

**Table 1. County Summary Highlights: 1997**

[For meaning of abbreviations and symbols, see introductory text]

Item	Maryland	Allegany	Anne Arundel	Baltimore	Calvert	Caroline	Carroll	Cecil
Farms ..... number..	12 084	239	412	781	349	525	1 041	464
Land in farms ..... acres..	2 154 875	41 928	34 679	75 795	33 450	111 316	160 180	85 702
Average size of farm ..... acres..	178	175	84	97	96	212	154	185
Median size of farm ..... acres..	64	120	34	35	43	78	52	61
Estimated market value of land and buildings <sup>1</sup> :								
Average per farm ..... dollars..	563 605	263 026	531 542	456 780	375 264	500 487	568 327	682 622
Average per acre ..... dollars..	3 176	1 625	5 151	4 742	3 584	2 297	3 790	3 628
Estimated market value of all machinery and equipment <sup>1</sup> :								
Average per farm ..... dollars..	60 176	31 039	43 618	48 562	32 049	95 017	58 369	56 487
Farms by size:								
1 to 9 acres .....	1 407	6	78	124	60	54	105	36
10 to 49 acres .....	3 828	46	169	346	124	148	404	166
50 to 179 acres .....	3 825	108	123	225	121	158	321	131
180 to 499 acres .....	2 038	59	28	63	31	106	151	89
500 to 999 acres .....	617	18	12	13	12	38	40	29
1,000 acres or more .....	369	2	2	10	1	21	20	13
Total cropland ..... farms..	10 702	226	364	665	322	462	946	421
Harvested cropland ..... acres..	1 613 497	19 669	23 227	54 361	17 865	94 605	124 841	63 246
Irrigated land ..... farms..	9 474	201	313	538	293	435	837	348
..... acres..	1 382 035	11 202	16 891	42 430	13 444	91 067	104 007	51 582
Market value of agricultural products sold ..... \$1,000..	1 312 086	3 322	12 621	51 179	7 704	95 120	71 272	59 052
Average per farm ..... dollars..	108 580	13 899	30 635	65 530	22 075	181 181	68 465	127 267
Crops, including nursery and greenhouse crops ..... \$1,000..	458 719	1 150	10 040	34 963	6 868	28 719	25 776	22 889
Livestock, poultry, and their products ..... \$1,000..	853 367	2 172	2 582	16 216	836	66 401	45 496	36 163
Farms by value of sales:								
Less than \$2,500 .....	3 097	101	139	302	94	65	326	143
\$2,500 to \$4,999 .....	1 365	49	46	92	56	43	140	49
\$5,000 to \$9,999 .....	1 551	31	70	93	60	54	142	70
\$10,000 to \$24,999 .....	1 668	28	77	112	70	63	147	65
\$25,000 to \$49,999 .....	952	19	36	47	33	40	72	38
\$50,000 to \$99,999 .....	854	5	18	47	20	57	65	29
\$100,000 or more .....	2 597	6	26	88	16	203	149	70
Total farm production expenses <sup>1</sup> ..... \$1,000..	1 123 200	3 185	10 449	38 501	5 109	88 472	61 215	50 294
Average per farm ..... dollars..	92 757	13 160	25 362	49 234	14 640	167 878	58 635	108 392
Net cash return from agricultural sales for the farm unit (see text) <sup>1</sup> ..... farms..	12 109	242	412	782	349	527	1 044	464
..... \$1,000..	172 948	130	3 628	13 436	1 693	4 452	10 903	6 655
Average per farm ..... dollars..	14 283	538	8 806	17 182	4 852	8 447	10 444	14 343
Operators by principal occupation:								
Farming .....	6 235	103	198	351	160	325	495	238
Other .....	5 849	136	214	430	189	200	546	226
Operators by days worked off farm:								
Any .....	6 362	139	238	434	213	260	562	243
200 days or more .....	4 317	102	150	303	153	172	421	172
Livestock and poultry:								
Cattle and calves inventory ..... farms..	4 444	152	78	231	90	72	527	185
..... number..	261 324	5 341	2 149	9 642	1 550	3 168	30 584	10 466
Beef cows ..... farms..	2 726	127	60	149	72	37	304	122
..... number..	50 619	2 448	(D)	2 210	(D)	434	5 575	2 486
Milk cows ..... farms..	1 091	11	6	31	2	16	126	40
