

MARYLAND - DISTRICT 8**Information based on Congressional Districts of the 106th U.S. Congress, 1997**

Maryland's district 8 has 1 county.

MONTGOMERY

Farms

Number	526
Acreage	77,266
Average size (acres)	147
Median size (acres)	37

Estimated market value average per farm

Land/buildings (dollars)	659,337
Machinery/equip (dollars)	55,094

Cropland (acres)

Total	60,510
Harvested	46,768
Irrigated	1,206

Agricultural products sold - market value

(\$1,000)	28,563
(dollars avg. per farm)	54,303

Agricultural sales - Net cash return per farm

(dollars average)	6,436
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Livestock inventory (number)

Cattle and calves	8,543
Beef cows	2,523
Milk cows	1,930
Hogs and pigs	666
Sheep and lambs	905
Layers 13 wks or/older	716
Broilers and chicken (sold)	D

Harvested commodities (acres)

Corn, grain or seed	12,097
Corn, silage or green chop	N
Sorghum, grain or seed	N
Wheat	5,279
Barley	614
Oats	N
Rice	N

Sunflower seed	N
Cotton	N
Tobacco	0
Soybeans	16,047
Dry edible beans, excl limas	N
Potatoes, excl sweetpotatoes	N
Sugar beets for sugar	N
Sugarcane for sugar	N
Peanuts for nuts	N
Hay-alfalfa	12,060

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Vegetables

Number of farms	37
Acreage	832

Orchards

Number of farms	N
Acreage	N

Abbreviations/footnotes:

N represents zero.

0 represents an insignificant amount.

D-Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual farms.

Source: USDA, NASS, 1997 Census of Agriculture