



Snapshot of Washington County's Local Food System

Production	County	Maryland
Number of farms	860 (7.0% of MD farms)	12,256
Proportion of farmers farming less than 10 years	13.3%	16.2%
Proportion of principal farmers younger than 35	10.4%	4.9%
Proportion of farms with direct-to-consumer sales (total direct sales)	14.0% (\$3,361,000)	10.4% (\$28,038,000)
Proportion of farms growing fruits and vegetables	9.2%	10.4%
Change in farmland acres 2007-2012	13.6%	-1.0%
Proportion of county land in farmland	44.2%	32.7%
Retail Infrastructure	County	Maryland
Grocery stores/1,000 pop	0.16	0.19
Full service restaurants/1,000 pop	0.56	0.54
Farmers markets/1,000 pop (total markets)	0.03 (4 total markets)	0.03 (151 total markets)
Consumption, Access, and Health	County	Maryland
Proportion of population with inadequate fruit and vegetable consumption	76.7%	72.4%
Rates of diabetes and obesity (adults 18+)	Diabetes (11.8%); Obesity (32.3%)	Diabetes (9.4%); Obesity (27.6%)
Equity	County	Maryland
Proportion of population below poverty level	12.4%	10.1%
Proportion of households receiving SNAP	12.8%	11.1%
Proportion of workforce employed in foodservice (average annual salary from foodservice)	7.5% (\$14,595)	6.2% (\$17,018)
Proportion of workforce employed in farming (average annual salary from farming)	2.0% (\$35,132)	0.7% (\$32,188)

*Suppressed - In some cases data are suppressed by agencies to protect individually identifiable information, or because of a lack of conclusive information. For more information on this county's agricultural statistics, visit its [2012 Census of Agriculture profile](#)

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