



North Dakota Agriculture

North Dakota's Top 5 Agricultural Exports in Millions

1. Other*	\$810
2. Wheat and products	\$558
3. Soybeans and products	\$179
4. Vegetables and preparations	\$123
5. Sunflower seed and oil	\$ 94

*Other includes minor oilseeds and sugar

Did you Know?

North Dakota farmers and ranchers annually produce enough:

- Wheat for 16.2 billion loaves of bread
- Soybeans to make 190 billion crayons
- Potatoes for 207 million servings of french fries
- Durum for 11.8 billion servings of spaghetti
- Sunflowers to fill 415 million bags of sunflower seeds
- Beef for 113 million hamburgers
- Wool for 471,000 sweaters
- Milk for 1.1 billion glasses
- Pork for 49 million pork chops
- Corn to sweeten 44 billion cans of pop
- Canola to fill the ND State Capitol tower more than 19 times

What's in a Bushel?

Barley	1 Bushel = 48 Pounds
Corn	1 Bushel = 56 Pounds
Soybeans	1 Bushel = 60 Pounds
Wheat	1 Bushel = 60 Pounds

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North Dakota leads the nation in the production of the following commodities:

2003	Percent of the U.S. First
Flaxseed	95%
Canola	90%
Durum Wheat	60%
Oil Sunflower	59%
All Sunflower	57%
Pinto Beans	56%
Dry Edible Peas	53%
Non-Oil Sunflower	48%
Spring Wheat	47%
Navy Beans	46%
Barley	43%
All Dry Edible Beans	35%
Oats	15%

Second

Lentils	26%
Honey	16%
All Wheat	14%

Third

Sugarbeets	17%
Rye	8%

Where Does Your Food Dollar Go? Off Farm

Repairs	1.5¢
Interest	2.5¢
Energy	3.5¢
Other Costs	4¢
Rent	4¢
Transportation	4¢
Business Taxes & Depreciation	7¢
Packaging	8¢
Profits and Advertising	8.5¢
Labor	38¢

On Farm

Farmers and Ranchers	19¢
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Agriculture is the Leading Industry in North Dakota

- North Dakota production agriculture generated more than \$3.6 billion in cash receipts in 2002.
- Production agriculture is the largest sector of North Dakota's economy, making up 25% of the economic base.
- Nearly 24% of North Dakota workers are farmers and ranchers or are employed in farm-related jobs.
- Value-added ag processing and farm input manufacturing generated \$1.7 billion in business activity during 2002. These businesses directly and indirectly employ more than 25,000 North Dakotans.
- North Dakota consumers only spend 7% of their income on food consumed at home; compared to 17% in Germany, 48% in India, and 24% in Mexico.
- North Dakota farms provide food and habitat for 75% of the state's wildlife.
- North Dakota has 30,300 farms and ranches. The average size of a North Dakota farm is 1,300 acres.
- 39.4 million acres - nearly 90% of North Dakota's land area - is in farms and ranches.
- It takes about 40 days for most Americans to earn enough money to pay for their yearly food supply.
- North Dakota farmland would cover 12 million city blocks.

