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**ANNUAL REPORT**

**2020**

**STATE OF MARYLAND**



**MARYLAND RACING COMMISSION**

**Larry Hogan**  
Governor of Maryland

**Boyd K. Rutherford**  
Lt. Governor of Maryland

**Tiffany P. Robinson**  
Secretary

August 16, 2021

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The Honorable Bill Ferguson  
President  
Senate of Maryland  
State House, H-107  
Annapolis, Maryland 21401

The Honorable Adrienne Jones  
Speaker  
Maryland House of Delegates  
State House, H-101  
Annapolis, Maryland 21401

RE: Report required by Business Regulation Article §11–213 (MSAR 710, 6526)

Dear Secretary Robinson, Senate President Ferguson, and Speaker Jones:

On or before September 15 of each year, the Maryland Racing Commission is required to submit a report to the Secretary and the Legislative Policy Committee about the preceding calendar year. The Commission is pleased to present you with the annual report for calendar year 2020.

Each report shall include:

- (1) a statement of receipts and disbursements of the Commission;
- (2) a summary of major events that occurred the preceding year that affected horse racing in the State, including any significant changes at tracks in the region as well as a discussion of legislative initiatives in the State;
- (3) a 5-year assessment of each track regarding:
  - (i) attendance;
  - (ii) purse distributions;
  - (iii) live racing days that are allocated and used;
  - (iv) betting on live racing that is held at that track broken down by the following categories:
    1. betting conducted at the live track;
    2. betting conducted at other Maryland tracks;
    3. betting conducted at satellite simulcast facilities in the State; and
    4. betting conducted through out-of-state satellite simulcasting;

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- (v) betting that is conducted at the live track on races simulcast from other tracks in the State;  
and
- (vi) betting that is conducted at the live track on races simulcast from out-of-state tracks;
- (4) information on all simulcast betting at satellite simulcast facilities in the State, including information on how much is wagered on in-state races and how much is bet on out-of-state races;
- (5) information on all simulcast betting that is conducted out-of-state on races being run live in this State;
- (6) to the extent available, information on the breeding industry in the State, including:
  - (i) the number of breeders in the State;
  - (ii) the number of foals registered in the State;
  - (iii) the average sales prices of foals; and
  - (iv) any other information pertaining to the regional and national ranking of the State for breeding;
- (7) all other information that is currently provided by the Commission in its annual report;
- (8) additional information on satellite simulcast facilities, as required under § 11-831 of this title;  
and
- (9) any other information that is useful in explaining the financial viability of horse racing in the State and any recommendations to improve the industry.

A review of this report will give you an overview of the horse racing industry in Maryland.

J. Michael Hopkins  
Executive Director

cc: Legislative Policy Committee  
Sarah Albert, Department of Legislative Services (5 hard copies)

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**The Commission during the year 2020 consisted of:**

**Chairman**

Michael J. Algeo

**Members**

Ronald Thomas, II  
M. Konrad Wayson  
Tammy Lafferty  
Tom Winebrenner  
David Hayden  
Ernest R. Grecco  
Clarissa Coughlin  
Dr. Tom Bowman

**The Commission Staff**

J. Michael W. Hopkins, Executive Director  
Doreen K. Munday, Admin. Program Manager  
Cheryl Kauffman, Fiscal Accounts Supervisor  
Tia Hayes-McMillan, Fiscal Clerk II  
Joseph M. Poag, Chief Investigator  
Dennis O'Neill, Investigator

**Stewards**

Adam Campola, Administrative Steward  
Russell Derderian, Associate Steward  
Ross Pearce, Associate Steward

**Veterinarians**

Dr. Elizabeth Daniel, Equine Medical Director  
Dr. Kelly Walsh, Veterinarian  
Dr. Sam Saksen, Veterinarian  
Dr. Sarah Dilodovico, Veterinarian

## **MEETING STATISTICS - 2020**

### **Commission Meetings**

In 2020, the Commission met to conduct business on ten (10) occasions.

### **Highlights**

#### **REVENUE:**

**\$ 1,637,079** was collected by the State in 2020. This amount represents a decrease from the amount of revenue collected in 2019.

#### **ATTENDANCE:**

Attendance at Maryland tracks was 89,410 in 2020. Since attendance is not kept for patronage at Satellite Simulcast Betting Facilities and at remote tracks, recorded attendance alone is not a good measure of activity.

Rosecroft & Ocean Downs do not keep a record of attendance.

