



AGRICULTURE

Wicomico County, Maryland



Business & Development Opportunities: Centrally located on Maryland's Eastern Shore and within an easy two hour drive to Baltimore, Washington D.C, Philadelphia, and Norfolk.

AG OVERVIEW

- Corporate Headquarters of Perdue Farms & Perdue Agribusiness
- Wicomico ranked #28th county in US for broiler chicken production
- Wicomico market value of ag products sold exceeded \$303 million; #1 in MD
- In Maryland, broiler production exceeded \$1 billion, 9th in the US
- Salisbury and Wicomico = the fifth and seventh fastest growing city - county in Maryland, respectively.
- Wicomico County is home to Maryland's second largest airport and port and has significantly lower cost structures than most metropolitan areas.

SELECTED STAT'S (Delmarva Region)

- Chicken companies purchase annually:
 - 86 million bushels of corn
 - 36 million bushels of soybeans
 - \$240 million in packaging and processing supplies
 - \$152 million in capital expenditures for solar, facilities, equipment
 - \$984 million in feed ingredients
- 5,000+ chicken houses
- Total house capacity = 138 million chickens
- Wholesale value of chicken = \$3.4 billion
- 18,500 chicken company employees
- 4+ billion lbs. of chicken processed annually

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Wicomico County, Maryland is the Northernmost area of the United States with a vertically integrated poultry industry .

Hatcheries - Farm Implement Stores - Agriculture Cooperatives – Trade Organizations - Research and Development Companies - Field Trials - Real Estate - Manufacturing - 3D Printing - University of Maryland Eastern Shore College of Agriculture and Natural Resources - Grain Elevators - Soybean Crushing Mill Plant - Food Processors - Research Labs - Extension Agents - Cold Storage Facilities - USDA - Farm Credit - Food Brokerages - Corporate Training Centers - Trucking Firms - Barge Facilities - Poultry Houses - Propane and Natural Gas Corporations - Nurseries - Equine Industry - Freight Rail - Corporate Aircraft Hangars - Forest Products - Greenhouses - Hydroponics - Commodity Trading - Farming - Field Crops - Farmers Markets - Corporate Headquarters - Sales Agents - Philanthropic Organizations

Major Integrators in and around Wicomico County, Maryland

