

FSA At Work Across Maryland - FY 2009



The USDA Farm Service Agency delivered over \$16.3 billion in federal program payments to U.S. farmers and ranchers during FY 2009. Maryland agriculture benefits greatly from the tireless efforts of our dedicated employees and locally elected County Committees.

State Executive Director Charles C. Cawley Sr.

Commodity Program Payments: \$30,390,955

Maryland producers received substantial monetary support during FY 2009 in the form of commodity and price support program payments.

\$16,660,985 - Direct and Counter Cyclical Program (DCP) Direct payments provide income support to producers of eligible commodities based on production history (acreage and yields) and do not depend on the current production choices. Counter-cyclical payments are made when the effective price for eligible commodities is less than the target price.

\$6,380,978 - Milk Income Loss Contract (MILC) provides compensation to dairy producers when domestic milk prices fall below a specified level.



\$213,657 - Farm Storage Facility Loan Program (FSFLP) The Commodity Credit Corporation (CCC), through FSA, makes loans to producers for building or upgrading farm storage and handling facilities used for eligible commodities.

\$7,135,335 - Price Support and LDPs - Commodity loans are available to eligible producers who use crops as collateral. The Commodity Credit Corporation (CCC) makes loans for eligible commodities that are farm or warehouse stored. Loan Deficiency Payments (LDPs) benefit producers who agree to forgo a commodity loan in return for a payment on the eligible commodity. LDP provisions allow compensation when market prices are low, as long as the producer maintains beneficial interest in the commodity.

Conservation: \$10,848,721

FSA continues to make strides toward conserving and improving soil, water, and wildlife resources in Maryland. The Conservation Reserve Program is the USDA's single largest, most effective environmental program. Conservation investments for Maryland in FY 2009 include:

\$10,848,721 - Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) provides financial incentives, cost-share and rental payments to producers who convert highly erodible cropland or environmentally sensitive acreage to long-term vegetative cover.



Disaster Assistance: \$290,305

From drought to flood, freeze to tornadoes and hurricanes - no production agriculture operation is immune to the effects of natural disasters. Maryland FSA was financially responsive to the state's producers.

\$37,542 - Non-Insured Crop Disaster Assistance Program (NAP) - FSA's NAP program provides financial assistance to producers of noninsurable crops when low yields, loss of inventory, or prevented planting occurs due to natural disasters.

\$252,763 - Crop Disaster Assistance Program (CDP) - The Farm Service Agency's (FSA) Crop Disaster Program (CDP) provides benefits to eligible farmers who suffered losses from natural disasters and related conditions.



Farm Loans: \$15.6 million

FSA obligated \$15,600,800 in direct and guaranteed operating loans, farm ownership loans, emergency loans, youth loans, socially disadvantaged loans, and loans to beginning farmers throughout Maryland.

\$5,843,000 - Guaranteed Loans - FSA guarantees loans made by conventional agricultural lenders for up to 95 percent of any loss if the loan fails. In FY 2009, FSA in Maryland guaranteed 25 farm ownership and farm operating loans.

\$4,050,000 - Direct Loans - FSA provides assistance to those unable to obtain guaranteed loans. In FY 2009, FSA in Maryland funded 40 farm ownership and farm operating loans.

\$33,800 - Youth Loan - In FY 2009 Maryland funded 8 youth loans.

\$1,136,000 - Socially Disadvantaged Loans - In FY 2009, 8 socially disadvantaged loans were made by FSA in Maryland.

\$4,538,000 - Beginning Farmer Loans - In FY 2009, 29 beginning farmer loans were made in Maryland.



Maryland FSA Program Payments by County

Does not include farm loans, commodity loans, or adjustments from previ

Allegany	\$ 117,087
Anne Arundel	\$ 139,538
Baltimore	\$1,749,404
Calvert	\$ 117,314
Caroline	\$2,435,386
Carroll	\$3,650,417
Cecil	\$1,656,408
Charles	\$ 441,205
Dorchester	\$2,617,439
Frederick	\$5,062,489
Garrett	\$ 575,979
Hartford	\$1,608,261
Howard	\$ 287,826
Kent	\$3,105,622
Montgomery	\$1,744,832
Prince George's	\$ 138,367
Queen Anne's	\$5,034,847
St. Marys	\$ 463,579
Somerset	\$1,820,387
Talbot	\$2,402,756
Washington	\$1,985,832
Wicomico	\$1,483,426
Worcester	\$2,922,539