### **Legislation**

HB 482/ SB 533 - Expanded the Maryland Bred Race Fund Advisory Committee to include a representative from the Maryland Thoroughbred Horseman's Association and further defined a Maryland Bred.

HB 940 – Authorized sports betting in Maryland.

HB 1259/ SB 919 – Removed obsolete language regarding the types of races ran at Fair Hill and clarified the amount retained for the Fair Hill Improvement Fund

## 2020 RACING DATES

### MILE TRACKS:

Laurel	January 1 – December 31	134
	Simulcast Days	<u>38</u>
		172 Days
Pimlico	January 1 - December 31	6
	Simulcast Days	<u>177</u>
		183 Days
	<b>Total</b>	<b>355 Days</b>

### COUNTY FAIR TRACKS:

Timonium	August – September	0
	Simulcast Days	<u>0</u>
	<b>Total</b>	<b>0 Days</b>

### STEEPLECHASE :

Fair Hill	May	<u>0</u>
	<b>Total</b>	<b>0 Days</b>

<b>TOTAL LIVE:</b>	<b>140 DAYS</b>
<b>TOTAL SIMULCAST ONLY:</b>	<b><u>215 DAYS</u></b>
<b>THOROUGHBRED TOTAL:</b>	<b><u><u>355 DAYS</u></u></b>

**2020 RACING DATES**  
(Continued)

**HARNESS TRACKS:**

Rosecroft	January 1 – December 31	45	
	ITW	27	
		72	Nights

Ocean Downs	January 1 – December 31	41	
	ITW	226	
		267	Nights

<b>TOTAL LIVE:</b>	<b>86 NIGHTS</b>
<b>TOTAL SIMULCAST ONLY:</b>	<b>253 NIGHTS</b>
<b>HARNESS TOTAL:</b>	<b>339 NIGHTS</b>

<b>TOTAL LIVE RACING DAYS AND NIGHTS</b>	<b>226</b>
<b>TOTAL SIMULCAST ONLY</b>	<b>468</b>
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>694</b>

**RACE YEAR**

**SUMMARY:**

During the year 2020, there were 226 days and nights of licensed racing in the State, consisting of the following:

There were 355 days of licensed racing at the Mile Tracks – Pimlico 183 days and Laurel 172 days; -0- days at Timonium; and -0- days raced at Fair Hill. There were also 339 nights of licensed racing at the Harness Tracks – Rosecroft 72 nights and Ocean Downs 267 nights.



**ATTENDANCE FOR CALENDAR YEARS 2018 - 2020**

	<u><b>2020</b></u>	<u><b>2019</b></u>	<u><b>2018</b></u>
Laurel	58,138	275,214	272,926
Pimlico	31,272	124,952	129,474
Timonium *	<u>0</u>	<u>13,206</u>	<u>14,096</u>
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>89,410</b>	<b>413,372</b>	<b>416,496</b>
Rosecroft **	**	**	**
Ocean Downs**	<u>**</u>	<u>**</u>	<u>**</u>
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
Fair Hill	<b>0</b>	<b>10,841</b>	<b>11,114</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b><u>89,410</u></b>	<b><u>424,213</u></b>	<b><u>427,610</u></b>

\*Includes attendance from State Fair

\*\*Not recorded at Rosecroft and Ocean Downs

**WAGERING HISTORY IN MARYLAND**  
of  
**THOROUGHBRED AND HARNESS RACING**

**THOROUGHBRED STATISTICS:**

YEAR	LICENSED DAYS	AMOUNT WAGERED
2007	301	259,549,867
2008	303	225,189,800
2009	291	195,908,615
2010	290	190,800,402
2011	267	182,980,868
2012	336	158,031,769
2013	363	134,515,395
2014	362	122,668,323
2015	361	129,139,471
2016	362	102,388,036
2017	363	94,123,538
2018	362	88,957,359
2019	641	82,329,162
2020	355	22,424,942

**HARNESS STATISTICS:**

YEAR	LICENSED DAYS	AMOUNT WAGERED
2007	721	117,815,100
2008	727	100,559,207
2009	738	65,631,105
2010	823	22,753,567
2011	490	20,810,252
2012	717	34,180,137
2013	723	47,922,650
2014	724	46,070,856
2015	719	40,915,568
2016	724	46,168,043
2017	725	44,110,698
2018	722	36,081,700
2019	725	48,122,467
2020	339	22,197,422

