Frederick County
Maryland

Total and Per Farm Overview, 2017 and change since 2012

	2017	% change since 2012
Number of farms	1,373	+5
Land in farms (acres)	188,576	+4
Average size of farm (acres)	137	-1
Total	($)	
Market value of products sold	131,583,000	-13
Government payments	3,980,000	+30
Farm-related income	13,043,000	+60
Total farm production expenses	125,003,000	-6
Net cash farm income	23,602,000	-16
Per farm average	($)	
Market value of products sold	95,836	-17
Government payments (average per farm receiving)	10,934	+57
Farm-related income	22,220	+54
Total farm production expenses	91,044	-11
Net cash farm income	17,190	-20

5 Percent of state agriculture sales

Share of Sales by Type (%)

Crops	48
Livestock, poultry, and products	52

Land in Farms by Use (%) [a]

Cropland	75
Pastureland	11
Woodland	10
Other	5

Acres irrigated: 1,174

1% of land in farms

Land Use Practices (% of farms)

No till	28
Reduced till	8
Intensive till	5
Cover crop	20

Farms by Value of Sales

	Number	Percent of Total [a]
Less than $2,500	491	36
$2,500 to $4,999	164	12
$5,000 to $9,999	157	11
$10,000 to $24,999	168	12
$25,000 to $49,999	79	6
$50,000 to $99,999	92	7
$100,000 or more	222	16

Farms by Size

	Number	Percent of Total [a]
1 to 9 acres	214	16
10 to 49 acres	520	38
50 to 179 acres	403	29
180 to 499 acres	153	11
500 to 999 acres	48	3
1,000 + acres	35	3

2017 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE *County Profile*

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	**131,583**	**9**	**23**	**893**	**3,077**
Crops	**63,556**	**7**	**23**	**924**	**3,073**
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, dry peas	43,990	4	23	821	2,916
Tobacco	-	-	5	-	323
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	647
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, sweet potatoes	1,685	14	23	603	2,821
Fruits, tree nuts, berries	2,230	4	23	310	2,748
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, sod	5,619	13	23	359	2,601
Cultivated Christmas trees, short rotation woody crops	248	4	20	158	1,384
Other crops and hay	9,785	1	23	258	3,040
Livestock, poultry, and products	**68,026**	**8**	**23**	**739**	**3,073**
Poultry and eggs	3,142	12	23	670	3,007
Cattle and calves	14,753	2	23	993	3,055
Milk from cows	45,135	2	18	178	1,892
Hogs and pigs	1,308	2	22	583	2,856
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, milk	(D)	2	23	290	2,984
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, donkeys	1,973	5	22	73	2,970
Aquaculture	(D)	10	15	(D)	1,251
Other animals and animal products	1,030	2	22	176	2,878

Total Producers [c] 2,416

Sex
Male   1,455
Female   961

Age
<35   237
35 – 64   1,445
65 and older   734

Race
American Indian/Alaska Native   2
Asian   28
Black or African American   14
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander   2
White   2,364
More than one race   6

Other characteristics
Hispanic, Latino, Spanish origin   15
With military service   197
New and beginning farmers   623

Percent of farms that:

Have internet access   **80**

Farm organically   **2**

Sell directly to consumers   **13**

Hire farm labor   **26**

Are family farms   **97**

Top Crops in Acres [d]

Soybeans for beans	41,503
Forage (hay/haylage), all	36,024
Corn for grain	29,672
Wheat for grain, all	14,399
Corn for silage or greenchop	9,541

Livestock Inventory (Dec 31, 2017)

Broilers and other meat-type chickens	1,130
Cattle and calves	39,637
Goats	1,995
Hogs and pigs	1,699
Horses and ponies	3,306
Layers	71,018
Pullets	715
Sheep and lambs	4,684
Turkeys	(D)

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.