Washington's Agricultural Exports

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Food & Agriculture are a Vibrant Part of Washington's Economy

Farming: 37,250 Farms = Gross Sales \$9.1 billion

Food Processing: 3,000 Firms = Gross Sales \$15.46 billion

Employment

- On Farm: 84,000

Food Processing: 37,000

All Food & Ag: 160,000

Total Economic Value: \$49 billion*

* about 13% of state economy (gross state product)



Source: NASS, WSDA



Agricultural Exports are Key

- Food & Ag #2 export category for WA
- WA #3 Food & Agriculture exporter in US
- About 30% of WA agricultural products are exported

2013 WA Exports:

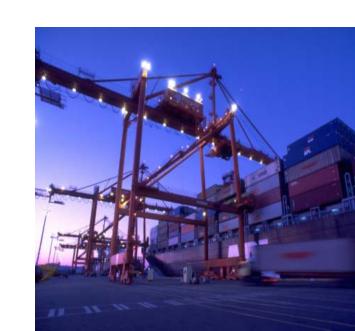
All Food & Ag

\$15.1 bil.

WA-Originated:

\$8.76 bil.

(no corn, soybeans, rice)



Source: GTIS World Trade Atlas



Washington's Top Food & Agricultural Exports

Washington Origin, CY 2013

| Rank | Product | US \$ Millions | % Change 12→13 |
|--------------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| All Food and Agriculture | | 15,083 | - 8.8 |
| Total WA Origin | | 8,756 | + 0.77 |
| 1 | Wheat and Meslin | 2,491 | - 2.29 |
| 2 | Fish & Seafood | 1,055 | + 3.51 |
| 3 | Apples | 845 | + 2.45 |
| 4 | Potatoes (frozen/processed) | 263 | + 1.41 |
| 5 | Hay | 526 | - 1.46 |
| 6 | Milk Powder | 233 | - 2.78 |
| 7 | Cherries, fresh | 224 | - 20.64 |
| 8 | Hop Products | 161 | - 10.39 |
| 9 | Legumes, dry, shelled | 132 | + 29.97 |
| 10 | Pears | 123 | + 11.84 |



Washington is the 3rd largest U.S. exporter of food & ag products

Source: GTIS World Trade Atlas

Washington's Top Ag Export Markets

2013 Exports (All food & ag) - \$15.1 billion

| Rank | Market | \$ Value Million | % Change 12→13 |
|------|---------------------------|---------------------|-------------------|
| 1 | Japan | 1,623 | - 10.98 |
| 2 | Canada | 1,474 | + 5.97 |
| 3 | Southeast Asia | 1,372 | + 3.92 |
| 4 | China & Hong Kong | 907 | + 14.61 |
| 5 | Korean Republic | 485 | - 17.47 |
| 6 | Taiwan | 419 | - 8.6 |
| 7 | Mexico | 376 | - 2.89 |
| 8 | Middle East (UAE & Saudi) | 196 | + 1.88 |
| 9 | Guatemala | 140 | - 6.08 |
| 10 | United Kingdom | 135 | + 7.72 |



Washington Exports to Over 150 Countries

Source: GTIS World Trade Atlas

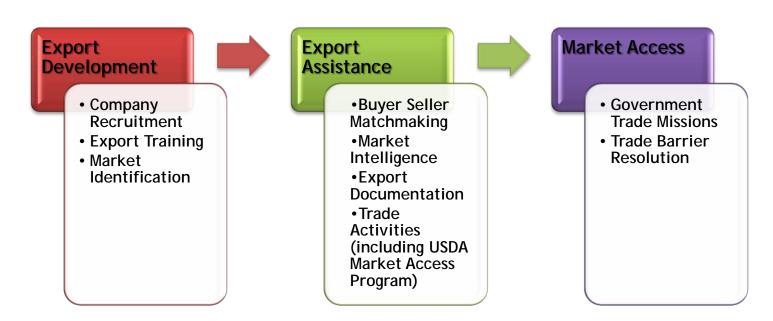




WSDA's International Marketing Program

Three Core Functions:

- Export Development: Identify and provide resources to Washington companies to help them become export-ready.
- Export Assistance: Match buyers & sellers, conduct trade activities, and provide technical assistance to facilitate trade.
- Market Access: Collaborate with partners to address market entry barriers.



Framework & Target Markets



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