..... number..	84 953	489	(D)	2 865	(D)	1 472	9 968	3 239
Cattle and calves sold ..... farms..	4 111	141	67	216	71	52	496	171
..... number..	136 747	2 636	1 137	4 558	732	1 387	18 233	4 340
Hogs and pigs inventory ..... farms..	584	11	8	21	14	11	60	20
..... number..	80 850	153	203	2 480	120	6 098	9 434	4 198
Hogs and pigs sold ..... farms..	495	8	7	13	6	11	52	10
..... number..	149 472	212	232	2 907	248	12 472	21 395	8 866
Sheep and lambs inventory ..... farms..	616	11	19	45	15	11	74	26
..... number..	21 985	241	227	3 004	177	244	2 645	1 469
Layers and pullets 13 weeks old and older inventory (see text) ..... farms..	637	17	18	44	30	8	58	30
..... number..	4 639 682	387	828	(D)	(D)	(D)	755 010	(D)
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold ..... farms..	997	-	-	2	3	138	2	3
..... number..	256 926 521	-	-	(D)	(D)	34 951 281	(D)	(D)
Selected crops harvested:								
Corn for grain or seed ..... farms..	3 554	23	68	141	77	187	324	170
..... acres..	405 451	488	4 911	16 088	3 554	20 547	29 160	19 570
Wheat for grain ..... bushels..	36 823 284	49 043	477 693	1 127 175	381 195	1 983 268	1 716 870	1 664 552
..... farms..	2 339	8	37	60	48	213	185	95
..... acres..	199 351	85	2 057	2 491	2 456	21 452	8 559	6 639
Barley for grain ..... bushels..	12 711 370	3 434	122 290	141 170	154 819	1 252 817	545 230	436 288
..... farms..	972	2	4	32	8	107	101	37
..... acres..	47 405	(D)	230	1 524	262	8 394	3 804	1 859
Tobacco ..... bushels..	3 489 722	(D)	19 700	114 301	20 966	668 456	267 337	122 264
..... farms..	711	-	85	-	147	-	-	-
..... acres..	7 939	-	763	-	1 657	-	-	-
Soybeans for beans ..... pounds..	11 987 083	-	1 113 535	-	2 083 983	-	-	-
..... farms..	3 226	1	64	70	74	314	217	127
..... acres..	509 683	(D)	5 156	9 072	4 348	49 631	22 198	14 203
Hay—alfalfa, other tame, small grain, wild, grass silage, green chop, etc. (see text) ..... farms..	15 171 466	(D)	177 156	283 619	150 124	1 401 976	682 590	435 605
..... acres..	5 223	177	131	300	93	100	644	212
..... tons, dry..	223 014	10 063	3 810	8 603	1 842	2 266	27 343	8 523
Vegetables harvested for sale (see text) ..... farms..	450 781	15 714	5 439	18 053	2 867	5 589	51 096	20 313
..... acres..	951	8	53	82	31	82	56	22
..... acres..	35 958	110	716	2 455	476	6 758	3 779	102

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Item	Charles	Dorchester	Frederick	Garrett	Harford	Howard	Kent	Montgomery
Farms ..... number..	410	297	1 304	649	651	318	314	526
Land in farms ..... acres..	55 928	122 928	215 927	107 695	94 112	39 846	117 526	77 266
Average size of farm ..... acres..	136	414	166	166	145	125	374	147
Median size of farm ..... acres..	60	150	93	117	52	31	179	37
Estimated market value of land and buildings <sup>1</sup> :								
Average per farm ..... dollars..	437 104	862 174	625 965	248 904	613 280	691 409	1 051 419	659 337
Average per acre ..... dollars..	2 755	2 018	3 769	1 578	3 975	5 490	2 947	4 396
Estimated market value of all machinery and equipment <sup>1</sup> :								
Average per farm ..... dollars..	32 294	102 038	60 219	45 888	53 231	50 649	103 047	55 094
Farms by size:								
1 to 9 acres .....	36	25	96	34	69	54	14	85
10 to 49 acres .....	142	54	372	94	245	131	52	212
50 to 179 acres .....	145	82	463	319	197	85	91	138
180 to 499 acres .....	65	53	300	172	103	28	93	57
500 to 999 acres .....	14	49	50	25	26	11	32	18
1,000 acres or more .....	8	34	23	5	11	9	32	16
Total cropland ..... farms..	393	264	1 206	617	586	263	300	447
