

# **Food and Drug Administration**

## **Fact Sheet – Wisconsin**

**FDA Presence:** 21 FDA employees in Wisconsin

Resident Posts in Wisconsin: Milwaukee, Madison, Green Bay, and LaCrosse  
report to: Minneapolis District, Minneapolis, Minnesota, who  
reports to: Central Region: Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

### **Industry Presence in State**

There are 4,023 FDA-regulated establishments in the State of Wisconsin

Food establishments (includes cosmetics) - 55 percent

Animal drug and feed establishments - 18 percent

Medical device and Radiological establishments - 17 percent

Human drug establishments - 8 percent

Biologic establishments (includes blood banks) - 2 percent

### **Imports**

- There are 3 ports of entry in the State of Wisconsin.
- FDA regulated import entries are primarily food, food additives, cardiovascular and radiological devices.
- The majority of the Wisconsin FDA regulated import entries are handled out of the Minneapolis FDA office.

### **Industry Highlights**

- Milk & Dairy - Leads the nation in cheese and dry whey production; second in milk and butter production.
- Cranberries - Wisconsin ranks first in cranberry production.
- Low Acid Canned Foods - Ranks first in snapbeans. Significant processing includes carrots, sweet corn, green peas, cucumbers/pickles, cabbage (kraut), and beets.
- Seafood – Home of more than 90 firms that process or handle seafood.
- Agriculture – Significant production occurs for: maple syrup, mint for oil, potatoes, oats, tart cherries, corn for silage, ginseng, milk cows, and honey.
- Medical Devices – Wisconsin is the home of 3 major medical device manufacturers: GE Medical Systems; General Electric Medical Systems Information Technology; & GE Imaging.

### **Contracts & Partnerships**

#### State Contracts

Department of Agriculture, Trade & Consumer Protection

- Conduct GMP inspections at licensed feed mills and BSE inspections at licensed and unlicensed feed facilities.
- Conduct food sanitation, seafood HACCP, and juice HACCP inspections.
- Conduct follow-up investigations of first time violators of tissue residues in food animals.

Department of Health and Social Services

- Conduct inspections of mammography facilities

#### State Grants

Wisconsin Department of Agriculture

- BSE cooperative agreement to develop and improve the infrastructure of the state feed safety and BSE prevention programs.