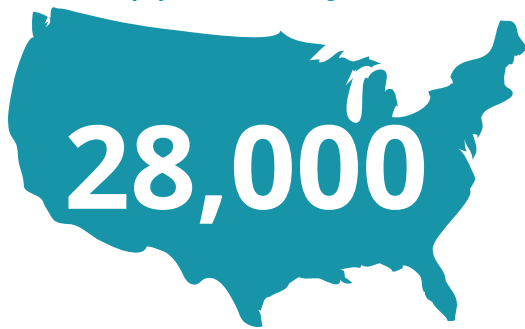


Farmers, families and businesses

are **choosing** organic food and farming.



The **\$62 billion-a-year** U.S. organic sector is supported by over



certified organic operations nationwide



Organic farms, suppliers and handlers are

creating jobs

by **opening, expanding and retooling handling** and manufacturing processing facilities

OVER **80%** of households across the country purchase organic



Ranking 30th in the nation, Maryland has **211 organic businesses.**



85% of Maryland households are buying organic.



Maryland organic commodity sales increased **65%** from 2017 to 2019, to **\$50 million** annually.



42% of Maryland organic farms **plan on increasing production** over the next 5 years.



Milk, Corn, Turkeys, Cattle, and Soybeans are the top crops in Maryland.



Organic Operations by Maryland **Congressional District:**

District	Organic Operations
MD01	71
MD02	31
MD03	16
MD04	4
MD05	7
MD06	40
MD07	15
MD08	26