



AGRICULTURE WORKS HARD FOR

► SAUK COUNTY

Family-owned farms, food processors and agriculture-related businesses generate thousands of jobs and millions of dollars of economic activity for Sauk County, while contributing to local income and tax revenues.

Agriculture's annual impact:

WHAT DO OUR FARMS PRODUCE?

1

Milk



2

Grain



3

Cattle & Calves



4

Hogs & Pigs



5

Hay & Other Crops



HOW MANY PEOPLE DOES AGRICULTURE EMPLOY?



4,312

jobs

in the county

WHAT IS THE ECONOMIC IMPACT?



in economic activity

HOW MUCH TAX DOES AGRICULTURE CONTRIBUTE?

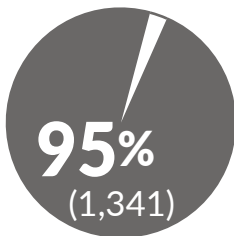
Farms pay



\$19
million

in sales tax, property tax & income tax

WHO OWNS THE FARMS?



are **family farms**

HOW MUCH IS SOLD LOCALLY?



sold directly to consumers

WHO TAKES CARE OF THE LAND?

1,412 farms manage



298,906 acres

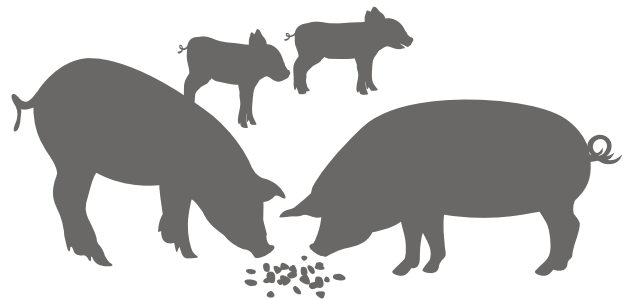
(56% of county total)

THE AGRICULTURE SECTOR BENEFITS THE ENTIRE COUNTY

Scattered across Sauk County’s driftless region, you will find many family farms and local agri-businesses. The dairy industry continues to be a prominent industry for the county. In addition to dairy, Sauk County is a leader in the state for the production of hogs and cattle. There is also a strong connection to the farm through farmers markets, CSAs and agritourism including: harvest festivals, various pick-your-own operations, bed and breakfasts, meat markets, cheese factories, and lavender farms around the county. Overall, agriculture has a tremendous impact on the county landscape, and the variety of family farms continue to keep agriculture thriving in Sauk County.

Did you know?

SAUK COUNTY IS
No. 2 in Wisconsin’s
hogs & pigs industry



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