

FOOD AND BEVERAGE

BY THE NUMBERS



FOOD AND BEVERAGE PROCESSING

NEARLY

1,400
COMPANIES



93,000
INDUSTRY JOBS



ANNUAL FOOD PROCESSING
INDUSTRIAL SALES

\$67.8 BILLION*



Source: Infogroup 2017; EMSI 2017.3 Class of Worker QCEW Employees 2015; 2016 U.S. Census Bureau data as reported by WISERTrade

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in cheese
production,
with over
3 BILLION POUNDS of
cheese made each year.



In 2016,
Wisconsin's milk
production
topped **3 BILLION**
POUNDS for the
first time.



Source: Wisconsin Farm Bureau Federation, 2017; NASS via Wisconsin Milk Marketing Board

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in **ORGANIC** production
of corn, oats, beans
and hay acreage.



Organic acreage in
Wisconsin **INCREASED**
by 17 percent from
2008 to 2014.

Source: Organic Agriculture in Wisconsin: 2017 Status Report, UW-Madison Center for Integrated Agricultural Systems and the Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection

Farms and agricultural businesses generate more than **\$88.3 billion** in economic activity, supporting **413,500** total jobs throughout the state.*



\$88.3
BILLION

413,500
TOTAL JOBS



*Source: Contribution of Agriculture to the Wisconsin Economy: Updated for 2012, UW-Madison/Extension, Department of Agriculture and Applied Economics by Steven C. Deller and David Williams

 *The concentration of technology we need and partners we need here is remarkable. If you just said, look anywhere in the world and choose a partner—the ones we would choose are right here in Wisconsin.* 

~ Jim Paskind
President of Joint Ventures
Salm Partners