Harvested cropland ..... acres..	32 640	99 269	171 259	53 915	71 826	30 609	97 863	60 510
Irrigated land ..... farms..	347	252	1 080	568	480	213	276	363
..... acres..	24 252	95 190	134 457	38 372	55 280	23 535	91 298	46 768
Market value of agricultural products sold ..... \$1,000..	10 816	82 391	101 660	20 997	38 807	19 610	60 957	28 563
Average per farm ..... dollars..	26 381	277 411	77 960	32 353	59 612	61 667	194 131	54 303
Crops, including nursery and greenhouse crops ..... \$1,000..	9 364	34 488	17 497	2 407	16 299	12 086	34 020	19 832
Livestock, poultry, and their products ..... \$1,000..	1 452	47 903	84 162	18 590	22 508	7 524	26 937	8 731
Farms by value of sales:								
Less than \$2,500 .....	120	16	356	180	238	123	45	187
\$2,500 to \$4,999 .....	63	18	161	96	70	48	14	71
\$5,000 to \$9,999 .....	68	27	173	124	82	38	31	86
\$10,000 to \$24,999 .....	80	31	189	80	85	41	59	68
\$25,000 to \$49,999 .....	33	25	89	42	54	20	39	31
\$50,000 to \$99,999 .....	16	28	91	61	38	13	31	21
\$100,000 or more .....	30	152	245	66	84	35	95	62
Total farm production expenses <sup>1</sup> ..... \$1,000..	8 109	69 980	90 820	19 658	29 799	16 144	55 535	23 958
Average per farm ..... dollars..	19 730	234 833	69 540	30 243	45 633	50 609	176 303	45 548
Net cash return from agricultural sales for the farm unit (see text) <sup>1</sup> ..... farms..	411	298	1 306	650	653	319	315	526
..... \$1,000..	2 698	10 605	10 171	3 951	8 912	2 775	4 268	3 385
Average per farm ..... dollars..	6 565	35 586	7 788	6 078	13 647	8 698	13 548	6 436
Operators by principal occupation:								
Farming .....	197	188	667	307	313	127	193	221
Other .....	213	109	637	342	338	191	121	305
Operators by days worked off farm:								
Any .....	246	131	685	373	341	187	137	303
200 days or more .....	163	80	476	258	250	132	82	189
Livestock and poultry:								
Cattle and calves inventory ..... farms..	126	23	778	468	311	139	62	161
..... number..	3 174	651	65 359	24 895	17 433	6 321	8 388	8 543
Beef cows ..... farms..	96	19	411	291	203	105	20	109
..... number..	1 411	(D)	9 130	4 555	3 705	1 967	478	2 523
Milk cows ..... farms..	9	2	256	132	61	17	36	26
..... number..	108	(D)	28 197	5 825	4 923	1 357	4 198	1 930
Cattle and calves sold ..... farms..	110	20	743	445	292	131	60	138
..... number..	1 588	233	31 573	13 489	17 770	3 370	3 997	4 335
Hogs and pigs inventory ..... farms..	33	10	73	35	26	17	7	17
..... number..	1 553	2 529	5 117	1 001	3 190	1 254	(D)	666
Hogs and pigs sold ..... farms..	28	8	67	30	16	18	7	15
..... number..	1 848	6 619	9 205	2 351	8 063	2 158	(D)	943
Sheep and lambs inventory ..... farms..	21	1	92	41	35	40	12	34
..... number..	391	(D)	3 297	1 341	2 824	477	769	905
Layers and pullets 13 weeks old and older inventory (see text) ..... farms..	27	7	76	51	31	18	9	27
..... number..	799	220 460	(D)	3 214	492	(D)	(D)	716
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold ..... farms..	1	71	4	5	3	3	12	2
..... number..	(D)	19 794 937	(D)	(D)	(D)	93	3 585 800	(D)
Selected crops harvested:								
Corn for grain or seed ..... farms..	110	122	261	193	210	53	195	58
..... acres..	5 859	19 014	15 986	4 497	24 051	7 632	39 205	12 097
Wheat for grain ..... bushels..	534 310	2 547 349	1 145 448	448 331	2 054 943	532 763	2 581 070	927 217
..... farms..	60	132	249	7	86	35	142	46
..... acres..	3 442	18 185	11 075	49	4 024	2 211	15 214	5 279
Barley for grain ..... bushels..	191 663	1 180 237	677 177	1 930	261 764	130 754	1 086 701	366 734
