

# Agriculture is Everyone's Business

.... and here's why:

While facts and figures vary, all point to one inescapable conclusion: agriculture is good for the economy and supports local businesses.



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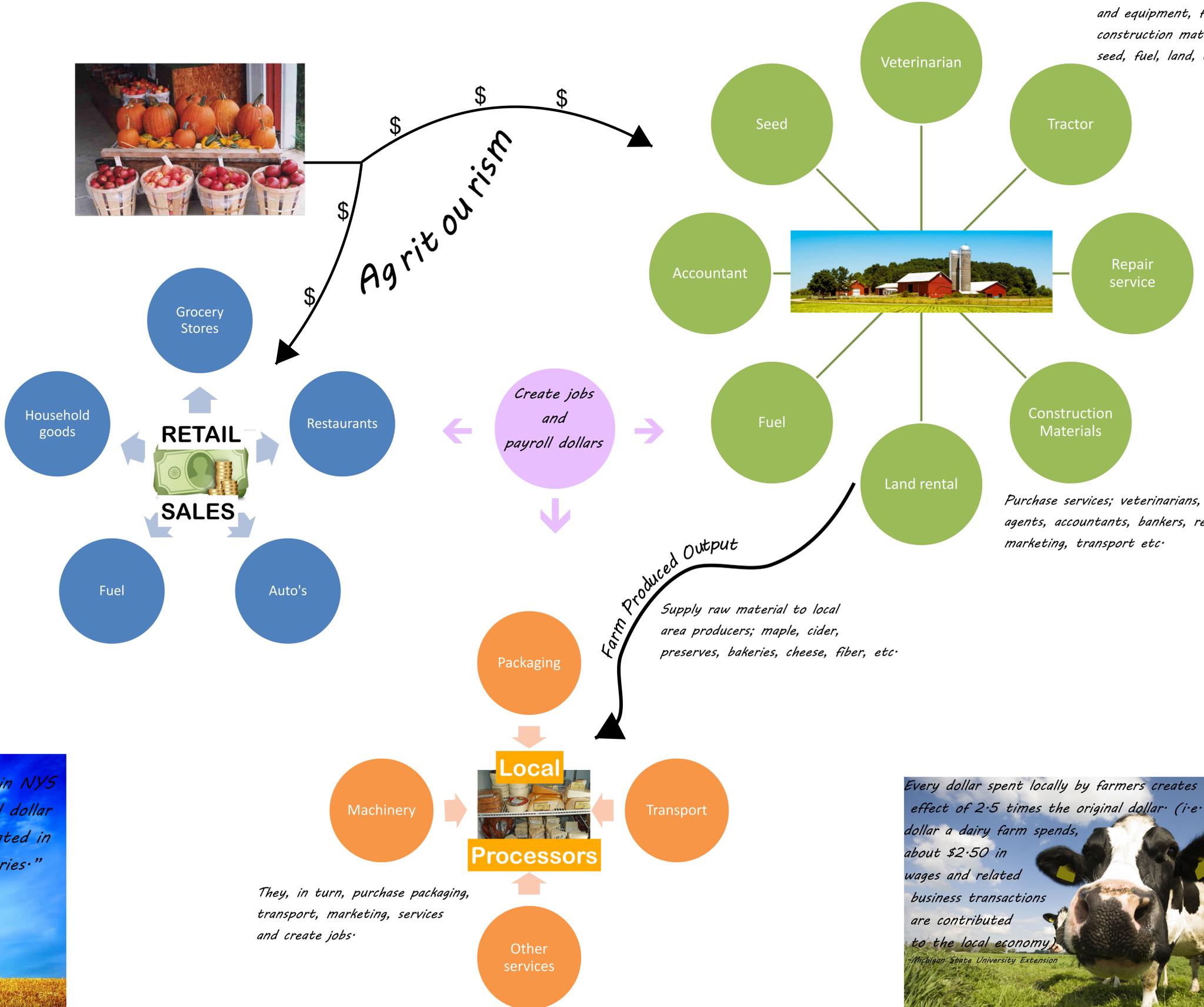
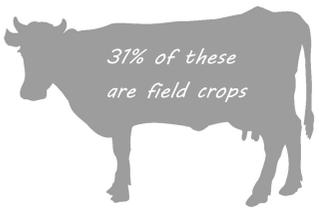
Purchase supplies: machinery and equipment, feed, construction materials, seed, fuel, land, etc.

Purchase services; veterinarians, insurance agents, accountants, bankers, repair, marketing, transport etc.

Farm Produced Output  
Supply raw material to local area producers; maple, cider, preserves, bakeries, cheese, fiber, etc.

They, in turn, purchase packaging, transport, marketing, services and create jobs.

Other Studies show that factoring in direct agricultural spending the impact is even more significant.....



Every dollar spent locally by farmers creates a multiplier effect of 2.5 times the original dollar. (i.e. for every dollar a dairy farm spends, about \$2.50 in wages and related business transactions are contributed to the local economy).  
- Michigan State University Extension