

# MARYLAND AT A GLANCE

Population—1930 Census, 1,631,526; 1938 estimate, 1,777,900.

Area—12,300.21 square miles; 9,870.32 land, 2,429.89 water.

Counties—

Allegany	Cecil	Howard	Somerset
Anne Arundel	Charles	Kent	Talbot
Baltimore	Dorchester	Montgomery	Washington
Calvert	Frederick	Prince George's	Wicomico
Caroline	Garrett	Queen Anne's	Worcester
Carroll	Harford	St. Mary's	

Baltimore City has the status of both a city and county.

Original charter—1634.

Founded by Cecil Calvert, Second Lord Baltimore.

Named after Queen Henrietta Maria, wife of Charles I of England.

First Settlement—St. Mary's.

One of original Thirteen Colonies.

Dimensions of State—Extends 200 miles along Pennsylvania boundary and varies from 2 to 130 miles in length.

Chesapeake Bay—180 miles in length and from 3 to 30 miles in width.

Principal rivers—Susquehanna, Potomac, Patapsco, Patuxent, Severn, Wicomico, Sassafras, Chester, Choptank, Nanticoke, Pocomoke, Tred Avon, Wye, Miles, Elk, North East and Bohemia.

Maryland has more river frontage than any other State in the Union.

Baltimore's harbor has approximately 40 miles of deep water frontage. The City is the country's second port in import tonnage and total foreign trade; in west-bound intercoastal tonnage it ranks first, and in total intercoastal tonnage it ranks second among the Atlantic ports.

The Chesapeake and Delaware Canal and the Elk River furnish a short inland water route from the Chesapeake Bay to the Delaware River and connect the ports of Baltimore and Philadelphia. The construction of this canal was begun in 1825 under joint authorization by the States of Maryland and Delaware, Maryland contributing \$500,000 toward the same. In 1919 it was purchased by the Federal Government at a cost of \$2,500,000 and approximately \$15,000,000 has been spent on it since. The present depth is 19 feet but when fully completed it will have a depth of 27 feet. It is now used extensively by vessels in both intercoastal and overseas trade, the number approximating 1200 per month and constantly increasing.

Typical elevations in Western Maryland counties—Garrett County: Great Backbone Mountain, 3,340 feet; Eagle Rock, 3,162 feet; Meadow Mountain, 3,031 feet; Sampson Rock, 2,942 feet. Allegany County: Dan's Rock, 2,898 feet; Wolf Rock, 2,796 feet; Warrior Mountain, 2,135 feet; Town Hill, 2,000 feet. Washington County: Quirauk, 2,145 feet; Fairview Mountain, 1,700 feet; Sideling Hill, 1,640 feet; Maryland Heights, 1,468 feet. Frederick County: Bob's Hill, 1,710 feet; South Mountain, 1,700 feet; Eagle Mountain, 1,660 feet; Round Top, 1,640 feet.

Total value of manufacturing products, 1935—\$757,852,170.

Gross income from agricultural production, 1937—\$87,581,000.

Total value of fishery production (estimated)—\$3,500,000.

Volume of wholesale trade, 1935—\$496,017,000.

Retail distribution, 1935—\$462,874,000.

Maryland packs more tomatoes than any other State in the Union, ranks first in the production of black muskrat pelts, the choicest in the market, and next to Louisiana in the production of all muskrat pelts and is one of the leading strawberry, spinach and sweet potato producing and vegetable canning states.