

# Maryland State Archives

## MISSION

To acquire, describe, preserve, and make electronically available (in a secure and dynamic environment) the permanent records of Maryland's past, while providing reliable current information to citizens and public officials for the better administration of Maryland government and understanding of Maryland history.

## KEY GOALS, OBJECTIVES, AND PERFORMANCE MEASURES

**Goal 1. Identify, appraise, acquire, preserve, and manage records, government publications, art, and other material deemed to have permanent administrative, fiscal, legal, historical, or educational value.**

**Obj. 1.1** Manage resources to secure all permanent records, government publications, art, and all other material of permanent value.

**Obj. 1.2** Manage resources for the permanent storage of electronic records that are legally mandated to be transferred to, backed up by, or preserved by the State Archives.

Performance Measures	2021 Act.	2022 Act.	2023 Act.	2024 Act.	2025 Act.	2026 Est.	2027 Est.
Collections material (measured in cubic feet)	400,610	404,872	410,749	416,125	421,049	425,973	430,897
Electronic data managed (gigabytes)	161,724	167,936	178,176	190,464	194,560	204,382	213,985
Database records managed (millions)	22,893	22,533	24,486	24,211	26,300	27,718	28,909

**Goal 2. Make accessible State Archives' holdings of records, government publications, art, and other material of permanent value.**

**Obj. 2.1** Maintain customer-friendly reference services, and provide an efficient interagency file-retrieval service for paper-based records.

**Obj. 2.2** Increase data transferred over the web by eight percent over the prior year.

Performance Measures	2021 Act.	2022 Act.	2023 Act.	2024 Act.	2025 Act.	2026 Est.	2027 Est.
Total materials provided to searchroom patrons; phone, email and mail requests; and interagency requests	52,034	58,049	65,994	70,065	73,914	74,805	75,825
Data transferred via web (gigabytes)	63,060	85,837	90,073	115,407	116,579	130,036	147,671

**Goal 3. Facilitate a broad knowledge of Maryland and its government through the *Maryland Manual On-Line*.**

**Obj. 3.1** Describe and daily update information on Maryland and its State, county and municipal government in the *Maryland Manual On-Line*.

Performance Measures	2021 Act.	2022 Act.	2023 Act.	2024 Act.	2025 Act.	2026 Est.	2027 Est.
Files and graphics created, maintained, compiled, edited, posted, accessioned, and scanned	22,893	23,184	23,827	24,193	24,974	26,223	27,534

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**Goal 4. Increase knowledge and understanding of Maryland history and the collections of the Maryland State Archives through research, education, exhibits, and public programming.**

**Obj. 4.1** Increase research-based public programming using State Archives collections.

Performance Measures	2021 Act.	2022 Act.	2023 Act.	2024 Act.	2025 Act.	2026 Est.	2027 Est.
Number of public programs offered	56	114	123	154	137	125	125

**Goal 5. Manage State-owned art collection in the custody of the Commission on Artistic Property, and create exhibits of these works and other archival materials.**

**Obj. 5.1** Manage State-owned art collection through proper appraisal, storage, and preservation.

**Obj. 5.2** Promote an understanding of State-owned art collection and historic buildings to the public, and an appreciation of Maryland's visual and decorative arts, through the exhibition and interpretation of artistic property.

Performance Measures	2021 Act.	2022 Act.	2023 Act.	2024 Act.	2025 Act.	2026 Est.	2027 Est.
Objects in State-owned art collection	3,541	3,554	3,572	3,606	3,616	3,676	3,686
Number of items on public display in State-owned art collection	1,348	1,281	1,335	1,322	1,290	1,311	1,371