

# WEST VIRGINIA DAIRY FACTS

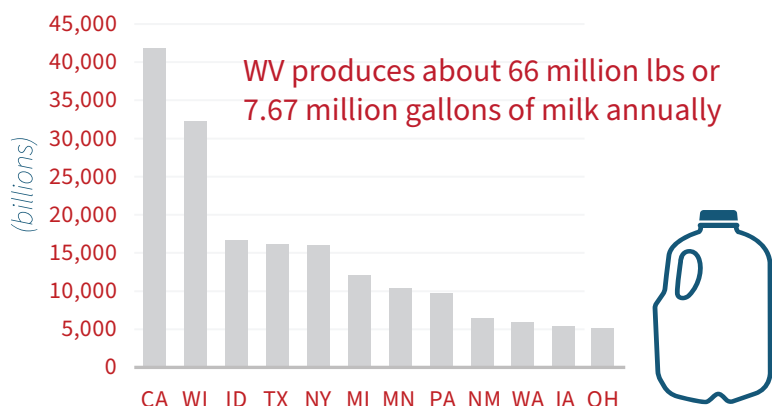
## West Virginia is home to about 30 dairy farms

The average herd size is about 165 cows per farm



There are about 26,500 dairy farms in the United States

### TOP STATES IN MILK PRODUCTION

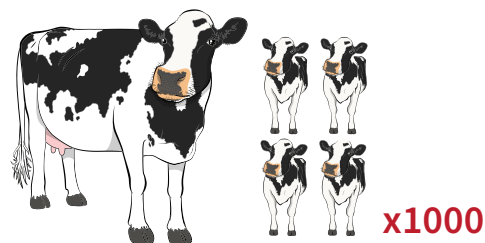


## West Virginia dairy industry economic impact

The total economic impact of dairy products produced and sold in West Virginia is **\$1.87 billion**, which generates **11,100 jobs** for West Virginians.

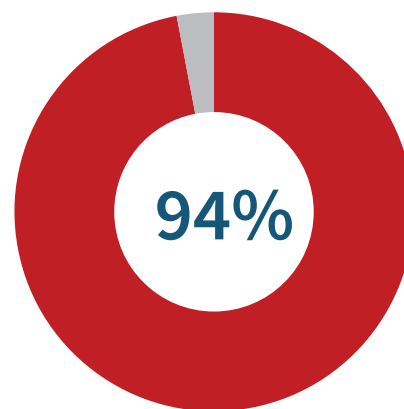
Nationally, the dairy industry creates more than 3.2 million U.S. jobs and has an overall economic impact of \$793.8 billion.

There are about 5,000 dairy cows in WV



There are 9.38 million dairy cows nationwide

94% of dairy farms nationwide are family owned



Many farms have been in the family for multiple generations

### WEST VIRGINIA RANKS NATIONALLY

**41<sup>st</sup>** in number of dairy farms

**43<sup>rd</sup>** in number of dairy cows

**44<sup>th</sup>** in milk production

