

# THE MARYLAND HORSE INDUSTRY

## Number of Horses in Maryland

10.5 horses per square mile!



**16,000**

Horse Farms & Stables

**40**

Breeds of Horses

**200**

Equine  
Orgs.  
Statewide

**101,457**

Horses in Maryland  
Making MD the number one  
state in terms of the number of  
horses per square mile!



**35**

Different  
Equine  
Disciplines

Thoroughbred & Standardbred horse racing & breeding ♦ trail riding ♦ steeplechase ♦ sport horse competitions ♦ rodeo ♦ carriage driving ♦ therapy programs ♦ recreation ♦ rescue and more

**705,000 ACRES**



25% of the State's  
agricultural land



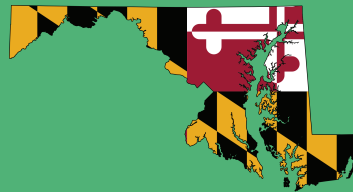
\$80,000,000  
on feed, hay  
and straw

Pastures are among  
the best filtering  
devices to protect  
the Chesapeake Bay  
from harmful runoff



## A Dynamic Agricultural Entity

Horse Farms make up  
**10%** of Maryland land



88,000 equine acres  
preserved forever  
as farmland

## Integral to the State's Economy

**\$2.1** Billion Economic Impact



**\$78m** in  
Tax Revenue

**28,000**

Industry Jobs



**\$1B**

Spent by  
Participants



51.8% of households in MD  
contain horse enthusiasts

## A Global Equine Identity



**10,000** Youths served by MD's  
Educational Programs

**1,500** 4H Horse Projects

**750** Licensed Riding & Boarding Stables

**55** High School Interscholastic Teams

**38** Horse Discovery Centers

**22** Pony Clubs

**12** College Equine Teams & Clubs

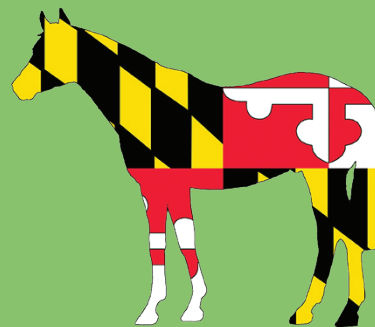


**MD is home to International gems:**

Triple Crown Race - the Preakness since 1873

International 5-Star at Fair Hill in 2021

# THE MARYLAND HORSE INDUSTRY ECONOMIC IMPACT



## The Racing Sector



Racing Sector Total  
Economic Impact of:

**\$572 million**



Supports  
**5,214 jobs**

Adds

**\$365 million** in value to the state economy

Competition Sector Total  
Economic Impact of:

**\$270 million**

Adds



**\$162 million**

in value to the  
state economy

## The Competition Sector



Supports **3,346 jobs**



## The Recreation Sector



Adds **\$234 million** in  
value to the state  
economy



Supports  
**4,971 jobs**

Recreation  
Sector  
Total Economic  
Impact of:  
**\$382 million**



Adds

**\$8.4 million**

in value to the  
state economy

**40**

Therapeutic Riding Centers  
Including over a dozen  
Veterans groups

## The Equine Therapy Sector

