



WORCESTER COUNTY 2010 AGRICULTURAL PROFILE

<i>Farm Numbers</i> ¹	1997	2002	2007
<i>Number of Farms</i>	450	403	384
<i>Average Size (acres)</i>	255	326	289
<i>Land in Farms (acres)</i>	114,624	131,249	110,847
<i>Livestock Inventory</i> ¹	1997	2002	2007
<i>Cattle</i>	1,763	1,399	582
<i>Hogs</i>	7,274	661	143
<i>Sheep</i>	42	²	573
<i>Value of Sales</i> ¹			
<i>All Products (\$1,000)</i>			185,771
<i>Poultry & Eggs (\$1,000)</i>			159,136
<i>Grains & Oilseeds (\$1,000)</i>			23,899
<i>Vegetables (\$1,000)</i>			1,250
<i>Demographic Data</i> ¹	1997	2002	2007
<i>Average Age of Operator</i>	53.2	56.8	57.6
<i>Percent Female Principal Operators</i>	13.1	16.4	16.4
<i>Equine Census</i>			2010
<i>Number of Equine Places</i>			310
<i>Equine Inventory</i>			880
<i>Value of Equine Inventory</i>			\$3,719,000

<i>Crop Production Acres Rank among Maryland Counties, 2007¹</i>			
<i>Corn for Grain</i>	5	<i>Soybeans</i>	6
<i>Barley</i>	18	<i>Vegetables</i>	10
<i>Forage</i>	21	<i>Wheat</i>	7

<i>Livestock & Poultry Inventories Rank among Maryland Counties, 2007¹</i>			
<i>Beef Cows</i>	-	<i>Milk Cows</i>	-
<i>Broilers</i>	2	<i>Sheep</i>	14
<i>Hogs</i>	14		

¹ Source: Census of Agriculture, NASS.

² Not published to avoid disclosure of individual operations.

³ Revised.

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<i>Crop</i>	<i>Year</i>	<i>Acreage Harvested</i>	<i>Yield</i>	<i>Total Production</i>
<i>Corn for Grain (bushels)</i>	2008	33,500	128.0	4,300,000
	2009	33,700	144.0	4,840,000
	2010	33,500	89.3	2,990,000
<i>Corn for Silage (tons)</i>	2008	*	*	*
	2009	**	**	**
	2010	**	**	**
<i>Soybeans (bushels)</i>	2008	36,000	35.5	1,277,000
	2009	*	*	*
	2010	35,100	33.6	1,180,000
<i>Winter Wheat (bushels)</i>	2008	10,300	73.0	750,000
	2009	7,000	58.5	410,000
	2010	6,200	51.6	320,000
<i>Other Hay (tons)</i>	2008	*	*	*
	2009	*	*	*
	2010	*	*	*
<i>Barley (bushels)</i>	2008	600	91.7	55,000
	2009	1,200	82.0	98,000
	2010	*	*	*

* Not published to avoid disclosure.

** Corn Silage is no longer published at the county level.

<i>Cash Rents (dollars per acre)</i>	2009	2010
<i>Cropland Non irrigated</i>	82.5	77.5
<i>Pastureland</i>	*	*

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