**SSB FACILITIES STATISTICS:**

YEAR	AMOUNT WAGERED
2007	69,206,967
2008	52,507,771
2009	41,360,026
2010	38,137,636
2011	30,812,484
2012	14,288,365
2013	10,212,577
2014	5,140,478
2015	13,857,614
2016	20,449,226
2017	37,829,944
2018	39,237,868
2019	44,837,391
2020	43,355,112

**COMBINED TOTALS:**

YEAR	LICENSED DAYS	AMOUNT WAGERED
2007	1,022	446,571,934
2008	1,030	378,256,778
2009	1,029	302,899,746
2010	1,113	251,691,605
2011	757	234,603,604
2012	1,053	206,500,271
2013	1,086	192,286,622
2014	1,086	172,879,657
2015	1,080	183,912,653
2016	1,086	169,005,305
2017	1,088	176,064,180
2018	1,084	164,276,927
2019	1,364	175,289,020
2020	694	87,977,476

**AMOUNT WAGERED**

**2020**

**MILE TRACKS:**

Laurel	\$14,391,030
Pimlico	<u>\$8,033,912</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b><u>\$22,424,942</u></b>

**COUNTY FAIR TRACKS:**

Timonium	<u>\$0</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b><u>\$0</u></b>

**HARNESS TRACKS:**

Rosecroft	\$15,841,187
Ocean Downs	<u>\$6,356,235</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b><u>\$22,197,422</u></b>

**STEEPLECHASE:**

Fair Hill	<u>\$0</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b><u>\$0</u></b>

<b>SSB FACILITIES</b>	<b><u>\$43,355,112</u></b>
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**SUMMARY**

Mile Tracks	\$22,424,942
County Fair Tracks	\$0
Harness Tracks	\$22,197,422
Steeplechase	\$0
SSB Facilities	<u>\$43,355,112</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b><u>\$87,977,476</u></b>

## SATELLITE SIMULCAST BETTING

The amounts bet at the Satellite Simulcast Betting Facilities in calendar year 2020 are reflected in the following table.

### Maryland Satellite Simulcast Betting Facilities

Bet At:	<u>Riverboat</u>	<u>Horseshoe</u>	<u>Timonium</u>	<u>Boonsboro</u>	<u>Perryville</u>	<u>MGM</u>	<u>Greenmount</u>	<u>Frederick</u>
<b>Bets on:</b>								
<b>MD Thoroughbred Races</b>	248,249	609,942	1,390,096	107,301	215,253	431,068	224,393	416,570
<b>MD Harness Races</b>	1,914	28,908	6,378	2,319	4,841	82,255	1,202	9,952
<b>Out - of -State Races</b>	4,059,014	7,177,662	11,085,924	1,580,316	2,593,598	7,201,450	1,437,233	4,439,274
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>4,309,177</b>	<b>7,816,512</b>	<b>12,482,398</b>	<b>1,689,936</b>	<b>2,813,692</b>	<b>7,714,773</b>	<b>1,662,828</b>	<b>4,865,796</b>

In 2020, SSB facilities met the prescribed food and service standards and provide a convenience to the horse racing public.

## FIVE YEAR ASSESSMENT OF LAUREL

	<b>2020</b>	<b>2019</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>2017</b>	<b>2016</b>
<b><u>Attendance</u></b>	58,138	275,214	272,926	303,114	330,817
<b><u>Purses</u></b>	39,699,601	48,225,203	50,289,064	40,837,740	33,959,365
<b><u>Number of days of live racing</u></b>	134	162	158	150	125
<b><u>Betting on its live racing at:</u></b>					
Laurel	2,656,061	12,534,126	12,991,430	13,532,748	12,164,916
Other MD tracks	988,369	2,752,581	2,697,626	3,169,633	3,436,710
Satellite Simulcast Facilities	3,027,347	3,482,922	3,452,452	3,206,944	2,480,279
Out-of-state	302,872,853	350,298,087	353,004,877	336,387,361	256,578,508
<b><u>Betting on other in-State races</u></b>	27,376	1,367,491	1,353,185	1,563,234	2,219,172
<b><u>Betting on out-of-State races</u></b>	11,707,593	48,895,883	53,735,871	55,267,891	58,084,683
<b><u>Total betting at this location on all racing</u></b>	<b><u>14,391,030</u></b>	<b><u>62,797,500</u></b>	<b><u>68,080,486</u></b>	<b><u>70,363,873</u></b>	<b><u>72,468,771</u></b>

