

# 1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture  
Maryland Agricultural Statistics Service



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### Land in farms

Increased 7 percent from 80,241 acres in 1992 to 85,702 acres in 1997.

### Average size of farms

Increased 5 percent from 176 acres in 1992 to 185 acres in 1997.

### Full time farms

Increased 8 percent from 220 farms in 1992 to 238 farms in 1997.

### Market value of agricultural products sold

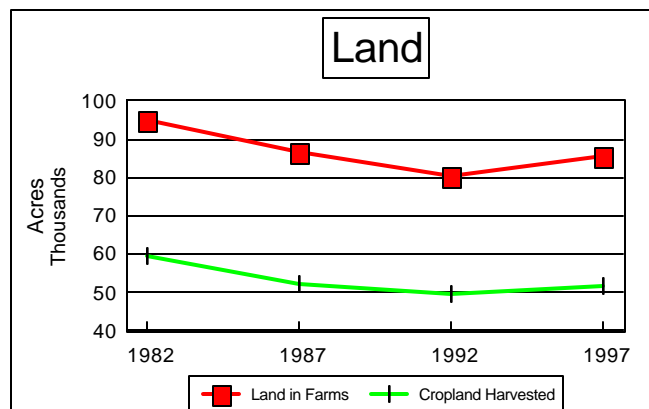
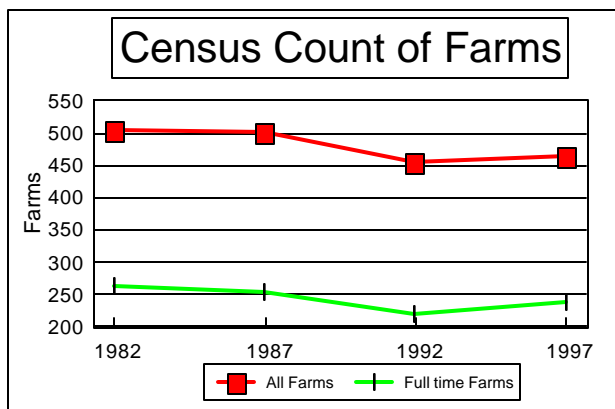
Increased 66 percent to \$59,052,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 39 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 61 percent of the market value.

### Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Increased 63 percent from \$78,031 in 1992 to \$127,267 in 1997.



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### Ranked Items Within State and U.S., 1997

Item	Quantity	State		U.S.	
		Rank	Universe*	Rank	Universe*
<b>MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD (\$1,000)</b>					
Total value of agricultural products sold	59,052	11	23	1,007	3,076
Value of livestock and poultry	36,163	9	23	745	3,069
Value of crops including nursery	22,889	10	23	1,156	3,070
<b>TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)</b>					
Poultry & poultry products	20,659	7	23	269	2,901
Nursery and greenhouse crops	11,574	3	23	179	2,790
Dairy products	6,723	7	21	512	2,563
Horses and ponies	6,031	1	23	14	3,015
Corn for grain	4,079	11	23	878	2,582
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)</b>					
Layers, pullets, and pullet chicks sold	(D)	3	22	166	2,203
Hogs and pigs sold	8,866	8	23	1,052	2,976
Cattle and calves sold	4,340	7	23	2,265	3,063
Turkeys sold	(D)	3	17	428	1,353
Sheep and lambs sold	1,172	4	21	733	2,765
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)</b>					
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	1,689,370	1	23	40	3,002
Pullets less than 13 weeks inventory	(D)	2	12	92	1,790
Pullets 13 to less than 20 weeks inventory	(D)	4	19	173	2,549
Cattle and calves inventory	10,466	6	23	2,103	3,064
Hogs and pigs inventory	4,198	8	23	1,076	3,005
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA</b>					
Corn for grain-acres	19,570	9	23	829	2,691
Soybeans for beans-acres	14,203	13	23	900	2,144
Hay crops-acres	8,523	9	23	1,852	3,061
Wheat-acres	6,639	10	23	922	2,612
Corn for silage-acres	2,929	8	23	500	2,473

Some counties do not have five commodities in a group.

### Other County Summary Highlights

Item	1997	1992	Percent Change
<b>Farms by value of sales:</b>			
Less than \$10,000 .....	262	259	1
\$10,000 or more .....	202	196	3
Total farm production expenses .....\$1,000..	50,294	30,752	64
Average per farm .....dollars..	108,392	67,736	60
<b>Net cash return from agricultural sales</b>			
for the farm unit .....\$1,000..	6,655	3,950	68
Average per farm .....dollars..	14,343	8,701	65
<b>Farms by type of organization:</b>			
Individual or family .....	377	386	-2
Partnership or corporation .....	84	69	22
Other .....	3	-	
<b>OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS</b>			
<b>Operators by principal occupation:</b>			
Farming .....	238	220	8
Other .....	226	235	-4
<b>Operators by sex:</b>			
Male .....	401	379	6
Female .....	63	76	-17
<b>Operators by race:</b>			
White .....	459	448	2
Black and other races .....	5	7	-29
Average age of operator .....	56.6	55.9	1

(D) Cannot be disclosed. See "Census of Agriculture Volume 1 Geographic Area Series" for complete footnotes.

\* Universe is number of counties in state or U.S. with item.