

## ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL DATA

### Location and Size

Maryland is located on the East Coast in the South Atlantic Census Region and is bordered by the States of Delaware, Pennsylvania, West Virginia, Virginia and the District of Columbia. Maryland encompasses a geographic area of 12,303 square miles and ranks 42nd among the fifty states in size. Maryland's land area (exclusive of inland waterways and the 1,726 square miles of the Chesapeake Bay) is 9,874 square miles.

### Population

Maryland's population is concentrated in urban areas, the seven counties and Baltimore City located in the Baltimore and Washington corridor containing 31.7% of the State's land area and 82.2% of the population.\* The estimated 1980 population for the Baltimore SMSA was 2,174,023 and for the Maryland portion of the Washington SMSA was 1,316,875. Overall, Maryland's population per square mile in 1980 was 427.0, making Maryland the fifth most densely populated state in the Union.\*\* The following table presents population trends of Maryland and the United States since 1940:

| Year    | Maryland Population | % Increase Over Preceding Period | United States Population | % Increase Over Preceding Period |
|---------|---------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------------|
| 1940(a) | 1,821,000           | —                                | 132,165,000              | —                                |
| 1950(a) | 2,343,000           | 28.6%                            | 151,326,000              | 14.5%                            |
| 1960(a) | 3,101,000           | 32.4%                            | 179,323,000              | 18.5%                            |
| 1970(b) | 3,922,000           | 26.5%                            | 203,211,000              | 13.3%                            |
| 1971(b) | 4,008,000           | 2.2%                             | 206,219,000              | 1.5%                             |
| 1972(b) | 4,063,000           | 1.4%                             | 208,234,000              | 1.0%                             |
| 1973(b) | 4,081,000           | 0.4%                             | 209,859,000              | 0.8%                             |
| 1974(b) | 4,100,000           | 0.5%                             | 211,389,000              | 0.7%                             |
| 1975(b) | 4,111,000           | 0.3%                             | 213,051,000              | 0.8%                             |
| 1976(b) | 4,125,000           | 0.3%                             | 214,669,000              | 0.8%                             |
| 1977(b) | 4,139,000           | 0.3%                             | 216,332,000              | 0.8%                             |
| 1978(b) | 4,148,000           | 0.2%                             | 218,228,000              | 0.9%                             |
| 1979(b) | 4,149,000           | 0.0%                             | 220,099,000              | 0.9%                             |
| 1980(c) | 4,216,000           | 1.6%                             | 226,505,000              | 2.9%                             |

### SOURCES

- (a) Maryland and United States data for 1940, 1950, 1960, and 1970: U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of Census, *Statistical Abstract of the United States*, 1979.
- (b) Maryland and United States data for 1970-1977: U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of Census, *Current Population Reports*, Series P-25, No. 734. Maryland and United States data for 1978-1979: U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of Census, *Current Population Reports*, Series P-25, No. 868.
- (c) Reports of results of 1980 census.

\*Maryland Department of Economic and Community Development, *Maryland Statistical Abstract*, 1975.

\*\*U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of Census, *Statistical Abstract of the United States*, 1979; data for 1980.

### Wealth

The following table shows for the years 1976-1980 the per capita income, retail sales, and assessed property values of Maryland and the United States.

| Year | Per Capita Income(a) |         | Retail Sales(b)<br>(In Millions) |           | Assessed Property Value (c)<br>(In Millions) |      |
|------|----------------------|---------|----------------------------------|-----------|--|------|
|      | Md.                  | U.S.    | Md.                              | U.S.      | Md.  | U.S. |
| 1976 | \$ 6,990             | \$6,374 | N/A                              | N/A       | \$31,650                                     | N/A  |
| 1977 | 7,539                | 6,979   | \$14,377                         | \$725,220 | 34,540                                       | N/A  |
| 1978 | 8,429                | 7,735   | 16,425                           | 804,684   | 36,386                                       | N/A  |
| 1979 | 9,404                | 8,637   | 17,474                           | 894,343   | 41,204                                       | N/A  |
| 1980 | 10,460               | 9,521   | 19,567                           | 956,655   | 43,694                                       | N/A  |

### SOURCES:

- (a) U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of Economic Analysis, *Survey of Current Business*, Vol. 59, No. 8 (August, 1979), Part II, and Vol. 61, No. 7 (July, 1981).
- (b) U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of Census, *Current Business Reports: Monthly Retail Sales and Inventories* (BR-13-80S).
- (c) Maryland Department of Assessments and Taxation, *Thirty-Seventh Report*, January, 1981.