## FIVE YEAR ASSESSMENT OF PIMLICO

	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016
<b><u>Attendance</u></b>	31,272	124,952	129,474	121,402	149,544
<b><u>Purses</u></b>	4,114,074	5,534,958	5,994,747	5,385,380	8,952,825
<b><u>Number of days of live racing</u></b>	6	12	12	12	28
<b><u>Betting on its live racing at:</u></b>					
Pimlico	3,166	5,504,782	5,640,463	7,060,076	7,844,833
Other MD tracks	52,509	1,456,936	1,360,912	1,814,168	2,905,243
Satellite Simulcast Facilities in MD	615,525	955,670	885,954	822,927	1,152,775
Out-of-state	66,369,261	140,562,792	129,781,672	134,381,489	160,625,703
<b><u>Betting on other in-State races</u></b>	691,206	1,291,630	1,383,157	1,437,821	1,643,715
<b><u>Betting on out-of-State races</u></b>	7,339,540	11,390,038	12,483,544	13,735,860	18,912,370
<b><u>Total betting at this location on all racing</u></b>	<b>8,033,912</b>	<b>18,186,450</b>	<b>19,507,164</b>	<b>22,233,757</b>	<b>28,400,918</b>

## FIVE YEAR ASSESSMENT OF TIMONIUM

	<b>2020</b>	<b>2019</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>2017</b>	<b>2016</b>
<b><u>Attendance</u></b>	0	13,206	14,096	15,491	14,465
<b><u>Purses</u></b>	0	1,394,225	1,693,353	1,453,410	1,126,275
<b><u>Number of days of live racing</u></b>	0	7	7	7	7
<b><u>Betting on its live racing at:</u></b>					
Timonium	0	596,163	660,766	739,340	697,034
Other MD tracks	0	271,024	269,158	300,472	248,940
Satellite Simulcast Facilities in MD	0	73,916	78,107	68,406	44,157
Out-of-state	0	3,325,974	3,845,992	4,169,311	2,595,868
<b><u>Betting on other in-State races</u></b>	0	305	234	357	151
<b><u>Betting on out-of-State races</u></b>	0	623,823	557,033	628,499	688,644
<b><u>Total betting at this location on all racing</u></b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1,220,291</b>	<b>1,218,033</b>	<b>1,368,196</b>	<b>1,385,829</b>

## FIVE YEAR ASSESSMENT OF ROSECROFT

	<b>2020</b>	<b>2019</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>2017</b>	<b>2016</b>
<b><u>Attendance</u></b>	*0	*0	*0	*0	*0
<b><u>*Attendance not recorded</u></b>					
<b><u>Purses</u></b>	5,750,511	7,225,498	5,740,701	5,295,926	6,016,904
<b><u>Number of days of live racing</u></b>	45	59	59	59	54
<b><u>Betting on its live racing at:</u></b>					
Rosecroft	237,040	944,058	853,938	833,526	1,007,007
Other MD tracks	94,536	187,115	117,123	137,789	100,827
Satellite Simulcast Facilities in MD	106,626	106,173	58,047	63,629	51,995
Out-of-state	11,532,008	10,015,131	7,392,866	6,802,198	5,947,155
<b><u>Betting on other in-State races</u></b>	175,413	1,627,964	1,826,101	1,922,995	2,252,743
<b><u>Betting on out-of-State races</u></b>	3,896,726	22,192,960	26,080,844	27,990,093	31,284,981
<b><u>Total betting at this location on all racing</u></b>	<b>4,309,179</b>	<b>24,764,982</b>	<b>28,760,883</b>	<b>30,746,614</b>	<b>34,544,731</b>



## FIVE YEAR ASSESSMENT OF OCEAN DOWNS

	<b>2020</b>	<b>2019</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>2017</b>	<b>2016</b>
<b><u>*Attendance not recorded</u></b>	0	38,721	33,877	34,766	39,339
<b><u>Purses</u></b>	2,852,368	4,888,143	5,172,768	4,524,196	4,236,917
<b><u>Number of days of live racing</u></b>	41	47	48	47	47
<b><u>Betting on its live racing at:</u></b>					
<b>Ocean Downs</b>	215,492	917,865	843,479	841,399	983,450
<b>Other MD tracks</b>	6,216	129,682	117,860	114,036	204,134
<b>MD Satellite Simulcast Facilities</b>	48,123	49,134	36,602	35,545	25,213
<b>Out-of-state</b>	2,539,779	6,001,502	5,555,633	5,259,894	3,250,006
<b><u>Betting on other in-State races</u></b>	250,665	509,948	558,404	614,591	646,568
<b><u>Betting on out-of-State races</u></b>	2,998,096	5,300,107	5,918,935	7,238,654	7,148,597
<b><u>Total betting at this location on all racing</u></b>	<b>3,464,253</b>	<b>6,727,920</b>	<b>7,320,818</b>	<b>8,694,644</b>	<b>8,778,615</b>

