

MONTGOMERY COUNTY, MD

Information based on Congressional Districts of the 106th U.S. Congress, 1997

	1997	1992	1987
Farms			
Number	526	561	669
Acreage	77,266	82,470	103,377
Average size (acres)	147	147	155
Median size (acres)	37	N	N
Estimated market value average per farm			
Land/buildings (dollars)	659,337	787,024	587,159
Machinery/equip (dollars)	55,094	50,486	41,277
Cropland (acres)			
Total	60,510	62,600	77,137
Harvested	46,768	45,878	51,812
Irrigated	1,206	884	469
Agricultural products sold - market value			
(\$1,000)	28,563	27,717	26,049
(dollars avg. per farm)	54,303	49,407	38,937
Agricultural sales - Net cash return per farm			
(dollars average)	6,436	3,677	5,315
Livestock inventory (number)			
Cattle and calves	8,543	11,330	12,131
Beef cows	2,523	3,717	2,934
Milk cows	1,930	2,517	3,663
Hogs and pigs	666	483	2,780
Sheep and lambs	905	1,015	1,765
Layers 13 wks or older	716	1,520	2,193
Broilers and chicken (sold)	D	251	0
Harvested commodities (acres)			
Com, grain or seed	12,097	13,812	15,857
Com, silage or green chop	N	N	N
Sorghum, grain or seed	N	N	N
Wheat	5,279	6,259	5,007
Barley	614	1,165	1,229
Oats	N	N	N
Rice	N	N	N
Sunflower seed	N	N	N
Cotton	N	N	N
Tobacco	0	D	D
Soybeans	16,047	11,239	9,934
Dry edible beans, excl lima	N	N	N
Potatoes, excl sweet potatoes	N	N	N
Sugar beets for sugar	N	N	N
Sugarcane for sugar	N	N	N
Peanuts for nuts	N	N	N
Hay-alfalfa	12,060	13,010	14,445
Vegetables			
Number of farms	37	51	55
Acreage	832	1,200	932

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Orchards			
Number of farms	N	N	N
Acreage	N	N	N

Abbreviations/footnotes:

N represents zero.

0 represents an insignificant amount.

D-W withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual farms.

Source: USDA, NASS, 1997 Census of Agriculture