

# Food Processing

The food manufacturing industry (NAICS 311) includes establishments that transform livestock and agricultural products into products for intermediate or final consumption. The food products manufactured in these establishments are typically sold to wholesalers or retailers for distribution to consumers, although some establishments such as bakeries or confectioners may make direct sales to customers. This category includes some liquids, such as milk products and fruit juices.



## Texas Industry Totals

Firms	1,637
Employment	85,387
Average Annual Wage	\$37,752
Total Capital Investments	\$635.7 million
Value Added Per Employee	\$184,233
Value of Shipments	\$43 billion

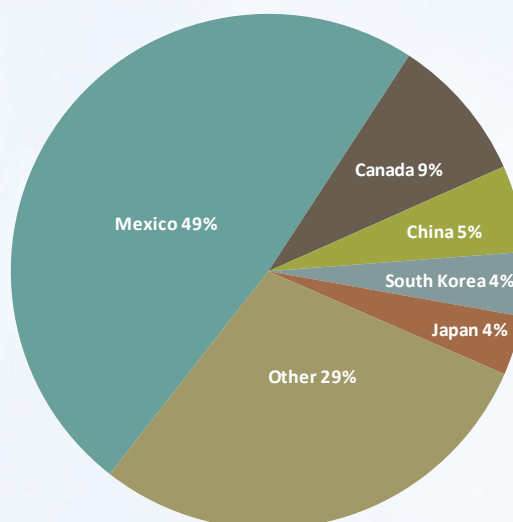
## How Texas Ranks in the U.S.

All Employees	No. 2
Production Workers	No. 2
Value Added	No. 3
Value of Shipments	No. 2
Total Capital Investments	No. 7

## Texas Exports

- Texas processed food exports in 2012 were valued at \$5.3 billion – down 0.3% from 2011.
- In 2012, processed food was Texas' 15th largest export sector.
- Top food commodities shipped from Texas ports include poultry, pork, and other meat products.

## Top Export Markets



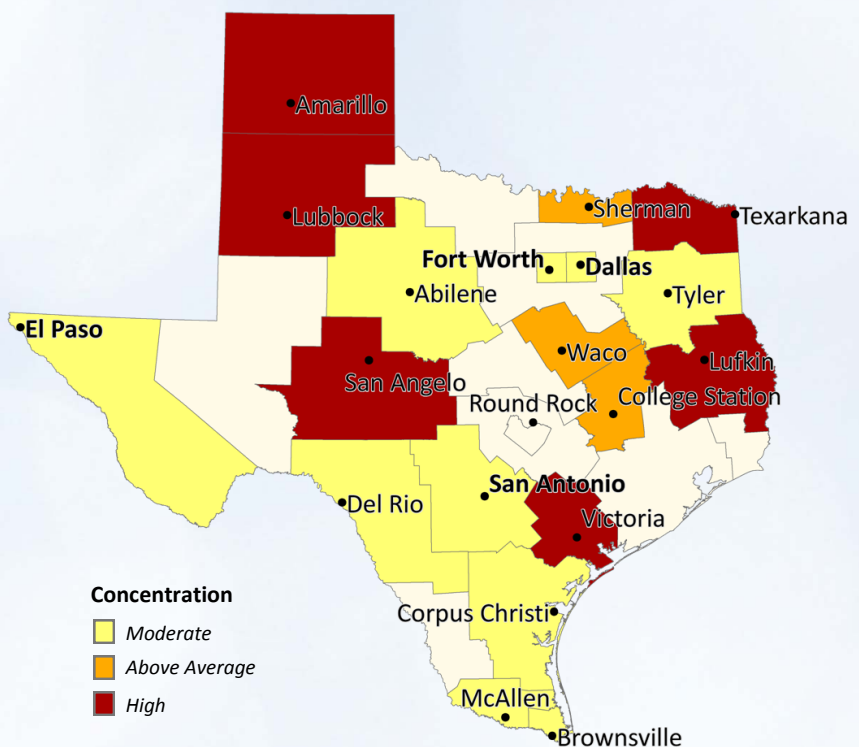
Sources: Texas Workforce Commission, U.S. Census Annual Survey of Manufactures, WISERTrade, Texas Manufacturers Register

## Major Industry Employers in Texas

Company	Location(s)	Products
Tyson Foods	Amarillo, etc.	Meat processing and packing, packaged soups
Frito-Lay	Plano, etc.	Snack foods
Dean Foods Co.	Dallas, etc.	Milk & dairy products
JBS Swift & Co. (Incl. Pilgrim's Pride)	Cactus, Mt. Pleasant	Meat & poultry processing
Sanderson Farms	Bryan, Waco	Poultry processing

## Regional Concentrations

The map at right identifies the state's Workforce Development regions with above-average specializations in food manufacturing. The highlighted regions are not the only areas in Texas where workers in this sector can be found, but rather represent areas with the greatest concentrations relative to the size of the local labor force. This industry is broadly distributed throughout the state.



## Recent Industry Trends

- Texas food processing industry wages increased by 4.2% between Q4 2011 and Q4 2012.
- In late 2012, Japan-based noodle maker Maruchan began construction on a \$330 million noodle plant in San Antonio. Once operational, the plant is expected to create 600 jobs in the city.
- Also in late 2012, the New Jersey-based Campbell Soup Company announced a \$45 million expansion to its soup plant in Paris, Texas. The Paris plant will absorb the production capacity from the closure of a Campbell's plant in Sacramento, California.