## METHOD OF TAXATION

### TAKEOUT AT MARYLAND THOROUGHBRED RACETRACKS

**Effective July 1, 2005**

	Regular <u>Pool%</u>	2-Horse <u>Multiple</u>	3-Horse Multiple <u>1st Race</u>
State Tax	.32	.32	.32
Purses	7.88 (1)	8.88 (1)	11.88 (1)
Track	7.70 (2)	8.70 (2)	11.70 (2)
Maryland Million	1.00	2.0	.75
Bred Fund	<u>1.10</u>	<u>1.10</u>	<u>1.10</u>
Total Takeout	18.00	21.00	25.75
Returned to Public	<u>82.00</u>	<u>79.00</u>	<u>74.25</u>
 Total Handle	 100.00 %	 100.00 %	 100.00 %

#### **Timonium**

State Tax	0 (3)	0 (3)	0 (3)
Purses	5.00	7.00	13.00
Track	10.50 (2)	10.50 (2)	10.50 (2)
Bred Fund	<u>1.50</u>	<u>1.50</u>	<u>1.50</u>
Total Takeout	17.00	19.00	25.00
Returned to Public	<u>83.00</u>	<u>81.00</u>	<u>75.00</u>
 Total Handle	 100.00 %	 100.00 %	 100.00 %

#### **Fair Hill**

State Tax (Fair Hill Improvement Fund)	9.00		
Track	<u>16.00</u>		
Total Takeout	25.00		
Returned to Public	<u>75.00</u>		
 Total Handle	 100.00 %		

(1) Includes .18 for purses.

(2) Includes .25 for Pension Fund.

(3) No State tax paid during the State Fair.

**METHOD OF TAXATION**  
(Continued)

**TAKEOUT AT MARYLAND HARNESS RACETRACKS**

	1-Horse <u>Pool %</u>	2-Horse <u>Pool %</u>	Over 2-Horse <u>Pool %</u>
State Tax	.32	.32	.32
Purses	.18	.18	.18
Track	18.00	20.00	26.00
Standardbred Fund	(4)	(4)	(4)
Track Pensions	(5)	(5)	(5)
Total Takeout	18.75	20.75	26.75
Returned to Public	<u>81.25</u>	<u>79.25</u>	<u>73.25</u>
Total Handle	100.00 %	100.00 %	100.00 %

(4) The amount deducted is .5 and 1.00 respectively of the first \$125,000 daily average. The amount deducted for amounts in excess of \$125,000 are 1.00, 1.00 and 1.50 of the track share of the takeout.

(5) If daily average for the year exceeds \$125,000, .25% of the handle is deducted from all pools for track employee pensions.

**REVENUE TO THE STATE: THOROUGHBRED**

**TOTAL FOR ALL MEETS**

	<b>2020</b>	<b>2019</b>
<b>LAUREL</b>		
Race Days	172	363
Tax to the State	144,551	371,167
License Fee	4,300	9,075
	<b>148,851</b>	<b>380,242</b>
 <b>PIMLICO</b>		
Race Days	183	267
Tax to the State	124,209	233,163
License Fee	4,575	6,675
	<b>128,784</b>	<b>239,838</b>
 <b>TOTAL THOROUGHBRED</b>	<b>277,635</b>	<b>620,080</b>
 <b>COUNTY FAIR: TIMONIUM</b>		
Race Days	0	7
Tax to the State	0	0
License Fee	0	0
	0	0
 <b>TOTAL COUNTY FAIR</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
 <b>STEEPLECHASE: FAIR HILL</b>		
Race Days	0	1
Tax to the State	0	11,243
 <b>TOTAL STEEPLECHASE</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>11,243</b>

