \$49,999	21	6
\$50,000 to \$99,999	14	4
\$100,000 or more	146	40

Farms by Size

	Number	Percent of Total ^a
1 to 9 acres	50	14
10 to 49 acres	132	36
50 to 179 acres	93	25
180 to 499 acres	47	13
500 to 999 acres	18	5
1,000 + acres	29	8

Market Value of Agricultural Products Sold

	Sales (\$1,000)	Rank in State ^b	Counties Producing Item	Rank in U.S. ^b	Counties Producing Item
Total	249,131	4	23	367	3,077
Crops	37,690	13	23	1,283	3,073
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, dry peas	35,226	8	23	920	2,916
Tobacco	-	-	5	-	323
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	647
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, sweet potatoes	2,171	10	23	541	2,821
Fruits, tree nuts, berries	21	22	23	1,722	2,748
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, sod	(D)	21	23	(D)	2,601
Cultivated Christmas trees, short rotation woody crops	(D)	20	20	(D)	1,384
Other crops and hay	(D)	20	23	(D)	3,040
Livestock, poultry, and products	211,442	3	23	191	3,073
Poultry and eggs	210,756	3	23	41	3,007
Cattle and calves	160	21	23	2,660	3,055
Milk from cows	-	-	18	-	1,892
Hogs and pigs	-	-	22	-	2,856
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, milk	(D)	20	23	(D)	2,984
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, donkeys	(D)	13	22	(D)	2,970
Aquaculture	353	7	15	178	1,251
Other animals and animal products	8	20	22	1,556	2,878

Total Producers ^c

Sex	602
Male	414
Female	188
Age	
<35	49
35 – 64	343
65 and older	210
Race	
American Indian/Alaska Native	2
Asian	54
Black or African American	24
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	1
White	521
More than one race	-
Other characteristics	
Hispanic, Latino, Spanish origin	10
With military service	65
New and beginning farmers	104

Percent of farms that:

Have internet access	72
Farm organically	(Z)
Sell directly to consumers	4
Hire farm labor	30
Are family farms	92

Top Crops in Acres ^d

Soybeans for beans	33,401
Corn for grain	29,781
Wheat for grain, all	4,924
Forage (hay/haylage), all	1,084
Vegetables harvested, all	760

Livestock Inventory (Dec 31, 2017)

Broilers and other meat-type chickens	12,954,700
Cattle and calves	488
Goats	21
Hogs and pigs	(D)
Horses and ponies	337
Layers	25,379
Pullets	118,673
Sheep and lambs	428
Turkeys	-

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

^a May not add to 100% due to rounding. ^b Among counties whose rank can be displayed. ^c Data collected for a maximum of four producers per farm.

^d Crop commodity names may be shortened; see full names at www.nass.usda.gov/go/cropnames.pdf. ^e 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.