..... farms..	4	61	111	68	34	24	40	11
..... acres..	156	5 564	4 319	1 038	960	1 272	2 292	614
Tobacco ..... bushels..	7 493	404 462	295 353	60 076	65 070	104 903	190 392	43 424
..... farms..	114	—	1	—	—	—	—	—
..... acres..	1 550	—	(D)	—	—	—	—	—
..... pounds..	2 179 044	—	(D)	—	—	—	—	—
Soybeans for beans ..... farms..	80	197	229	6	102	44	205	58
..... acres..	9 313	57 877	24 508	(D)	9 750	4 717	35 245	16 047
..... bushels..	264 759	1 917 424	587 165	(D)	282 667	126 453	913 976	394 279
Hay—alfalfa, other tame, small grain, wild, grass silage, green chop, etc. (see text) ..... farms..	167	21	890	513	352	138	86	223
..... acres..	4 395	379	50 090	26 907	13 182	6 502	4 275	12 060
..... tons, dry..	8 087	1 415	103 702	57 286	29 276	10 602	11 802	21 814
Vegetables harvested for sale (see text) ..... farms..	44	73	51	20	46	26	11	37
..... acres..	426	8 148	414	83	691	243	1 265	832

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Item	Prince George's	Queen Anne's	St. Mary's	Somerset	Talbot	Washington	Wicomico	Worcester
Farms .....	473	419	621	288	240	768	580	415
Land in farms .....	47 572	167 957	71 890	54 823	109 572	126 292	90 656	111 835
Average size of farm .....	101	401	116	190	457	164	156	269
Median size of farm .....	30	174	62	62	174	98	38	44
Estimated market value of land and buildings <sup>1</sup> :								
Average per farm .....	491 286	1 206 022	275 499	410 812	1 414 152	454 364	405 688	505 280
Average per acre .....	4 988	2 946	2 603	2 254	3 157	2 819	2 686	2 191
Estimated market value of all machinery and equipment <sup>1</sup> :								
Average per farm .....	34 337	115 148	38 356	64 982	118 231	67 675	61 243	69 835
Farms by size:								
1 to 9 acres .....	87	30	67	39	17	68	124	99
10 to 49 acres .....	193	88	204	86	44	194	202	112
50 to 179 acres .....	140	97	253	85	60	264	127	92
180 to 499 acres .....	39	89	74	53	61	206	74	44
500 to 999 acres .....	9	61	16	16	27	27	37	37
1,000 acres or more .....	5	54	7	9	31	9	16	31
Total cropland .....	439	392	598	205	219	713	399	255
Harvested cropland .....	27 618	145 575	43 203	39 815	92 953	94 845	70 960	82 823
Irrigated land .....	395	359	571	172	202	653	357	221
Market value of agricultural products sold .....	18 708	68 736	21 056	96 532	48 530	60 604	186 294	147 553
Average per farm .....	39 553	164 047	33 906	335 182	202 208	78 912	321 197	355 548
Crops, including nursery and greenhouse crops .....	16 721	43 607	17 549	13 002	24 259	12 797	29 892	24 492
Livestock, poultry, and their products .....	1 988	25 129	3 506	83 530	24 271	47 807	156 402	123 060
Farms by value of sales:								
Less than \$2,500 .....	167	62	123	23	34	187	39	27
\$2,500 to \$4,999 .....	73	34	67	18	18	88	35	16
\$5,000 to \$9,999 .....	72	30	105	17	12	105	36	25
\$10,000 to \$24,999 .....	85	47	126	28	28	80	59	20
\$25,000 to \$49,999 .....	31	38	102	19	27	42	44	31
\$50,000 to \$99,999 .....	17	47	60	24	23	52	58	33
\$100,000 or more .....	28	161	38	159	98	214	309	263
Total farm production expenses <sup>1</sup> .....	13 538	57 637	13 899	97 724	39 538	50 569	160 364	118 702
Average per farm .....	28 562	137 230	22 346	339 319	164 057	65 674	276 013	286 029
Net cash return from agricultural sales for the farm unit (see text) <sup>1</sup> .....	474	420	622	288	241	770	581	415
Average per farm .....	4 894	11 828	5 659	-5 615	7 146	14 459	20 552	26 364
Operators by principal occupation:								
Farming .....	198	268	327	165	139	422	351	282
Other .....	275	151	294	123	101	346	229	133
