



The Purdue University/CME Group Ag Economy Barometer is a nationwide measure of the health of the U.S. agricultural economy.

On the first Tuesday of each month, the Ag Economy Barometer provides a sense of the agricultural economy's health with an index value. The index is based on a survey of 400 agricultural producers on economic sentiment each month. Quarterly, the index will be accompanied by an in-depth survey of 100 agriculture and agribusiness thought leaders.

As CME Group's roots are in agriculture, and Purdue University's Center for Commercial Agriculture has a long history of producing cutting-edge agricultural research, this partnership is designed to create a new and important tool for producers, economists, traders, finance industry professionals and journalists who are interested in understanding the agriculture industry and the broader global economy.

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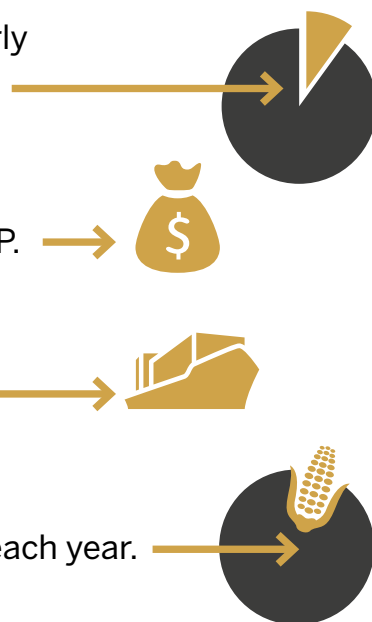
Agriculture is a critical component of the global economy.

The agricultural sector employs nearly **10 percent** of all American workers.

Agriculture contributes more than **\$835 billion** annually to the U.S. GDP.

In 2015, the U.S. exported **\$133 billion** in agricultural exports.

American families spend about **10 percent** of their income on food each year.



HOW TO INTERPRET THE BAROMETER

A score of 100 means producer sentiment is unchanged from the six-month baseline research period (October 2015 to March 2016).

A score higher than 100 means sentiment improved from the base period.



A score lower than 100 means sentiment declined versus the base period.

Learn More

For more information and the latest results, please visit purdue.edu/agbarometer.