

Section 2 - Population Data

Table 2.1 displays the estimated population of the state as of July 1, 2020 by geographic region and political subdivision. Montgomery County continues to be the most populous of the 24 subdivisions, followed by Prince George's County, Baltimore County and Baltimore City, respectively. Kent County remains the least populated Maryland county.

Table 2.2 records the estimated population density of each subdivision as of July 1, 2020. Baltimore City is the most densely populated subdivision with 7,428 persons per square mile, followed by Montgomery County with 2,199 persons per square mile. Garrett County, with 45 persons per square mile, remains the least densely populated county.

TABLE 2.1
ESTIMATED POPULATION & POPULATION GROWTH
JULY 1, 2019 to JULY 1, 2020

Region & Subdivision	Population July 1, 2019	Population July 1, 2020	Total Change	Percent Change	2020 % of Total	Rank
NORTHWESTERN AREA	507,347	511,244	3,897	0.77%	8.37%	
Allegany	71,067	70,541	(526)	-0.74%	1.15%	16
Frederick	255,882	259,712	3,830	1.50%	4.25%	7
Garrett	29,117	29,005	(112)	-0.38%	0.47%	22
Washington	151,281	151,986	705	0.47%	2.49%	11
BALTIMORE-METRO AREA	2,765,398	2,772,444	7,046	0.25%	45.39%	
Anne Arundel	577,580	581,980	4,400	0.76%	9.53%	5
Baltimore City	606,679	601,644	(5,035)	-0.83%	9.85%	4
Baltimore County	833,743	835,065	1,322	0.16%	13.67%	3
Carroll	168,301	168,790	489	0.29%	2.76%	9
Harford	253,689	255,182	1,493	0.59%	4.18%	8
Howard	325,406	329,783	4,377	1.35%	5.40%	6
NATIONAL CAPITAL AREA	1,984,069	1,996,611	12,542	0.63%	32.69%	
Montgomery	1,069,176	1,079,558	10,382	0.97%	17.67%	1
Prince George's	914,893	917,053	2,160	0.24%	15.01%	2
SOUTHERN AREA	367,277	370,703	3,426	0.93%	6.07%	
Calvert	91,884	92,289	405	0.44%	1.51%	15
Charles	161,873	164,045	2,172	1.34%	2.69%	10
St. Mary's	113,520	114,369	849	0.75%	1.87%	12
EASTERN SHORE	455,927	456,972	1,045	0.23%	7.48%	
Caroline	33,478	33,767	289	0.86%	0.55%	20
Cecil	102,821	102,908	87	0.08%	1.68%	14
Dorchester	32,054	31,944	(110)	-0.34%	0.52%	21
Kent	19,152	18,936	(216)	-1.13%	0.31%	24
Queen Anne's	50,299	50,807	508	1.01%	0.83%	18
Somerset	26,010	26,106	96	0.37%	0.43%	23
Talbot	36,988	36,859	(129)	-0.35%	0.60%	19
Wicomico	103,293	103,675	382	0.37%	1.70%	13
Worcester	51,832	51,970	138	0.27%	0.85%	17
TOTAL	6,080,018	6,107,974	27,956	0.46%	100.00%	

Source: Maryland Department of Legislative Services, October 2019

TABLE 2.2
ESTIMATED POPULATION DENSITY
 Population - July 1, 2020

SUBDIVISION	Population July 1, 2020	Square Miles (Land Only)	Estimated Density Per Square Mile	Density Rank
ALLEGANY	70,541	424	166	16
ANNE ARUNDEL	581,980	415	1,402	4
BALTIMORE CITY	601,644	81	7,428	1
BALTIMORE COUNTY	835,065	598	1,396	5
CALVERT	92,289	213	433	8
CAROLINE	33,767	319	106	20
CARROLL	168,790	447	378	10
CECIL	102,908	346	297	14
CHARLES	164,045	458	358	11
DORCHESTER	31,944	541	59	23
FREDERICK	259,712	660	394	9
GARRETT	29,005	647	45	24
HARFORD	255,182	437	584	7
HOWARD	329,783	251	1,314	6
KENT	18,936	277	68	22
MONTGOMERY	1,079,558	491	2,199	2
PRINCE GEORGE'S	917,053	483	1,899	3
QUEEN ANNE'S	50,807	372	137	18
ST. MARY'S	114,369	357	320	13
SOMERSET	26,106	319	82	21
TALBOT	36,859	268	138	17
WASHINGTON	151,986	458	332	12
WICOMICO	103,675	374	277	15
WORCESTER	51,970	468	111	19

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