



# FEEDING THE ECONOMY



# US FOOD AND AG INDUSTRIES

The 2025 Feeding the Economy report continues to show that the U.S. food and agriculture sector is a foundational pillar of American culture and commerce. These industries directly support over 24 million jobs (15% of U.S. employment) and are responsible for more than \$9.5 trillion of the country's economic activity – about one-fifth of total U.S. output.

It begins in the rich soil of America's farms and ranches – nearly two million of them – spread across the heartland and stretching to the coasts, covering two out of every five American acres.

Meanwhile, millions of food scientists, production workers, logistics experts, truck drivers, and engineers work in almost 200,000 food manufacturing, processing, and storage facilities to keep our food supply chains strong to ensure fresh, safe food is readily available at home and abroad.

## Texas

● <b>Total Jobs</b> 4,424,009	● <b>Total Wages</b> \$246.26 Billion	● <b>Total Output</b> \$867.90 Billion
● <b>Direct Jobs</b> 2,290,093	● <b>Direct Wages</b> \$84.46 Billion	● <b>Direct Output</b> \$321.54 Billion
● <b>Business Taxes</b> \$94.89 Billion	● <b>Exports</b> \$15.26 Billion	

## United States

● <b>Total Jobs</b> 47,181,643	● <b>Total Wages</b> \$2.82 Trillion	● <b>Total Output</b> \$9.53 Trillion
● <b>Direct Jobs</b> 24,043,079	● <b>Direct Wages</b> \$1.05 Trillion	● <b>Direct Output</b> \$4.02 Trillion
● <b>Business Taxes</b> \$1.26 Trillion	● <b>Exports</b> \$182.79 Billion	

To measure the total economic impact of the food and ag industries, the analysis includes the direct and indirect economic activity surrounding these industries, capturing both upstream and downstream activity. For example, when a farm equipment retailer hires new employees because farmers are buying more tractors, experts consider the new salaries an indirect impact. Similarly, when a retail associate spends her paycheck, an induced economic impact occurs.

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## Economic Impact in Texas

Direct Economic Impact	Jobs	Wages	Output
Agriculture	269,959	\$3,837,830,500	\$27,728,173,600
Manufacturing	158,290	\$12,319,122,600	\$90,430,036,600
Wholesaling	100,410	\$10,225,340,500	\$28,400,642,300
On-Premise Retailing	1,450,919	\$45,032,912,400	\$142,142,448,900
Off-Premise Retailing	310,515	\$13,040,648,300	\$32,842,114,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,290,093</b>	<b>\$84,455,854,300</b>	<b>\$321,543,415,400</b>

Supplier Economic Impact	Jobs	Wages	Output
Agriculture	117,336	\$3,253,239,300	\$5,053,884,800
Mining	10,856	\$3,227,697,300	\$13,788,331,500
Construction	11,599	\$864,036,500	\$2,479,212,600
Manufacturing	66,416	\$7,262,022,600	\$79,671,140,300
Wholesale	97,407	\$10,534,984,200	\$36,235,307,800
Retail	14,990	\$764,633,100	\$2,077,218,300
Transportation & Communication	211,535	\$16,657,185,000	\$53,246,140,500
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	164,202	\$9,863,303,900	\$47,483,235,200
Business & Personal Services	316,522	\$28,103,091,200	\$55,333,271,000
Travel & Entertainment	33,584	\$1,520,479,300	\$3,887,166,500
Government	19,235	\$2,111,583,000	\$4,805,726,600
Other	0	\$0	\$0
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,063,682</b>	<b>\$84,162,255,400</b>	<b>\$304,060,635,100</b>

Induced Economic Impact	Jobs	Wages	Output
Agriculture	7,726	\$196,535,100	\$373,082,700
Mining	7,304	\$2,217,289,000	\$9,458,247,300
Construction	11,638	\$839,045,300	\$2,148,046,800
Manufacturing	24,796	\$2,806,746,300	\$29,555,143,000
Wholesale	36,895	\$4,341,588,600	\$15,895,124,200
Retail	125,019	\$5,905,503,600	\$15,542,483,600
Transportation & Communication	100,738	\$9,327,100,800	\$32,530,200,300
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	171,024	\$11,083,989,200	\$58,173,964,000
Business & Personal Services	464,148	\$34,570,311,100	\$64,248,998,700
Travel & Entertainment	79,581	\$3,497,899,800	\$8,857,799,000
Government	12,403	\$1,337,569,100	\$3,972,218,800
Other	28,962	\$1,518,040,600	\$1,542,792,600
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,070,234</b>	<b>\$77,641,618,500</b>	<b>\$242,298,101,000</b>

	Jobs	Wages	Output
<b>Total Economic Output</b>	<b>4,424,009</b>	<b>\$246,259,728,200</b>	<b>\$867,902,151,500</b>

Tax Impact	Business Taxes
Federal Taxes	\$60,141,463,900
State Taxes	\$34,743,806,100
<b>Total Taxes</b>	<b>\$94,885,270,000</b>

Exports	Export Value
Customs Value at Point of Shipment	\$15,256,108,400
<b>Total Exports</b>	<b>\$15,256,108,400</b>

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