

**Food and Drug Administration
Fact Sheet – Minnesota
(2 pages)**

FDA Presence: 63 FDA employees in Minnesota

Resident Post: International Falls

reports to: Minneapolis District: Minneapolis

reports to: Central Region, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Industry Presence in State

There are 4,120 FDA-regulated establishments in the State of Minnesota

(Some firms are in more than one category)

Food establishments (includes cosmetics) 36 percent

Medical device and Radiological establishments 23 percent

Animal drug and feed establishments 31percent

Human drug establishments 8 percent

Biologic establishments (includes blood banks) 2 percent

Imports

- There are 11 ports of entry in the State of Minnesota.
- FDA regulated import entries are predominantly human food whole grain and milled products and non-medicated feed on the Northern border. Entries made through the Minneapolis ports are predominately Medical Devices and human food with fewer human drugs, radiological products and ceramic ware.
- Minnesota FDA regulated import entries are predominantly handled out of the Minneapolis District Office and one Resident Post on the Canadian border – International Falls.

Industry Highlights

- Leads the nation in production of sugar beets, green peas for processing, sweet corn for processing, and turkeys
- Second in the nation in production of spring wheat, oats, cultivated wild rice and canola. Other key crops/products include corn, sunflowers, soybeans, all wheat, barley, dry edible beans, all hay, potatoes, flaxseed, total cheese, American cheese, milk, ice cream, honey, milk cows, and hogs.
- Minnesota ranks seventh nationally in agricultural exports
- Minnesota is home to such major firms as Medtronic, General Mills, 3M, Pillsbury, Land O'Lakes, Boston Scientific, and St. Jude Medical
- The University of Minnesota and the Mayo Clinic are very active in medical bio-research

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Contracts & Partnerships

Minnesota Department of Agriculture (contracts)

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

Minnesota Health Department (contract)

- Conduct MQSA audits of mammography facilities.

Minnesota Department of Agriculture (grant)

- BSE cooperative agreement to develop and improve the infrastructure of the state feed safety and BSE prevention programs.
- Food Safety Task Force to coordinate and address food safety and defense issues among regulated industry and regulators within the state.