THE FOOD AND INGREDIENT INDUSTRY IN IOWA IS THRIVING

Iowa is home to 36 of the largest 100 food manufacturers/processors.
(Food Processing Magazine, 2015)

Iowa is home to the largest cereal mill (Quaker Oats) and largest caramel color plant (Sethness) in the world and the largest spice plant (Tone’s) in North America.
(Iowa Economic Development Authority)

21 percent of Iowa’s manufacturing GDP comes from the food processing industry. In 2013, Iowa’s food industry invested over $997 million in capital investment to expand operations.
(Bureau of Economic Analysis, 2014 and U.S. Census, 2013)

More than 900 Iowa food processors generate more than $35 billion worth of food products annually.
(Hoover’s Database, 2015 and U.S. Census, 2012)

Iowa produces 13.6 billion eggs each year, almost one-and-a-third times the second-largest egg producing state.
(USDA, 2016)

Iowa is less than .001% of the nation’s land mass

AND PRODUCES 9% OF THE NATION’S FOOD SUPPLY

18.1% of the total U.S. production
2.74 BILLION BUSHELS PER YEAR

13.3% of the total U.S. production
572 MILLION BUSHELS PER YEAR

34.8% of the total U.S. production
48.2 MILLION HEAD PER YEAR

13.3% of the total U.S. production
13.6 BILLION EGGS PER YEAR

14% of the total U.S. production
7.1 BILLION POUNDS PER YEAR

(USDA, 2013)