



## Agriculture and food processing provide over **164,000** jobs in Washington

(Washington State Agriculture & Food Processing Economic/Fiscal Impact Study)

**35,793** farms (2017)

Nearly **900** organic farms (2017)

**67%** of farms are less than 50 acres (2017)



**Nearly 27,000** female farmers

Food processing generated more than **\$21.8 billion** in revenues (2019 WA Dept. of Revenue)



**89%** of Washington's farms are small farms – selling less than \$250,000 per year.



**82%** of Washington farms are less than **180** acres.

Washington farmers produce over **300** different commodities.

Apples are not only Washington's top crop, they represent **23%** of the total value of ag production in the state.

(WA Farmers Market Assoc. 2019)



There are **151** farmers markets in **120** towns.

King County alone has almost 40.

In 2019, Washington agriculture production totaled

**\$9.49 billion**

**96%** of Washington farms are family farms (2017)



**"Farming is my other job"**

More than **half** of Washington's farmers farm part time in addition to another job.

### Top 10 Commodities in Washington\*

(2022)

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| 1 <b>APPLES</b><br>\$2.068 billion | 2 <b>MILK</b><br>\$1.678 billion | 3 <b>WHEAT</b><br>\$1.71 billion | 4 <b>CATTLE</b><br>\$1.019 billion   | 5 <b>POTATOES</b><br>\$942.7 million |
| 6 <b>HAY</b><br>\$882.6 million    | 7 <b>EGGS</b><br>\$459.9 million | 8 <b>HOPS</b><br>\$434.5 million | 9 <b>CHERRIES</b><br>\$407.7 million | 10 <b>GRAPES</b><br>\$394.9 million  |

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