Dairy Business Innovation Initiatives

USDA's Dairy Business Innovation (DBI) Initiatives grant program supports small and mid-sized dairy businesses in the development, production, marketing, and distribution of dairy products.

ams.usda.gov/services/grants/dbi

\$64 million invested in 600 projects across 40 states since 2019.

\$11 million awarded to the four current DBI Initiatives in 2024.

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provide valuable technical assistance and subgrants to dairy farmers and businesses across their regions.

REGIONS

California State University Fresno Region: AZ, CA, NM, NV, OR, and WA.

University of Wisconsin Region: WI, MN, IA, SD, IL, MI, OH, IN, NE, KS, and MO.

University of Tennessee Region: AL, AR, FL,GA, KY, LA, MS, NC, SC, TN, VA, and WV.

Vermont Agency for Agriculture, Food, and Markets Region: CT, DE, ME, MD, MA, NH, NJ, NY, PA, RH, and VT.

GOALS

- Expand processing capacity
- Diversify dairy product markets
- Encourage regional milk production
- Develop higher value uses for dairy products
- Improve regional dairy supply chain

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