## REVENUE TO THE STATE: HARNESS

	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>
<b>ROSECROFT</b>		
Race Days	72	361
Tax to the State	61,359	107,701
License Fee	<u>1,800</u>	<u>9,025</u>
	<b><u>63,159</u></b>	<b><u>116,726</u></b>
 <b>OCEAN DOWNS</b>		
Race Days	267	362
Tax to the State	10,435	5,598
License Fee	<u>6,675</u>	<u>9,050</u>
	<b><u>17,110</u></b>	<b><u>14,648</u></b>
 <b>TOTAL HARNESS</b>	 <b><u>80,269</u></b>	 <b><u>131,374</u></b>

(Race days include live and simulcast only days)

## SUMMARY OF LICENSES & REGISTRATIONS ISSUED

2020

### THOROUGHBRED LICENSES:

527	Original Owner
1,867	Renewal Owner
53	Original Trainer
195	Renewal Trainer
113	Assistant Trainer
284	Owner / Trainer
117	Jockey
16	Apprentice Jockey
22	Jockey Agent
35	Veterinarian
32	Farrier
863	Stable Employee
124	Mutuel Employee
151	Vendor
221	Exercise Rider
255	Track Employee
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<b>4,875</b>	<b>TOTAL LICENSES</b>

### THOROUGHBRED REGISTRATIONS:

85	Authorized Agent
1000	Assumed Name
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<b>1085</b>	<b>TOTAL REGISTRATIONS</b>

**SUMMARY OF LICENSES & REGISTRATIONS ISSUED**  
(Continued)

**HARNESS LICENSES:**

88	Original Owner
345	Renewal Owner
8	Original Trainer
22	Renewal Trainer
20	Driver
18	Trainer / Driver
136	Owner / Trainer
96	Owner / Trainer / Driver
8	Owner / Driver
8	Veterinarian
172	Stable Employee
43	Mutuel Employee
101	Track Employee
13	Vendor
1	Farrier
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<b>1,079</b>	<b>TOTAL LICENSES</b>

**HARNESS REGISTRATIONS:**

0	Authorized Agent
91	Assumed Name
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<b>91</b>	<b>TOTAL REGISTRATIONS</b>

## UNCASHED PARI-MUTUEL TICKETS

If any winning ticket is not redeemed for a period of one (1) year from the date of issue, the amount necessary to redeem the ticket shall be paid to a special fund of the State. The following receipts are from race meetings conducted in the year prior to that indicated by the columnar heading. Collected July 1, 2019 thru June 30, 2020

	<b>2020</b>	<b>2019</b>
Mile Tracks	\$733,969	\$786,089
Harness Tracks	187,494	191,267
County Fair Track	0*	0*
Steeplechase	5,122	4,262
<b>TOTAL UNCASHED PARI-MUTUEL TICKETS</b>	<b>\$926,585</b>	<b>\$981,618</b>

\*County Fair uncashed monies included with mile tracks.

\*\*SSB's uncashed monies included with racetracks uncashed tickets.



## STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS

### DISBURSED TO THE STATE COMPTROLLER

	<u>2020</u>
<b><u>MILE TRACKS:</u></b>	
Track License Fees	\$8,875
Tax on Betting	268,760
Uncashed Pari-Mutuels	<u>733,969</u>
<b>TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS MILE TRACKS</b>	<b><u>\$1,011,604</u></b>
<b><u>COUNTY FAIR TRACKS:</u></b>	
Tax on Betting (6)	\$0
Uncashed Pari-Mutuels	*
<b>TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS COUNTY FAIR</b>	<b><u>0</u></b>
<b><u>HARNESS TRACKS:</u></b>	
Track License Fees	\$8,475
Tax on Betting	71,794
Uncashed Pari-Mutuels	<u>187,494</u>
<b>TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS HARNESS TRACKS</b>	<b><u>\$267,763</u></b>
<b><u>STEEPLECHASE:</u></b>	
Tax on Betting	\$0
Uncashed Pari-Mutuels	<u>5,122</u>
<b>TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS STEEPLECHASE</b>	<b><u>\$5,122</u></b>
<b><u>OTB'S:</u></b>	
Permit Fee	<u>\$4,500</u>
<b>TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS O.T.B.</b>	<b><u>\$4,500</u></b>
 <b><u>TOTAL ALL DISBURSEMENTS</u></b>	 <b><u>\$1,288,989</u></b>

(6) No State tax is payable when racing is conducted during the State Fair.

\*County Fair uncashed monies included with mile tracks.

**STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS**

**DISBURSED TO THE STATE COMPTROLLER**  
(Continued)

**DIRECT DISBURSEMENTS TO STATE COMPTROLLER:**

	<b><u>2020</u></b>
Tax on Admissions	\$0
Sales Tax on Horses Claimed	<u>348,090</u>
<b>TOTAL DIRECT DISBURSEMENTS TO STATE</b>	<b>348,090</b>
<b><u>TOTAL ALL DISBURSEMENTS TO STATE COMPTROLLER</u></b>	<b><u>\$1,637,079</u></b>

## STATEMENT OF ACTUAL EXPENDITURES

July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020

### SALARIES & BENEFITS

Commission Personnel	<u>\$419,195</u>
<b>Total Salary Expenses</b>	<b><u>\$419,195</u></b>

### OFFICE EXPENDITURES:

Telephone and Postage	8,054
Travel Expenses	8,413
Motor Vehicle Oper	1,209
Contractual Services, i.e.,	25,638
Printing, Repairs, Equipment and Leasing, Court Expenses, Transcript of Hearings	0
Office Supplies	4,595
Office Equipment Additional	3,679
Fixed Charges, i.e., Rent, Insurance, Subscriptions and Dues	12,536
<b>Total Office Expenses</b>	<b><u>\$64,124</u></b>

<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES AND DISBURSEMENTS (7)</b>	<b><u><u>\$483,319</u></u></b>
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### OTHER DISBURSEMENTS:

<b>Grants</b>	<b>\$1,209,487</b>
<b>Impact Aid</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<b>Other:</b>	
Fair Hill	\$0
Maryland Standardbred Race Fund	289,945
Maryland Million	414,208
<b>Total Other:</b>	<b><u>\$704,153</u></b>

<b>TOTAL OTHER DISBURSEMENTS</b>	<b><u>\$1,913,640</u></b>
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(7) Does not include salaries of Stewards and Judges, nor salaries of personnel and expenses reimbursed by the associations.

**MARYLAND RACING COMMISSION 2020  
Equine Specimen Testing**

Truesdail Laboratories located in Tustin, California was one of two laboratories that responded to a “Request For Proposal” (RFP) issued by the Department late in 2013. Consequently, Truesdail was awarded the five-year contract and provided the urine and blood specimen analysis during 2020 and continues to do so. Below are the statistics regarding the analysis of these samples.

The following table and list represent the findings of the laboratory during calendar year 2020.

**NUMBER OF OFFICIAL SAMPLES ANALYZED**

<b>SOURCE</b>	<b>URINE</b>	<b>BLOOD</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>POSITIVE</b>
Thoroughbred	2,410	3,017	5,427	17
Standardbred	1,520	2,621	4,141	15
Human	0	0	0	0
<b>2020 Totals</b>	<b>3,930</b>	<b>5,638</b>	<b>9,568</b>	<b>32</b>

## THE MARYLAND JOCKEY INJURY COMPENSATION FUND

The Maryland Jockey Injury Compensation Fund, Inc. was established by legislative action during the 1985 session of the General Assembly and became effective January 1, 1986.

The purpose of this fund is to purchase a blanket workmen's compensation insurance policy for all jockeys licensed by the Maryland Racing Commission and participating at the Maryland race tracks.

### POLICY COST

2004	\$ 611,533
2005	\$ 655,311
2006	\$ 741,868
2007	\$ 977,423
2008	\$ 723,852
2009	\$ 476,211
2010	\$ 404,954
2011	\$ 508,182
2012	\$1,675,611
2013	\$1,648,613
2014	\$1,223,005
2015	\$ 808,553
2016	\$ 882,763
2017	\$ 990,509
2018	\$ 986,874
2019	\$1,030,888
2020	\$1,019,114

The above costs were funded by an assessment on all licensed owners and trainers levied and collected by the Maryland Racing Commission at the time of licensure. The assessment per licensee for 2020 was \$ 100.00.

## MARYLAND-BRED FUND REPORT

### MARYLAND-BRED FUND DISTRIBUTION IS EXPLAINED

The Maryland-Bred Fund was created by the General Assembly in 1962. Maryland was the first state to develop a legislated incentive program to encourage the improvement of Thoroughbred breeding and racing. Since that time, more than 30 other states have instituted incentive programs of one kind or another.

