

Key Findings from the District's Food Economy Study

The District of Columbia's food economy is a significant driver of economic growth and employment in the city and region.

From 2001 to 2016, employment in the District's food economy grew by 72%, compared to 21% in all sectors in the city.

The District's food economy produced \$5.47 billion in economic impact in 2016.

71,300

Workers directly employed in the food economy in 2016

8.0%

Percentage of the total District employment directly employed in the food economy in 2016

\$579.3 M

Tax revenue generated by the food economy in 2016

Growth of employment in key food sectors between 2001 and 2016

▲ 93%

Full service restaurants

▲ 33%

Grocery stores

▼ -23%

Food manufacturing

▼ -14%

Food wholesale

▲ 141 jobs

Beverage manufacturing
(a 2820% increase)

All food and beverage sectors, except for food wholesale, are projected to grow until 2026.

These key findings are from the District's Food Economy Study. The full report and analysis will be available at dcfoodpolicy.org in Spring 2019.



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