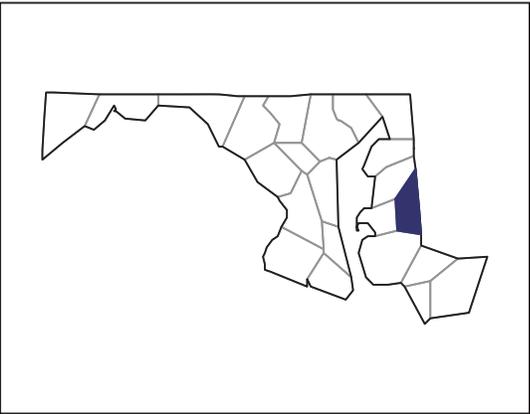


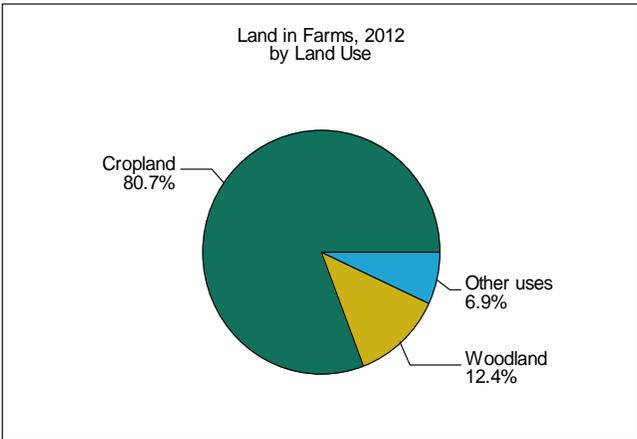
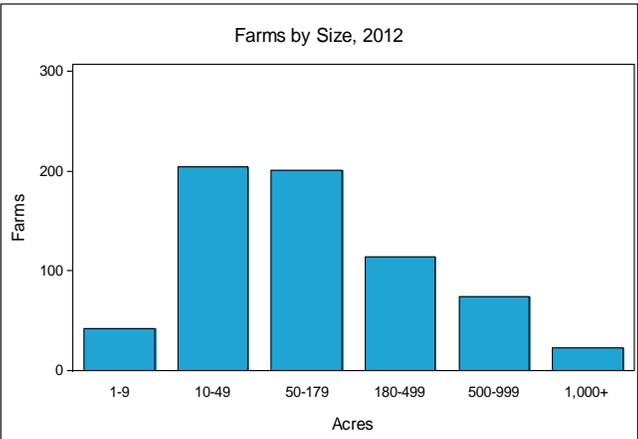
# 2012 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

## COUNTY PROFILE



### Caroline County Maryland

	2012	2007	% change
<b>Number of Farms</b>	658	574	+ 15
<b>Land in Farms</b>	150,357 acres	131,277 acres	+ 15
<b>Average Size of Farm</b>	229 acres	229 acres	0
<b>Market Value of Products Sold</b>	\$257,915,000	\$186,039,000	+ 39
Crop Sales \$85,467,000 (33 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$172,448,000 (67 percent)			
Average Per Farm	\$391,968	\$324,109	+ 21
<b>Government Payments</b>	\$3,335,000	\$3,028,000	+ 10
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$8,214	\$8,318	- 1





## Caroline County – Maryland

### Ranked items among the 23 state counties and 3,079 U.S. counties, 2012

Item	Quantity	State Rank	Universe <sup>1</sup>	U.S. Rank	Universe <sup>1</sup>
<b>MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD (\$1,000)</b>					
Total value of agricultural products sold	257,915	1	23	368	3,077
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	85,467	2	23	757	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	172,448	3	23	223	3,076
<b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)</b>					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	65,129	2	23	693	2,926
Tobacco	-	-	8	-	436
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	635
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	13,169	1	23	173	2,802
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	463	9	23	734	2,724
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	5,765	12	23	393	2,678
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	(D)	(D)	21	(D)	1,530
Other crops and hay	(D)	10	23	(D)	3,049
Poultry and eggs	157,834	3	23	54	3,013
Cattle and calves	6,823	5	23	1,579	3,056
Milk from cows	7,540	8	18	585	2,038
Hogs and pigs	10	18	23	2,115	2,827
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, and milk	13	22	23	2,616	2,988
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	177	13	22	1,349	3,011
Aquaculture	-	-	15	-	1,366
Other animals and other animal products	52	14	23	1,409	2,924
<b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>					
Soybeans for beans	52,495	2	23	577	2,162
Corn for grain	39,399	3	23	701	2,638
Wheat for grain, all	29,177	1	22	374	2,537
Winter wheat for grain	29,177	1	22	284	2,480
Vegetables harvested, all	6,897	1	23	125	2,801
<b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>					
Broilers and other meat-type chickens	12,558,685	3	23	19	2,723
Cattle and calves	5,507	8	23	2,345	3,063
Layers	1,213	16	23	1,714	3,040
Horses and ponies	586	17	23	1,870	3,072
Goats, all	229	17	23	2,060	2,996

### Other County Highlights, 2012

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales:		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	118	Farming	395
\$1,000 to \$2,499	26	Other	263
\$2,500 to \$4,999	20		
\$5,000 to \$9,999	45	Principal operators by sex:	
\$10,000 to \$19,999	45	Male	591
\$20,000 to \$24,999	12	Female	67
\$25,000 to \$39,999	46		
\$40,000 to \$49,999	8	Average age of principal operator (years)	58.6
\$50,000 to \$99,999	35		
\$100,000 to \$249,999	57	All operators by race <sup>2</sup> :	
\$250,000 to \$499,999	70	American Indian or Alaska Native	-
\$500,000 or more	176	Asian	3
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	214,138	Black or African American	4
Average per farm (\$)	325,438	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
		White	969
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	57,220	More than one race	2
Average per farm (\$)	86,961	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin <sup>2</sup>	3

See "Census of Agriculture, Volume 1, Geographic Area Series" for complete footnotes, explanations, definitions, and methodology.

- Represents zero. (D) Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual operations.

<sup>1</sup> Universe is number of counties in state or U.S. with item. <sup>2</sup> Data were collected for a maximum of three operators per farm.