In Maryland, there are six categories through which monies from the Fund are made available:

- 1) **purse money** for stakes races for registered Maryland-breds,
- 2) **awards for owners** of registered Maryland-breds finishing first, second or third
- 3) **awards for breeders** of Registered Maryland-breds finishing first, second or third;
- 4) **awards for the owners of stallions** which are duly registered with the Maryland Horse Breeders Association (MHBA);
- 5) **yearling show bonus awards for** the four highest-earning 2 and 3-year-olds shown at the annual MHBA yearling show (based on North American earnings);
- and

6) **Maryland-sired allocation** for purses and awards for horses conceived in Maryland by a registered/nominated Maryland Stallion.

The Maryland –Bred Fund receives slightly less than 1 percent of the total mutual handle and breakage from Laurel and Pimlico (the State’s two mile tracks), and receives approximately 1.5 percent of the mutual handle and 5.0 percent of the breakage at Timonium (the State’s half mile track).

In 2020, the year of COVID-19, revenue for the Maryland-Bred Fund totaled over \$5.6 million (includes nearly \$370,000 from pari-mutuel wagering funds and \$5.3 million from other sources. After eligible deductions, a portion of this money is allocated to purses. The remaining percentage is distributed in the form of breeder awards and stallion awards. In 2020, nearly \$162,000 was paid in purses and \$3.9 million was disbursed as breeder and stallion awards.

In 2020, breeder and stallion awards were paid for the registered Maryland-bred

who finished first through third in any race in Maryland. Due to decreased revenue, the breeder awards were 25% and the stallion bonuses were 8.3% of the winner's share of the purse from May 1<sup>st</sup> thru December. For stakes races only, bonus percentages were 15% Breeders and 5% Stallion . In stakes races the award is based on the first \$100,000 of the gross purse. The Maryland-bred stakes program is typically planned on a meet by meet basis and is based on projected revenues for the coming year.

The Maryland-Bred Fund program is administered by the Maryland Racing Commission with the assistance and advice of the Maryland-Bred Fund Advisory Committee chaired by David Hayden, a member of the Maryland Racing Commission. Other members of the Maryland Fund Advisory Committee are Georganne Hale (Representing the mile tracks), Richie Blue (half-mile track) and Michael Harrison, DVR and David Wade (MHBA). Under the direction of the Commission, the actual implementation of the fund, including maintaining the Maryland-bred registry and computing and distributing all bonus awards, is performed by the MHBA for which it receives up to 10 percent of the total receipts of the Fund, subject to the approval of the Maryland Racing Commission.

Breeder and stallion award percentages are determined on a bi-annual basis on the advice of the Maryland Fund Advisory Committee. Owner award percentages are determined by a separate agreement. (For Maryland Million Day, breeder and stallion award percentages are determined annually). Awards are distributed as soon as is practical. The quality of Maryland-breds has improved since the Maryland-Bred Fund was initiated over 50 years ago and the program is evaluated bi-annually to ensure the most effective use of the money.

## MARYLAND STANDARDBRED RACE FUND

Total purses for the year were \$ 1,214,585, a decrease from 2019 purses. The Maryland Sire Stakes (MSS) and Maryland Standardbred Fund (MSF) combined totals for the program in each year from 2000 through 2020 are shown below:

<u>YEAR</u>	<u>MSS</u>	<u>MSF</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
2000	\$1,215,690	\$1,132,700	\$2,348,390
2001	\$1,142,780	\$1,039,960	\$2,182,740
2002	\$970,360	\$900,690	\$1,871,050
2003	\$947,550	\$833,250	\$1,780,800
2004	\$784,000	\$537,127	\$1,321,127
2005	\$779,104	\$627,761	\$1,406,865
2006	\$859,650	\$687,860	\$1,547,510
2007	\$816,750	\$620,200	\$1,436,950
2008	\$720,000	\$494,550	\$1,214,550
2009	\$445,000	\$315,550	\$760,550
2010	\$311,500	\$241,475	\$552,975
2011	\$447,500	\$260,250	\$707,750
2012	\$798,600	\$172,250	\$970,850
2013	\$825,997	\$529,475	\$1,355,472
2014	\$1,406,377	\$501,835	\$1,908,212
2015	\$1,210,700	\$472,585	\$1,683,285
2016	\$1,239,250	\$471,775	\$1,711,025
2017	\$1,487,775	\$412,980	\$1,990,755
2018	\$1,558,500	\$235,150	\$1,793,650
2019	\$1,672,599	\$214,775	\$1,887,374
2020	\$1,055,010	\$159,575	\$1,214,585