



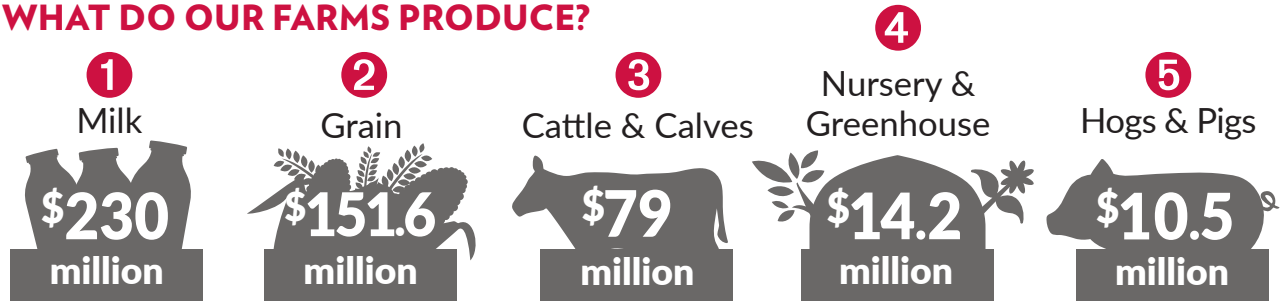
## AGRICULTURE WORKS HARD FOR

### ► DANE COUNTY

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

#### Agriculture's annual impact:

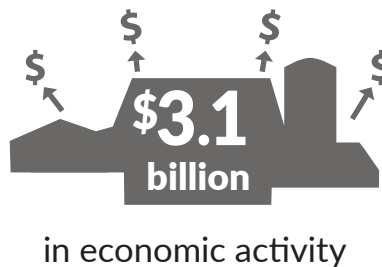
#### WHAT DO OUR FARMS PRODUCE?



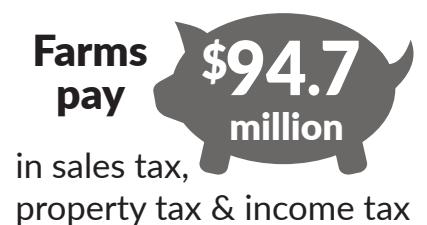
#### HOW MANY PEOPLE DOES AGRICULTURE EMPLOY?



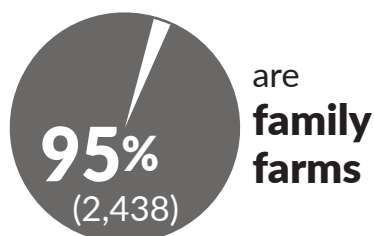
#### WHAT IS THE ECONOMIC IMPACT?



#### HOW MUCH TAX DOES AGRICULTURE CONTRIBUTE?



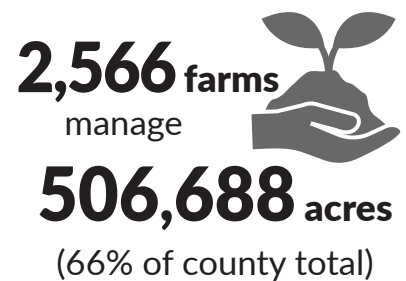
#### WHO OWNS THE FARMS?



#### HOW MUCH IS SOLD LOCALLY?



#### WHO TAKES CARE OF THE LAND?



## THE AGRICULTURE SECTOR BENEFITS THE ENTIRE COUNTY

Dane County is among the state’s most productive agriculture counties and is representative of the strong role agriculture plays in Wisconsin’s economy. The main agriculture commodities are dairy cows, corn for grain and silage, soybeans, alfalfa hay and winter wheat. The county hosts premier agriculture events such as, World Dairy Expo, The Wisconsin Agribusiness Classic, and the Organic Vegetable Production Conference. Dane county is also home to the largest producer-only farmer’s market in the nation. The local green industry, catering to Madison’s population growth, has flourished, as has agri-tourism and direct marketing in response to a strong local foods movement.

**Did you know?**

**DANE COUNTY IS**  
**No. 1** in Wisconsin’s  
**grain industry**



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