

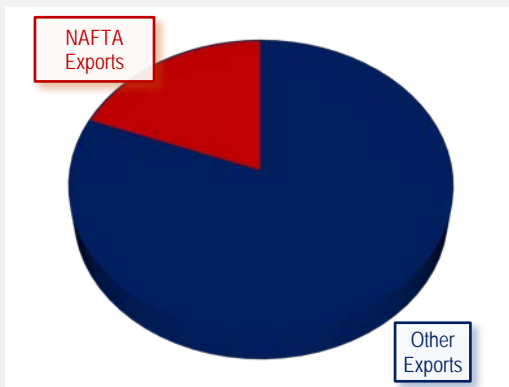


TENNESSEE

NAFTA'S IMPORTANCE TO FOOD AND AGRICULTURE

Food and Agriculture supports more than 43 million jobs. Beginning in the rich soil of America's farms and ranches, and continuing to America's grocers, truck drivers and restaurant workers, we're the economic backbone of rural America—stimulating employment throughout the entire value chain.

TENNESSEE FOOD AND AGRICULTURE ECONOMIC IMPACT



TENNESSEE EXPORTS

\$1.8 Billion in total Food and Ag product exports in 2016.

\$328 Million (18%) went to NAFTA partners.

TOP NAFTA EXPORTS:

Cotton, Animal Feeds, Prepared Foods, and Beverages.

Food and Agriculture directly and indirectly supports:
894,057 Tennessee jobs, earning **\$35 Billion** in wages.

A Successful NAFTA 2.0...

- ✓ Expands Access for Agricultural Goods
- ✓ Reduces Unnecessary Regulatory and Nontariff Barriers that Block U.S. Agricultural Exports
- ✓ Reduces Bureaucratic Delays and Red Tape
- ✓ Ensures U.S. Agricultural Exporters Receive Fair Treatment in Trade

U.S. Farmers & Families Win with NAFTA

- **Cotton Fiber & Cotton Textiles:** At almost 1 million bales, Mexico is a reliable and important market for U.S. cotton fiber. Mexico also ranks second among U.S. cotton textile and apparel export customers, buying 15% of total U.S. cotton textile and apparel exports;
- **Processed Food & Beverages:** The processed food and beverage industry is the largest source of employment in U.S. manufacturing and is highly integrated in North America. NAFTA is critical for the competitiveness of this industry whose inputs, finished goods, and investments cross both northern and southern borders of the U.S., enabling U.S. food and beverage manufacturers to thrive as a key driver the U.S. economy.
- **Animal Feed:** \$2.3 billion in annual exports would be jeopardized without NAFTA. Mexico and Canada are the U.S.'s number 1 and 3 export destinations for feed, respectively.