



HARFORD COUNTY 2010 AGRICULTURAL PROFILE

Farm Numbers ¹	1997	2002	2007
Number of Farms	733	683	704
Average Size (acres)	129	119	107
Land in Farms (acres)	94,806	81,409	75,166
Livestock Inventory ¹	1997	2002	2007
Cattle	17,280	15,923	11,454
Hogs	3,203	2,738	²
Sheep	2,920	3,406	3,845
Value of Sales ¹			
All Products (\$1,000)			42,865
Milk (\$1,000)			8,224
Nursery & Greenhouse (\$1,000)			6,178
Grains & Oilseeds (\$1,000)			15,871
Demographic Data ¹	1997	2002	2007
Average Age of Operator	55.4	56.5	57.1
Percent Female Principal Operators	11.6	17.1	19.0
Equine Census			2010
Number of Equine Places			1,140
Equine Inventory			6,200
Value of Equine Inventory			\$42,213,000

Crop Production Acres Rank among Maryland Counties, 2007¹			
Corn for Grain	11	Soybeans	16
Barley	12	Vegetables	21
Forage	15	Wheat	17

Livestock & Poultry Inventories Rank among Maryland Counties, 2007¹			
Beef Cows	5	Milk Cows	7
Broilers	19	Sheep	1
Hogs			

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Crop	Year	Acreage Harvested	Yield	Total Production
Corn for Grain (bushels)	2008	18,300	140.0	2,560,000
	2009	17,800	161.0	2,860,000
	2010	17,200	129.7	2,230,000
Corn for Silage (tons)	2008	2,500	20.0	50,000
	2009	**	**	**
	2010	**	**	**
Soybeans (bushels)	2008	10,600	37.0	390,000
	2009	11,800	48.0	568,000
	2010	11,600	43.1	500,000
Winter Wheat (bushels)	2008	3,000	74.0	222,000
	2009	3,000	51.5	155,000
	2010	2,100	61.0	128,000
Other Hay (tons)	2008	7,900	3.25	25,700
	2009	8,500	2.8	24,000
	2010	*	*	*
Barley (bushels)	2008	500	76.0	38,000
	2009	900	53.0	48,000
	2010	*	*	*

* Not published to avoid disclosure.

** Corn silage no longer published at county level.

Cash Rents (dollars per acre)	2009	2010
Cropland Non irrigated	82.0	66.0
Pastureland	38.5	29.0

The National Agricultural Statistics Service is an agency of the United States Department of Agriculture working cooperatively with the Maryland Department of Agriculture in the collection of statistical data for Maryland agriculture. Most data collection results from the voluntary cooperation of Maryland's farmers and other industry representatives. All published results are available through contact with the Maryland Field Office in Annapolis or through their website. Any questions or comments should be directed to Barbara Rater, Director.

¹ Source: Census of Agriculture, NASS.

² Not published to avoid disclosure of individual operations.