

The Meat Industry Creates Jobs in Indiana Congressional District 2

Residents of Joe Donnelly's District Depend on Meat Production and Sales for their Livelihood

Indiana companies that produce, process, distribute and sell meat and poultry and meat and poultry products are an integral part of the state's economy. Manufacturers of meat and meat-related products along with the companies that sell and distribute these products, provide well paying jobs in Indiana Congressional District Number 2.

Economic Impact of The Meat Industry in Indiana District 2

	Direct	Supplier	Induced	Total
Jobs (FTE)	7,280	5,850	4,140	17,270
Wages	\$ 176,076,600	\$ 200,072,500	\$ 148,450,700	\$ 524,599,800
Economic Impact	\$ 1,204,680,500	\$ 1,050,216,300	\$ 513,854,900	\$ 2,768,751,700

The Meat Industry is an Integral Part of the Economy in Indiana's Cong. Dist. 2

- ✓ The benefits of the meat and poultry industry can easily be seen in Congressional District 2, where the industry is responsible for a total of 17,270 jobs, including 2,500 in meat and poultry packing, and 3,850 directly involved in the retail sale of meat, poultry and meat & poultry products.
- ✓ In addition, the District is home to 5,800 jobs in firms supplying the meat and poultry industry, including 2,440 jobs involved in the agricultural production of meat and poultry animals.
- ✓ These are real jobs held by real people in firms as varied as trucking companies, machinery manufacturers, accounting firms, and grocery stores, and represent an important part of the economy in Representative Joe Donnelly's District.
- ✓ All told, the meat and poultry industry generates nearly \$2.77 billion in economic activity in the district.

The Economic Benefit of The Industry Spreads Throughout the State

- ✓ Companies in Indiana that produce, process, distribute and sell meat and poultry, and meat and poultry products employ as many as 41,780 people in the state and generate an additional 90,689 jobs in supplier and ancillary industries. These include jobs in companies supplying goods and services to manufacturers, distributors and retailers, as well as those that depend on sales to workers in the meat industry.
- ✓ These are good jobs, paying an average of \$30,850 in wages and benefits. Today, every job is important. In fact, in Indiana the unemployment rate has reached 9.9 percent. This means that there are already 318,500 people trying to find jobs in the state, and collecting unemployment benefits. [1]
- ✓ Not only does the manufacture and sale of meat and meat-related products create good jobs in Indiana but the industry also contributes to the economy as a whole. In 2008, the meat industry was responsible for as much as \$18.7 billion in economic activity in the state.

1 The Bureau of Labor Statistics. Available on-line at: www.bls.gov/lau/home.htm. Data for April 2009.