

# A National Leader in Farm Commodity Production



## #1 Producer of

Dry edible beans (all)	40%
Pinto beans	70%
Canola	85%
Flaxseed	79%
Honey	25%
Oats	23%
Rye	22%
Sunflower (all)	48%
Sunflower (non-oil)	48%
Sunflower (oil)	48%
Wheat (all)	18%
Durum wheat	49%
Spring wheat	54%

## #2 Producer of

Barley	28%
Pink beans	26%
Small red beans	37%
Lentils	19%
Dry edible peas	36%
Sugarbeets	20%

## #3 Producer of

Black beans	19%
Navy beans	29%

## #4 Producer of

Chickpeas	5%
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## #5 Producer of

Potatoes	6%
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## #8 Producer of

Hay, alfalfa	5%
Soybeans	5%

## #10 Producer of

Beef cows (all)	3%
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## North Dakota's top farm exports

	Rank among States	(millions of \$)
Soybeans	9	1,183.2
Wheat	2	1,077.7
Other oilseeds & products	1	714.6
Corn	13	339.8
Soybean meal	9	242.4
Vegetable oils	6	230.7
Vegetables, processed	6	220.9
Feeds & other feed grains	13	216.2
Other plant products	28	201.6
Beef and veal	15	165.9
Total exports	11	4,950.2

USDA ERS, 2021

## Top 5 agriculture commodities, 2021

	Cash receipts (\$1,000)	Cash receipts % of state
1. Soybeans	2,123,116	23.4
2. Wheat	1,778,946	19.6
3. Corn	1,477,909	16.3
4. Cattle and calves	1,148,877	12.7
5. Canola	689,053	7.6

## North Dakota Profile

Established	Nov. 2, 1889 (39th state)
State motto	<i>Liberty and Union Now and Forever, One and Inseparable</i>
Nicknames	Peace Garden State (official), Flickertail State, Roughrider State
Population	779,261 (11 people per square mile)
Land area	44.1 million acres
Land in farms	39.1 million acres
Counties	53
State beverage	Milk
State fruit	Chokecherry ( <i>Prunus virginiana</i> )
State bird	Western meadowlark ( <i>Sturnella neglecta</i> )
State flower	Wild prairie rose ( <i>Rosa pratincola</i> )
State fish	Northern pike ( <i>Esox Lucius</i> )
State grass	Western wheat grass ( <i>Agropyron smithii</i> )
State tree	American elm ( <i>Ulmus americana</i> )
Highest point	White Butte, 3,506 feet (Slope County)
Lowest point	Red River, 750 feet (Pembina County)

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# NORTH DAKOTA AGRICULTURE



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# Numbers You Should Know

## ND farmers & ranchers annually produce:



**12.5**  
BILLION

WHEAT FOR 12.5 BILLION  
COMMERCIAL 1.5LB LOAVES  
OF WHITE BREAD (1 BU=42 LOAVES)



**118**  
BILLION

SOYBEANS FOR 118 BILLION  
4-OUNCE SERVINGS OF TOFU  
(1 BU SOYBEANS = 595 SERVINGS)



**2.83**  
BILLION

POTATOES FOR 2.83 BILLION 4-OUNCE  
SERVINGS OF FRENCH FRIES



**6.5**  
BILLION

DURUM FOR 6.5 BILLION  
SERVINGS OF SPAGHETTI  
(1 BU=210 SERVINGS)



**979**  
MILLION

CORN TO MAKE 979 MILLION GALS. OF ETHANOL  
& THE DISTILLER GRAINS PRODUCED WOULD EQUAL  
5.8 BILLION POUNDS



**593**  
MILLION

MILK FOR  
593 MILLION  
8-OUNCE  
SERVINGS  
OF MILK

### Agriculture is one of North Dakota's leading industries.

Agriculture plays a major role in the lives of all North Dakotans. One of our state's largest industries, agriculture represents and encompasses much of our rich heritage and culture. In fact, almost 25 percent of our workforce is employed by agriculture, and 90 percent of our land is used to support it.

Nearly 26,000 family farmers and ranchers are the heart of this \$9 billion giant. Their hard work supplies the

United States and the entire world with enormous quantities of food, feed, fiber and fuel.

They lead the nation in the production of important commodities, including spring wheat, durum wheat, canola, flaxseed, honey, oats, sunflower, rye and dry edible beans. All told, North Dakota's abundant resources and varied landscape enables our farmers and ranchers to produce over 50 different commodities.

### ND AG STATS

- The total value of agriculture commodities sold in 2021 was \$9 billion.
- Of the total value of production, 15.3% originated from livestock and 84.7% from crops.
- The largest sector in North Dakota's economy, production agriculture makes up almost 25 percent of the state's economic base.
- Nearly one-fourth of North Dakota's workforce are farmers or ranchers or employed in agriculture-related businesses or industries.
- Value-added agricultural processing and farm input manufacturing generates in business activity annually.
- North Dakota's nearly 26,000 farms and ranches occupy 39.2 million acres. The average farm is 1,514 acres.

Figures, unless otherwise noted, are based on U.S. Department of Agriculture's National Agricultural Statistics Service reports.

**4.5**  
BILLION



PINTO BEANS FOR 4.5 BILLION  
SERVINGS OF REFRIED BEANS

**613**  
MILLION



CONFECTION SUNFLOWERS FOR  
613 MILLION 3-OUNCE BAGS OF  
SUNFLOWER SEED SNACKS

**655**  
MILLION



HONEY FOR 655 MILLION 1-TBSP  
SERVINGS

**2.2**  
BILLION



SUGARBEETS TO MAKE 2.2 BILLION  
POUNDS OF SUGAR

**1.9**  
BILLION



BEEF FOR 1.9 BILLION 1/4 LB. BURGERS

**214**  
MILLION



CANOLA TO MAKE  
214 MILLION GALS. OF COOKING OIL