

# WEST VIRGINIA DAIRY FACTS

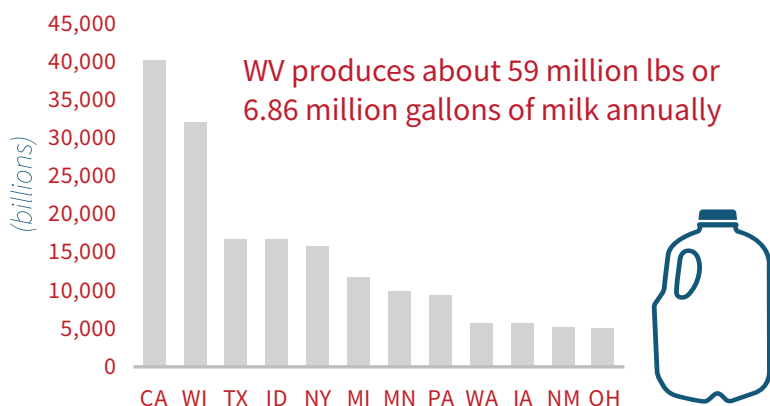
## West Virginia is home to about 25 dairy farms

The average herd size is about 160 cows per farm



There are about 23,600 dairy farms in the United States

### TOP STATES IN MILK PRODUCTION

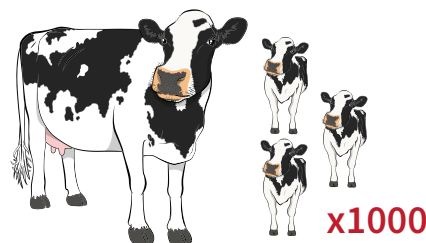


## West Virginia dairy industry economic impact

The total economic impact of dairy products produced and sold in West Virginia is **\$2.15 billion**, which generates **9,700 jobs** for West Virginians.

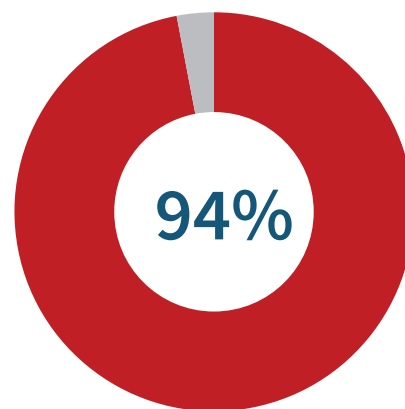
Nationally, the dairy industry creates more than 3.05 million U.S. jobs and has an overall economic impact of \$779.45 billion.

There are about 4,000 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