Operators by days worked off farm:								
Any .....	264	181	349	136	110	387	271	172
200 days or more .....	192	99	206	94	58	274	179	112
Livestock and poultry:								
Cattle and calves inventory .....	96	73	196	36	36	507	55	42
Beef cows .....	3 109	5 559	5 372	1 916	2 212	41 519	2 211	1 762
Milk cows .....	78	37	125	31	22	235	40	33
Cattle and calves sold .....	(D)	939	1 958	851	381	5 013	(D)	(D)
Hogs and pigs inventory .....	7	22	53	4	8	220	4	2
Hogs and pigs sold .....	(D)	1 745	207	65	878	16 683	(D)	(D)
Sheep and lambs inventory .....	79	64	163	37	32	499	46	38
Layers and pullets 13 weeks old and older inventory (see text) .....	1 294	3 255	2 645	926	767	16 241	1 295	946
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold .....	18	14	71	11	7	52	20	28
Sheep and lambs sold .....	934	959	9 733	2 080	(D)	10 575	3 526	6 094
Layers and pullets 13 weeks old and older inventory (see text) .....	10	10	58	9	7	55	22	9
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold .....	1 016	4 011	13 335	3 441	(D)	17 881	6 088	12 315
Layers and pullets 13 weeks old and older inventory (see text) .....	19	9	33	2	10	49	13	4
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold .....	761	567	325	(D)	514	1 451	310	42
Layers and pullets 13 weeks old and older inventory (see text) .....	22	10	64	7	1	52	25	5
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold .....	867	(D)	11 569	48 140	(D)	302 145	373 632	48 233
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold .....	5	33	3	150	35	6	283	233
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold .....	266 700	10 329 600	(D)	42 167 603	12 046 400	(D)	76 432 601	56 651 265
Selected crops harvested:								
Corn for grain or seed .....	81	223	200	107	130	281	180	160
Wheat for grain .....	4 427	50 885	7 523	12 090	33 697	15 821	21 995	36 354
Barley for grain .....	344 363	4 590 071	809 799	1 586 515	2 737 665	1 162 460	2 703 167	4 718 017
Tobacco .....	32	212	119	72	115	181	125	80
Soybeans for beans .....	1 671	32 329	6 472	6 387	21 038	6 264	11 136	10 836
Hay—alfalfa, other tame, small grain, wild, grass silage, green chop, etc. (see text) .....	92 889	2 193 763	370 372	433 030	1 333 701	334 288	696 728	703 591
Vegetables harvested for sale (see text) .....	—	49	39	16	27	170	24	3
Vegetables harvested for sale (see text) .....	—	4 389	1 365	753	2 577	5 055	845	(D)
Vegetables harvested for sale (see text) .....	—	359 303	87 375	65 096	212 630	314 190	57 417	(D)
Vegetables harvested for sale (see text) .....	94	2	268	—	—	—	—	—
Vegetables harvested for sale (see text) .....	791	(D)	3 167	—	—	—	—	—
Vegetables harvested for sale (see text) .....	1 091 872	(D)	5 499 549	—	—	—	—	—
Vegetables harvested for sale (see text) .....	97	273	199	126	153	187	236	167
Vegetables harvested for sale (see text) .....	5 731	69 750	15 827	22 214	48 075	11 147	34 489	40 267
Vegetables harvested for sale (see text) .....	145 028	2 294 823	485 417	685 633	1 401 024	396 135	917 758	1 223 893
Vegetables harvested for sale (see text) .....	147	88	231	40	26	524	78	42
Vegetables harvested for sale (see text) .....	4 544	2 905	4 611	1 149	1 160	25 120	2 192	1 093
Vegetables harvested for sale (see text) .....	7 487	6 292	8 938	2 945	2 962	50 324	5 914	2 864
Vegetables harvested for sale (see text) .....	63	34	64	18	12	38	72	8
Vegetables harvested for sale (see text) .....	1 851	2 512	428	830	1 170	278	2 188	204

<sup>1</sup>Data are based on a sample of farms.